

CHINESE TAIPEI TAKES BIG LEAD IN OPEN SERIES AUSTRALIA LEADS LADIES AND YOUTH SERIES

Rank	Open Series	VPs	Ladies Series	VPs	Youth Series	VPs
1	Chinese Taipei	108	Australia	109	Australia	63
2	China	87	China	107	Indonesia	60
3	Australia	83	Japan	95	Japan	42
4	New Zealand	83	Indonesia	79	China Hong Kong	41
5	China Hong Kong	77	New Zealand	70	Chinese Taipei	38
6	Malaysia	76	Korea	39	Singapore	26
7	Indonesia	69	Chinese Taipei	31		
8	Macau	68				
9	Philippines	66				
10	Japan	60				
11	Singapore	50				

PABF SCHEDULE/TIMES

Day	Date	Time	Event
Sunday	May 17	11:30-14:30	1 st RR Match 6 (O,L) 4 (Y)
		15:00-18:00	1 st RR Match 7 (O,L) 5 (Y)
		20:00-23:00	1 st RR Match 8 (O); 2 nd RR Match 1 (L)
		11:00-18:30	Kobe Cup (Open Teams)
Monday	May 18	11:30-14:30	1 st RR Match 9 (O) 2 nd RR Match 2 (L) 1 (Y)
		15:00-18:00	1 st RR Match 10 (O) 2 nd RR Match 3 (L) 2 (Y)
		20:00-23:00	1 st RR Match 11 (O) 2 nd RR Match 3 (Y)
		11:00-14:30	Continuous Pairs 1

O=Open; L=Ladies; Y=Youth

RR 1— MATCH 3 (O,L) 1 (Y): IN BRIEF

Open Event:

When **Hong Kong** and **Chinese Taipei** squared off for Match 3, they could see one another across the table much better than they are used to from their respective countries. When the battle mist had cleared, Chinese Taipei had won eight of the thirteen swings and the match by 22 IMPs (54-32); 20-10 in VPs. **Malaysia** and **The Philippines** fought a “swinging” battle, with only two boards ending in a push. Malaysia won eleven of the eighteen swings, and the match by 25 IMPs (65-40); 20-10 in VPs. **Singapore** stung the strong **Japanese** team in the surprise (to us) upset of Match 3. Although the swings in this match were about even in number, four of the eight Singapore won were in the double-digit category, while Japan’s seven were all under ten. Singapore won by 18 IMPs (54-36); 19-11 in VPs. **Indonesia** won seven of the ten swings in their match with the **Aussies**, but had only a 5 IMP (28-23) bulge at the end; 16-14 in VPs. And finally, in a match that was close all the way, **China** and **New Zealand** finished but a single IMP apart (47-46) in their “kiss-your-sister” affair; 15-15 in VPs.

Women’s Event:

The “big three” in the Women’s event all came through with decisive victories in Match 3. The closest margin was sported by **Australia** over **Indonesia** at 21 IMPs (57-36); 19-11 in VPs. **China** bested neighbor **Korea** by a convincing 59 IMPs (94-35), 25-4 in VPs, to dispel any misconceptions of who’s the big girl on their block. But home-country **Japan** dispatched **Chinese Taipei** by a resounding 64 IMPs (75-11), 25-3 in VPs, just to show China that they have big one’s also.

Youth Event:

Your resident handicappers have been frantically phoning around the world to get the dirt on who the pre-event favorites are in the battle of the young ‘uns. So far, no one is willing to quote us a line. Making the early bid for the lead were the **Indonesian** Youths, winning four of the five double-digit swings against the **Hong Kong** kids and outscoring them by 26 IMPs (69-43); 20-10 in VPs. **Chinese Taipei** scored a modest victory over **Singapore** when they broke on top and withstood a late-set rally to win by 11 IMPs (46-35); 17-13 in VPs. The **Australian** Joeys survived a tough struggle against **Japan** Youth (our teammates from the NEC Cup tournament earlier this year), winning by 8 IMPs (35-27); 16-14 in VPs.

RR1— MATCH 4 (O,L) 2 (Y): IN BRIEF

Open Event:

After a bad loss to Chinese Taipei followed by a 1-IMP tie with New Zealand, **China** finally remembered it’s the year of the tiger. Unfortunately for the home-country folks, it was **Japan** they were playing at the time. In a totally one-sided affair China outscored Japan by 92 IMPs (106-14); 25-0 in VPs. After pushing all of the double-digit swing boards, **New Zealand** dominated the moderate-sized (5-8 IMP) swings in their match to score a 23-IMP (65-42) victory over **Hong Kong**; 20-10 in VPs. **Malaysia** won the double-digit swing boards four to two, and correspondingly their match with **Australia**, by 13 IMPs (66-53); 18-12 in VPs. **Macau** rallied after two sizeable losses in their first two matches to score a close 4-IMP (41-37) victory over **Chinese Taipei**; 16-14 in VPs. And, in another “kiss-your-sister” affair, **The Philippines** outscored **Singapore** by 2 IMPs in a 63-61 pitcher’s duel, but ended up with no edge where it counts: 15-15 in VPs.

Women’s Event:

Australia hadn’t lost a match to this point, and they weren’t about to start now. They walloped **Korea** by 53 IMPs (77-24); 25-5 in VPs. **New Zealand** dominated the middle boards of their match against **Japan** to come away with a 14-IMP (57-43) victory; 18-12 in VPs. **Indonesia** held powerhouse **China**

to 2-IMPs fewer than they themselves scored (53-51), but that was not enough — the match ending in a 15-15 VP tie.

Youth's Event:

In Match 2 Australia and Hong Kong made their bids to contend with Indonesia for the title of “Big Fish in a Little Pond.” **Australia** outscored **Chinese Taipei** by 43 IMPs (82-39) and **Hong Kong** outscored **Singapore** by 44 IMPs (80-36), both winning 24-6 in VPs. **Indonesia** still won their second match, but this time only by 3 IMPs (51-48) over **Japan** (way to go, teammates!); that's 16-14 in VPs. This event is still a “pick ‘em.”

RR1— MATCH 5 (O,L) 3 (Y): IN BRIEF

Open Event:

Match 5 was marked by wide-margin victories in each of the five contests. **China** virtually obliterated **The Philippines**, winning by 62 IMPs (85-23) and eleven to four in board-a-match; 25-3 in VPs. **Chinese Taipei** came back after a narrow loss in the previous match to swamp a good **Indonesia** team by 49 IMPs (73-24); 25-5 in VPs. Heavy favorite **Australia** outscored **Singapore** by 42 IMPs (74-32); 24-6 in VPs. **Hong Kong** gave up three double-digit swings to only one in their favor, but outscored **Japan** on the remaining boards to win by 17 IMPs (57-40); 19-11 in VPs. And finally, **Macau**, intent on making a respectable showing in this event, scored a 14-IMP (59-45) victory over the experienced **New Zealanders**; 18-12 in VPs.

Women's Event:

Indonesia negotiated a stunning victory over **Chinese Taipei** by 66 IMPs (95-29), winning thirteen of the sixteen swing boards along the way; 25-2 in VPs. Favorite **New Zealand** beat underdog **Korea** by 29 IMPs (59-30), although only winning at board-a-match eight to seven; 21-9 in VPs. **Australia** snuck by **Japan**, a team which is growing in confidence with each successive match, by 9 IMPs (50-41); 17-13 in VPs.

Youth's Event:

Indonesia dealt **Singapore** another crushing defeat, winning a 43-IMP (68-25) victory; 24-6 in VPs. **Australia** won seven of the first eight swing boards to hand **Hong Kong** their second defeat in as many matches, winning by 39 IMPs (67-28); 23-7 in VPs. In a close match (tied eight to eight in board-a-match) **Chinese Taipei** eked out a narrow 5-IMP (56-51) victory over sentimental favorite, **Japan**; 16-14 in VPs.

Vu-Graph Show Schedule					
Date (Day)	Time	Match	Date (Day)	Time	Match
May 17 (SUN)	20:00	RR 1-8	May 21 (THU)	15:30 20:00	RR 2-8 RR 2-9
May 18 (MON)	15:30 20:00	RR 1-10 RR 1-11	May 22 (FRI)	12:00 15:30 20:30	RR 2-10 RR 2-11 SF 1 st Qtr
May 19 (TUE)	15:30 20:00	RR 2-2 RR 2-3	May 23 (SAT)	12:00 14:40 17:20 21:10	SF 2 nd Qtr SF 3 rd Qtr SF 4 th Qtr FINAL 1 st Qtr
May 20 (WED)	15:30 20:00	RR 2-5 RR 2-6	May 24 (SUN)	10:30 14:20 17:00	FINAL 2 nd Qtr FINAL 3 rd Qtr FINAL 4 th Qtr

A BETTER STOP REQUIRED

by Richard Solomon, npc New Zealand

Bd: 8	North		
Dlr: West	♠ A754		
Vul: None	♥ K62		
	♦ 1098763		
	♣ ---		
West		East	
♠ Q1063		♠ 8	
♥ J85		♥ A97	
♦ AQJ		♦ 2	
♣ J64		♣ AQJ1098732	
	South		
	♠ KJ92		
	♥ Q1043		
	♦ K54		
	♣ K5		
West	North	East	South
Chai	Newell	Foo	Reid
Pass	2♦(1)	3NT	All Pass
(1) ♠+m, 3-8 (aggressive style)			

Looking at the hand at the left, the term aggressive could be applied to East's 3NT bid. (At least **Peter Newell** was near maximum for his opening 2♦ bid.) Yet the Singapore declarer, Foo, was to buy quite a suitable dummy — but how suitable would depend on the opening lead.

