Sorry, English only.	——— Saturday, November 25th, 1995 ——— Editors:Eric Kokish Beverly Kraft
Jenn-Wah, Lee Cher Hui-Ping) played to a few moments. Playin Habert, Beverly Kraf Shimamura of Japan semifinals. in the 16-board play Sacul-Lusie Bojoh, M Giovani Watulingas)	CHINESE TAIPEI TAKES HOME THE FIRST NEC CUP To a one-sided final against CANADA, CHINESE TAIPEI (Ho ong-Tao, Chang Wei-Ming, Yen Yung-Nan, Shen Nai-Jeng, Lai a 89-33 victory in a macth that was close only for a g for Canada were: Joey Silver, Eric Kokish, Rhoda tt, and honorary super-Canadians Etshko Miyaishi, Kyoko , without whom Canada would not have reached the off for third place in the NEC CUP, INDONESIA (Denny Munawar Sawiruddin-Bert Toar Polii, Santje Panelewen- defeated EUROPE (Kurt Feichtinger-Franz Terraneo, m Zmudzinski, Ilan and Ophir Herbst) by 19 imps, 58-39. SCORE RECAP
that was a model of lounge, snack, reviev finished, or watch th The two-day Foreigr sessions scheduled f	11 38 13 61 28 21 49 25 66 91 13 18 16 47 Participants, we must compliment JCBL on a tournament efficiency. Nothing was spared – the players could by the printed result sheets moments after play e Vugraph show. In Minister's Cup starts today (Nov. 25th) with the for 10am and 2pm at Seven City. The Victory Banquet will
Imperial Highness, Po To our sponsors at N	nday. We will be honoured with the presence of His rince Hitachi. Jacket and tie are requested. NEC: you have once again been responsible for a world rigato and sayonara from all your bridge friends. WOULD YOU GET THIS ONE RIGHT? NORTH S.J1072 H.J953 D:A C:QJ74
There was a time who contract easily, East one would lead a heat or D8 were popular I then, perhaps, reemstyle signal when deconone of the Easts for	EAST S:643 H:K76 D:KJ1063 C:105 SOUTH S:AQ8 H:104 D:Q95 C:AK983 ed this one in 3NT and everyone who bid it made it. ten every West would have led a heart and beaten the switching to a diamond. In the 1990's, however, no art fromthis holding unless he were desperate. The D7 eads. East signalled encouragement in his own way and hphasized his diamond delight with some sort of Smith- clarer ran the SJ. Whenever West continued diamonds, und the killing switch to hearts. And if West went suit switch, declarer claimed. Is this hand too
BOARD: VIII-6 DEALER: E VUL: E-W WEST S:QJ107 H:J1095 D:A97 C:Q3	NORTH S:A53 H:A32 D:1083 C:8762 EAST S:62 H:876 D:KJ1654 C:J54 SOUTH S:K984 H:KQ4 D:Q2 C:AK109
Hirata had suffered a resolved to keep the lost ground. On this three, an enterprising there was sure to be West led the SJ, Ruswith the deuce. A clube continued with the East would have play declarer had started and return the eight the case, the diamorview. Which piece of East wanted to send but how likely was the there would have be showed his hand after the second and after the case is the second but how likely was the case wanted to send but how likely was the second and after the second but have be showed his hand after the second case.	sinow, and hanayama won in dummy as East discouraged ub to the ten came next and when West won the queen, e SQ, three, six, eight. From West's point of view, yed the nine from nine-six in this position, but if with king-nine-eight-four, would he not win the king to build another sure trick? West realized that hads figured to be wide open from declarer's point of evidence was the stronger? It was barely possible that some message with six-nine of spades in this position, hat? If West had played something other than a spade, en no story. However, he did play a spade and Hanayama er testing clubs. Plus 400 and a 7-imp game.
