## NEW ZEALAND LEADS IN OPEN AFTER RR 1 AUSTRALIA HOLDS NARROW LEAD IN LADIES INDONESIA LEADS YOUTH

| Rank | Open Series | VPs | Ladies Series | VPs | Youth Series | VPs |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | NEW ZEALAND | 193 | AUSTRALIA | 195 | INDONESIA | 143 |
| 2 | CHINESE TAIPEI | 190 | CHINA | 186 | JAPAN | 124 |
| 3 | CHINA | 173 | INDONESIA | 159 | CHINESE TAIPEI | 121 |
| 4 | INDONESIA | 164 | JAPAN | 142 | AUSTRALIA | 116 |
| 5 | CHINA HONG KONG | 156 | NEW ZEALAND | 122 | CHINA HONG KONG | 114 |
| 6 | JAPAN | 153 | CHINESE TAIPEI | 71 | SINGAPORE | 102 |
| 7 | AUSTRALIA | 145 | KOREA | 56 |  |  |
| 8 | MALAYSIA | 138 |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | MACAU | 111 |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | PHILIPPINES | 102 |  |  |  |  |

## PABF SCHEDULE/TIMES

| Day | Date | Time | Event |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tuesday | May 19 | 11:30-14:30 | $2^{\text {nd }}$ RR Match 1 (O) 4 (L, Y) |
|  |  | 15:00-18:00 | $2^{\text {nd }}$ RR Match 2 (O) 5 (L, Y) |
|  |  | 20:00-23:00 | $2^{\text {nd }}$ RR Match 3 (O) 6 (L) |
|  |  | 11:00-14:30 | Continuous Pairs 2 |
| Wednesday | May 20 | 11:30-14:30 | $2^{\text {nd }}$ RR Match 4 (O) 7 (L) 3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ RR Match 1 (Y) |
|  |  | 15:00-18:00 | $2^{\text {nd }}$ RR Match 5 (O) $3^{\text {rd }}$ RR Match 1 (L) 2 (Y) |
|  |  | 20:00-23:00 | $2^{\text {nd }}$ RR Match 6 (O) $3^{\text {rd }}$ RR Match 2 (L) 3 (Y) |
|  |  | 11:00-14:30 | Continuous Pairs 3 |

## YESTERDAY'S MATCH RESULTS

| OPEN Series (RR 1) - Match 9 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CHINA | $(44) 16-14(36)$ | INDONESIA |
| CHINA HONG KONG | $(30) 12-18(46)$ | SINGAPORE |
| MACAU | $(24) 8-22(56)$ | MALAYSIA |
| AUSTRALIA | $(39) 12-18(53)$ | NEW ZEALAND |
| JAPAN | (48) $20-10(22)$ | CHINESE TAIPEI |
| LADIES Series (RR 2) - Match 2 |  |  |
| AUSTRALIA | (51) $23-7(11)$ | CHINESE TAIPEI |
| JAPAN | (17) $13-17(28)$ | NEW ZEALAND |
| INDONESIA | (63) $19-11(46)$ | KOREA |
| INDONESIA | (25) $10-20(49)$ | SINGAPORE |
| AUSTRALIA | (13) $6-24(60)$ | CHINESE TAIPEI |
| JAPAN | (28) $14-16(31)$ | CHINA HONG KONG |

## RR 1 - MATCH 9 (O); RR 2 - MATCH 2 (L) 1 (Y): IN BRIEF

## Open Event:

China edged out Indonesia to keep themselves near the top of the standings. Singapore won three big swings to China Hong Kong's one to come away with a surprising win. Malaysia dominated Macau in a contest between two teams fighting to keep their heads above water. New Zealand took retribution from Australia for the misappropriation of their national mascot. And home-country Japan beat up on the leaders, Chinese Taipei, to help vault New Zealand into the lead after nine matches.

## Women's Event:

Australia firmly defeated Chinese Taipei in a match between two teams clearly headed in opposite directions in the standings. New Zealand achieved a mild upset, as far as the current standings indicate, by taking a close one from Japan. And Indonesia continues to do themselves proud, this time by dispatching Korea handily.

## Youth Event:

This was the match of upsets. Lowly Singapore, in last place in the standings, struck a giant blow by handing the leaders, Indonesia, a sizable loss. Then, only a few VPs ahead of Singapore in the standings, Chinese Taipei blasted second-place Australia. And so as not to be outdone, China Hong Kong also beat third-place Japan.

| OPEN Series (RR 1) - Match 10 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MACAU | (42) 11-19 (60) | CHINA |
| MALAYSIA | (26) 1-25 (105) | CHINA HONG KONG |
| SINGAPORE | (44) 3-25 (107) | INDONESIA |
| JAPAN | (48) 14-16 (52) | AUSTRALIA |
| CHINESE TAIPEI | (71) 25-4 (15) | PHILIPPINES |
| LADIES Series (RR 2) - Match 3 |  |  |
| KOREA | (30) 5-25 (83) | AUSTRALIA |
| CHINA | (52) 19-11 (31) | NEW ZEALAND |
| CHINESE TAIPEI | (50) 23-7 (11) | JAPAN |
| YOUTH Series (RR 2) - Match 2 |  |  |
| CHINESE TAIPEI | (43) 13-17 (55) | INDONESIA |
| SINGAPORE | (55) 19-11 (36) | CHINA HONG KONG |
| AUSTRALIA | (29) 5-25 (80) | JAPAN |

## RR 1 — MATCH 10 (O); RR 2 — MATCH 3 (L) 2 (Y): IN BRIEF

## Open Event:

Third-place China tallied a moderate-sized victory over Macau, while China Hong Kong handed Malaysia a sound thrashing, sending them another notch further down in the standings. Indonesia took the opportunity to pound bottom-ranked Singapore into submission, and Japan lost a very close contest to Australia. That left number two-ranked Chinese Taipei to pummel next to last-ranked Philippines, while top-ranked New Zealand sat this one out and collected their bye quota of VPs.

## Women's Event:

First-place Australia had no trouble dealing bottom-ranked Korea a sound defeat, while secondranked China beat up a bit on third-place New Zealand. Next-to-bottom-ranked Chinese Taipei showed the girls that they're still a force to be reckoned with, as they put the big hurt on home-country Japan.

## Youth's Event:

Top-ranked Indonesia won a close match over Chinese Taipei, while Singapore beat higher-ranked China Hong Kong by a fair margin. Japan blasted floundering Australia in the last mid-day contest.

## PLAYER ANNOUNCEMENT: PART I REGISTRATION FOR VICTORY DINNER

Players planning to attend the Victory Dinner (Sunday, May 24) should plan to register at the Reception Desk in the Secretariat by 12 noon Thursday, May 21. The Guest of Honor will be H.I.H. Prince Hitachi. All participants are requested to wear their name tags and to be seated by $8: 15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The Ceremony will begin promptly at $8: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

| OPEN Series (RR 1) - Match 11 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CHINA | $(31) 13-17(43)$ | CHINA HONG KONG |  |
| MACAU | $(39) 5-25(90)$ | INDONESIA |  |
| MALAYSIA | $(76) 23-7(38)$ | SINGAPORE |  |
| AUSTRALIA | $(63) 25-5(15)$ | PHILIPPINES |  |
| JAPAN | (42) $10-20(67)$ | NEW ZEALAND |  |
| YOUTH Series (RR 2) - Match 3 |  |  |  |
| INDONESIA | (45) $19-11(25)$ | CHINA HONG KONG |  |
| CHINESE TAIPEI | (55) $23-7(18)$ | JAPAN |  |
| AUSTRALIA | (81) $23-7(43)$ | SINGAPORE |  |

## RR 1 - MATCH 11 (0); RR 2 — MATCH 3 (Y): IN BRIEF

## Open Event:

China Hong Kong won all the double-digit swings in their contest against higher-ranked China, to hand them a mild setback. Making a comeback with a vengeance, Indonesia swamped failing Macau. Everybody stomps on poor, struggling Singapore, and this time Malaysia was no exception. The Aussies, who are having plenty of their own problems, decided to give some to someone else - in this case The Philippines. And New Zealand, who has risen to the top of the heap lately, handed Japan another stiff setback. Round Robin 1 is now history, and Round Robin 2 starts today. Gentlemen (and Ladies), re-start your engines.

## Youth's Event:

Top-ranked Indonesia "just keeps rollin' along." This time they rolled over China Hong Kong. Chinese Taipei is making their own bid for "higher and higher," as they beat previously soaring Japan to move a little closer to number two. And Australia dumped on bottom-ranked Singapore, who just can't get "no respect" in either of their events.

## PLAYER ANNOUNCEMENT: PART II REGISTRATION FOR PABF OPEN PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

Pairs planning to play in the PABF Open Pairs (beginning on Saturday, May 23, at 1:30 p.m.) should plan to register for the event at the Reception Desk in the Secretariat by 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 21. The entry fee is $¥ 12.000$ per pair. Those eliminated in Saturday’s qualifying rounds may play in the two-session consolation to be held concurrently with the Open Pairs Finals for no additional entry fee. The consolation will be open to new entries. The entry fee for the consolation only is $¥ 6.000$. Members of any Youth Team, regardless of nationality, may play free in these events, provided they play with a peer - another member of a Youth Team.

| Vu-Graph Show Schedule |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date (Day) | Time | Match | Date (Day) | Time | Match |
| May 19 (TUE) | $\begin{aligned} & 15: 30 \\ & 20: 00 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RR 2-2 } \\ & \text { RR 2-3 } \end{aligned}$ | May 22 (FRI) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 12:00 } \\ & \text { 15:30 } \\ & \text { 20:30 } \end{aligned}$ | RR 2-10 <br> RR 2-11 <br> SF $1^{\text {st }}$ Qtr |
| May 20 (WED) | $\begin{aligned} & 15: 30 \\ & 20: 00 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RR 2-5 } \\ & \text { RR 2-6 } \end{aligned}$ | May 23 (SAT) | $\begin{aligned} & 12: 00 \\ & 14: 40 \\ & 17: 20 \\ & 21: 10 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SF } 2^{\text {nd }} \text { Qtr } \\ \text { SF } 3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{Qtr} \\ \text { SF } 4^{\text {th }} \mathrm{Qtr} \\ \text { FINAL } 1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{Qtr} \end{gathered}$ |
| May 21 (THU) | $\begin{aligned} & 15: 30 \\ & 20: 00 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RR 2-8 } \\ & \text { RR 2-9 } \end{aligned}$ | May 24 (SUN) | $\begin{aligned} & 10: 30 \\ & 14: 20 \\ & 17: 00 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FINAL } 2^{\text {nd }} \text { Qtr } \\ & \text { FINAL } 3^{\text {rd }} \text { Qtr } \\ & \text { FINAL 4 }{ }^{\text {th }} \text { Qtr } \end{aligned}$ |

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For those looking for a taste of Japan, without the typical Japanese bite on the pocketbook, the following food sources are located within a short walk of the hotel. We've tried several of them ourselves and can recommend them to the budget-minded among you.