A low spade from South and a spade continuation would not help the defense, no matter which spade is played from dummy at trick one. A heart lead would also be good for declarer thanks to the position of the ♥10. Had **Martin Reid** tried to find his partner's minor, he would certainly have been writing down a minus score. Yet he started off with the ♠J, unblocking at trick one in case North had five spades.

The sight of dummy's spades might have caused him some concern. Yet the first trick brought the queen and ace and a low heart return at trick two. Declarer, naturally uneasy about spades, smelt nine quick tricks if the clubs behaved and rose with

the ace. Who could blame him?

But alas, there was no joy and the defense took their heart tricks before Reid switched to the ♠2 for two more tricks and down three. In the other room 4♣ made comfortably for 7 IMPs to New Zealand.

"A better spade stop next time please, partner," East may have said at the end of the hand.

ROKKO ISLAND CUP DECIDED BY 1 MP

In the closest finish anyone here can remember, Tadashi Teramoto and Masayuki Ino scored 509 MPs on a 408 average to beat out Taeko Kuratani and Reiko Fukuda, who scored 508 MPs, to win the two-session Rokko Island Cup Pairs. In third place with a score of 501 were Ryoga Tanaka and Yoshiko Nishino. Our congratulations to all the contestants.



Winners: T. Teramoto (left) and M. Ino



2nd Pl.: T. Kuratani (left) and R. Fukuda

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SPECIAL SUSHI ALERT!

The Shertaon Hotel's Japanese restaurant **Matsukaze**, located on the 2nd floor, will offer a special sushi course (8 kinds plus Miso soup) at a discounted price of ¥2.000 (plus tax and service charge). You may call **Matsukaze** at 078-857-7015.

Lunch: 11:30-14:30

Dinner: 17:30-21:00



Hong Kong Youths Slam-It

Bd: 13	North		
Dir: North	♠ A10765		
Vul: Both	♥ AK		
	♦ AQ62		
	♣ 85		
West		East	
♠ J83		♠ 9	
♥ J1062		♥ 9854	
♦ 84		♦ K8753	
♣ KQJ7		♣ 10962	
	South		
	♠ KQ42		
	♥ Q73		
	♦ J53		
	♣ A43		
West	North	East	South
	Simon		Daniel
	1♣†	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠*	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠*	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♣*	Pass	4♥
Pass	4♠*	Pass	5♣
DBL	6♠	All Pass	

Simon Wong, North, and Daniel Chui, South, conducted what so far holds the tournament record for the longest and most accurate auction to slam. It occurred on Board 13 of Match 3 in Round Robin 1.

Simon's 1♣ bid (†) was strong and artificial (16+). Daniel's 1♥ response was natural. Simon's next five bids were all relays (*), eliciting more information from Daniel:

2♠ showed a balanced 12-15 count with four spades.

3♥ showed exactly 4-3-3-3.

3NT showed 0-4 controls and 4♥ pinpointed 3 controls.

5♣ showed the ace or king of spades and either the heart ace-king or no heart control.

So at this point Simon knew that South had the ♠K, ♣A and another 5-8 HCP. When West doubled 5♣ he also knew that South was unlikely to have much more in spades. Therefore, the odds were good that Daniel held three of the four remaining useful cards (♠Q, ♥Q, ♦AK). He therefore bid the slam.

As the reader can see, the slam is so good that, once trumps are no worse than three-one, declarer can take the diamond finesse with impunity, not caring whether it wins or loses. Now that's a good slam!

PABF WOMEN'S TEAMS ROUND TWO: INDONESIA vs JAPAN

First up in our coverage of the Women's Series was a match between the home country and Indonesia, two teams who created some excitement at last year's PABF Championships as they dueled down to the wire for a medal.

The first big swing came on the second deal, a combination on which we saw the N/S pairs in our featured Open Series match reach the obscure contract of 4♥.

Bd: 2	North		
Dlr: East	♠ AK4		
Vul: N/S	♥ K10942		
	♦ AQ6		
	♣ A6		
West		East	
♠ 109632		♠ Q75	
♥ Q8		♥ AJ73	
♦ K		♦ J52	
♣ QJ1075		♣ 843	
	South		
	♠ J8		
	♥ 65		
	♦ 1098743		
	♣ K92		
	Open Room		
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setogchi	Tueje
Pass	1♥	Pass	1NT(F1)
Pass	2NT	All Pass	
	Closed Room		
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
1♠	DBL	2♠	3♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

In the old days, North would have raised South's 1NT response (yes, South might not have responded 1NT in those old days) to 3NT, but today the raise to game suggests long, quality hearts. **Lusje Bojoh's** 2NT showed a balanced 18-20 HCP. **Joice Tueje** really should have transferred to diamonds, and if she had, Lusje might have super-accepted by bidding 3NT, completing a pretty auction. Joice's 2NT made three on a club lead; plus 150.

At the other table, **Sartje Pontoh's** third-seat 1♠ caught a raise from **Winda Sumenge**. **Setsuko Moriyama's** 3♦ covered a wide range of hands, and **Sakiko Naito's** 3NT was very much the right thing to do opposite this South hand; plus 630 on a low spade lead from the queen. 10 IMPs to Japan, who led 11-0.

Board 3 was a competitive partscore deal on which both E/W pairs did their job by pushing their opponents to the three-level and selling out. The deal boiled down to a play/defense problem and in the end Bojoh did two tricks better from the North side than Naito did from the South seat.

Bd: 3	North		
Dlr: South	♠ 10972		
Vul: E/W	♥ 954		
	♦ 107		
	♣ AJ82		
West		East	
♠ J4		♠ AQ8	
♥ AQJ87		♥ K1062	
♦ Q52		♦ 964	
♣ Q53		♣ 764	
	South		
	♠ K653		
	♥ 3		
	♦ AKJ83		
	♣ K109		
	Open Room		
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setogchi	Tueje
1♥	1♠	2♦(♥)	2♠
Pass	Pass	3♥	3♠
All Pass			
	Closed Room		
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
1♥	DBL(4♠)	2♥	2♠
Pass	Pass	3♥	3♠
All Pass			

The South players would have done better to sell out to the vulnerable 3♥, where they would have collected an easy 300 (let us not speak of 800;

we can't see who could double), but not unnaturally, they took the push to 3♠. Note the light free bid chosen by both Norths, an action which the editors thoroughly endorse.

Lusje was treated gently by the defense: heart to the ace, club switch from **Hiroko Ohta**. She won the jack to play a trump and **Nobuko Setoguchi** went in with the ace to continue clubs. Lusje was in firm control and could set up the diamonds at leisure for plus 170.

Setsuko got tougher defense from Sartje, who led ♥A and continued with the queen. She ruffed, set up the diamonds, and continued with ♣A, club to the ten. Sartje won and forced declarer with a third heart. Setsuko cashed the ♣K and continued with a high diamond. Sartje ruffed in with the ♠J and played a trump, and Winda had two trump tricks coming. One down; minus 50. 6 IMPs to Indonesia, 6-11.

Bd: 4	North		
Dlr: West	♠ J1085		
Vul: Both	♥ 95		
	♦ KQJ842		
	♣ 9		
West			East
♠ Q9432			♠ AK6
♥ K876			♥ 43
♦ 5			♦ 1093
♣ K85			♣ QJ1064
	South		
	♠ 7		
	♥ AQJ102		
	♦ A76		
	♣ A732		
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setoguchi	Tueje
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♥	All Pass	
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♥
1♠	2♦	2♠	3♦
3♠	4♦	All Pass	

Lusje could have opened a weak 2♦ but Sakiko, who plays Flannery, could not. Lusje allowed

herself to be dissuaded by the four-card spade suit, but at her second turn, she might have introduced her long suit. That would have been of some interest to her partner, who might have driven to 5♦. 2♥ made four; plus 170. Once Sakiko got her diamonds into the picture and competed to the four-level it is surprising that Setsuko did not go on to game. Credit Sartje for her bold competition that might have influenced her opponents. 4♦ made five; plus 150. 1 IMP to Indonesia, 7-11, but a missed opportunity for both sides.

Bd: 5	North		
Dlr: North	♠ J8		
Vul: N/S	♥ J953		
	♦ Q987		
	♣ 1097		
West			East
♠ K9643			♠ 10752
♥ 108			♥ K74
♦ J5			♦ AK1043
♣ Q653			♣ 8
	South		
	♠ AQ		
	♥ AQ62		
	♦ 62		
	♣ AKJ42		
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setoguchi	Tueje
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♥	DBL	4♥
4♠	Pass	Pass	DBL
All Pass			
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
1♠	DBL(1)	2♣(♠)	4♥
All Pass			
(1) Neg			

Do you think that the women are less aggressive than the macho men? Consider Sartje's 1♠ overcall, Sakiko's negative double, and (to a lesser extent) Lusje's 1♥ response. The two light actions by the North players made it easy for their side to reach 4♥, but the circumstances were equally propitious for both E/W pairs to reach 4♠. Winda's cue-bid-then-quit plan did not do her hand justice and even opposite that

remarkable West hand, 4♠ has a play. Not in the Open Room, where Lusje found the essential (at least at double dummy) heart lead. The defense got two hearts, a spade, and a club for one down; minus 100. Setsuko's 4♥ was touch-and-go, but Sartje's opening lead of the ♥10 solved the problem in the trump suit. Setsuko drew trumps and conceded a club and the hand was over, dummy's spade loser going on a club winner; plus 620. A huge result for Japan, who gained 11 IMPs, 22-7.