BOARD: IV-9 DEALER: N VUL: E-W WEST S:AQJ763 H:AK43 D:A C:J3	NORTH S:1094 H:Q75 D:Q9632 C:95 EAST S:2 H:J862 D:KJ1087 C:Q108 SOUTH S:K85 H:109 D:54 C:AK7642
W N E P P X 1D X 3S P 3NT P P In the Closed Room, excellent 4H contract registered. In the Op 3S over 2C (fearing to and Ilan guessed wro YAMADA. The next hand was to In the Closed Room, and the Japanese pa lie, however, 3NT cal	And the most interesting in the match. When Zmudzinski decided not to bid 2S, Hirata cuebid air reached the inferior contract of 3NT. As the cards note made after a spade lead by taking two finesses in nudzinski led the S8, promising one higher card.
Olanski put in the Socommunication open Olanski took to cash two diamonds and two discarded club and hoeclarer played HA, ace, trying to transfe	J, which held and returned the S6, keeping the spade Declarer took the queen and returned a spade, which the two remaining spades, on which declarer discarded colubs from dummy and a diamond from hand. North eleart. Olanski now played a club to the K and A. covertook the QH with the KH and played the DQ, king, er the diamond threat to South, hoping to squeeze him to to the queen – which wasn't successful. One down, hayama. NORTH S:1083 H:974 D:K5 C:KJ875 EAST S:9 H:AQ2 D:A732 C:AQ1094
W N E P 1C X 2S X 3H P 4H P P In the Open Room, "repeating" his hear because of his weak North led a low spad clubs, switched to a (South playing the 4, successfully finessed ace (in case South delayed)	r Imakura Hanayama Zmud Hirata Olanski S W N E S 1S P 1C 1S 2C X P 2S P P 2NT P 3NT P P P Ophir's double over 2S was takeout. Ilan tried to suit, fearing a notrump contract would not make spade holding. Ophir raised 3H to game happily. The to the king. South, looking at those threatening hazardous D6, 10, K, A. A diamond to the 9 followed a showing an even number of cards). The club 10 was donext, three rounds of hearts drawn, DQ, club to the lucked from Kx and four spades) and a diamond from
dummy, allowing Sou 12 imps to EUROPE. BOARD: V-9 DEALER: N VUL: E-W WEST S:2 H:K2 D:AQ3 C:AQJ98	NORTH S:4 H:Q8763 D:9876 C:K109 EAST S:AJ109653 H:10 D:42 73 C:642 SOUTH S:KQ87 H:AJ954 D:KJ105 C:None Closed Room
and Miyakuni scramb would be against 4H, Nakamura understan quick to take all of the queen and ace, diam In the Closed Room, after east refused to needed to find the of South's ace and a spatrick, and 12 imps to On the next board, a	S W N E S 3NT(!) P P 1H 4H 2C 4H 4S X P 5C X P P P P Ophir opend 3S. Miyakuni tried 3NT which Ilan doubled, oled out to 4H. It was not clear how big the penalty so Ilan decided to go for the vulnerable game. dandly took the phantom save at 5H, and the defence was heir tricks – spade to the ace, diamond back to the ond ruff and the HK meant three down and 500 for EW. Shimizu–Hirata found their way to the good 5C contract of open 3S in second seat. To defeat 5C the Polish pair only defence, which they duly did: Spade lead, heart to be back, promoting Norths club ten for the setting
BOARD: V-11 DEALER: N VUL: E-W WEST S:A108 H:8 D:Q1097 C:AQJ72	ir Miyakuni Hirata Olan Shim Zmudzinski S W N E S
panelty double of 2H was too late, and ter helped). In the Close card, to the ten and played the SQ and a Zmudzinski was wide again, and after the overy well defended (P 1C 1H 2D P P 3D P 3NT P T P P P P Renji Miyakuni led a club(!), influenced by East's I. After taking the CK north switched to the HQ but it in tricks were made (even a spade switch would not have id Room, Zmudzinski led the H6, promising one higher iking. Declarer ran the C10 to the king, and Olanski spade to the king, which was allowed to hold. sawake and switched back to hearts. Declarer had to duck diamond finesse failed, the contract was one down — Denny Sacul found the same pretty defence in another in hand); 10 imps to EUROPE on the way to a 25:3 blitz.