The Family Mart, just in front of and to the West of the hotel, is a small convenience store with many items (soft drinks, ice cream, candy, chips, sundries, other food snacks, etc.) on which bridge players have been known to subsist - often for extended periods of time.

Two jumbo supermarkets are located across the monorail, to the North and West of the hotel. A third one, with excellent value sushi (go to fishery section - only $¥ 1.280$ for 8 pieces), is located on the ground floor of the Lausanne Hotel.

Fifteen restaurants are located in the Urban Gourmet Port. These range from Wendy's hamburgers and Vie de France to other more upscale (and expansive) eateries.

Of course, for those dining with the benefit of a generous expense account there's always the highpriced restaurants in the hotel (but see the special the Garden Cafe is offering, described on the next page); just don't say we didn't warn you. - Bon appetite!

Once you've eaten, if you're anything like your editors you'll need your laundry done. A good place to go is the laundry located outside of the Supermarkets, West of the monorail. The turnaround is only two days.

## STEAK OUT

The Garden Cafe, located on the $1^{\text {st }}$ floor of the Sheraton Hotel, is offering PABF members a super special: Soup of the day, sirloin steak with madeira wine sauce, bread, a green salad and coffee at a very special price. Normally $¥ 2.500$, this magnificent feast can be had all this week (May 18-22) for only $¥ 1.500$. The Cafe’s hours are from $11: 30$ to $21: 00$. At prices like this, you'd better get there quick before they run out of food.


## DISASTER-AVOIDANCE PLAY

Sometimes, the essence of good bridge is just avoiding the disaster. One needn't be brilliant — just competent. Here are three problems which arose for players in the first few days of this tournament which have not been previously reported in these pages. See if you can avoid the disasters. The answers can be found on the following page.

| West (You) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Q43 |  |  |  |
| $\bigcirc$ KQ2 |  |  |  |
| $\diamond 1032$ |  |  |  |
| \& AK97 |  |  |  |
| South (Dummy) |  |  |  |
| - A10962 |  |  |  |
| $\wedge 8654$$\diamond$ QJ5 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| \& 3 |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| 120 | $1 \diamond$ | Pass | 11 |
| Pass | 2NT | Pass | 3NT |
| All Pass |  |  |  |

## Problem 1

You are West in the diagram at the left. Against North's 3NT contract partner leads the J . Declarer plays low from dummy and now it is your turn. This is a two-part question. Part 1: What do you do at trick one? Part 2: If you win the club at trick one, what do you do at trick two? (As you can tell, this is a "trick" question.)

## Problem 2

You are West, everyone is vulnerable, and you pick up: 4 AQ87 $\vee$ Q7 $\diamond$ AK965 \&A8. Your partner is the dealer and passes. Your RHO, South, opens $1 \diamond$. Assume you are playing more-or-less "standard" methods. Again, we have a two-part question. Part 1: What is your call? Part 2: If you pass, the auction proceeds: 2^(PRE)-pass-pass. Now what do you do?


## Problem 3

You are the declarer in 1NT doubled. (Neither side is vulnerable.) West leads the $\diamond 3$ (fourth best). You play low from dummy and win East's jack with the ace. You play the J and rise with the king when West follows low smoothly. On the $\$ 8$ East pitches the $\vee 3$. You win the king and play the 8 KK . East wins the ace (West plays the deuce) and plays the $\mathbf{~ K}$ K, West following with the 2 . East then cashes the $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{Q}, 6,7$, and then runs three more clubs (the $\mathbf{j} 104$ ), West pitching low spades. You pitch the $\diamond 5$, and two spades from your hand, and a heart from dummy. You are down to $\$ 10$ ८Q85 in your hand and $\vee 109 \diamond$ Q7 in dummy. East now cashes the $\diamond \mathrm{K}$ and then leads a low heart. What do you play and why?

## ANSWERS TO DISASTER-AVOIDANCE PLAY

| West (You) Q43 <br> $\bigcirc$ KQ2 <br> $\diamond 1032$ <br> - AK97 | North (Declarer) <br> . J7 <br> $\checkmark$ AJ <br> $\diamond$ AK94 <br> \& Q6542 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | East K85 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc 10973$ |
|  |  | $\checkmark 876$ |
|  |  | 2 5108 |
|  | South (Dummy) <br> - A10962 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 8654$ |  |
|  | $\diamond$ QJ5 |  |
|  | ¢ 3 |  |

## Problem 1

As you can see, you must win the club at trick one. If you duck, declarer wins and plays on spades, setting up three more tricks to make his contract. After winning the club the right play is the $\vee \mathrm{K}$. This holds declarer to seven tricks; down two. At the table West actually got this half right. He won the eK at trick one and shifted to . . . the $\vee 2$ ! Declarer put in the jack, set up spades, and took eleven tricks when West failed to cash out when he won the 4 Q . The Q 2 shift could have been right if declarer had 8 AJ9 and made the percentage play of the nine, but it was more likely to lose. There's no danger of the $\checkmark \mathrm{K}$ blocking the suit when West holds the length, since he has a club entry. If East has the heart length ( $8 J 10 x x$ or $\odot J 9 x x$ ) then the deuce will block the suit, and with his actual holding declarer is presented with a second heart trick and, more importantly, the timing for the contract.

| West (You) <br> - AQ87 <br> $\checkmark$ Q7 <br> $\diamond$ AK965 <br> - A8 | North <br> 1096543 <br> J1086 <br> 10 <br> - Q10 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | East $4$ |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ K9432 |
|  |  | $\diamond$ QJ |
|  |  | J9763 |
|  | South |  |
|  | , KJ |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ A5 |  |
|  | $\checkmark 87432$ |  |
|  | ¢ K542 |  |

## Problem 2

We hope you bid the first time. You are a bit too strong for a direct 1NT overcall. You should plan to double and then bid notrump. Yes, there's a slight danger of partner jumping to $4 \bigcirc$, but then he should have a long suit of his own (unlikely - he passed originally) With only a four- or five-card suit he should cue-bid first, to give you options. But even if your impetuous partners regularly jump to $4 \bigcirc$ with only five of them, your excellent controls should give him plenty of play. If you passed $1 \diamond$ and then chickened out over $2 \downarrow$, then you duplicated the auction at the table. N/S played 2 and lost two trump tricks plus one trick in each of the other suits. Plus 110 was a great score - especially with E/W cold for three or four notrump.

## Problem 3

Did you finesse? Bah! There were several reasons to play West for an original holding of $₫ \mathrm{~J} 2$. First, East's pitch of a heart on the second spade would have been a very deep play from an original holding of PAJ 43 . Second, he might have ducked the $\odot \mathrm{K}$ at trick four. And third, and most importantly, if East held $\nabla J 4 \diamond$ KJ at the end he could have thumbed the $\vee J$ on the table, blocked the heart suit and assured himself of the last two diamond tricks. No, East should not have the $\vee J$. (And yes, cashing the $\diamond \mathrm{K}$ was a poor play anyhow.) If you played the queen you got out for minus 100. If you finessed you went for minus 500 .

Well, how did you do? Let us know if you want more.

|  | North (Dummy) <br> - K8 10976 Q76 9873 |
| :---: | :---: |
| West <br> - Q6543 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { East } \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\bigcirc$ J2 | $\bigcirc$ A43 |
| $\checkmark 10843$ | $\checkmark$ KJ92 |
| - 62 | - AKJ104 |
|  | South (You) |
|  | - AJ1097 |
|  | $\bigcirc$ KQ85 |
|  | $\diamond$ A5 |
|  | $\cdots$ Q5 |

## SLAM DUNKED IN SIX

Round Six of the PABF Teams Championships featured an unusually large number of slam zone deals. Unsurprisingly, there were vast numbers of large swings across the field. Let's see if we can learn anything from a survey of the deals and results.

| Bd: 3 <br> DIr: South <br> Vul: E/W | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | , AQ5 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ KQJ103 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ K4 |  |
|  | 21063 |  |
| West <br> - J 9873 <br> $\checkmark$ A9 <br> $\diamond$ AJ98 <br> - 95 |  | East |
|  |  | - 2 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc 82$ |
|  |  | $\checkmark$ Q1076532 |
|  |  | -842 |
|  | South |  |
|  | - K1064 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 7654$ |  |
|  | $\diamond$--- |  |
|  | * AKQJ7 |  |

Six hearts is a wonderful contract, bit it will fail on a spade lead if the defenders arrange their ruff. Our view is that if you bid it and know what you're doing, you deserve to make it.

| Australia vs China (O) Open Room |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| West | North | East | South |
| Xiaojing | Grosvnr | $r$ Weimin | Wilsmore 1*(1) |
| $1{ }^{1}$ | DBL(2) | Pass | 2* |
| Pass | 3NT | All Pass |  |
| (1) 13-16 | Any; (2) Clos | Relay sed Room |  |
| West | North | East | South |
| Jacobs | $\mathrm{Xu} \quad \mathrm{Th}$ | Thmpsn Z | Zhuang 1\% |
| 19 | 2 | Pass | $4 \diamond(\mathrm{SPL})$ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5\% |
| Pass | 5 | All Pass |  |