On Board 6, the West players held: ♠1064 ♥KQJ9 ♦Q6 ♣KJ104 in third seat, unfavorable vulnerability, after two passes. Hiroko opened 1♣ and defended 1NT, which went one down on normal defense. Sartje passed and also defended 1NT, but she split her clubs late in the play with ace-eight-deuce in dummy and that cost her the hand. Japan gained 4 IMPs, 26-7. Why mention this hand? Because it is so very right to open 1♥ in the prevailing situation that our heads are aching in trying to determine why neither of our capable Wests chose this attractive initial action.

These were the N/S cards on Board 7:

North	South
♠ J8754	♠ A106
♥ A872	♥ J54
♦ A	♦ KJ82
♣ 764	♣ AJ9

You'd like to play these cards in 2♠, but neither of our pairs managed that. Lusje-Joice stopped in 2♥, which handled well for plus 140. Sakiko-Setsuko got all the way to 4♠, which handled well for one down; minus 100. 6 IMPs to Indonesia, 13-26.



Bd: 8	North		
Dlr: West	♠ A754		
Vul: None	♥ K62		
	♦ 1098763		
	♣ ---		
West		East	
♠ Q1063		♠ 8	
♥ J85		♥ A97	
♦ AQJ		♦ 2	
♣ J64		♣ AQ1098732	
	South		
	♠ KJ92		
	♥ Q1043		
	♦ K54		
	♣ K5		
	Open Room		
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setogchi	Tueje
Pass	Pass	1♣	DBL
1♠	DBL	2♣	Pass
2NT	3♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♦	All Pass	
	Closed Room		
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
Pass	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦(1)	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
(1) INQ			

Neither East elected to preempt in third seat, but the two auctions were rather different after they started with the cheapest available natural club bid in their respective systems. In the Open Room, Joice might have tried 2♠ over 2♣. When she did not, Lusje thought it unlikely that she held four spades and retreated to 4♦, where she escaped undoubled. She did very well in the play and was able to endplay Hiroko in spades (after a spade discard) for a costly heart play away from the jack. Just two down; minus 100. Sartje had an easy ride in 3NT when she got a diamond lead to the king and ace. She put in the ten on the spade switch after losing to the ♣K, and so emerged with an overtrick; plus 430. 8 IMPs to Indonesia, who closed to within 5 IMPs at 21-26.

A few deals later, Winda misjudged the play to go down in a 3NT contract that made two overtricks at the other table (on a more favorable lead), and Japan gained 10 IMPs to lead 38-21.

The match was slipping away from Indonesia but they caught a break on Board 12 when Hiroko-Nobuko went down in a good vulnerable game not attempted by Sartje-Winda; 6 IMPs to Indonesia, 27-38, with eight boards remaining.

Would you respond to your partner's 1♠ opening, neither side vulnerable, holding:

♠J9 ♥852 ♦843 ♣J10843?

Hiroko did not and 1♠ was passed out and essentially allowed to make on the opening lead; plus 80. We suspect that Sartje would have passed too before the senior editor visited Indonesia, spreading the gospel of light responses. She tried 1NT and finished in 2♠, two down; minus 100. 5 IMPs to Japan, 43-27. Send us the bill.

Bd: 15		North	
Dir: South		♠ Q10965	
Vul: N/S		♥ J1082	
		♦ 4	
		♣ A93	
West		East	
♠ K743		♠ J2	
♥ 5		♥ KQ64	
♦ KJ52		♦ Q963	
♣ J852		♣ Q107	
		South	
		♠ A8	
		♥ A973	
		♦ A1087	
		♣ K64	
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setogchi	Tueje
			1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♥	All Pass	
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

4♥ is a good contract for N/S, but they don't have the high cards normally associated with such an undertaking. The Closed Room auction makes perfect sense since the North hand revalues

rather impressively opposite a four-card fit. The fit was good this time. Lusje had to decide, opposite Joice's 15-17/18 1NT rebid, whether to invite game (2♣-2♦; 2♥) or sign off and chose unsuccessfully. 2♥ made five, plus 200.

Against 4♥, Sartje led a spade, to the jack and ace. Setsuko returned a spade and Sartje took the king to switch to a diamond to the queen and ace. Setsuko ruffed a diamond and led the ♥J, covered. A second trump went to the eight and Winda ducked, but now Setsuko could lead high spades through her, neutralizing the fourth trump; plus 650. 10 IMPs to Japan, who were comfortably ahead, 53-27.

Bd: 17		North	
Dir: North		♠ K542	
Vul: None		♥ 7653	
		♦ AJ107	
		♣ K	
West		East	
♠ A98		♠ 6	
♥ AQJ		♥ K104	
♦ 43		♦ KQ862	
♣ AQJ83		♣ 10965	
		South	
		♠ QJ1073	
		♥ 982	
		♦ 95	
		♣ 742	
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setogchi	Tueje
	1♦	Pass	1♠
2♣	2♠	3♣	All Pass
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
	1♦	Pass	Pass
DBL	Pass	1NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

5♣ is superb for E/W and Hiroko-Nobuko might have reached it had the latter done a bit more. Hiroko did well not to try 3NT, with all those points. Plus 150 in 3♣. An opening for Indonesia? No, they reached 3NT, without anyone doing anything silly. Setsuko led a spade, and with the ♣K offside, 3NT had to go two down; minus 100. 6 IMPs to Japan, 59-28.

Indonesia salvaged something from the rubble with a big pickup on the last deal of the match.

Bd: 20	North	
Dlr: West	♠ 94	
Vul: Both	♥ AK94	
	♦ AQ652	
	♣ 65	
West		East
♠ J5		♠ A108632
♥ 6		♥ J103
♦ J974		♦ 10
♣ AKQ932		♣ 1087
	South	
	♠ KQ7	
	♥ Q8752	
	♦ K83	
	♣ J4	

affect Joice in any negative way since she got her hearts into the picture and soon reached game; plus 620. Setsuko settled for a diamond raise one level higher, however, and missed game; plus 110. Those 11 IMPs to Indonesia brought them to within 22 IMPs of their opponents. It ended 61-39 for Japan, 20-10 in VP.

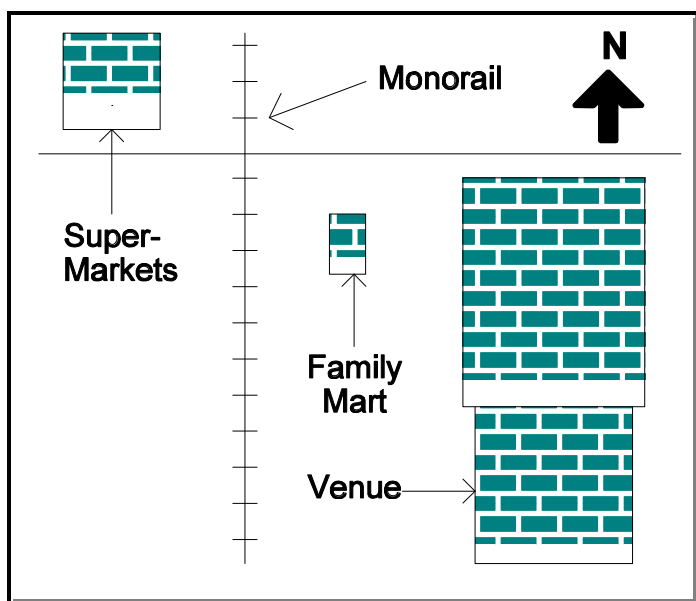
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Ota	Bojoh	Setoguchi	Tueje
1♣	1♦	1♠	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Pontoh	Naito	Sumnge	Moriyama
2♣	2♦	2♠	3♦
All Pass			

If South could double East's spade bid to show length in hearts and competitive values, that would be the way to go. That didn't seem to

Both sides will find many things worthy of partnership discussion when they find the peace and quiet to work on their bridge.

LESS EXPENSIVE — TASTES GOOD

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 across the monorail, to the North and West of the 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 high-priced restaurants in the hotel; just don't

say we didn't warn you. — Bon appetite!

DOUBLE HEADER: PABF OPEN TEAMS ROUND THREE INDONESIA vs AUSTRALIA; MALAYSIA vs PHILIPPINES

The very first deal brought a bidding problem for all four South players, who held:

♠K3 ♥QJ873 ♦10843 ♣AQ

Partner opened 1♦ and RHO overcalled 3♣, preemptive. What now?

Although it might seem natural to introduce hearts, consider what this might do to partner, should he hold no club stopper, fewer than four spades, and fewer than three hearts. **Henry Lasut, Masako Sawada, and Jimmy Soo** all chose 3NT, which got them to the right spot. **Ben Thompson**, for Australia, tried 3♥ and was perhaps lucky to hear his partner continue with 3♠. He too reached 3NT so there was no harm done.

On the next deal, the West players were dealt:

♠A86 ♥AQ5 ♦KQJ3 ♣A53

At favorable vulnerability, their partners opened 3♣ (or its equivalent) in first seat. How would you proceed with these cards?

George Soo and **Alan Sia Chong Meng** elected to respond 3♠, ostensibly natural and forcing. Both followed up with a jump to 6NT. There go two men who know no fear. **Franky Karwur** asked for key cards, found one, and settled for 6♣. A bit of a shot, but you can see that it might be easier to make 6♣ than 6NT, albeit from the wrong side of the table. **Avon Wilsmore**, whose problem was a bit different (**Hugh Grosvenor** had opened 2NT, a bad preempt in an undisclosed suit), settled for 3NT. Whose action do you like the best?