in both matches. The	C:K6 SOUTH S:K10853 H:A9
got there after North and deserves to mak Denny Sacul had to ace. Denny ducked, a	D:AJ3 C:A82 I the bidding, slam was much easier to bid. Habert–Kraft In passed. 6S needs some work, but it's a good contract Ite. There's nothing to the play if South declares, but play from the North side on a heart lead through the and now had a club pitch from the South hand on the HQ, lub finesse and got it. NORTH S:752 H:1062 D:K104 C:J1064 EAST S:36 H:K8753 D:Q C:AK952 SOUTH S:Q843
great, but with trumpout, and the spade filine. Board 5 (see next paratch got there and East doubles, and Wold Blackwood, Harratch four,	H:J4 D:7532 C:873 d this one to 7H. As grand slams go, this one is not as three-two, clubs four-three, the diamonds ruffing these onside for good measure, there is no losing age) was not much of a slam, but one E/W pair in each went down, turning over 11 imps. If North opens 3D, est jumps to 4S, do you think East should make a try? y - just a try. Or if N/S don't bid, and East raises a should West make a try? Giovani and Zmudzinski-Olanski were in six, and this
VUL: N-S WEST S:Q97432 H:QJ7 D:J C:Q96	D:KQ109762 C:J854 EAST S:KJ86 H:A962 D:A4 C:AK10 SOUTH S:A105 H:K1053 D:853 C:732 7 imps against INDONESIA, but with carryover, INDONESIA TAIPEI tacked on another 10 imps against EUROPE, and
unreasonably. At the a strong club opening unfriendly and the Hipoint of view, the spatacked with a low land led a spade to the thought it best to ne	EAST S:J H:A52 D:AJ965 C:AK109 SOUTH S:A2 H:K864 D:832 C:QJ75 of four, E/W stopped in 3NT, certainly not fourth, Munawar Sawirudin-Bertje Polii got to 6D after g by East, West splintering in clubs. With spades K offside, 6D seems due to fail, but from Kokish's ades seemed likely to provide some discards, so he heart. Now Munawar was in great shape. He won the HQ he jack and ace. Kokish switched to a trump and Munawar hutralize the D10, letting the lead come around to his clooking play cruelly cost him the contract. He took the
ruff with the D7, the DK, spade ruff with t trump and Munawar lost 11 imps where t But INDONESIA got Panelewen-Giovani \ NORTH: AK2 98 SOUTH: Q9764 No one else reached CANADA took the le	
defenders played two lead a diamond. If No entry to cash the lor EUROPE vs CHINES Herbst brothers were TAIPEI, who would s hold mighty EUROPE	EAST S:AJ63 H:95 D:K10 C:K8654 SOUTH S:K105 H:A74 D:J84 C:J1093 Che play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the provides of the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart and the play wernt, but perhaps North led a heart an
Star team was undoo victory will go into th	mps more than the carryover. Since the European All- ubtedly the pre-tournament favourite, the CHINESE TAIPEI ne books as an upset. I swing of the Semifinals NORTH S:AQ5 H:KQ D:KQ73 C:J1076 EAST S:J1042 42 H:86 D:864 C:AQ54 SOUTH S:K873 H:A3 D:AJ2 C:K832
to make when declar offside. No swing. In CANADA vs INDC the Closed Room, what of 6NT. In the Open cards, which looks like treated as forcing in place, Kokish chose have made, but Polii the defense missed as the price was just if Santje could bring but he was dealing was pretty close count one club. Since she shot that the one cluck a club altogethe plan, but the cards rea trick with the nine	ESE TAIPEI, both N/S reached an unsound 6C, which happened rer led the CJ through East, catching the singleton nine ONESIA both Wests opened 3H and North overcalled 3NT. In here East took no part in the proceedings, South jumped Room, Munawar elected to continue to 4H with the East took are a big position. South's pass should probably be this situation, but with no recent firm agreement in to advance with 5H, passing Silver's 6C. That would elected to save at 6H. That should have cost 1700, but a chance to score some of their trumps separately and to 1400. INDONESIA was actually poised to gain an impound font in the same fashion as the declarers in 6C, with some extra information. After a few tricks, he had on West's hand and was confident that she held only had no other picture cards, Santje thought it a fair ub would be the ace. If this was the case, he could ere, and later squeeze East in the black suits. Great efused to behave and Rhoda Habert was able to score of clubs. That was 17 imps to CANADA, who won the and the match, 91–47. INDONESIA had been very unlucky.