As some of these auctions reveal, Blackwood may not be the answer. South has a void, not a singleton, but he fears that showing the void (with a jump to $6 \diamond$ ) might get him to slam off two key cards or two aces. North has a probable
diamond loser and a dubious club holding. Not that these reflections explain the result achieved by the dread NOVA system of Messrs Grosvenor and Wilsmore. We do not believe that either one of them had any idea what his partner held. Mr Wilsmore is accepting phone calls with suggestions on how to improve the system between 3 am and 5 am every morning.

| China vs Japan (W) Open Room |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| West | North | East | South |
| Toyoba | Yalan Z | Mizuta | Gu |
|  |  |  | $2 \diamond(1)$ |
| Pass | 2NT(2) | Pass | 4)(3) |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5 |
| DBL | 5 | All Pass |  |
| (1) Precision, short $\diamond$; (2) INQ; (3) 4405 max Closed Room |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
| Sun | Naito | Hongli W Moriyama |  |
| 15 | $2 \checkmark$ | Pass | $4 \diamond(\mathrm{SPL})$ |
| DBL | 4NT | Pass | 5\% |
| Pass | 5 | All Pass |  |

We know of only one pair who reached $6 \triangleright$ and failed - the snake-bitten Rene Felix-Jimmy Soo. The Great Shuffler took pity on them, however, and spared them an adverse swing. LL LeeThomas Ng finished in the super-Wilsmore (it's his system, so he gets all the credit) contract of 4NT at the other table, where they could take only nine tricks.

There were two other pairs to fail in a heart contract, but they were not nearly as unlucky as Messrs Felix and Soo - Henky Lasut-Munawar Sawirudin and Yasu Shimizu-Koji Ito played the N/S cards in $7 \vee$, doubled rather unsportingly by the hand holding the ace of trumps. Both their opponents stopped in game, with Macau's Antonio Rosario-Sai Chon Lao choosing the obscure Wilsmore-Grosvenor resting place. Perhaps the unlucky grand slammers were jockeyed into purgatory by some brisk diamond bidding from E/W; we doubt this, however, given the vulnerability.

We are pleased to report that of the 22 pairs
who held these cards, five of them achieved the hallowed plus 980. CH Wu-CC Chen brought in 11 IMPs for Chinese Taipei against Malaysia, as did Paul Brayshaw-Matthew Raisin for Australia's Youth team against Indonesia in their important match (won by Indonesia nonetheless, 76-40, 22-8 in VP) and Ze Ying Lam-Edwin Lau for Singapore Youth in their 11-19 loss to the home side.

Particularly heartening for the two Women's teams who have been having trouble making any headway was the fact that their N/S pairs both bid $6 \triangleleft$ and made it. The bad news was that they were playing one another so there was no swing (Korea defeated Chinese Taipei 16-14). Congratulations to llmee Min-Yoon Park Jung and Joyce Hsu-Violet Liu.

| Bd: 6 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: East | ¢ Q873 |  |
| Vul: E/W | $\bigcirc 764$ |  |
|  | $\diamond 64$ <br> \& J 975 |  |
| West |  | Eas |
| ¢ J1064 |  | - AK52 |
| $\bigcirc$ K1082 |  | $\bigcirc$ AJ5 |
| $\checkmark$ AQ82 |  | $\checkmark$ KJ75 |
| -2 |  | -64 |
|  | South |  |
|  | - 9 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ Q93 |  |
|  | $\diamond 1093$ |  |
|  | * AKQ1083 |  |

If this one does not strike you as a likely slam, consider yourself well-struck. Nonetheless, three intrepid E/W pairs ventured to the six-level. If West is given the room to show a game-going three-suiter short in clubs, East will really like his hand. On layouts of this type, it can be difficult to verify the presence or absence of certain critical minor honors. Change the two major-suit jacks to queens and the slam would be much better. Even on the actual construction, slam is playable. 6s is beyond the capabilities of even the very best declarer, as Messrs Brian MaceTom Jacob of New Zealand and Eric Wu-Jim Wu of Chinese Taipei Youth were to discover.

But the less likely contract of $6 \triangleleft$ has a chance since there is no sure spade loser and declarer can guess hearts to discard a spade; the spade
finesse sees him home. Who could reach that one, though? Well . . .

| Singapore vs Japan (Y) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| West | North | East | South |
| Kwong | Takayma Ow | Furuta |  |
|  |  | 1NT | $3 \boldsymbol{2}$ |
| $4 \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ | $5 \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ | Pass | Pass |
| $5 \diamond$ | Pass | $6 \diamond$ | All Pass |

Weng Yi Kwong decided to risk the four-level over Kazuo Furuta's preemptive 3\&. When Eng Hwee Ow did not double Masaaki Takayama's raise to 5\%, Kwong thought that the hands would fit well and reopened with $5 \diamond$ (his 4* was Stayman, so he believed that he was simply completing his pattern). Ow raised to six, so spades were not explicitly a factor. Kwong ruffed the second club, drew two trumps, cashed a high spade, crossed to the third trump in hand, and ran the u . The four-one break forced him to get the hearts right, and this he duly did for a most fantastic plus 1370 and a 13-IMP pickup. At this point Singapore led Japan 31-8 (remember Board 3).

Just how far from slam E/W might be can be gleaned from the unlikely result achieved by Chinese Taipei's Kao Cheng-YN Kan, who played in 1NT doubled (presumably via 1NT-DBL-All Pass), plus 180. Now there's a result for you!

| Bd: 10 <br> DIr: East <br> Vul: Both | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - 93 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ AKJ9642 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ A5 |  |
|  | - A 5 |  |
| West <br> - KQ72 73 QJ 107642 |  | East |
|  |  | ¢ A108654 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ Q10 |
|  |  | $\checkmark 1032$ |
|  |  | -98 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ J |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 85$ |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ K98764 |  |
|  | \% KQJ3 |  |

Six hearts depends on bringing in trumps and avoiding a ruff. Certainly worth considering, but a challenging assignment to reach, uncontested.

Not to mention the scenario in which East opens 24 and West raises to 4s. In the event, the slam was reached three times. Shimizu-lto came back to the comparison with plus 1430, bringing in 12 IMPs for Japan against Macau. The other two slam bidders were far less fortunate. Lam-Lau for Singapore Youth and Brayshaw-Raisin for Australia Youth both went down, presumably affected in the play of the trump suit by East's preemptive bid in spades. They deserve our sympathy.

| Bd: 12 <br> DIr: West <br> Vul: N/S | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - AK108 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 532$ |  |
|  | $\diamond$--- |  |
|  | * AJ8742 |  |
| West <br> - 7 <br> ๑ KQJ108764 <br> $\diamond$ A872 <br> - |  | East |
|  |  | ¢ J65 |
|  |  | ¢ --- |
|  |  | $\diamond$ KQJ654 |
|  |  | K KQ93 |
|  | South |  |
|  | - Q9432 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ A9 |  |
|  | $\checkmark 1093$ |  |
|  | ¢ 1065 |  |

Six diamonds is playable on this one at single dummy, but with trumps three-zero and the $\vee A$ in South, there is no way to get home. Not that you would expect anyone to get there. Indeed, diamonds will often get completely lost in the shuffle when West preempts in hearts. There were many wild results on this deal, with some N/S pairs going plus in spades.

There was, however, one match in which both tables reached the six-level. WC Li-CC Cheung for Hong Kong Youth reached $6 \bigcirc$ doubled, but the board was flat when Eric and Jim Wu for Chinese Taipei reached $6 \triangleleft$ doubled and were perhaps a bit unlucky to fail.

"'m tougher than I look."

| Bd: 14 <br> DIr: East <br> Vul: None | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - 6 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ Q853 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ J65 |  |
|  | - AKJ62 |  |
| West <br> - AJ9854 <br> - A97 <br> $\diamond$ AK102 <br> - |  | East |
|  |  | ¢ KQ72 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc 6$ |
|  |  | $\checkmark 743$ |
|  |  | -108543 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ 103 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ KJ1042 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ Q98 |  |
|  | \& Q97 |  |

A trump lead might force you to do something important in diamonds to get home in 64, but it's a very good slam in any case. Not always easy to bid, however, with only 21 combined HCP and a ten-card trump fit. Only one pair in both the Women's and Youth events bid it - Ming SunHongli Wang for China (W) and Makoto KohnoTomoyuki Harada for Japan (Y).

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sun | Naito | Hongli W Moriyama |  |
|  |  | Pass | Pass |
| 1*(1) | 14(2) | Pass | $2 \bigcirc$ |
| 2 | Pass | $4 \bigcirc(3)$ | Pass |
| 5\% | Pass | 5 | Pass |
| $6 \diamond$ | Pass | 64 | All Pass |
| (1) Stron <br> (3) SP | $\text { g; (2) } N$ | ing rel | nt on card |

Note that Sun was thinking about seven, since Wang could have held the $\diamond$ Q and king-fourth of spades.