This was the East hand:

♠J10 ♥843 ♦84 ♣KQ8642

Is this a mandatory three-bid as dealer, great vulnerability? Perhaps it is today. 6NT and 6♣, despite some earnest efforts by various defenders, had to fail. Is anyone surprised? But Avon's humble 3NT also had to fail on a spade lead. 5♣ anyone?

1998 is surely a year for living dangerously, but is this what we have in mind?

Bd: 3	North		
Dlr: South	♠: KQ107		
Vul: E/W	♥: K104		
	♦: A53		
	♣: 1087		
West		East	
♠: AJ98		♠: 54	
♥: 62		♥: A873	
♦: 10864		♦: J2	
♣: K42		♣: AQ653	
	South		
	♠: 632		
	♥: QJ95		
	♦: KQ97		
	♣: J9		
Indonesia vs Australia			
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Wilsmore	Munawar	Grosvnr	Lasut
			Pass
1♠(1)	Pass	Pass!	DBL
Pass	1NT	All Pass	
(1) 8-12 HCP, NAT			
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Karwur	Jacobs	Panelwn	Thompson
			Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	DBL	RDBL
3♦	Pass	Pass	DBL
Pass	3♠!	All Pass	
Malaysia vs Philippines			
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Virola	Lim	G Soo	Sawada
			Pass
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	3♣	3♦
4♣	All Pass		
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Sia	Felix	Maggs	J Soo
			Pass
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
All Pass			

Am I being presumptuous to suggest that the bidding in the Malaysia vs Philippines Closed Room is comprehensible?

Jimmy Soo's 1♥ made one; plus 80. If you can in clear conscience describe the other three auctions as comprehensible, we are prepared to offer you a special Bulletin Prize for "chutzpah" — check your Yiddish-English dictionary for an interpretation. George Soo's 3♣ was a brave effort, based largely on the misconception that **Dr Lim's** bidding showed short clubs and a weakish hand. **Romy Virola's** 4♣, however, was a serious breach of discipline. No one doubled and George got out for minus 300, but Malaysia gained 6 IMPs nonetheless to lead 6-1.

The Wilsmore-Grosvenor Forcing Pass system calls for some unusual actions, so perhaps Avon's opening and Hugh's silence are routine after all. They do everything upside down in Australia anyway, don't they? Munawar lost seven easy tricks at 1NT for minus 50. The most exciting auction, however, was the one in the Closed Room, where **Santje Panelewen** might have reopened with a two-suited 2NT. When he doubled instead, Ben was all over him with a redouble. Poor Franky. He couldn't pass since that would have been for business, so he placed his faith on his four-card diamond suit where he might have scrambled out with 2NT instead (imperfect, since that would get him to four-three clubs rather than four-four diamonds). When Ben doubled for penalty, Bill Jacobs was not sufficiently confident of this interpretation to sit the double, so he ran to 3♠ and went minus 100 where he might have been plus 800 or so. 2 IMPs to Indonesia, 2-0. To which we can only say . . . Wow!



One of the Aussie kibitzers views the action from a vantage point which is rarely permitted.

Bd: 4 North
 Dir: West ♠ 92
 Vul: Both ♥ Q1042
 ♦ AJ75
 ♣ 986

West
 ♠ AQJ3
 ♥ 87
 ♦ KQ86
 ♣ K74

East
 ♠ K64
 ♥ K953
 ♦ 10432
 ♣ 52

South
 ♠ 10875
 ♥ AJ6
 ♦ 9
 ♣ AQJ103

Indonesia vs Australia
 Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wilsmore	Munawar	Grosvnr	Lasut
1♣(1)	Pass	1♦(2)	Pass
1♠	Pass	Pass	2♣
Pass	Pass	2♠	Pass
Pass	3♣	All Pass	

(1) 13-16 Any; (2) 0-7, without long clubs

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Karwur	Jacobs	Panelwn	Thompson
1NT	Pass	Pass	2♦(1)
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♣
Pass	Pass	DBL	All Pass

(1) ♠+another suit

Malaysia vs Philippines
 Open Room

West	North	East	South
Virola	Lim	G Soo	Sawada
1NT	Pass	Pass	DBL
All Pass			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sia	Felix	Maggs	J Soo
1NT	All Pass		

In Indonesia vs Australia both N/S reached 3♣ but Thompson was doubled, Karwur converting Panelewen's takeout double. Both Wests found the best lead, a low trump. Both declarers won the nine in dummy, led a heart to the jack, and the ♠5 toward dummy's nine. Wilsmore played low, allowing Grosvenor to win the king to return a second trump. Now the defense could prevent Lasut from ruffing any spades, and he had to go one down; minus 100. In the other room, where

the stakes were much higher, Franky went in with the ♠J to return his second heart. The queen held and a second spade was led, but when Santje went in with the king, he gave Franky a heart ruff. Now the ♣K would have held Ben to nine tricks, but Franky played a third spade. Ben ruffed, played ♦A, diamond ruff, spade ruff, diamond ruff, ♣A to fell the king; plus 870. 14 IMPs to Australia, 14-2.

There was symmetry in the pair of contracts reached in the other match, both E/W pairs playing 1NT, one of them doubled. The opening lead at both tables was a low heart, ducked to the jack. Jimmy Soo switched to the ♣Q, ducked, and continued with the ♣J. Sia won the king and led the ♦Q from hand. **Rene Felix** took the ace and, uncertain of the rounded-suit position, led the ♣9. Soo should have let this hold to permit Felix to play a heart through, but he overtook and cashed his clubs before exiting in spades. Sia had six tricks; minus 100. At the other table, where the stakes were much higher (is this an echo?), Sawada started clubs by cashing the ace. Virola ducked the continuation of the queen, took the jack with the king, and played four rounds of spades before leading the ♦Q. Dr Lim won the ace and played the ♥Q, covered. The defenders took three hearts, four clubs, and a diamond for two down; minus 500. 9 IMPs to Malaysia, ahead 15-1.

On Board 5, Dr Lim drove to game opposite a strong notrump with:

♠8743 ♥95 ♦109 ♣AQ1053

once a four-four spade fit came to light. The cards were foul and 4♠ went minus 200, a poor result for Malaysia that was reinforced when **Derek Maggs** and Sia misdefended 1NT rather dramatically to allow it to make. The Philippines gained 7 IMPs, 8-15.



Pardon me. Sorry, but is this the way to the restroom?

Bd: 6	North	
Dir: East	♠ A96	
Vul: E/W	♥ AQ	
	♦ QJ654	
	♣ A73	
West		East
♠ 54		♠ QJ73
♥ K85432		♥ 97
♦ AK9		♦ 73
♣ 105		♣ KQJ62
	South	
	♠ K1082	
	♥ J106	
	♦ 1082	
	♣ 984	

Indonesia vs Australia
Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wilsmore	Munawar	Grosvnr	Lasut
		1♠(1)	Pass
2♥(2)	2NT	All Pass	
(1) 8-12, NAT; (2) NF			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Karwur	Jacobs	Panelwn	Thompson
		Pass	Pass
1♥	1NT	DBL	All Pass

Malaysia vs Philippines

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Virola	Lim	G Soo	Sawada
		Pass	Pass
1♥	1NT	2♣	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sia	Felix	Maggs	J Soo
		Pass	Pass
1♥	1NT	DBL	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

As usual, Wilsmore-Grosvenor were in their own special space, but the Indonesians coped well enough when Munawar came in with a natural 2NT and bought the auction. With East unable to gain the lead, that handled easily for plus 120.

At the other three tables, the bidding started with the same four calls. Panelewen doubled 1NT and when Karwur stood his ground, Jacobs found himself in a contract that was due to produce a doubled overtrick. And so it was, except that along the way, Santje discarded a spade, then

did not split his honors, allowing Bill to take four spade tricks and ten in all for an unusual plus 480. 8 IMPs to Australia, ahead 22-5.

In the same scenario, Sia judged it discreet to remove Maggs' penalty double, and 2♥ handled well for plus 110. At the remaining table, George Soo did not double 1NT, competing instead with 2♣, which he made, ducking hearts twice when the defenders killed his spade ruff in dummy; plus 90. 1 IMP to Malaysia, 16-8.

Put yourself in the North seat with this combination . . .

North	South
♠ AJ105	♠ K876
♥ AK2	♥ QJ87
♦ 75	♦ QJ104
♣ K963	♣ 8

You reach 4♠ with no opposition bidding (more or less; Wilsmore, West, opened a 0-7 HCP 1♦). East leads the ♥5. How would you play?

All our declarers won and started trumps. Felix played low to the king, low to the jack and went down when East had queen-third. The other three declarers played ace, then jack, or (as Munawar did) ran the jack immediately. You can pick up queen-nine fourth only in the West hand, so all the successful declarers played the suit against the percentages. Why did they do this? Perhaps because East led a passive heart when he could as readily have led a passive trump. Was he trying to protect his trump queen? We don't think there's much in the idea of West failing to switch to diamonds if he were to win the ♠Q, so it looks as if those three Norths acted on that slender inference. Pretty good. 10 IMPs to Philippines, ahead now 18-17.



"Where's my abacus Ms Chen?"

