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***43rd PABF Championships - Open Series 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Robin***

Ranking (29/6/05)			
		VP	IMP Quotient
1	China	336	1.8544
2	Chinese Taipei	298	1.3603
3	Indonesia	287	1.2431
4	Australia	287	1.2311
5	China Hong Kong	276	1.1612
6	Singapore	265	1.1248
7	New Zealand	264	1.0491
8	Japan	253.5	0.9818
9	China Macau	215	0.7591
10	Philippines	198	0.6883
11	Thailand	197.5	0.7002
12	Korea	165	0.5707

***43rd PABF Championships Ladies Series 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Robin***

Ranking (29/6/05)			
		VP	IMP Quotient
1	China	335	3.0287
2	Japan	281	1.5665
3	Indonesia	273.5	1.4948
4	Australia	255	1.4729
5	New Zealand	234	1.0865
6	China Hong Kong	214	0.9651
7	Singapore	210	0.8716
8	Thailand	176.5	0.7240
9	Korea	142.5	0.4824
10	Chinese Taipei	82	0.2848

***43rd PABF Championships - Youth Series 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Robin***

<b>Ranking (29/6/05)</b>			
		VP	IMP Quotient
1	Japan	260.5	1.5662
2	Singapore	238	1.2903
3	Australia	235	1.1680
4	Chinese Taipei	231.5	1.1960
5	China Hong Kong	228	1.1632
6	Indonesia	222	1.0977
7	Thailand	187	0.8533
8	Philippines	182.5	0.7901
9	Korea	110	0.4882

***43rd PABF Championships – Senior Series 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Robin***

<b>Ranking (29/6/05)</b>			
		VP	IMP Quotient
1	Australia	324	2.1701
2	Japan - Yamada	296	1.7260
3	China	284	1.4594
4	Chinese Taipei	282.5	1.4903
5	China Hong Kong	270	1.2867
6	Indonesia	268	1.2722
7	Queens & Knight	221	0.8494
8	Japan - Yokohama	216	0.8670
9	New Zealand	212	0.7866
10	Japan - PS Jack	210	0.7691
11	Japan - Wakasa	207	0.8049
12	Thailand	199	0.7422
13	Korea - Ivy League	189	0.6615
14	Korea - Joy Club	161.5	0.5553

Open Series		IRR	Against												Adj	Total	Rank
Team			c/o	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			
1	China	220							10	14	22	22	23	25		336	1
2	Indonesia	190							15	22	15	10	20	15		287	3
3	Chinese Taipei	182							16	13	22	17	25	23		298	2
4	Australia	176							25	9	21	17	14	25		287	3
5	China Hong Kong	173							15	12	21	22	14	19		276	5
6	Singapore	172							14	5	21	14	18	21		265	6
7	Japan	168.5	20	15	14	5	15	16								253.5	8
8	New Zealand	159	16	8	17	21	18	25								264	7
9	Philippines	140	8	15	8	9	9	9								198	10
10	China Macau	137	8	20	13	13	8	16								215	9
11	Thailand	132.5	7	10	4	16	16	12								197.5	11
12	Korea	115	4	15	7	4	11	9								165	12

Women's Series		IRR	Against										Adj	Total	Rank
Team			c/o	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
1	China	197					19	25	19	25	25	25		335	1
2	Japan	176			9	20	13	21			17	25		281	2
3	Indonesia	159.5		21				15	19	16	18	25		273.5	3
4	Australia	153		10			16		13	25	25	13		255	4
5	New Zealand	129	11	17		14			19	19		25		234	5
6	Singapore	129	3	9	15				14	15	25			210	7
7	China Hong Kong	123	11		11	17	11	16				25		214	6
8	Thailand	107.5	3		14	1	11	15			25			176.5	8
9	Korea	106.5	5	13	12	2		4		0				142.5	9
10	Chinese Taipei	46	4	4	5	17	4		2					82	10