The Great Shuffler's imagination was running wild and free in this session. Apparently he believed that anyone reaching this slam deserved to gain a major swing, for he arranged to have exactly one pair in each Open match bid 64. The successful pairs were George Soo-KT Yang (Philippines), Xiaojing and Weimin Wang (China), Makoto Hirata-Takeshi Hanayama (Japan), Brian Mace-Tom Jacob (New Zealand), and YN Kan-Kao Cheng (Chinese Taipei).

| West Hanyma | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Rosario | Hirata | Lai |
|  |  | Pass | Pass |
| $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | DBL | 41 | 5 |
|  | All Pass |  |  |
| West Yang | North | East | South |
|  |  | Soo |  |
|  |  | Pass | Pass |
| 15 | DBL | 31 | 4 |
| 5 | Pass | 64 |  |
| West Harada | North Lam | East | South |
|  |  | KohnoL |  |
|  |  | Pass | Pass |
| 12(1) | 1NT(2) | Pass(3) | $2 \diamond(4)$ |
| 24 | Pass | $4 \bigcirc(5)$ | Pass |
| 64 | All Pass |  |  |
| (1) Strong; (2) Blacks or Reds; (3) 0-5 HCP |  |  |  |
| (4) Pass-or-correct; (5) SPL |  |  |  |


| Bd: 15 <br> DIr: South <br> Vul: N/S | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ¢ K43 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 107432$ |  |
|  | $\diamond$ Q104 |  |
|  | 9 AJ |  |
| West <br> - A9 <br> $\checkmark$ AKQ5 <br> $\diamond$ J2 <br> 106432 |  | East |
|  |  | , Q862 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$--- |
|  |  | $\diamond$ AK983 |
|  |  | - KQ98 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ J1075 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ J986 |  |
|  | $\diamond 765$ |  |
|  | - 75 |  |

The chances for 6e are pretty good, but it's easy to imagine a layout on which you will have to fail or on which you might well misguess the play. We would not expect many pairs to reach this slam.

For the second deal in succession, Ming SunHongli Wang were the only Women's pair to bid and make a slam.

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sun | Naito | Hongli W | Moriyama |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| 20 | Pass | $2 \diamond(\mathrm{INQ})$ | Pass |
| $2 \checkmark$ | Pass | 24(R) | Pass |
| $3 \bigcirc(1)$ | Pass | 49(2) | Pass |
| $4 \diamond(3)$ | Pass | 6\% |  |
| (1) 2425 14-15 HCP; (2) Trump Ask |  |  |  |
| (3) 5\%, no top honor |  |  |  |

This time there were two success stories in the Youth Teams, Cheung-Li (Hong Kong) and Muhammad Reza-Hidayattulah (Indonesia). In the Open, George Soo-KT Yang recorded a second successive slam triumph for Philippines, while Derek Maggs-Alan Sia got the job done for Malaysia.

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reza | Brayshw | Hidaya | Raisin |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| 1\% | $2 \bigcirc$ | $3 \diamond$ | 3 |
| Pass | Pass | 40 | Pass |
| $4 \bigcirc$ | Pass | 5 | Pass |
| 69 | All Pass |  |  |
| West Sia | North | East | South |
|  |  | Maggs |  |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| 12(2+) | Pass | $1 \diamond$ | Pass |
| 18 | Pass | 14(4SF) | Pass |
| 2\% | Pass | 2 - | Pass |
| 2NT | Pass | 30 | Pass |
| 3 | Pass | $4 \diamond$ | Pass |
| 4 | Pass | 69 | All Pass |
| West <br> Yang | North | East | South |
|  |  | Soo |  |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| 1\% | Pass | 14 | Pass |
| 1NT | Pass | $2 \diamond(\mathrm{FG})$ | Pass |
| 2 | Pass | 3 | Pass |
| 34 | Pass | 4* | Pass |
| $4 \bigcirc$ | Pass | 5\% | Pass |
| 68 | All Pass |  |  |

Remarkably, once again, all the slam bidders were amply rewarded for their efforts, with their opponents staying out of slam.
"You are passing through another dimension ... a dimension not of space and time, but of mind
... there's the signpost up ahead ... next stop ... the Twilight Zone ..."

| Bd: 16 <br> DIr: West <br> Vul: E/W | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - QJ9865 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ J3 |  |
|  | $$ |  |
| West <br> \& A <br> $\checkmark$ K987642 <br> $\diamond 72$ <br> * A 86 |  | East |
|  |  | - 742 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ AQ10 |
|  |  | $\checkmark$ AKJ10 |
|  |  | ¢ K103 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ K103 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 5$ |  |
|  | $\diamond$ Q98654 |  |
|  | - J95 |  |

You'd like to be in $6 \checkmark$ with the E/W cards on this one, but if you're looking for points, the grand slam is a fair bet. You can play someone for the $\diamond$ Q or think in terms of a minor-suit squeeze or even a double squeeze with the spade suit in the picture. We are confident that you would make $7 \checkmark$ if you were in it.

Getting to play the hand is, of course, a central issue on this layout, since the nonvulnerable N/S pairs will be considering a sacrifice at the six- or seven-level. In practice, about half the field reached $6 \gtrdot$, but there were several successful sacrifices. Some of the E/W pairs doubled 4s or 54, accepting an inadequate return.

We can report that one E/W pair - Sai Chon Lao and Francis Abraham - chalked up plus 2210...

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lao | Shimizu | Abraham | Ito |
| 18 | 24 | DBL* | 3s |
| $4 \bigcirc$ | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| 5\% (1) | Pass | 5NT | Pass |
| 6\%(2) | Pass | $7 \bigcirc$ | All Pass |
| (1) 0 or 3 key cards; (2) No kings |  |  |  |

Lao took the ruffing finesse in diamonds to make seven.

| Bd: 19 <br> DIr: South <br> Vul: E/W | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ¢ A5 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ Q65432 |  |
|  | $\checkmark 52$ |  |
|  | - Q32 |  |
| West <br> - Q <br> $\checkmark$ A7 <br> $\diamond$ K10983 <br> * AK765 |  | East |
|  |  | ¢ KJ1042 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ K10 |
|  |  | $\checkmark$ AJ64 |
|  |  | 9 J4 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ 98763 |  |
|  | - J98 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ Q7 |  |
|  | -1098 |  |

Six diamonds is a sound contract for E/W on this one, but only one-third of the field reached it. For Messrs Lao and Abraham (Macau), it would have been better not to bid it, because Francis Abraham misguessed the trumps to go one down. Bad luck. Three other Open pairs contracted for $6 \diamond$ with better fortune - MaceJacob (New Zealand), Xiaojing and Weimin Wang (China), and Ben Thompson-Bill Jacobs (Australia).

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jacobs | Xu | Thmpsn | Zhuang |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| $1 \diamond$ | 18 | 19 | Pass |
| 24 | Pass | 3 | Pass |
| 3 | Pass | 3NT | Pass |
| 4* | Pass | $4 \diamond$ | Pass |
| 4 | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| 5\% | Pass | 5 | Pass |
| $6 \diamond$ | All Pass |  |  |

Jacobs's $3 \odot$ (many bid 3NT in a similar position) precursor to 4\& worked very well. It looks as if 4NT was not Blackwood, and that Thompson was looking for a spade void and good trumps to make seven a good bet.

In the Women's Series, there was once more just one pair in slam; a solo triumph for Korea's delightful Jin Hahn Myong-Won Yoo Kyong. Bravo.

This was a good session for two of the Youth pairs; Kohno-Harada (Japan) and RezaHidayattulah (Indonesia) once again brought in
a bundle of IMPs for their teams by bidding and making $6 \diamond$.

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reza | Brayshw | Hidaya | Raisin |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| $1 \diamond$ | $2 \checkmark$ | 2 | 3 |
| Pass | Pass | $4 \diamond$ | Pass |
| 4NT | Pass | 5 | Pass |
| $6 \diamond$ | All Pass |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
| Harada | Lam | Kohno | Lau |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| 1\%(1) | $2 \bigcirc$ | 2NT(2) | 3 |
| 4NT(3) | Pass | $5 \diamond$ | Pass |
| $6 \diamond$ | All Pass |  |  |
| (1) Strong; (2) 4 controls; (3) Minors |  |  |  |



Clockwise from top-left: We have left-leaners, right-leaners, forward-leaners, and Hirata-san!

## ROUND EIGHT REVISITED

By now everyone knows about the Indonesian catastrophe on Board 5, but we didn't find out all the details until past press time. If anything, it's even worse than we thought . . .

| Bd: 5 |  |  | North |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: North | - KQ8 |  |  |
| Vul: N/S | $\checkmark$ J6 |  |  |
|  | $\diamond 10654$ |  |  |
|  | \& AKQ |  |  |
| West |  |  | st |
| ¢ 106 |  |  | AJ752 |
| $\bigcirc 10$ |  |  | 974 |
| $\diamond$ AK9732 |  |  | -- |
| ¢ 9875 |  |  | 106432 |
|  | South |  |  |
|  | - 943 |  |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ AKQ | Q8532 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ QJ8 |  |  |
|  | ¢ --- |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
| Wan | Munawar | Kwok | Lasut |
|  | 1NT | Pass | $2 \diamond(\bigcirc)$ |
| DBL | Pass(2¢) | Pass | $3 \diamond$ (bid $3 \bigcirc$ ) |
| Pass | 3NT! | Pass | 68 |
| Pass | Pass | DBL | All Pass |

Henky Lasut hadn't made up his mind about slam when he issued his second transfer request, but perhaps he would not have bid it had Mun simply bid $3 \bigcirc$. Thinking that the unexpected 3NT had to show a high diamond, Henky, as is his wont, simply shot out $6 \bigcirc$ where he might have tried one last time to retransfer to hearts. Reckless, to be sure, and cruelly punished by Benjamin Kwok's Lightner double, but the most cruel cut of all was the revelation that Munawar would have made the slam from his side of the table, due to Kwok's inability to lead a diamond. Perhaps Henky should have figured out what the double was about and escaped to 6NT, but that wasn't so clear. East might have been counting on one ruff and the A to set the contract and Mun might have held the $\diamond A$ and decent spades, including the ace. They'll be shaking their heads at GABSI headquarters in Jakarta over this one for years to come.

At the other table, Franky Karwur-Santje Panelewen actually incurred a penalty of 1400 points, but they had been given some incorrect information that resulted in the contract being rolled back one level; hence their result of minus
only 1100. Another one of those bad news, good news stories.

| Bd: 6 <br> DIr: East <br> Vul: E/W | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - 752 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ Q4 |  |
|  | $$ |  |
| West <br> - AQ4 |  | East |
|  |  | ¢ K10986 |
| $\bigcirc 9852$ |  | $\bigcirc$ J106 |
| $\checkmark 642$-J 73 |  | $\checkmark$ J103 |
|  |  | -85 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ J3 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ AK73 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ K |  |
|  | * AQ10964 |  |

The right contract for $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{S}$ is $5 \boldsymbol{q}$, but this proved to be a remarkably daunting assignment, even with no opposition bidding. In the Women's event no one managed it. Four pairs played in 3NT from the North side and one of them made it when East led ... a club! One pair played 4NT, but from the South side . . . and made it on a heart lead. Was that a big pickup? Not at all, because Keimi Toyoba-Yumiko Mizuta bid and made 6er Japan at the other table, West leading a trump.