Bd: 9	North	
Dlr: North	♠ ---	
Vul: E/W	♥ QJ9543	
	♦ 63	
	♣ KQ976	
West		East
♠ 10543		♠ AQ82
♥ 8		♥ A1062
♦ KQ98		♦ J75
♣ J1083		♣ A4
	South	
	♠ KJ976	
	♥ K7	
	♦ A1042	
	♣ 52	

Would you open the North hand? Both Munawar and Jacobs had a two-suited gadget available and were pleased to use it, starting with 2♥. Both defended 2NT, two down; plus 200.

In the other match, both Norths passed as dealer.

Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Virola	Lim	G Soo	Sawada
	Pass	1NT	Pass
Pass	2♥(1)	Pass	Pass
DBL	All Pass		
(1) Alerted by N to E as ♥+m; not by S to W			
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Sia	Felix	Maggs	J Soo
	Pass	1NT	2♠(1)
DBL	2NT	Pass	3♦
DBL	All Pass		
(1) ♠+m			

Poor Jimmy Soo's 3♦ doubled went three down; minus 500. Lucky Dr Lim's 2♥ doubled made four on the lead of the ♠A, when he eventually snuck a club to his nine and got a club ruff; plus 670. Very pretty, but the Director was summoned. Virola alleged that he would not have doubled had he known that North had a two-suiter. The contract was rolled back to 2♥ undoubled; plus 170. 12 IMPs to Malaysia where it would have been 15 had the double been permitted. 29-10, Malaysia.

Bd: 10 North
 Dir: East ♠ 1096543
 Vul: Both ♥ J1086
 ♦ 10
 ♣ Q10

West	East
♠ AQ87	♠ 2
♥ Q7	♥ K9432
♦ AK965	♦ QJ
♣ A8	♣ J9763

South
 ♠ KJ
 ♥ A5
 ♦ 87432
 ♣ K542

Indonesia vs Australia
 Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wilsmore	Munawar	Grosvnr	Lasut
		1♦(1)	Pass
1NT(2)	Pass	2♦(3)	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠(4)	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

(1) 0-7 Any; (2) Strong, ART; (3) ♥; (4) ♣

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Karwur	Jacobs	Panelwn	Thompson
		Pass	1♦
DBL	1♠	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Malaysia vs Philippines
 Open Room

West	North	East	South
Virola	Lim	G Soo	Sawada
		Pass	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sia	Felix	Maggs	J Soo
		2♥	Pass
2NT(1)	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

(1) INQ

The three pairs in 3NT had no trouble making it. Wilsmore found himself in 4♥, largely because of his 3♥ bid. He got a spade lead into his tenace, then led the ♥Q, which left him with three trump losers and a club loser; minus 100. 12 IMPs to Indonesia, 17-23.

Bd: 11 North
 Dir: South ♠ K8
 Vul: None ♥ 10976
 ♦ Q76
 ♣ 9873

West	East
♠ Q6543	♠ 2
♥ J2	♥ A43
♦ 10843	♦ KJ92
♣ 62	♣ AKJ104

South
 ♠ AJ1097
 ♥ KQ85
 ♦ A5
 ♣ Q5

In Indonesia vs Australia, both E/W pairs played a quiet 3♦ when East doubled early, then raised diamonds. It was busier in the other match . . .

Malaysia vs Philippines
 Open Room

West	North	East	South
Virola	Lim	G Soo	Sawada
			1♠
Pass	Pass	DBL	2♥
Pass	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	3♥	4♦	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sia	Felix	Maggs	J Soo
			1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥
Pass	Pass	DBL	Pass
3♦	3♥	4♥	DBL
5♦	DBL	All Pass	

Virola, in 4♦, won the second heart, ruffed the third, then ran the ♦8 to the ace. ♠A, ♠J, low, king, ruff, then high clubs, left Virola in control; plus 130. At the other table, Maggs' unique sequence propelled his side to a game that seemed likely to fail, but appearances can be deceiving. ♠K, then a heart. Sia took the ace and continued with ace-king-jack of clubs. Jimmy Soo elected to ruff this high, so Sia discarded his heart loser. He ruffed the heart continuation, played ♦10, diamond to the jack, heart ruff, and drew the last trump for a rather spectacular plus 550. Derek Maggs will be signing autographs at 8 am this morning at the head of the escalator. Don't miss this opportunity.

9 IMPs to Malaysia, 39-18.

Dr Lim-Sawada scored a coup for Malaysia by bidding an excellent slam on these cards:

North	South
♠ A10765	♠ KQ42
♥ AK	♥ Q73
♦ AQ62	♦ J53
♣ 85	♣ A43
Lim	Sawada
1♠	1NT(F1)
3♦	6♠///

Bd: 20	North	
Dlr: West	♠ 1097643	
Vul: Both	♥ J98	
	♦ Q9	
	♣ 103	
West		East
♠ A		♠ KQ2
♥ A542		♥ K1063
♦ J102		♦ 85
♣ 98742		♣ KQJ6
	South	
	♠ J85	
	♥ Q7	
	♦ AK7643	
	♣ A5	

Okay, so it wasn't very pretty. No one else in these two matches came close. 12 IMPs to Malaysia, 52-18. The slam was bid by only about one-third of the N/S pairs across the field.

There were no more major swings in Indonesia vs Australia, but Thompson failed in a 2♣ contract that was made at the other table, giving Indonesia 6 IMPs — enough to swing the match. Indonesia won 28-23, 16-14 VP.

There were a series of small swings still come in the other match, and one more big one . . .

The popular contract was 4♥ on this one. In the other match, with West declaring and South silent, North led the ♣10 to South's ace. After cashing the ace-king of diamonds, felling the queen, both Souths were careful not to play a third diamond, so declarer lost a natural trump trick for one down.

Maggs-Sia sold out to 3♠ and beat it, so 4♥ was not an issue there, but at the other table, George Soo declared 4♥ from the East side. Sawada led ace-king of diamonds, then led a third to kill the jack. Alas, Dr Lim ruffed with the ♥8 and suddenly Soo had no trump loser; plus 620. 11 IMPs to Philippines, who bowed, 40-65. Malaysia won 20-10 in VP.



"If he doesn't lead something soon, I'm going to call that Australian slave driver to play a card for him!"

SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM ROUND FOUR

There were some interesting results across the field in this round. We had recorders covering two matches, so we'll focus on those — New Zealand vs Hong Kong in the Open Series, China vs Indonesia in the Women's Series. Any day now, we'll scoop some action in the Youth, but we are always open for business if you have a good hand for us from any of the three main events.

Bd: 1 Dir: North Vul: None	North ♠ 5 ♥ AQ987532 ♦ 2 ♣ 762
West ♠ J1083 ♥ KJ64 ♦ Q6 ♣ 943	East ♠ AK974 ♥ --- ♦ 10874 ♣ KQ85
	South ♠ Q62 ♥ 10 ♦ AKJ953 ♣ AJ10

In the Open match, both Norths opened 4♥, doubled for takeout, passed for penalty. South must have fancied his side's chances. East led the ♠A and **Derek Zen** followed with the eight, count; **Tom Jacob** with the jack (East's honor lead showed an odd number of cards, West's signal indicated his belief that there were no more spade tricks for his side, I believe). East shifted to the ♣K. Declarer won and played ace-king-jack of diamonds, ruffed and overruffed. Declarer would not have been able to reach dummy with a club so he cashed the ♥A. One down, no swing.

In the Women's match, **Lusje Bojoh** opened 4♥, **Yalan Zhang** a conservative 3♥. East doubled for takeout at both tables and West passed. At both tables, West followed to the ♠A with the eight, ostensibly encouraging. The Easts, ostensibly encouraged, continued with the ♠K. Making four. China won the board plus 630 vs plus 590. 1 curious IMP.

Bd: 3 Dir: South Vul: E/W	North ♠ K1053 ♥ K872 ♦ J8 ♣ Q42		
West ♠ 6 ♥ QJ953 ♦ 1075 ♣ KJ108	East ♠ AQ984 ♥ 6 ♦ AQ43 ♣ 765		
	South ♠ J72 ♥ A104 ♦ K962 ♣ A93		
New Zealand vs Hong Kong (O) Open Room			
West Chun	North Newell	East Zen	South Reid
			1NT
Pass	Pass	2♠(1)	Pass
2NT(2)	DBL	3♦	DBL
All Pass			
(1) ♠+minor; (2) which minor?			
Closed Room			
West Jacob	North Lee	East Mace	South Ng
			1NT
Pass	Pass	2♠(1)	Pass
3♣(2)	Pass	3♦	All Pass
(1) ♠+minor; (2) Pass or correct			
Indonesia vs China (W) Open Room			
West Yu Z	North Bojoh	East Wenfei	South Tueje
			1NT
Pass	Pass	2♠(1)	Pass
2NT(2)	DBL	3♦	All Pass
(1) ♠+minor; (2) which minor?			
Closed Room			
West Sumnge	North Yalan Z	East Pontoh	South Gu
			1♦(1)
1♥	1♠	DBL	RDBL(2)
2♣	Pass	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♠	All Pass	
(1) Limited, 2+♦; (2) 3♠			

In her quiet 2♠, Yalan lost a club, a diamond, two

spades, and two heart ruffs for minus 50. After Bojoh doubled 2NT, **Joice Tueje** might well have doubled **Wenfei Wang** in 3♦. She did not, however, and led a low trump to the ten, jack, and queen. A club finesse lost and a second trump came back. Wenfei won the ace and played a second club. Joice won the ace and drew trumps, then played ♥A, heart to the queen and king. Wenfei had the rest when the ♥10 dropped; minus 200. 6 IMPs to Indonesia, ahead 6-5.