Youth Series		IRR	Against									Bye	Adj	Total	Rank
Team			c/o	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8				
1	Japan	146					25	22	9	20	21	18	-0.5	260.5	1
2	Australia	139			15	14	24	8			17	18		235	3
3	Singapore	137		15				25	16	5	22	18		238	2
4	Chinese Taipei	123.5		16			20		11	21	22	18		231.5	4
5	Philippines	123.5	3	6		10			19	3		18		182.5	8
6	Thailand	120	8	22	3				3	8	23			187	7
7	China Hong Kong	120	21		14	19	11	25				18		228	5
8	Indonesia	111	10		25	9	25	22			20			222	6
9	Korea	55.5	9	13	8	8		7		10			-0.5	110	9

Senior Series		IRR	Against														Adj	Total	Rank
Team			c/o	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
1	Australia	267								16	12	25	20	12	20	25		397	1
2	Chinese Taipei	241.5			16	7			18	13			24	25		14		358.5	4
3	China	241		14			14	15			10	25			23	23		365	3
4	Japan - Yamada	230		23			20	16			23	24		25	25			386	2
5	Indonesia	218			16	10			17	24			11	15	25			336	6
6	China Hong Kong	205			15	14			25	19		23	25			25		351	5
7	Japan - Yokohama	183		12			13	5			10	16	19			25		283	8
8	Japan - Qs & K	179	14	17			6	11			21			25	15			288	7
9	New Zealand	177	18		20	7			20	9				18	14			283	8
10	Japan - Wakasa	172	5		0	6		7	14				11			10		225	12
11	Japan - PS Jack	170	10	6			19	5	11			19				16		256	10
12	Korea - Ivy League	153	18	5		4	15			1	12				6			214	13
13	Thailand	150	10		7	5	0			15	16			24				227	11
14	Korea - Joy Club	124.5	3	16	7			5	3			20	14					192.5	14

## Congratulatory Email from BBO

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Sent: Wednesday, June 29, 2005 1:05 PM  
Subject: PABF Vu-graph with Chinese commentary

> I think the Chinese commentary for the closed room table this morning was  
> a great success. The attached screen shot may be suitable for the daily  
> bulletin.  
>  
> As far as I know this is the first time BBO has had Chinese commentary at  
> a major event and this will be a wonderful service to our Chinese fans for  
    > the rest of the event.

*From Rick Wakeman here helping out BBO for the Vu-graph matches of the 43<sup>rd</sup> PABF Championships:*

I need operators for the playoffs because we would like to broadcast from 4 tables, anyone who would like to volunteer please contact Rick Wakeman.

It's not a difficult job and I will be happy to train folks in advance.

Familiarity with the BBO table screen is an asset.

Help us wrap up the 43<sup>rd</sup> PABF and show the world we hosted the classiest zone championship this year.

*Thanks  
Rick Wakeman*

## *BBO Goes Chinese*

The VU-Graph crew and Rick Wakeman wish to thank Leo Cheung, NPC of the Open and Youth Teams of China Hong Kong for operating the Closed Room VU-graph. It was the first ever Chinese broadcast on BBO.



Rick Wakeman at the helm



Leo Cheung of China Hong Kong

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which

is itself one week after Singapore's Pesta Sukan.

### RIDDLE FOR THE DIRECTOR – QUESTION

*From David Law of Malaysia*

At one of the duplicate games, while collecting the travellers, the Director was most surprised to find that no scores had been filled in for one set of boards. Yet all the pairs confirmed that they had played the boards. What happened? (Hint: there was a sit-out pair.)



## Happier Days



Carol Richardson  
of New Zealand



George Gaspar  
of Australia

## Hands from the Seniors Series Cathy Chua

### Seniors Session 12 First Round Robin

You pick up:

♠ J74  
♥ AQJ53  
♦ K63  
♣ 84

and hear:

<i>west</i>	<i>north</i>	<i>east</i>	<i>south</i>
Nanjo	McDonald	Nuyazaki	Walsh
		2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Dble	3♦	Pass
3♥*	Pass	3NT	All Pass

where 3♥ shows 4♥ and 5♠. So what do you lead? Simple, partner's suit, right? Only IF you noticed her double. For Australia against Japan – PS – Jack, Walsh did not see the double of 3♣ and began with a low heart. This is the layout:

Bd 22	♠ Q108	
Dlr E	♥ 64	
Vul EW	♦ 10	
	♣ KJ97653	
♠ 96532		♠ AK
♥ 10982		♥ K7
♦ J87		♦ AQ9542
♣ 2		♣ AQ10
	♠ J74	
	♥ AQJ53	
	♦ K63	
	♣ 84	

3NT down on a low heart...3NT making on a club. With luck like that no wonder the Australians are leading the Seniors.