It was a bit better in the Open Teams, where three of ten pairs bid and made 5\%. One pair stopped in 4e, two went down in six. The other four were in 3 NT. Two of them made it . . . from the North side.

If you're willing to bid a slam like 6 on that one, why not 68 or $6 \diamond$ on this layout? Key cards, schmee cards? Sure, if you use RKCB, you'll discover that you're missing two of the little devils, but I once remember bidding a slam without using Blackwood. I'm not suggesting that you should bid this one; you shouldn't. But it's a better slam than so many of the others we've seen. There were no takers this time. I shudder to note that one of my favorite Indonesian pairs played these cards in 3NT.

| Bd: 15 <br> DIr: South <br> Vul: N/S | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ¢ J7 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ AKJ54 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ Q1083 |  |
|  | -93 |  |
| West <br> - AQ10842 <br> $\bigcirc 7$ <br> $\diamond$ AK2 <br> \& Q106 |  | East |
|  |  | ¢ K5 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ Q10862 |
|  |  | $\checkmark$ J |
|  |  | * AK752 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ 963 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 93$ |  |
|  | $\diamond 97654$ |  |
|  | 2 J84 |  |

Indonesia did better on this hand where Lusje Bojoh-Joice Tueje bid and made 64 (plus 980), a feat accomplished only by Bill Jacobs-Ben Thompson (Australia), Sam Wan-Benjamin Kwok (Hong Kong). Well, maybe three of the other E/W pairs can be forgiven for missing (or 6 ) - they collected penalties of 1100 and 1400 from their vulnerable opponents at the two-level.

As Winston Churchill might not have said . . .
"This was their finest hour."


How do you spell F-A-N C-L-U-B?

"It says here that he should have two seven-card suits, 3-6 or 8-11 HCP, both majors or both minors and three controls - unless this month has an " $R$ " in it."

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM ROUND NINE

We hate to focus all our attention on slam hands, but there have been so many of these with such a limited following that our eyes have inevitably drifted in their direction ...

| Bd: 1 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: North | ¢ 62 |  |
| Vul: None | $\bigcirc 762$ |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ KQ83 |  |
|  | -9743 |  |
| West |  | East |
| ¢ AJ10 |  | ¢ K87543 |
| $\bigcirc$ J10 |  | $\bigcirc$ A54 |
| $\diamond 9765$ |  | $\diamond$ AJ2 |
| AKQ2 |  | \& J |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ Q9 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ KQ983 |  |
|  | $\diamond 104$ |  |
|  | -10865 |  |

This is a reasonable 6 or 6NT, but these are not contracts that are easy to envision in the bidding. East's J is a big card, though not an essential one for 64 if trumps are two-two. West has good cards but no long suit, and the full control picture is not easy to pinpoint. Only three pairs of 22 reached this one.

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Lasut | Xiaojing | Munawar Weimin |  |
|  | Pass | 14 | Pass |
| 2 | Pass | 2 | Pass |
| 3 | (FG) | Pass | 4 |
| 5 | Pass | 6 | Pass |

This is a new partnership, and Mun would have preferred to wait with 3NT over 34, then cue-bid $4 \diamond$ over the putative $4 \Leftrightarrow$ to show both red aces. But with no firm agreements, he tried $4 \diamond$, then gave up on seven. He made six when he got the trumps right.


| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D Chen | Cheng | Abe | YH Chen |
|  | Pass | 19 | Pass |
| 28 | Pass | 2 | Pass |
| 34(FG) | Pass | $4 \diamond$ | Pass |
| 4NT | Pass | $5 \diamond(1)$ | Pass |
| 64 | All Pass |  |  |
| (1) 0 or 3 key cards |  |  |  |

Perhaps there is more to this than meets the eye but it looks as if Dawei Chen used Blackwood with a hand wildly inappropriate for the convention and was lucky enough to buy a heart control opposite. He revealed to us later that he was hoping his RHO would play him for a heart control and underlead the ace around to Abe's king.

| Bd: 3 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: South | ¢ 2 |  |
| Vul: E/W | $\checkmark$ Q10962 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ J1063 |  |
|  | \& Q106 |  |
| West |  | East |
| ¢ KJ1094 |  | ¢ A853 |
| $\checkmark$ A4 |  | $\bigcirc 87$ |
| $\checkmark$ A975 |  | $\checkmark$ K |
| - A5 |  | ¢ J97432 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ Q76 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ KJ53 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ Q842 |  |
|  | ¢ K8 |  |

This is definitely not the sort of slam we'd expect the field to bid, but with trumps two-two and clubs lying well, you'd make it without breathing hard. Three pairs tried this one, two of them Brian Mace-Tom Jacob, and Ben Thompson-Bill Jacobs - in the same match. The Kiwis got there after a "Bondage" $1 \diamond$ opening by West and a series of relays, the Aussies via: 19-4; 4NT5»; 64. I suspect that Jacobs was hoping for a different dummy, but this one wasn't so bad for his purposes. He went three down, Jacob one down. 5 IMPs to New Zealand. The other pair to reach slam was Reza-Hidayatullah for the Indonesian Youth team. As we've seen, they're not shy in the slam department. Reza, like

Jacobs, went three down.

| Bd: 7 <br> DIr: South <br> Vul: Both | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ¢ 1042 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ A4 |  |
|  | $\diamond 109732$ |  |
|  | * Q107 |  |
| West <br> - AK3 <br> © KJ1052 <br> $\diamond$ KQ5 <br> * A 5 |  | East |
|  |  | ¢ 765 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ Q86 |
|  |  | $\checkmark$ A |
|  |  | ¢ KJ9632 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ QJ98 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 973$ |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ J864 |  |
|  | -84 |  |

This is a very good $6 \gtrdot$, a playable 6NT(roughly a club finesse), and an inferior 6e (the same finesse as 6 NT plus a club break). It is a lot easier to reach $6 \vee$ if West gets to show his fivecard heart suit before bidding notrump, but some checkback methods will ferret out the heart fit. With the friendly club position, everything makes. There were many pairs who did not reach slam. If you didn't play this session, bid these cards with your favorite partner, hoping for joy rather than despair.

| Bd: 9 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: North | . KQ1053 |  |
| Vul: E/W | $\bigcirc \mathrm{KJ}$ |  |
|  | $\checkmark 109$ |  |
|  | ¢ 9753 |  |
| West |  | East |
| - 9762 |  | $\pm$ J |
| $\bigcirc$ Q42 |  | $\bigcirc 1087653$ |
| $\checkmark$ AK83 |  | $\diamond$ QJ762 |
| - 64 |  | \& Q |
|  | South |  |
|  | - A84 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ A9 |  |
|  | $\checkmark 54$ |  |
|  | 2 AKJ1082 |  |

We can see that 6 or 6 are flawed contracts, but if the opponents were to stay off the diamond lead, we wouldn't mind being there. We can see, too, that West would have a shrewd idea about what to lead, which suggests that if you're going to try to steal one, you'd better do it in spades,
the otherwise inferior trump suit. We can't help but wonder whether the three pairs (one in each event) who bid and made 6new something that we don't know. For those of you keeping track of these things, we can tell you that the successful pairs were the very busy Maggs-Sia (Malaysia-O), the resilient Sartje Pontoh-Winda Sumenge (Indonesia-W) and Dave Sun-Eric Wu (Chinese Taipei-Y).

| Bd: 11 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: South | - 3 |  |
| Vul: None | $\bigcirc$ AQJ4 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ KQ9632 |  |
|  | - J7 |  |
| West |  | East |
| ¢ K9 |  | ¢ AQJ654 |
| $\bigcirc$ K10852 |  | $\bigcirc 96$ |
| $\diamond 1074$ |  | $\checkmark$ J |
| * KQ9 |  | - A653 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ 10872 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 73$ |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ A85 |  |
|  | -10842 |  |

4s was the popular E/W contract on this one. It was made only twice, and for once, the successes took place in the same match Chinese Taipei vs Japan (O).

Where CH Wu declared, Takeshi Hanayama led the $\vee 7$ to the ten and jack. Makoto Hirata switched to the $\diamond \mathrm{K}$, jack, five, four, then continued with ace and four of hearts. Wu, who knew only that Hirata had opened $1 \diamond$ and appeared to have four hearts and that Hanayama had taken no part in the auction, ruffed high, finessed the nine of trumps, and found his way home in straightforward fashion thereafter. Bravo, CH .