BOARD: 1 DEALER: N VUL: NONE WEST S:J106 H:98532	THE FIRST NEC CUP FINAL believably busy, with something important to do on NORTH S:A H:K764 D:A642 C:8742 EAST S:8543 H:J10 D:K73
	D:K73 C:A963 SOUTH S:KQ972 H:AQ D:QJ1095 C:5 N/S cards adventurously to 6D, but the trump finesse d safely in 5D. 10 imps to CHINESE TAIPEI for starters. NORTH S:54 H:K1052 D:10853 C:754 EAST S:K86 H:A9863 D:Q7 C:J82 SOUTH
to get home although Kraft got an attitude ace, ducked a club, of hopeless after that a table, Eric Kokish led the king. That was a low club, ten, four, as Kokish followed weffectively from his sto the jack, king, and contract, but instead He won the jack and diamond, low, queen,	S:AQJ2 H:Q4 D:AK2 C:AQ63 3NT, N/S. Declarer seems to be in for a major struggle in the E/W cards are not particularly unfriendly. Beverly diamond lead from Cheng—Tao Lee to the ten, queen and overtaken by Jenn—Wah Ho to return a diamond. It was and Kraft finished two down; minus 200. At the other of the S3 against Yung—Nan Yen and Joey Silver put up promising start for dedclarer, who also exited with jack. Silver returned the S8 and Yen won the jack with the ten to suggest that he could play spades side of the table. Yen continued with the HQ, heart I ace. Now Silver had to return a club to defeat the I he played a third spade, and Yen seized the moment. exited with his remaining spade. Kokish won and led a king. Now ace and another diamond left Kokish with the conceding two red tricks to dummy or all the remaining
clubs to declarer. A CHINESE TAIPEI, wh BOARD: 6 DEALER: E VUL: E-W WEST S:3 H:K10 D:AKJ874 C:A76 Open Ro	spectacular plus 600 for Yen and 13 imps more to no led 23-6 (including their 6-imp carryunder). NORTH S:KQ5 H:A974 D:6 C:KQ1094 EAST S:A9872 H:J532 42 D:93 C:J8 SOUTH S:J1064 H:S:J1064 H:S:J1064 H:Q86 D:Q105 C:532 com Closed Room Ho Kraft Kokish Lai Silver Yen
Ho took an aggressive and a club shift, Ho is this he duly did; plus the forcing 1S responstrength by competing doubled this, and perheart of hearts, I suspeven though East newen three down; lead 36-10. On Board 7, the Nore 1D, they responded 30 over 2NT, she bid 31 over 2NT, she bid 31 over 30 over 2NT, she bid 31 over 30	EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH P P P 1S P 1D DBL 1S DBL 3NT/// 3D 3S/// where Kraft did not take any action with the South cards, we shot at 3NT. After a heart lead to the ten and ace needed to guess the diamonds for his contract, and 630. In the Closed Room, where Yen boldly doubled nse, Jennifer Lai played him for both extra length and ng to 3S over the jump rebid of 3D. Someone should have rhaps it looks more obvious for East than West. In my spect that it is West who should act one more time, eds very little to bid 1S in this position. In any case, minus 150, and CHINESE TAIPEI gained 10 more imps to th players held: (N) AK10 J5 53 KQJ865. To partner's 2C. To 2D, Habert rebid 2S to force, the normal choice. NT. Lai's 2C was forcing to game, so she could have t showing stoppers and exploring strain. Instead, she
BOARD: 7 DEALER: S VUL: BOTH WEST S:872 H:10984 D:1086 C:A74	e deception. When Yen stalled with a fourth-suit 2S, ver 3H, rebid 3NT. This was the full deal NORTH S:AK10 H:J5 D:53 C:KQJ865 EAST S:Q643 H:AQ63 D:972 C:32 SOUTH S:J95 H:K72 D:AKQJ4 C:109 r, declarer can simply knock out the CA to get home in