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Bd 30	♠ A1032	
Dlr E	♥ 1063	
Vul Nil	♦ J632	
	♣ J6	
♠ J974		♠ Q865
♥ K97		♥ AQ
♦ K108		♦ Q54
♣ 753		♣ AKQ4
	♠ K	
	♥ J8542	
	♦ A97	
	♣ 10982	

Griffin-Hughes for Australia found out they had a spade fit but eschewed it in favour of 3NT played by West, Mike Hughes.

The opening heart lead went to the queen and a low spade was won by South performe. Another heart to dummy and now spades squeezed South...2♥ pitches and a diamond and now all declarer has to do is pick diamonds. So, the Australians have some skill as well as some luck. The senior China team, although not putting in the performance of their Open and Ladies teams, are doing okay and flattened this board, also bidding and making 3NT.

### Seniors Match 9 First Round Robin

Bd 16	♠ AQ9864	
Dlr W	♥ 72	
Vul EW	♦ 32	
	♣ K43	
♠ J72		♠ K
♥ K1084		♥ AQJ5
♦ QJ97		♦ 64
♣ 86		♣ QJ9752
	♠ 1053	
	♥ 963	
	♦ AK1085	
	♣ A10	

Lavings, sitting North for Australia, had reached the thin 4♠ with the knowledge that East had overcalled clubs making the club ruff in dummy a dangerous manoeuvre. After he won the ♣Q lead in hand he cashed the spade ace. His intention, if low ones were played all around, was to cross to dummy and play one towards the queen. If it transpired that West had ♠Kxx and rose and



continued them, next he would try diamonds as plan B. He also has the possibility of bare jack dropping in which case he can take the club ruff in dummy with the ten since it can only be overruffed with the king. As it was none of this hard work was needed once the king fell under the ace at trick two.

In the other room NZ played a spade partial. Australia won the match 23-7 VPs.

While we are with the Seniors, this hand is worth a mention.

### Seniors Round 17 Second Round Robin

Bd 6	♠ KJ62	♠ ---
Dlr E	♥ KQ85	♥ AJ942
Vul EW	♦ J8	♦ AQ43
	♣ 653	♣ KQ87
♠ AQ9875		
♥ 63		
♦ K65		
♣ A10		
	♠ 1043	
	♥ 107	
	♦ 10972	
	♣ J942	

Scott-Wignall of the NZ team drifted into 6♦, Wignall received the ♥K opening lead, ducked and another heart on which he put the jack. From there he gradually drifted down. 'But you were cold' said partner afterwards. 'It's the only making slam. All you had to do was – (takes a deep breath)

Win the first heart, hook the club, cash the ♣A, cash the ♠A pitching a heart from dummy. Ruff a spade and then ♣K dropping West's last heart on it. Then ruff a heart and ruff a spade. Now a heart off dummy. This is the ending: (top of next column) South must ruff and you overruff. Diamond to hand, draw two trumps, cash the club to which South must follow...

Bd 6	♠ K	
Dlr E	♥ Q	
Vul EW	♦ J8	
	♣ 3	
♠ 875		♠ ---
♥		♥ 94
♦ K65		♦ AQ
♣		♣ Q
	♠	
	♥	
	♦ 10972	
	♣ J	

South and North both win the last trick, +1370.' Aren't partners just always letting you down? In the other room Thailand played 4NT one down for a flat board. The match result was 14-16 VPs Thailand's way.

### Ladies Second Round Robin First match

Bd 4	♠ A542	
Dlr W	♥ J862	
Vul All	♦ J6	
	♣ K63	
♠ Q973		♠ KJ108
♥ A1074		♥ 53
♦ AKQ2		♦ 1093
♣ J		♣ A1092
	♠ 6	
	♥ KQ9	
	♦ 8754	
	♣ Q8754	

This 4♠ by Shimamura Kyoko of Japan against Australia was reported to me by NCP Tadashi Yoshida. He was taken by the unusual ending.