Where Hiroya Abe declared, YH Chen led the 22 , nine, jack, ace. Abe drew four rounds of trumps, discarding a diamond and a heart, and led the $\odot 6$ to dummy's king. Kao Cheng (who had discarded the 84 ) had only to defend relatively passively (returning a club before or after cashing a diamond, or simply playing on diamonds to force declarer) to defeat the contract, but he cashed the $\triangle$ Q before playing two rounds of diamonds. Abe ruffed, crossed to the Q , and ruffed out the $\stackrel{\mathrm{J}}{ }$ with his precious
last trump. The ek was the entry to the good heart, his tenth trick. No swing!

| Bd: 12 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: West | ¢ J53 |  |
| Vul: N/S | $\bigcirc$ AK65 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ A10865 |  |
|  | - Q |  |
| West |  | East |
| ¢ A108 |  | - 97 |
| $\bigcirc 743$ |  | $\bigcirc$ Q9 |
| $\diamond 7$ |  | $\diamond$ KQJ94 |
| ¢ AK9874 |  | ¢ J1032 |
|  | South |  |
|  | - KQ642 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ J1082 |  |
|  | $\checkmark 32$ |  |
|  | -65 |  |

This is not a deal that shouts to N/S, "Bid me to game," but in practice, quite a few pairs reached $4 \bigcirc$ or 44, often driven there by vigorous competition in clubs. So vigorous that several of those E/W pairs saved at 5\%, down 300. Three N/S pairs were permitted to play in their pushy game. Eric Wu, for Chinese Taipei Youth was permitted the luxury of the trump finesse and so went one down, but Hanayama, after the singleton diamond lead, was not about to try a spade to the queen, risk blocking the suit, and open up several new cans of worms. He played ace-king of trumps and wrote plus 620 on his side of the official score. So too did Ferdy Waluyan of Indonesia after the same opening lead.

| Bd: 13 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: North | د --- |  |
| Vul: Both | $\bigcirc 864$ |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \diamond \text { AKJ1064 } \\ & \& \text { AQ43 } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| West |  | East |
| ¢ AJ974 |  | -108653 |
| $\bigcirc$ J9 |  | $\checkmark$ A3 |
| $\checkmark 5$ |  | $\checkmark 982$ |
| - KJ762 |  | -1098 |
|  | South |  |
|  | - KQ2 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ KQ10752 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ Q73 |  |
|  | 25 |  |

$6 \diamond$ and $6 \triangleleft$ are both sensible contracts, and E/W might not let you play either of them. If you're going to reach slam, your mission is to choose the trump suit in which you can prevent a ruff in the other red suit. In this instance, it's best to play in diamonds, because the hearts are twotwo and if you choose to play in hearts, the opponents can arrange a diamond ruff, somewhat fortuitously, to be sure. The problem with finding the diamond ruff is that West has an ace and will be most reluctant to lead his singleton diamond since his partner is most unlikely to hold an ace (a red one) of his own once the opponents contract for slam. Indeed, the six pairs who attempted $6 \odot$ were all permitted to make it.

Two pairs got it legitimately right - Antonio Rosario-U Peng Lai of Macau (O) and PontohSumenge of Indonesia (W). I don't know about the guys from Macau, but the girls are willing to have their picture taken with you near the escalators on the fourth floor for the special sale price of $5,000,000$ rupiah per photo. Prices will be higher in the future when they become famous superstars.

| Bd: 15 | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIr: South | ¢ AK109752 |  |
| Vul: N/S | $\bigcirc$ AJ7 |  |
|  | Q92 |  |
|  |  |  |
| West |  | East |
| - - |  | - QJ43 |
| $\bigcirc 109832$ |  | $\bigcirc 6$ |
| $\diamond$ K10832 |  | $\diamond$ QJ5 |
| - AJ4 |  | K10765 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ 86 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ KQ54 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ A9764 |  |
|  | -83 |  |

There was plenty of life in this one, although the normal contract, 44, was played at a majority of the tables, doubled on a few occasions. Chinese Taipei's K Cheng-YH Chen got all the way to 64, when North got a bit carried away after a twosuited $2 \triangleleft$ opening by West.

Speaking of getting carried away, consider the fate of Sam Wan-Benjamin Kwok of Hong Kong, who played the E/W cards in $5 \diamond$ doubled, down
1100. Hey, guys - they couldn't make 4 the other way.

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Xu | Sacul | Zhuang | Waluyan |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| Pass | $4 \boldsymbol{4}$ | Pass | Pass |
| 4NT | DBL | 5\& |  |
| Pass | Pass | DBL | All Pass |

Poor Denny. He wound up his opponents, who were likely to run from 5\% doubled (West promised two suits and 5e appears to have been an effort to find one of them; West will tell you that he was going to bid $5 \diamond$ if Ferdy had passed), but Ferdy, with his values concentrated in two suits, had reason to believe that would make. Zuang's penalty double (down 500) merely rubbed salt in the Indonesian's wounds. They lost only 7 IMPs, however, because Munawar doubled 4t at the other table and collected 200.

| Bd: 16 DIr: West Vul: E/W | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ¢ J9 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ AQ32 |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ J862 |  |
|  | - K75 |  |
| West <br> - K865 <br> - KJ9 <br> $\diamond$ K1095 <br> Q3 |  | East |
|  |  | - 1074 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc 108654$ |
|  |  | $\diamond$ Q43 |
|  |  | -96 |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ AQ32 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 7$ |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ A7 |  |
|  | - AJ10842 |  |

For most mortals, this was 3NT, N/S. However ...

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mace | Havas | Jacob | Travis |
| 1NT | Pass | $2 \boldsymbol{2}(1)$ | DBL(2) |
| 2ء | DBL(3) | All Pass |  |
| (1) Described as "Stayman or game force" |  |  |  |
| (2) A penalty double of 1NT; (3) Responsive |  |  |  |

The Aussie tigers caught Tom Jacob speeding (it looks as if he was trying to steal the auction; he could have transferred to hearts) and extracted
every ounce of blood from Brian Mace before a sympathetic kibitzer could apply a tourniquet. Liz led the $\mathbf{~ J}$ to protect her side's considerable outside assets, and Brian was in deep trouble. He won the $\varphi \mathrm{K}$ and led the $\diamond 10$ to the queen and ace. Barbara cashed two high trumps and attacked clubs. Brian could take only a second trump and the $\triangleleft \mathrm{K}$ for five down; minus 1400. 14 IMPs to Australia, who needed them. New Zealand won the match, 18-12.

There was one more noteworthy result on this deal, recorded by Derrick Heng-Dennis Kow of Singapore, who reached 6\%. Although Sam Wan tested Dennis with the opening lead of the 89 , there wasn't much Dennis could do wrong; he finessed the $\vee Q$ to discard his diamond, got the trumps right, and lost only a spade trick for a magnificent plus 920 and a $10-\mathrm{IMP}$ gain that helped his team upset Hong Kong 18-12.

There were no successful declarers on Board 17 . . . were there?


Oh, yes, there was one. No, he was not West.
If this is where bidding is headed for in the millenium, there won't be any players outside New Zealand willling to pay their card fees. Since

Mace was apparently being pumped full of clean new blood to replace the stuff that had been extracted by Havas and Travis on the previous deal, the gentlemanly Jacob realized that he would have to shoulder the burden for the partnership down the stretch. Hence his impeccable decision to declare 4s from the strong (at least in terms of functioning arteries) side. There is something to the dictum that it is usually right to lead your lowest trump, as poor Barbie was soon to discover after leading the s10. Jacob won the $\uparrow A$ and called for the 8 K , eight, five, ace. Travis cashed the as Jacob unblocked dummy's king. She switched again, this time to the $\diamond 7$. Jacob tried the king, losing to the ace, and a second diamond was ruffed with the 4 . Jacob continued innocently with the $\uparrow 5$, intending to finesse the seven, but Travis split her significant cards. Jacob won the $\uparrow \mathrm{K}$ and continued with the $\odot J$, overtaking with the queen when the ten appeared. Watch closely now. Jacob continued with the 86 and ran it when Travis followed with the four, discarding dummy's remaining diamond. Now a heart to ruff out the nine, shortening dummy's trumps at the same time. He led the 25 to his jack and led his remaining heart, which was high. If Travis did not ruff, Jacob would discard the winning club from dummy and coup the nine-three of trumps with a club lead at trick twelve. When Travis ruffed low instead, Jacob overruffed, drew the last trump, and cashed the 2 Q for his tenth trick.

It will be years before you see a better deal than this one, and it was just by luck that we caught it in one of the matches we had asked to have recorded. Well, maybe someone would have brought it to the Bulletin sooner or later. Not Jacob and Mace, of course. They're still in Intensive Care.

"Bid ‘em up."

| Bd: 19 <br> DIr: South <br> Vul: E/W | North |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ¢ 10 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc$ AJ1096 |  |
|  | $\diamond$ Q105 |  |
|  | \% 10874 |  |
| West <br> - Q6 <br> $\checkmark$ Q2 <br> $\diamond$ AK87642 <br> \& A9 |  | East |
|  |  | 4. AJ983 |
|  |  | $\bigcirc$ K8753 |
|  |  | $\checkmark$ J3 |
|  |  | \& Q |
|  | South |  |
|  | ¢ K7542 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 4$ |  |
|  | $\checkmark 9$ |  |
|  | \% KJ6532 |  |

This was a wild one too, with contracts ranging from $2 \checkmark$ doubled by North, down 300 to 6NT by East. Down 200.

In several matches, the contract was 3NT in both rooms. In Japan vs Chinese Taipei (O), CC Chen declared from the West side after a two-suited ( + +m) opening by Hanayama, South. Hirata, North, found the fine lead of the $\%$, which killed dummy's queen, killed the entry to the diamonds, and unblocked the suit for the defense, all at once. Chen finished a cool four down; minus 400.

At the other table, where South opened $2 \checkmark$ to show (among things) the same type of hand, Abe declared 3NT from the East side. YH Chen would have been fighting Tom Jacob for whatever Bulletin prizes our hosts are willing to provide had he led the K , but instead he elected to lead the 84 ! Abe played low and won the nine with the king to play three rounds of diamonds. Cheng took three high hearts but Abe had the rest; plus 600. 14 IMPs to Japan, who won the match 20-10.

The same pair of results was recorded in China vs Indonesia, with Indonesia recording the two pluses. Nevertheless, they lost the match 14-16.


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"Is that the same hand you held during the auction?"

"So it's a deal. I give you my scorecard, you give me your sushi."