In the other match, **Brian Mace** escaped undoubled when **LL Lee** did not double Jacob's pass-or-correct 3♣. What's this "escape" business? Mace made 3♦! He too got a trump lead, ten, jack, queen, and led a club, but here **Thomas Ng** rose with the ♣A to shift to ace and ten of hearts, queen, king. Mace ruffed and proceeded to do some extensive ruffing and cashing for a miraculous plus 110. On the other hand (a dubious bridge expression, that) we have the Open Room result, which features **Benjamin Kwok** in the same 3♦. If you consider minus 800 an escape, then young Master Ben escaped. **Peter Newell's** double of 2NT invited **Martin Reid** to double anything that followed, and as we all know, young Master Martin is not one to decline an invitation. Here too the opening lead was a trump, low, jack, queen. Club to the ten and queen, trump continuation. Benjamin won the ace, played ♠A, spade ruff, club. Martin ducked the second club, won the third, and extracted Benjamin's remaining trumps. The defenders took two hearts and the ♠K and the contract was three down; minus 800. 14 IMPs to New Zealand, the first swing in the match.



Were we really this young when we first started to play this game?

Bd: 4
Dir: West
Vul: Both

North
♠ A653
♥ K10
♦ 10985
♣ 985

West
♠ 82
♥ 542
♦ AK2
♣ Q10643

East
♠ KJ4
♥ J
♦ Q643
♣ AKJ72

South
♠ Q1097
♥ AQ98763
♦ J7
♣ ---

New Zealand vs Hong Kong (O)
Open Room

West	North	East	South
Chun	Newell	Zen	Reid
Pass	Pass	1♣(1)	1♥
2♣	DBL	RDBL	3♥
All Pass			
(1) Limited, 2+♣			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Jacob	Lee	Mace	Ng
Pass	Pass	1♥(1)	2♥
3♣	Pass	Pass	3♥
4♣	4♥	Pass	Pass
DBL	All Pass		

(1) 12+ HCP, 4+♣, could have longer ♦

Indonesia vs China (W)

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Yu Z	Bojoh	Wenfei	Tueje
Pass	Pass	1♣	2♥
3♣	3♥	DBL(1)	Pass
5♣	All Pass		
(1) Game try			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sumnge	Yalan Z	Pontoh	Gu
Pass	Pass	1♦(1)	1♥
2♣	Pass	3♣	3♥
All Pass			
(1) Limited, 2+♦			

If I were an E/W pair, I would like to believe that I could do as well as **Yu Zhang-Wenfei Wang**, with Wenfei's game-try double getting the job done. 5♣ would have turned on the spade guess, but Tueje solved that problem by leading

the suit; plus 600. If I were a N/S pair, I'd like to get to 4♥, perhaps in the fashion of Lee-Ng, who were doubled for no discernible reason. If this is the best that Mace could do with those cards, I think the system (code-named "Bondage") could do with some hands-on tinkering. Alas, poor Thomas went down in 4♥ doubled after ♦A, switch to the ♠8. Playing low makes it easily, but Thomas went up with the ace, played ♥A, heart to the king, intending to make a spade play. With Jacob holding a third trump, this was not going to work, so Sam ruffed a club, drew trumps, and eventually led the ♠Q from hand, losing two spades for minus 200.

It's not easy to determine whether E/W or N/S judged less well at the other two tables, since both sides quit too soon. In practice, 3♥ was made at both tables, leaving all four pairs to worry about bigger things. 8 IMPs to New Zealand, 22-0. 12 IMPs to China. 17-6.

Bd: 8	North		
Dlr: West	♠ J96		
Vul: None	♥ AJ10		
	♦ AJ42		
	♣ 943		
West		East	
♠ Q74		♠ 8532	
♥ K8754		♥ Q962	
♦ KQ		♦ 106	
♣ KQ5		♣ 1076	
	South		
	♠ AK10		
	♥ 3		
	♦ 98753		
	♣ AJ82		
New Zealand vs Hong Kong (O)			
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Chun	Newell	Zen	Reid
1♥	Pass	Pass	DBL
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Jacob	Lee	Mace	Ng
1♣(1)	DBL	Pass	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♥	3♦
All Pass			
(1) 12+ HCP, 4+♥, might have longer minor			

Indonesia vs China (W)			
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Yu Z	Bojoh	Wenfei	Tueje
1NT	All Pass		
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Sumnge	Yalan Z	Pontoh	Gu
1NT	All Pass		

With their opponents close to making 3NT, both Wests in the Women's match stole the pot (sort of) with their strong notrump opening. YU Zhang got out for one down when Bojoh led the ♣9, ducked to the king, but **Winda Sumenge** went two down on a diamond lead. 3 quiet IMPs to China, ahead 24-6.

"Bondage" allowed Lee-Ng to compete effectively to 3♦, plus 130, but at the other table, Kwok's failure to keep 1♥ alive gave Newell-Reid a chance to bid their heads off. They reached 3NT with a combined 23 HCP, but this was a pretty good contract on any lead. Newell took two hearts, four diamonds, two spades and a club for plus 400. 7 IMPs to New Zealand, ahead 29-3.

Board 9 wasn't too exciting in our featured matches, but we do have a story for you . . .

Bd: 9	North		
Dlr: North	♠ 1076		
Vul: E/W	♥ 7654		
	♦ K		
	♣ KQ864		
West		East	
♠ A98532		♠ Q	
♥ 932		♥ AKJ8	
♦ Q2		♦ J98764	
♣ 95		♣ J3	
	South		
	♠ KJ4		
	♥ Q10		
	♦ A1053		
	♣ A1072		
West	North	East	South
Virola	Wu	G Soo	Choy
2♠	Pass	1♦	1NT
	3NT	All Pass	

Singapore hadn't been doing too well in the Open Series, but the arrival of the redoubtable (not redoublable) **Patrick Choy** will surely change their momentum. Especially if this deal is any indication.

Patrick struck the first blow for his side when he overcalled 1NT over 1♦ with his chunky 14-count. That prompted **CS Wu** to raise him to game. **Romy Virola** led the ♦J to dummy's blank king and Patrick, expecting a heart switch if he gave up the lead, tried the effect of leading the suit himself. **George Soo** went up with the king, noted Patrick's ten and Romy's deuce with interest, but switched to the ♠Q, covered. When Romy won and did not return a heart, Patrick ran for cover with nine tricks. I already have his autograph to save for my grandchildren. Patrick will be pleased to sign for you too if you ask him politely. Oh, yes. 2♠ went minus 200 at the other table so Singapore gained a useful swing. Singapore and the Philippines tied 15-15.

"Bondage" or something in its environs produced a handsome piece of thievery on Board 11 . . .

Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Jacob	Lee	Mace	Ng
1♣(1)	1♠	2♥	2♠
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
5♥	All Pass		
(1) 4+ ♥, 12+ HCP			

Zen-Kwok bid up to 5♥, with Kwok making the final aggressive decision to go on over 4♠, but Newell-Reid sorted it out well and pushed on to 5♠. They made that when Newell led the first club towards the queen; plus 450. At the other table, Jacob bluffed Blackwood, and managed to convince the relevant bodies that he wasn't kidding. Two down undoubled, minus 100. 8 IMPs to New Zealand, who were sitting pretty, 42-3.

A serious Mace-Jacob Blackwood stuff-up on Board 13 landed them in the wrong slam and they lost 13 IMPs when they were poised to win a like number, and Hong Kong were within 23 IMPs at 19-42. The scoring was much less extreme in the Women's match where China led 25-18.

Bd: 14	North		
Dlr: East	♠ KQ82		
Vul: None	♥ 832		
	♦ AK96		
	♣ A5		
West		East	
♠ J10743		♠ A9	
♥ Q106		♥ J97	
♦ 73		♦ QJ52	
♣ 864		♣ Q1093	
	South		
	♠ 65		
	♥ AK54		
	♦ 1084		
	♣ KJ72		

We can see that N/S might make 3NT if they can develop a third heart trick, but there is a better chance for a third diamond trick and the defense might be permitted to get the spades going. In the event, Reid and Bojoh made 3NT (Lusje made four!) While Ng and **Ling Gu** did not, so there were two major swings. New Zealand, 52-19, Indonesia 29-25.

Bd: 11	North		
Dlr: South	♠ AQJ942		
Vul: None	♥ ---		
	♦ K73		
	♣ K1087		
West		East	
♠ 3		♠ 876	
♥ AKQJ106		♥ 98532	
♦ J65		♦ Q102	
♣ 965		♣ AJ	
	South		
	♠ K105		
	♥ 74		
	♦ A984		
	♣ Q432		
New Zealand vs Hong Kong (O)			
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Chun	Newell	Zen	Reid
			Pass
1♥	1♠	4♥	4♠
Pass	Pass	5♥	DBL
Pass	5♠	All Pass	

Bd: 15	North	
Dlr: South	♠ AKJ8	
Vul: N/S	♥ K10532	
	♦ Q4	
	♣ Q7	
West		East
♠ Q7		♠ 10543
♥ Q86		♥ AJ9
♦ 73		♦ 65
♣ KJ9654		♣ A1083
	South	
	♠ 962	
	♥ 74	
	♦ AKJ10982	
	♣ 2	

North	South
Yalan Z	Gu
1♦(2+♦)	2♣
2♦	2♥
2♠	2NT
3♥	4♣
4♦	4NT
5♦	5NT
6♥	7♥

Gu got a trump lead. When the eight held, she ruffed a club in dummy, drew trumps, and claimed a lovely plus 2220. 11 lucky IMPs to China, who closed to within 1 IMP, 36-37.