North began with the ♥K to the ace and declarer tried a spade to the king and heart to the queen. Another heart, ruffed by declarer. Now diamond to the ace and another heart ruff, with a club discard from South. A round of spades and another club from South while North won and exited ♣K won by the ace. Declarer played a diamond to the king leaving this 3 card ending:

Bd 4	♠ 5	
Dlr W	♥	
Vul All	♦	
	♣ 63	
♠ 7		♠
♥		♥
♦ Q2		♦ 9
♣		♣ 109
	♠	
	♥	
	♦ 87	
	♣ Q	

As the last trump was played, South was squeezed in the diamonds and clubs, the ♦9 giving transport to the clubs. Cute.

### Open Second Round Robin Round Five

Those Filipinos stick to me like glue. Here I sat down to watch Indonesia, only to find 2 Filipinos at the table. It was a clash of neighbours one of whom has a wealth of bridge experience, while the other is a 'bridge baby' in comparison. Still, the babies held their own and came out with a 16-16 VP draw. (The score has something to do with board averages. NZ beat China 18 VPs to 15 VPs for the same reason.) There were a few highlights from their point of view.

Board 4 looked like a slightly tricky 3NT to me, though it plays okay once you get into it:

Bd 4	♠ J1052	
Dlr W	♥ A1064	
Vul All	♦ A87	
	♣ Q3	
♠ 43		♠ KQ76
♥ Q87		♥ 9532
♦ Q952		♦ K103
♣ 10987		♣ K6
	♠ A98	
	♥ KJ	
	♦ J64	
	♣ AJ542	

Against Quiquo, North, Polii began with heart to the jack, queen and ace. Declarer

was pleasantly surprised when the spade he played to the eight held the next trick. He played a club to the queen and king next and won the heart exit with the king. Club ace and jack already put some pressure on East. He wriggled about – literally – and shed a diamond. Now another club, with diamonds pitched by North and East. West shifted to spades, East splitting this time, and now declarer could see nine tricks as he cashed a club and exited a spade to the king.

In Japan-Singapore, Yasuhiro played similar lines against a similar defence. Wong for Singapore had it slightly easier, perhaps, with a spade opening lead.

Notice all the defenders wanted to go passive while in fact it was important to try diamonds. Although most got home one way or another in 3NT, in the Open match NZ-China, both declarers failed. In the Open Room South played 3NT and Bach, West for NZ was able to get off to the diamond lead.

In the Closed Room MacLeish played it on the ♠Q lead from Fu Zhong. He won the spade and played a club to the queen and king. East continued a small spade which declarer won to continue clubs. North and East pitched diamonds on the third round....[11.30pm The records I have been given of the play are not intelligible, I have been unable to contact declarer or his partner, so apologies for not being able to finish the record of play.] All I can report is that he did go down.

### Far East Open Pairs

Would any pairs intending to play in this event please register as soon as you can. It is free for participants in the Open, Women's, Youth and Seniors. We would like to get an idea of numbers and your help would be appreciated.

Bd 15           ♠ A  
 Dlr S           ♥ K  
 Vul NS         ♦ AKQJ3  
                  ♣ AQJ1063

♠ QJ1065                         ♠ 82  
 ♥ 952                                 ♥ AJ7  
 ♦ 1094                               ♦ 8765  
 ♣ K4                                 ♣ 9852

                  ♠ K9743  
                   ♥ Q108643  
                   ♦ 2  
                   ♣ 7

Ah, just want a Bulletin Editor likes to see. A hand which will cause angst across the field. In the match featured on BBO Japan-Singapore, which was a small win to Japan, North for Singapore reached 6♣ after having bid nothing but clubs, clubs and more clubs during the auction. So East got off to the 'safe' trump lead and that was the end of that! 5♣ was the contract in the other room: 13 IMPs to Singapore.