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DATUM


OPEN (1st RR Match 10)

|  |  | CHINA |  | HONG KONG MACAU |  |  |  | INDONESIA |  | MALAYSIA |  | SINGAPORE |  | AUSTRALIA |  | PHILIPPINES |  | JAPAN |  | NEW | ZEALAND | CH. TAIPEI |  |
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| No | DATUM | N-S | E-W | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ | E-W |
| 1 | 10 | -3 | 3 | 3 | -2 | -3 | 3 | -3 | -3 | 2 | -3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 | -1 | -4 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 |
| 2 | 10 | 3 | -4 | 3 | -3 | 4 | -3 | -5 | 3 | 3 | -3 | -3 | 5 | -3 | -4 | -3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | -3 | 3 |
| 3 | -160 | -11 | -2 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 11 | 1 | -2 | -10 | -2 | 2 | -1 | 3 | -8 | 1 | -3 | 8 | -3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | -1 |
| 4 | 10 | 3 | -3 | 3 | 12 | 3 | -3 | -16 | -3 | -12 | -3 | 3 | 16 | 3 | -3 | 3 | -3 | 3 | -3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | -3 |
| 5 | -20 | -3 | -2 | 14 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 10 | -13 | -14 | -10 | -3 | 6 | -2 | -10 | -12 | 2 | -6 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 10 |
| 6 | -140 | -2 | 10 | 10 | -6 | -10 | 2 | -2 | 8 | 6 | -10 | -8 | 2 | 1 | -8 | -12 | -8 | 8 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 12 |
| 7 | 460 | 5 | 8 | -7 | -5 | -8 | -5 | 4 | -5 | 5 | 7 | 5 | -4 | 4 | 6 | -8 | -4 | -6 | -4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 8 |
| 8 | 160 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -2 | -6 | 0 | -6 | 6 | 2 | -1 | 5 | 0 | 3 | -5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -3 | 0 |
| 9 | -30 | 5 | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 | -5 | -1 | 2 | -1 | 1 | -2 | 1 | -1 | 1 | -2 | -5 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| 10 | -280 | -8 | -4 | 3 | -3 | 4 | 8 | -8 | -3 | 3 | -3 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 8 | 3 | -3 | -8 | -3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | -3 |
| 11 | 70 | 2 | -2 | -3 | 9 | 2 | -2 | 6 | 3 | -9 | 3 | -3 | -6 | 1 | 3 | 3 | -2 | -3 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | -3 |
| 12 | 340 | 11 | 13 | 7 | 13 | -13 | -11 | -13 | 17 | -13 | -7 | -17 | 13 | 11 | -12 | 11 | -12 | 12 | -11 | 0 | 0 | 12 | -11 |
| 13 | -620 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -1 | -12 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 14 | 220 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 9 | -2 | -5 | 5 | 2 | -9 | -5 | -2 | -5 | -1 | 2 | -2 | 1 | -2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 2 |
| 15 | -350 | -2 | 3 | 9 | -6 | -3 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 6 | -9 | -2 | -6 | -2 | 2 | -2 | 2 | -2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | -2 | 2 |
| 16 | 50 | 4 | 4 | 2 | -4 | -4 | -4 | 2 | 5 | 4 | -2 | -5 | -2 | 2 | -10 | -5 | 4 | 10 | -2 | 0 | 0 | -4 | 5 |
| 17 | 470 | -5 | 5 | 0 | 13 | -5 | 5 | 11 | 1 | -13 | 0 | -1 | -11 | 11 | -1 | -5 | 1 | 1 | -11 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 5 |
| 18 | -330 | -3 | 4 | -3 | 2 | -4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | -2 | 3 | -3 | -4 | -3 | -10 | 9 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 0 | -3 | -9 |
| 19 | -80 | 1 | -1 | -1 | -1 | 1 | -1 | -1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -1 | 1 | -1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | -4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -1 | -1 |
| 20 | 180 | -9 | -10 | -2 | -10 | 10 | 9 | 15 | 9 | 10 | 2 | -9 | -15 | -9 | 7 | -7 | -10 | -7 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 7 |
|  | IMP + | 40 | 54 | 67 | 82 | 29 | 46 | 69 | 67 | 40 | 17 | 22 | 51 | 46 | 42 | 32 | 18 | 59 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 64 | 56 |
|  | IMP - | 46 | 29 | 17 | 40 | 54 | 40 | 51 | 22 | 82 | 67 | 67 | 69 | 21 | 59 | 56 | 64 | 42 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 32 |

DATUM


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## LADIES (2nd RR Match 3)

| No |  | AUSTRALIA |  | CHINA |  | INDONESIA |  | JAPAN |  | NEW ZEALAND |  | KOREA |  | CH. TAIPEI |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | DATUM | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ | E-W | N-S | E-W | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ | E-W | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W |
| 1 | 50 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 40 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -5 | -4 | 0 | -2 | -4 | -2 | 4 | 5 |
| 3 | -120 | 1 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 1 | -1 | -1 | 1 | -1 |
| 4 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 290 | -10 | -13 | 11 | 6 | 0 | 0 | -3 | 5 | -6 | -11 | 13 | 10 | -5 | 3 |
| 6 | 200 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -8 | -3 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | 510 | 4 | -3 | 3 | -3 | 0 | 0 | -8 | 8 | 3 | -3 | 3 | -4 | -8 | 8 |
| 8 | 140 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -5 | 0 | -1 | -7 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | -50 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | -6 | 0 | 0 | -2 | 0 |
| 10 | -140 | 1 | 10 | -2 | -1 | 0 | 0 | -1 | -1 | 1 | 2 | -10 | -1 | 1 | 1 |
| 11 | -100 | -5 | 7 | 0 | -4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | -4 | 4 | 0 | -7 | 5 | 4 | -2 |
| 12 | -200 | 13 | 13 | -7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | -7 | -13 | -7 | 7 | -13 | -13 | 13 | 7 |
| 13 | -600 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 14 | 160 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -7 | 0 | 0 | -5 | -1 | 7 | 0 |
| 15 | -430 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | -6 |
| 16 | 130 | -1 | 1 | 2 | -7 | 0 | 0 | -8 | 0 | 7 | -2 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| 17 | 420 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -2 | -8 | -2 | -3 | -1 | 2 | -1 |
| 18 | -220 | -6 | -9 | 2 | -9 | 0 | 0 | -5 | 5 | 9 | -2 | 9 | 6 | -5 | 5 |
| 19 | 10 | -2 | 3 | -2 | -9 | 0 | 0 | -2 | -4 | 9 | 2 | -3 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| 20 | -230 | 8 | 5 | 4 | -1 | 0 | 0 | -2 | 2 | 1 | -4 | -5 | -8 | -2 | 2 |
|  | IMP + | 41 | 65 | 32 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 22 | 34 | 12 | 25 | 26 | 36 | 41 |
|  | IMP - | 26 | 25 | 12 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 41 | 36 | 40 | 32 | 65 | 41 | 22 | 10 |

YOUTH (2nd RR Match 1)

| No |  | INDONESIA |  | AUSTRALIA |  | JAPAN |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HONG } \\ & \text { N-S } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { KONG } \\ \text { E-W } \end{gathered}$ | CH. TAIPEI |  | SINGAPORE |  |
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|  | DATUM | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W |  |  | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W |
| 1 | -480 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 50 | -4 | -1 | 0 | -3 | -4 | -13 | 13 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 3 | -650 | 1 | -14 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 1 | 14 | -1 |
| 4 | 40 | -5 | 5 | 2 | -2 | 2 | -2 | 2 | -2 | 2 | -2 | -5 | 5 |
| 5 | -450 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 |
| 6 | 80 | -4 | -2 | 0 | -12 | 2 | 4 | -4 | -2 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| 7 | -1430 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -17 |
| 8 | 470 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -6 | 0 | -1 | 0 |
| 9 | 480 | -1 | 1 | 1 | -11 | -1 | -1 | 1 | 1 | 11 | -1 | -1 | 1 |
| 10 | 650 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | 0 | -4 | -2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | -2 | 2 | -2 | -4 | -4 | 2 | 4 |
| 12 | 90 | 2 | -2 | -6 | 5 | 2 | -5 | 5 | -2 | -5 | 6 | 2 | -2 |
| 13 | 1090 | -7 | -8 | -10 | -8 | 8 | 9 | -9 | -8 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 7 |
| 14 | 100 | 1 | 0 | -5 | 0 | -2 | -1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 0 | -1 |
| 15 | -40 | -2 | 2 | -2 | -5 | -2 | -5 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 2 | -2 | 2 |
| 16 | 450 | -1 | 0 | -2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| 17 | 80 | 3 | -1 | -6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -1 | -1 | -1 | 6 | 1 | -3 |
| 18 | 90 | 2 | 0 | -1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | -5 | -2 | -1 | 1 | 0 | -2 |
| 19 | -50 | 4 | -10 | -11 | 11 | 4 | -6 | 6 | -4 | -11 | 11 | 10 | -4 |
| 20 | 690 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | IMP + | 31 | 9 | 7 | 29 | 24 | 20 | 36 | 9 | 42 | 44 | 40 | 28 |
|  | IMP - | 28 | 40 | 44 | 42 | 9 | 36 | 20 | 24 | 29 | 7 | 9 | 31 |