3NT after a heart lead of the streeth of the CA for plus out the CA for plus of the streeth of t	ad (jack, queen, king), but is that the correct play? ree, declarer should instead take the 50% spade problem faced by Kraft in the Open Room and she would for going down. However, she judged that the hearts were refour at the table, where it counted, and so knocked 600. In the Closed Room, Lai's subterranean bidding spade lead from Silver, so she played on clubs and in Kokish did not shift to a heart. Just 3 imps, but look that CHINESE TAIPEI was in. NORTH S:KQ75 H:AKQ D:A76 C:KQ4 EAST S:1086 H:743 D:J854 C:J86 SOUTH S:AJ
Open Ro Lee Habert WEST NORTH 2C 2NT 3H That was about the and it cost them not and more signs of be	H:109852 D:K93 C:752 N/S on Board 8, and in the Playoff for third, it was ger—Terraneo and Munawar—Polii. In the final DOM Closed Room Ho Kraft Kokish Lai Silver Yen EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH 2S(3K) 2C 2H 3D(H) 3H 3S 3NT/// 4S 4NT 5C(3KC) 5H 5S 5NT/// Ponly thing that Lai—Yen did wrong in this set of boards, hing to miss this slam. CHINESE TAIPEI was showing more sing a team of destiny. B Silver were dealt: (E) AQJ10873 85 A42 K, both sides
vulnerable. They ope Both bids ended the to make that. Ho we to trail 20–39. What's BOARD: 13 DEALER: N VUL: BOTH WEST S:AJ7543 H:KQ854 D:5 C:K	aned 1S, saw 1NT from partner. Ho rebid 4S, Silver 2S. auction. Even 2S was too high, but Silver was permitted int three down; minus 300, and Canada recoouped 10 imps, s wrong with a middle-of-the-road 3S? NORTH S:K108 H:62 D:AKQ4 C:7652 EAST S:Q9 H:1073 D:109872 C:A83 SOUTH S:62 H:AJ9 D:.63 C:QJ1094
WEST NORTH 1NT 2C* P 3H P In the Closed Room, one-two in the major minus 200. That didrigood chance, and in Kraft led a club and eventually losing a dovertakes the club to North wins and must reentry. If North wins	om Closed Room Ho Kraft Kokish Lai Silver Yen EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH P P 1D P 1NT 2H P 2D* DBL 2H 3D/// 4H/// Silver's 2H could have been based on a yarborough with rs, Kokish sold out quietly to 3D, which went two down; it feel so hot for Canada since 4H seemed to have a the event, Lee-Ho duly reached game in the Open Room. Ho elected to let the king hold. He had no chance now, iamond, a spade, and two trumps; minus 100. If Ho to lead a trump down, South must duck. Now a spade up. a play a spade to set up an overruff with a diamond s and forces declarer, she must do so without touching a declarer can go to the SQ for a second trump play. NORTH \$\text{S:108762}{\text{H:852}} D:Q87
VUL: NONE WEST S:5 H:KQ4 D:AK532 C:Q1087 E/W cards to an uns but Habert did her be was not hopeless. The Kokish WEST 2C(F1)	D:Q87 C:95 EAST S:AK43 H:A963 D:9 C:AJ64 SOUTH S:QJ9 H:J107 D:J1064 C:K32 Dly the match-breaker. In the Open Room, Lee-Ho bid the extisfactory 3NT. They were quite upset with themselves, eest to make them feel better by telling them that it ne Canadian E/W might bid those cards to 7C and go down. Silver EAST 1C 2H(art FG, 4+C)
3S(SPL,1) 4D 5H(DK/H) 5NT(last :	2H(art FG, 4+C) 3+) 4C 4H K+) 5S try) 7C/// CHINESE TAIPEI rather than 11 to Canada, 50-29. NORTH S:7 H:AJ63 D:J7 C:KQJ1082 EAST 2 S:J94 H:9852 D:KQ963 C:6 SOUTH S:1065 H:KQ74
get there, although key West. East jumpe Bojoh-Denny Sacul veto ask them their au On Board 16, Kokish vulnerable game while at the other table. So 11 imps to take a sig	D:10542 C:54 easy to reach and both E/W pairs in the final didn't (okish-Silver had a chance after a short-suit 3H try d to 4S rather than try 4D, and that was that. Lusje were the only pair to bid 6S and if you see them, be sure