That ♣K in East's hand must have been something bad in a previous life. It is surely getting punished in this one. North for the Philippines, Quiquo, showed a clubs and diamonds, and after an unclear Blackwood auction – was it simple or RKC – ended up in 6NT. East for Indonesia didn't begin with the club, but in a moment of madness (as I am sure he would be the first to say) shifted to a club when in with the heart ace. In the other room 5♣ just made and that was 13 IMPs to Philippines.

In China vs NZ MacLeish opened the big hand 5♣ and there rested for +600. But in the Open Room: Shi Hao Jun bid the big hand by showing diamonds and then clubs. He made his partner give preference at the 6 level so Zhuang Ze Jun had the miserable duty of giving preference on a singleton. (I can well recall once giving preference on a void...it is an embarrassing thing to have to do).

After the spade lead declarer cashed a club and ran one. The heart shift left him down one.

Never mind giving preference on a singleton, what about raising to six on a void?!

Bd 11           ♠ KJ7  
 Dlr S           ♥ AQ5432  
 Vul Nil         ♦ AK95  
                  ♣ ---

♠ 10952                               ♠ Q863  
 ♥ KJ9                                 ♥ 10876  
 ♦ J86                                 ♦ Q104  
 ♣ A83                                 ♣ J7

                  ♠ A4  
                   ♥ ---  
                   ♦ 732  
                   ♣ KQ1096542

Kenji, South, opened 1♣ and from then on he rebid 2, 3, 4 and 5 clubs. That was enough for partner who raised him one for the road. As you can see it is gin. In the other room the same sort of auction, but the clubs were bid only 4 times...then responder raised to 5. 11 IMPs to Japan.

For the Philippines Alejandro opened 5♣. I was sitting the other side of the screen and watched Quiquo raise to six and then anxiously put dummy down. After the opening lead of the ♥K dummy was greeted with hilarity on all sides. It did not exactly look like the killing lead, but then it transpired that there wasn't one. Game in the other room: 11 IMPs to the Philippines.

Bd 19           ♠ 76  
 Dlr S           ♥ Q8632  
 Vul EW         ♦ K98  
                  ♣ K106

♠ J43                                 ♠ 82  
 ♥ 95                                 ♥ AKJ104  
 ♦ AQJ1076                           ♦ 532  
 ♣ J9                                 ♣ A87

                  ♠ AKQ1095  
                   ♥ 7  
                   ♦ 4  
                   ♣ Q5432

<i>west</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>east</i>	<i>south</i>
Hendrawab	Quiquo	Polii	Alejandro
			1♠
Pass	1NT	2♥	2♠
3♦	Pass	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Dble	All Pass

South was begging to be doubled, but her shape was a trick she had up her sleeve. The defence began with the ♥9 which held and then ♦A and another diamond. As declarer pitched on that EW laughed merrily. Never have I seen players treat adversity with the humour of the Indonesians.

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The question on the next board is, how to get to 4♥? In fact most NS pairs didn't even compete. I guess it all depended on the type of auction they faced.

Bd 18	♠ J5	
Dlr E	♥ AKQ108	
Vul NS	♦ 97	
	♣ J1085	
♠ KQ4		♠ A10732
♥ 9753		♥ J4
♦ 1084		♦ KQJ2
♣ 432		♣ K7
	♠ 986	
	♥ 62	
	♦ A653	
	♣ AQ98	

At the table I was watching East opened 1♠, West responded 1NT which I think was forcing. North passed and West corrected 2♦ from partner to 2♠ passed back to South. Now Polii likes to balance at least as much as the next man. The trouble with this auction, which is such a nice aspect of the forcing NT response is that the defence doesn't know whether West has the weak raise or the points with false preference. Equally one can understand North's failure to come in the first time, at the vulnerability, at least. In any case the Indonesian style is super-sound on the way in, liberal on the way out. Or that's the impression I get, at any rate. I guess similar dilemmas were faced by the field.

One of the two pairs that did manage to get to 4♥ was pre-empted into it...After Japan began with 1♠ 2♠ Wong bid 3♥ and South, Robinson, has a comfortable raise of that. Even if partner was merely balancing in direct seat, so to speak, his hand is still quite nice.