All four Souths opened a classic 3♦. How would you react with the North hand?

Lee and Bojoh passed, sensibly enough. Newell and Yalan Zhang tried 3NT, hoping for a nice buy in clubs or a lucky lead. 3♦ made an easy plus 130. Newell got a spade lead from Kwok (a distinctly questionable choice with a running suit out there) and chalked up plus 630. Yalan got the lead of the ♣3 (the ace seems like a better shot) and was poised to go four down, but when Sumenge finished with her clubs, she switched to the ♠Q (Pontoh had discarded two small spades). Minus 200. Some triumph. 11 IMPs to New Zealand, 63-19. 8 IMPs to Indonesia, ahead 37-11.

Bd: 17	North	
Dlr: North	♠ AQ62	
Vul: None	♥ A93	
	♦ K7	
	♣ K1094	
West		East
♠ K1053		♠ 7
♥ 75		♥ KJ86
♦ A96		♦ QJ532
♣ 8753		♣ J62
	South	
	♠ J984	
	♥ Q1042	
	♦ 1084	
	♣ AQ	

North played 4♠ at both tables in the Open match. The defense led two rounds of diamonds. Declarer went to a club led a spade to the queen. Newell continued with the ace of trumps and had two lose two trumps and a heart for minus 50. Lee went to the other high club to lead the ♠J, covered. He took the ♠A and led a low heart which East won to play a second heart. Lee won the nine, threw the ♦10 on the ♣K, and conceded a trump to the ten. West led a diamond but Lee's trumps were good enough to withstand that defense; a nice plus 420 and 10 IMPs to Hong Kong, 30-63.

Yalan-Gu reached 3NT, which appeared to have its chances, but Sumenge found the excellent lead of the ♦6. Even with the ♣J falling, Gu would have had to get the spades right to make 3NT. She didn't and went minus 50. An opening for Indonesia? Yes. Lusje Bojoh played 4♠ card for card as Lee did, and brought it home for plus

Bd: 16	North	
Dlr: West	♠ 653	
Vul: E/W	♥ K108	
	♦ AKJ87	
	♣ 105	
West		East
♠ K9742		♠ QJ8
♥ J94		♥ 653
♦ 1042		♦ 9653
♣ 93		♣ Q74
	South	
	♠ A10	
	♥ AQ72	
	♦ Q	
	♣ AKJ862	

This is a sensible 6♣ and three of our four featured pairs reached it competently. No swing in the Open match.

420 and a 10-IMP pickup. 47-36, Indonesia.

Bd: 18	North		
Dlr: East	♠ 105		
Vul: N/S	♥ J107		
	♦ AJ54		
	♣ K872		
West		East	
♠ J97		♠ AKQ32	
♥ K43		♥ 52	
♦ 76		♦ Q9832	
♣ A10964		♣ 5	
	South		
	♠ 864		
	♥ AQ986		
	♦ K10		
	♣ QJ3		

China had a chance for pickup on 18 when Yu Zhang-Wenfei bid a pushy 4♠ that had some chances, but Joice Tueje found an excellent trump lead and deprived declarer of the ruffs she needed to get home. Two down; minus 100. The same trump lead might have beaten 3♠ at the other table, but Gu tried the ♣Q and went minus 140 (the trump shift wasn't enough to stop nine tricks). 6 IMPs to Indonesia, headed for an upset with two deals remaining, 53-36.

Bd: 20	North		
Dlr: West	♠ Q10952		
Vul: Both	♥ 82		
	♦ KJ10		
	♣ KQ2		
West		East	
♠ 87		♠ A3	
♥ KQ1097		♥ J654	
♦ —		♦ A8763	
♣ 1097643		♣ A8	
	South		
	♠ KJ64		
	♥ A3		
	♦ Q9542		
	♣ J5		

With everything breaking, Zen's 5♥ doubled was quite cold; plus 850. It looks bizarre for E/W to defend 4♠ on this combination, but Mace-Jacob's methods often lead them to places where no man has walked before. Doubling 4♠ should have been okay, but a trick got away after Mace's low heart lead (it would have been too

New Zealand vs Hong Kong (O)			
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Chun	Newell	Zen	Reid
Pass	1♠	DBL	4♠
4NT	DBL	5♦	DBL
5♥	Pass	Pass	DBL
All Pass			
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Jacob	Lee	Mace	Ng
2♣(1)	2♠	3♥	4♠
Pass	Pass	DBL	All Pass
(1) 4+♥/4+other, weak			
Indonesia vs China (W)			
Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Yu Z	Bojoh	Wenfei	Tueje
2♥(1)	Pass	4♥	All Pass
(1)♥+minor, 6-11 HCP			
Closed Room			
West	North	East	South
Sumnge	Yalan Z	Pontoh	Gu
Pass	1♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

much to expect Mace to *start* a diamond). Lee won the ♥A and Jacob followed with the ♥K, intending it as suit preference for diamonds (conventional wisdom points to the ♥Q as the proper card, but each partnership has its own rules for these situations). Apparently, however, this was not the deal for the Mace-Jacob highlight film on signaling methods. When Mace won the ♠A, he continued hearts. The jack would have been fine, but he led low. Jacob won and returned the ♣7 to Mace's ace. Still okay, but Mace returned . . . a club. No diamond ruff, after all. One down; minus 200. 12 IMPs to Hong Kong, who salvaged something from a long-lost match, 42-65, 10-20 in VP.

It was even more dramatic in the Women's match, where both Indonesian pairs never took a bid. There was no beating Yu Zhang's 4♥ (plus 650) but, as we've seen, 4♠ is another story. Pontoh led the ♣A, five, ten, deuce. What was that ten? Pontoh played a second club. Yalan won in hand and led a trump. One more chance. No, Pontoh ducked. Yalan lost three aces and made 4♠; +620. A cool 15 IMPs to China, who saved a draw at the last instant. Indonesia. 53-51. 15-15 VP.

DATUM

OPEN (1st RR Match 3)

No	DATUM	CHINA		HONG KONG		MACAU		INDONESIA		MALAYSIA		SINGAPORE		AUSTRALIA		PHILIPPINES		JAPAN		NEW ZEALAND		CH. TAIPEI	
		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	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	430	-12	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	-1	-2	-1	12	0	-6
2	-60	3	10	4	9	0	0	4	-4	3	-3	4	9	4	-4	3	-3	-9	-4	-10	-3	-9	-4
3	20	3	2	-2	-2	0	0	-2	3	7	-2	-2	-2	-3	2	2	-7	2	2	-2	-3	2	2
4	210	-3	1	0	-5	0	0	-7	-12	7	3	-3	3	12	7	-3	-7	-3	3	-1	3	5	0
5	-140	-4	-7	-4	-1	0	0	1	2	-2	-6	-2	-1	-2	-1	6	2	1	2	7	4	1	4
6	20	4	4	-3	4	0	0	3	-10	-3	4	3	-3	10	-3	-4	3	3	-3	-4	-4	-4	3
7	140	-6	-6	0	-10	0	0	-2	1	0	1	-8	-1	-1	2	-1	0	1	8	6	6	10	0
8	300	3	-3	-8	-3	0	0	3	-3	-8	-3	3	8	3	-3	3	8	-8	-3	-3	3	8	8
9	10	-2	2	-3	2	0	0	5	-5	4	11	-4	-3	5	-5	-11	-4	3	4	-2	2	-2	3
10	-460	-4	4	-4	-11	0	0	11	5	-4	5	8	4	-5	-11	-5	4	-4	-8	-4	4	11	4
11	-150	6	-7	1	8	0	0	1	-1	1	9	1	0	1	-1	-9	-1	0	-1	7	-6	-8	-1
12	-390	-3	12	10	-10	0	0	0	3	-2	3	0	1	-3	0	-3	2	-1	0	-12	3	10	-10
13	870	-5	5	-5	5	0	0	-5	5	11	5	11	-11	-5	5	-5	-11	11	-11	-5	5	-5	5
14	100	-2	0	2	-2	0	0	-2	2	-2	0	2	-2	-2	2	0	2	2	-2	0	2	2	-2
15	-100	5	1	-1	1	0	0	-1	1	6	1	-1	7	-1	1	-1	-6	-7	1	-1	-5	-1	1
16	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	40	2	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	-4	0	0	-2	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	-2	-4	-2
18	20	3	3	-3	-3	0	0	3	3	-3	-2	-3	-3	-3	-3	2	3	3	3	-3	-3	3	3
19	-100	0	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	-9	2	0	0	0	-5	-2	9	2	0	0	0
20	-130	0	-6	0	1	0	0	6	-6	-10	-1	1	10	6	-6	1	10	-10	-1	6	0	-1	0
IMP +		29	45	25	34	0	0	38	25	44	42	35	45	41	19	17	39	28	32	31	41	47	33
IMP -		41	31	33	47	0	0	19	41	39	17	32	28	25	38	42	44	45	35	45	29	34	25

OPEN (1st RR Match 4)