DATUM

## YOUTH (2nd RR Match 2)

| No |  | INDONESIA |  | AUSTRALIA |  | JAPAN |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HONG } \\ & \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { KONG } \\ \mathrm{E}-\mathrm{W} \end{array}$ | CH. TAIPEI |  | SINGAPORE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | DATUM | N -S | E-W | N -S | E-W | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ | E-W |  |  | N -S | E-W | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{S}$ | E-W |
| 1 | -40 | -1 | 1 | -2 | 2 | -2 | 2 | 4 | -4 | -1 | 1 | 4 | -4 |
| 2 | 80 | -1 | 5 | -1 | -1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -1 | -5 | 1 | 1 | -1 |
| 3 | -120 | -1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | -1 | -2 | 1 | -1 | -1 | 1 | 1 | -1 |
| 4 | 100 | 0 | 0 | -13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 130 | 1 | 1 | -8 | 1 | -1 | 8 | -1 | -11 | -1 | -1 | 11 | 1 |
| 6 | -360 | 6 | -11 | -6 | 12 | -12 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 11 | -6 | -6 | -7 |
| 7 | 530 | 3 | 8 | 3 | -3 | 3 | -3 | 3 | 8 | -8 | -3 | -8 | -3 |
| 8 | 80 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 | -4 | -2 | -4 | -2 | 0 | -2 | 2 | 4 |
| 9 | 140 | -5 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2 | -7 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 2 |
| 10 | -290 | 3 | 8 | -7 | -4 | 4 | 7 | 3 | -10 | -8 | -3 | 10 | -3 |
| 11 | 60 | -3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | -2 | 2 | -1 | -3 | 3 | 1 | -2 |
| 12 | -480 | 15 | -2 | 1 | 5 | -5 | -1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | -15 | -2 | 0 |
| 13 | -620 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 | -12 | 1 | -1 | 12 | 1 |
| 14 | 280 | -4 | -3 | -5 | -4 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | -4 | -3 |
| 15 | -370 | 5 | -5 | -2 | 2 | -2 | 2 | -2 | 2 | 5 | -5 | -2 | 2 |
| 16 | 0 | 5 | -3 | -3 | 3 | -3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | -5 | -4 | -3 |
| 17 | 580 | -4 | -9 | -12 | -9 | 9 | 12 | -4 | 4 | 9 | 4 | -4 | 4 |
| 18 | -300 | 5 | 6 | -12 | -8 | 8 | 12 | -3 | -4 | -6 | -5 | 4 | 3 |
| 19 | -60 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | 140 | -6 | -10 | 0 | -10 | 10 | 0 | -8 | 6 | 10 | 6 | -6 | 8 |
|  | IMP + | 46 | 34 | 10 | 31 | 39 | 71 | 27 | 36 | 45 | 25 | 53 | 25 |
|  | IMP - | 25 | 45 | 71 | 39 | 31 | 10 | 25 | 53 | 34 | 46 | 36 | 27 |

YOUTH (2nd RR Match 3)

| No | DATUM | INDONESIA |  | AUSTRALIA |  | JAPAN |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { CH. HONG } \\ \text { N-S } \end{gathered}$ | KONG | CH. TAIPEI |  | SINGAPORE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W |  |  | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W |
| 1 | 290 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 8 | 3 | -3 | -8 | -3 | 3 | -3 | -8 | -3 |
| 2 | -60 | -9 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | -3 | -3 | 9 | 3 | -3 | -3 | -3 |
| 3 | -620 | 0 | -10 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 280 | 1 | -1 | 8 | 2 | -9 | -1 | 1 | -1 | 1 | 9 | -2 | -8 |
| 5 | -40 | 5 | 4 | -4 | -8 | -4 | -4 | -4 | -5 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 4 |
| 6 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | -4 | -3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | -5 | -3 |
| 7 | 0 | 3 | -3 | 3 | 3 | -3 | 3 | 3 | -3 | -3 | 3 | -3 | -3 |
| 8 | 80 | 1 | 10 | -1 | 1 | 1 | -1 | -10 | -1 | 1 | -1 | -1 | 1 |
| 9 | 180 | 7 | -6 | 6 | 6 | -6 | 6 | 6 | -7 | -6 | 6 | -6 | -6 |
| 10 | 60 | 11 | -11 | -4 | 13 | -6 | 4 | 11 | -11 | -4 | 6 | -13 | 4 |
| 11 | -420 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 0 |
| 12 | 30 | 2 | 3 | 2 | -1 | -3 | -1 | -3 | -2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | -2 |
| 13 | -620 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -13 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 13 | 0 |
| 14 | 280 | 4 | -4 | 4 | 4 | -8 | 4 | 4 | -4 | -4 | 8 | -4 | -4 |
| 15 | 10 | -3 | -3 | 3 | 3 | -3 | -14 | 3 | 3 | 14 | 3 | -3 | -3 |
| 16 | 190 | 0 | 0 | -6 | 2 | 0 | -5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | -2 | 6 |
| 17 | -80 | 5 | 2 | -1 | -5 | -2 | 8 | -2 | -5 | -8 | 2 | 5 | 1 |
| 18 | -320 | 5 | -2 | -5 | -5 | -3 | 4 | 2 | -5 | -4 | 3 | 5 | 5 |
| 19 | -110 | -11 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 9 | -7 | -10 | 11 | 7 | -9 | 0 | -5 |
| 20 | 130 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | -6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | IMP + | 47 | 40 | 40 | 51 | 17 | 35 | 41 | 24 | 42 | 52 | 32 | 21 |
|  | IMP - | 24 | 41 | 21 | 32 | 52 | 42 | 40 | 47 | 35 | 17 | 51 | 40 |

## 38th PABF CHAMPIONSHIPS — RR 1

| OPEN Series | Rank | Total | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | bye | Penalty |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.CHINA | 3 | 183 |  | 13 | 19 | 16 | 12 | 21 | 23 | 25 | 25 | 15 | 4 |  |  |
| 2.CHINA HONG KONG | 5 | 156 | 17 |  | 19 | 15 | 25 | 12 | 20 | 9 | 19 | 10 | 10 |  |  |
| 3.MACAU | 9 | 111 | 11 | 11 |  | 5 | 8 | 22 | 7 | 9 | 6 | 16 | 16 |  |  |
| 4.INDONESIA | 4 | 164 | 14 | 15 | 25 |  | 24 | 25 | 16 | 13 | 17 | 10 | 5 |  |  |
| 5.MALAYSIA | 8 | 138 | 18 | 1 | 22 | 6 |  | 23 | 18 | 20 | 1 | 19 | 10 |  |  |
| 6.SINGAPORE | 11 | 95 | 9 | 18 | 8 | 3 | 7 |  | 6 | 15 | 19 | 4 | 6 |  |  |
| 7.AUSTRALIA | 7 | 145 | 7 | 10 | 23 | 14 | 12 | 24 |  | 25 | 16 | 12 | 2 |  |  |
| 8.PHILIPPINES | 10 | 118 | 3 | 21 | 21 | 17 | 10 | 15 | 5 |  | 1 | 5 | 4 |  |  |
| 9.JAPAN | 6 | 153 | 0 | 11 | 24 | 13 | 25 | 11 | 14 | 25 |  | 10 | 20 |  |  |
| 10.NEW ZEALAND | 1 | 193 | 15 | 20 | 12 | 20 | 11 | 25 | 18 | 25 | 20 |  | 25 |  |  |
| 11.CHINESE TAIPEI | 2 | 190 | 25 | 20 | 14 | 25 | 20 | 24 | 25 | 25 | 10 | 2 |  |  |  |


| LADIES Series | Rank | Total | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | bye | Penalty |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.INDONESIA | 3 | 101 |  | 25 | 15 | 25 | 15 | 11 | 10 |  |  |
| 2.KOREA | 6 | 40 | 3 |  | 9 | 16 | 4 | 5 | 3 |  |  |
| 3.NEW ZEALAND | 5 | 85 | 15 | 21 |  | 18 | 6 | 7 | 18 |  |  |
| 4.CHINESE TAIPEI | 7 | 39 | 2 | 14 | 12 |  | 3 | 5 | 3 |  |  |
| 5.CHINA | 2 | 124 | 15 | 25 | 24 | 25 |  | 10 | 25 |  |  |
| 6.AUSTRALIA | 1 | 129 | 19 | 25 | 23 | 25 | 20 |  | 17 |  |  |
| 7.JAPAN | 4 | 97 | 20 | 25 | 12 | 25 | 2 | 13 |  |  |  |


| YOUTH Series | Rank | Total | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Penalty |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.JAPAN | 3 | 78 |  | 17 | 19 | 14 | 14 | 14 |  |
| 2.CHINA HONG KONG | 4 | 76 | 13 |  | 24 | 22 | 10 | 7 |  |
| 3.SINGAPORE | 6 | 56 | 11 | 6 |  | 14 | 6 | 19 |  |
| 4.CHINESE TAIPEI | 5 | 61 | 16 | 8 | 16 |  | 15 | 6 |  |
| 5.INDONESIA | 1 | 97 | 16 | 20 | 24 | 15 |  | 22 |  |
| 6.AUSTRALIA | 2 | 82 | 16 | 23 | 11 | 24 | 8 |  |  |

## 38th PABF CHAMPIONSHIPS — RR 2

| OPEN Series | Rank Total | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | bye | Penalty | $1^{\text {st }}$ RR |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.NEW ZEALAND |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 193 |
| 2.CHINESE TAIPEI |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 190 |
| 3.CHINA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 173 |
| 4.INDONESIA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 164 |
| 5.CHINA HONG KONG |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 156 |  |
| 6.JAPAN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 153 |
| 7.AUSTRALIA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 145 |
| 8.MALAYSIA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 138 |
| 9.MACAU |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 111 |
| 10.PHILIPPINES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 102 |
| 11.SINGAPORE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 95 |


| LADIES Series | Rank | Total | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | bye | Penalty | $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{RR}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.AUSTRALIA |  | 195 |  |  |  |  |  | 25 | 23 | 18 |  | 129 |
| 2.CHINA |  | 186 |  |  |  |  | 19 |  | 25 | 18 |  | 124 |
| 3.INDONESIA |  | 159 |  |  |  |  | 21 | 19 |  | 18 |  | 101 |
| 4.JAPAN |  | 142 |  |  |  |  | 13 | 25 | 7 |  |  | 97 |
| 5.NEW ZEALAND |  | 122 |  | 11 | 9 | 17 |  |  |  |  |  | 85 |
| 6.KOREA |  | 56 | 5 |  | 11 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  | 40 |
| 7.CHINESE TAIPEI |  | 71 | 7 | 2 |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  | 39 |


| YOUTH Series | Rank | Total | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Penalty | $1^{\text {st }}$ RR |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.INDONESIA |  | 143 |  |  |  | 19 | 17 | 10 |  | 97 |
| 2.AUSTRALIA |  | 116 |  |  | 5 |  | 6 | 23 |  | 82 |
| 3.JAPAN |  | 124 |  | 25 |  | 14 | 7 |  |  | 78 |
| 4.CHINA HONG KONG |  | 114 | 11 |  | 16 |  |  | 11 |  | 76 |
| 5.CHINESE TAIPEI |  | 121 | 13 | 24 | 23 |  |  |  |  | 61 |
| 6.SINGAPORE |  | 102 | 20 | 7 |  | 19 |  |  |  | 56 |