Is there a psychological aspect at work? Those facing a forcing NT have time to decide later what to do. But having left it later auction entry makes it also more dangerous. Then there were those facing a non-forcing NT and I guess they had pleasant thoughts of cashing that heart suit. How often does that happen, though, that one sneakily doesn't bid a suit hoping to cash it against NT only to find that the moment to bid the suit has gone for ever? Interesting.

Board 14 had room for all sorts of things to happen and they did...

Bd 14	♠ J8	
Dlr E	♥ A1093	
Vul Nil	♦ Q2	
	♣ K7632	
♠ Q		♠ AK9542
♥ K6		♥ J74
♦ K9876		♦ 10543
♣ AQJ54		♣ ---
	♠ 10763	
	♥ Q852	
	♦ AJ	
	♣ 1098	

For Indonesia in the Closed Room it was a straight-forward auction to 5♦:

<i>west</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>east</i>	<i>south</i>
Hendrawab	Quiquo	Polii	Alejandro
		Pass	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥*	Pass
3♣	Pass	5♦	All Pass

Yet 5♦ was only bid 3 times. In the other room in this match the Tobing and Asbi, NS, bought a dreadful 3♥ contract, 3 down, -150 and 6 IMPs to their side.

China-NZ both played a spade partial, after one chose a 3♠ opening and the other to show it as a weak two.

In the Singapore-Japan match Japan stopped in 2♠ while Heng for Singapore opened 2♠ weak opposite a more optimistic partner who gave 3NT a whirl.

The opening lead was a club. One way or another declarer has 8 tricks, but the ninth? Declarer has to murder one suit to get at the other, whether spades for diamonds or diamonds for spades. He won the club lead and led a small diamond won by the jack. Another club and he won the ace and continued diamonds. After South won and stayed on lead with his last club he shifted to spades. Declarer had 3 spades, 3 diamonds, 2 clubs, but when spades didn't break, no ninth trick. 6 IMPs to Japan.

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## Daily Highlights

Board 15 from the first match of today contained a defensive gem. Only the pairs of Nagy and Hinge for Australia in the Open Series and the Singapore Ladies Pair of Seet and Foo found the killing defence against 3NT by NS. This was the deal:

Bd 15	♠ KQ8	
Dlr S	♥ QJ105	
Vul NS	♦ QJ6	
	♣ K63	
♠ 52		♠ AJ7643
♥ AK8762		♥ 94
♦ K108		♦ 742
♣ 107		♣ 52
	♠ 109	
	♥ 3	
	♦ A953	
	♣ AQJ984	

<i>Hinge</i>	<i>north</i>	<i>Nagy</i>	<i>South</i>
			1♣
2♥	3NT	ALL	PASS

At the tables North found himself as declarer on East's lead of ♥9, West took his King and played back ♠5. Declarer went up with his King which East needed to duck. When the diamond finessed lost, West continued spades and the defence chalked up eight tricks consisting of five ♠, 2♥ and 1♦.

There was an interesting twist to the defence. Had declarer played ♠8 instead of an honour, East would win with his ♠J but need to find an immediate switch to a diamond, otherwise declarer could enter his hand with ♣K (carefully choosing a ♣ higher than the 4 in dummy for this purpose) and forced out the ♥A for nine tricks (2♥, 1♦ and 6♣). The ♣6 would provide a secondary entry to cash the two winning hearts.

Board 5 of the second match yesterday saw another interesting defensive problem. At any table bar one in which the declarer got lost in the play, 4♠ by North came home at the blink of an eye. For some reason none of the West helped the defence by coming in with a ♥ overall despite holding a

dilapidated suit and a very poor hand despite the favourable vulnerability.

This was the deal:

Bd 5	♠ J108643	
Dlr N	♥ A83	
Vul NS	♦ K96	
	♣ A	
♠ 52		♠ A
♥ QJ10742		♥ K8
♦ J		♦ A1087532
♣ J984		♣ 1076
	♠ KQ97	
	♥ 95	
	♦ Q4	
	♣ KQ532	

Apparently none of the East players on lead hit on the inspired lead of ♥K (had his partner not overcalled the suit). Even had declarer ducked this, it would be a simple matter for East to switch to ♦A and returned a diamond for partner to ruff to set the contract. At most tables the lead was ♦A and a subsequent ♦ ruff. Declarer would then go up with his ♥A on West's ♥ return, unblocked ♣A and ruffed his ♦K high in dummy to pitch his losing hearts on the top clubs.

Board 16 of the third Senior Match today should have taught old dogs new tricks...if it is not too late. If ever you are behind and wish to look for swingy deals you've got your wish:

Bd 16	♠J1094	
Dlr W	♥ 3	
Vul EW	♦ 87	
	♣ KQJ986	
♠ 2		♠ AQ753
♥ AKQJ94		♥ 7
♦ AKQ104		♦ 92
♣ A		♣ 105432
	♠ K86	
	♥ 108652	
	♦ J653	
	♣ 7	

Just looking at the West hand which slam would you like to be in, 6♥, 7♦ or 7♥?

As it happened six pairs ended up in 6♥, three went down. Those four in 7♥ stood no chance because even had declarer made use of his x-ray vision (or the finger exercises invented by the Italians) and finessed ♥9, the 4-2 diamond break would doom him.

The only playable grand slam must be 7♦. Three bid it but all failed, guess no pessimists among them. Because a pessimistic declarer would have been worried about a possible 5-1 ♥ break and took precautions against it, naturally he was not too concern about an overruff since that meant the foul break in ♥ would defeat him anyway.

All declarer had to do was to cash one round of ♥ and ruff a ♥, when North showed out but could not overruff dummy, the marked finesse in ♦ saw him home.

By the way, one EW played in 4♥ making all thirteen tricks, they probably weren't too happy with the result until they saw their teammates defeating the opponents' 7♥ by two tricks. That's bridge!



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이제 시카고도 아시아나로 편안하게 다녀오세요.

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Round	Date	Starting Time	Table – Open Series					
			1	2	3	4	5	6
7	30-Jun	10:00	SIN - CHI	IND - CHT	CHK - AUS	KOR - JPN	NZL - PHI	CMA - THA
8		14:00	CHK - CHI	AUS - IND	CHT - SIN	JPN - THA	NZL - CMA	PHI - KOR
9		17:15	AUS - CHI	SIN - IND	CHT - CHK	CMA - JPN	NZL - KOR	THA - PHI

Round	Date	Starting Time	Table – Ladies Series				
			1	2	3	4	5
7	30-Jun	10:00	AUS - CHI	THA - JPN	NZL - IND	CHT - SIN	KOR - CHK
8		14:00	CHI - IND	CHK - JPN	AUS - SIN	KOR - NZL	THA - CHT
9		17:15	CHI - JPN	IND - AUS	NZL - SIN	THA - CHK	KOR - CHT

Round	Date	Starting Time	Table – Youth Series				Bye
			1	2	3	4	
7	30-Jun	10:00	JPN - CHT	AUS - IND	PHI - SIN	KOR - CHK	THA
8		14:00	JPN - SIN	CHK - AUS	CHT - THA	KOR - PHI	IND
9		17:15	AUS - JPN	CHT - SIN	THA - PHI	CHK - IND	KOR

Round	Date	Starting Time	Table – Senior Series						
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	30-Jun	10:00	YOK - AUS	THA - CHT	PSJ - CHI	YAM - JOY	NZL - IND	IVY - CHK	WAK - Q+K
9		13:30	CHK - AUS	CHT - WAK	CHI - IVY	Q+K - YAM	JOY - IND	THA - YOK	NZL - PSJ
10		16:05	AUS - IND	NZL - CHT	CHI - YOK	PSJ - YAM	THA - CHK	JOY - Q+K	IVY - WAK
11		18:40	YAM - AUS	CHK - CHT	Q+K - CHI	IND - WAK	IVY - YOK	NZL - JOY	PSJ - THA

### VU-Graph Schedule for Today

**10:00 Open Indonesia - Chinese Taipei**  
**12:00 Ladies China - Indonesia**  
**17:15 Open Australia - China**