No	DATUM	CHINA		HONG KONG		MACAU		INDONESIA		MALAYSIA		SINGAPORE		AUSTRALIA		PHILIPPINES		JAPAN		NEW ZEALAND		CH. TAIPEI	
		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	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	130	9	10	-6	6	-6	-5	0	0	9	1	5	1	-1	-9	-1	-5	-10	-9	-6	6	5	6
2	100	0	12	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	0	-12	0	0	0	1	0
3	120	-1	6	-6	-12	2	1	0	0	9	5	-1	1	-5	-9	-1	1	-6	1	12	6	-1	-2
4	20	12	-9	-6	-3	-5	12	0	0	-5	-4	-5	-2	4	5	2	5	9	-12	3	6	-12	5
5	-360	10	3	-1	3	-2	2	0	0	-3	-10	-10	-2	10	3	-2	10	-3	-10	-3	1	-2	2
6	-40	-3	2	-2	3	4	-4	0	0	-4	3	6	-4	-3	4	4	-6	-2	3	-3	2	4	-4
7	670	0	0	-1	1	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	-13	0	0	0	-1	1	0	2
8	220	-3	-5	-3	-5	-3	3	0	0	-5	-5	5	3	5	5	-3	-5	5	3	5	3	-3	3
9	140	-1	5	-1	1	4	6	0	0	2	0	7	-2	0	-2	2	-7	-5	1	-1	1	-6	-4
10	-50	4	1	-2	-4	-2	-4	0	0	-3	2	-1	1	-2	3	-1	1	-1	-4	4	2	4	2
11	400	1	-2	-7	-2	2	0	0	0	-3	-2	-3	-2	2	3	2	3	2	-1	2	7	0	-2
12	60	11	-12	-4	6	-4	-5	0	0	-6	6	3	0	-6	6	0	-3	12	-11	-6	4	5	4
13	-740	13	-2	14	-3	2	12	0	0	-12	-4	-12	-1	4	12	1	12	2	-13	3	-14	-12	-2
14	240	-7	7	-7	-4	-7	-4	0	0	4	-5	5	-6	5	-4	6	-5	-7	7	4	7	4	7
15	210	-12	12	-2	-9	10	-10	0	0	9	9	10	12	-9	-9	-12	-10	-12	12	9	2	10	-10
16	1030	-3	11	-3	3	0	1	0	0	10	1	-3	-10	-1	-10	10	3	-11	3	-3	3	-1	0
17	300	4	8	3	8	3	-3	0	0	5	-3	-8	-3	3	-5	3	8	-8	-4	-8	-3	3	-3
18	20	1	4	-5	4	7	-2	0	0	1	10	7	-1	-10	-1	1	-7	-4	-1	-4	5	2	-7
19	-640	1	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	-4	-1	1	1	1	4	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	0	1	0
20	-390	5	6	5	10	-6	6	0	0	11	-5	-3	-7	5	-11	7	3	-6	-5	-10	-5	-6	6
IMP +		71	88	22	45	34	43	0	0	60	37	49	36	39	45	38	46	30	30	42	56	39	37
IMP -		30	30	56	42	37	39	0	0	45	39	46	38	37	60	36	49	88	71	45	22	43	34

DATUM

OPEN (1st RR Match 5)

No	DATUM	CHINA		HONG KONG		MACAU		INDONESIA		MALAYSIA		SINGAPORE		AUSTRALIA		PHILIPPINES		JAPAN		NEW ZEALAND		CH. TAIPEI	
		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	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	550	9	3	-2	2	-2	-10	-2	2	0	0	-2	2	-2	2	-3	-9	-2	2	10	2	-2	2
2	230	11	8	9	8	-10	-7	-8	-9	0	0	-10	-9	9	10	-8	-11	-8	-9	7	10	9	8
3	-140	0	0	0	-1	6	12	0	-1	0	0	1	0	0	-1	0	0	1	0	-12	-6	1	0
4	-20	-3	3	-3	-3	-2	-8	-3	-4	0	0	-3	-3	3	3	-3	3	3	3	8	2	4	3
5	-440	10	10	-1	2	1	0	1	-1	0	0	-2	1	-1	2	-10	-10	-2	1	0	-1	1	-1
6	430	3	-3	-1	1	3	6	-1	1	0	0	-1	1	-1	1	3	-3	-1	1	-6	-3	-1	1
7	160	1	2	-1	1	-1	1	0	-1	0	0	1	-1	1	-1	-2	-1	-1	1	-1	1	1	0
8	-200	-5	-3	2	5	3	5	1	-3	0	0	2	-2	2	-2	3	5	-5	-2	-5	-3	3	-1
9	-20	-7	-12	6	2	-2	2	-2	-10	0	0	-7	2	-2	7	12	7	-2	-6	-2	2	10	2
10	290	7	10	7	5	8	-7	-9	-7	0	0	-14	5	-5	14	-10	-7	-5	-7	7	-8	7	9
11	-470	0	-1	0	-1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	-11	0	0	11	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
12	90	0	-2	2	1	2	0	2	5	0	0	-5	0	0	5	2	0	-1	-2	0	-2	-5	-2
13	-640	0	1	0	-10	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	1	-1	0	10	0	1	1	0	0
14	200	-3	4	6	4	-3	-5	6	4	0	0	6	6	-6	-6	-4	3	-4	-6	5	3	-4	-6
15	-170	2	1	2	-2	1	-6	-12	-2	0	0	-8	-1	1	8	-1	-2	2	-2	6	-1	2	12
16	540	-2	2	-2	-10	-2	2	-2	2	0	0	-2	-10	10	2	-2	2	10	2	-2	2	-2	2
17	-240	5	4	-2	-12	7	9	-12	-4	0	0	8	7	-7	-8	-4	-5	12	2	-9	-7	4	12
18	510	3	8	-8	9	3	-3	3	-3	0	0	3	-3	3	-3	-8	-3	-9	8	3	-3	3	-3
19	460	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	-230	8	-1	10	-3	1	14	2	9	0	0	3	7	-7	-3	1	-8	3	-10	-14	-1	-9	-2
IMP +		59	56	44	40	35	51	15	23	0	0	24	31	29	66	22	20	42	20	47	23	46	51
IMP -		20	22	20	42	23	47	51	46	0	0	66	29	31	24	56	59	40	44	51	35	23	15

LADIES (1st RR Match 3)

No	DATUM	INDONESIA		KOREA		NEW ZEALAND		CH. TAIPEI		CHINA		AUSTRALIA		JAPAN	
		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
1	180	-6	-6	-6	-6	0	0	-6	-7	6	6	6	6	7	6
2	-100	-1	7	-9	-4	0	0	5	-5	4	9	-7	1	5	-5
3	100	0	0	-4	0	0	0	0	-2	0	4	0	0	2	0
4	110	3	5	3	0	0	0	-7	-3	0	-3	-5	-3	3	7
5	-180	-1	1	2	-7	0	0	-1	1	7	-2	-1	1	-1	1
6	140	-5	-1	4	1	0	0	-1	1	-1	-4	1	5	-1	1
7	-30	-2	2	-2	-11	0	0	-5	-5	11	2	-2	2	5	5
8	190	-6	-6	-6	-6	0	0	-6	-6	6	6	6	6	6	6
9	-40	-3	-12	-13	-5	0	0	-2	0	5	13	12	3	0	2
10	-620	0	0	1	-1	0	0	0	-1	1	-1	0	0	1	0
11	-20	-4	-2	-3	-4	0	0	4	2	4	3	2	4	-2	-4
12	-670	7	8	-6	6	0	0	6	-12	-6	6	-8	-7	12	-6
13	1060	9	-9	9	9	0	0	-9	9	-9	9	9	-9	-9	9
14	50	-5	-4	2	-2	0	0	2	5	2	-2	4	5	-5	-2
15	-50	4	4	-10	-4	0	0	-4	-4	4	10	-4	-4	4	4
16	400	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	-10	0	0	0	0	0
17	80	0	1	4	0	0	0	-5	-1	0	-4	-1	0	1	5
18	120	1	1	-8	0	0	0	1	-1	0	8	-1	-1	1	-1
19	-110	-1	0	0	-2	0	0	-1	-7	2	0	0	1	7	1
20	-160	1	-6	0	1	0	0	0	-1	-1	0	6	-1	1	0
IMP +		25	29	25	27	0	0	18	18	52	67	46	34	55	47
IMP -		34	46	67	52	0	0	47	55	27	25	29	25	18	18

DATUM

LADIES (1st RR Match 4)

No	DATUM	INDONESIA		KOREA		NEW ZEALAND		CH. TAIPEI		CHINA		AUSTRALIA		JAPAN	
		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
1	510	2	-3	-11	6	2	-2	0	0	3	-2	-6	11	2	-2
2	100	-2	-3	2	0	-2	0	0	0	3	2	0	-2	0	2
3	140	2	5	4	-4	-5	2	0	0	-5	-2	4	-4	-2	5
4	10	-12	-4	-3	-4	-4	-4	0	0	4	12	4	3	4	4
5	-230	8	-8	-5	-1	-6	5	0	0	8	-8	1	5	-5	6
6	50	2	-4	-4	6	2	-2	0	0	4	-2	-6	4	2	-2
7	650	0	-1	0	-1	-1	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	-2	1
8	140	-1	-2	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	-1	0
9	0	-2	5	9	2	5	3	0	0	-5	2	-2	-9	-3	-5
10	0	-3	3	-11	-5	3	-3	0	0	-3	3	5	11	3	-3
11	350	3	-3	-7	-3	3	7	0	0	3	-3	3	7	-7	-3
12	-10	4	5	-3	-5	4	5	0	0	-5	-4	5	3	-5	-4
13	-610	0	0	-1	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-10
14	170	6	7	-7	-6	6	6	0	0	-7	-6	6	7	-6	-6
15	-130	6	2	-7	-1	1	-1	0	0	-2	-6	1	7	1	-1
16	970	-1	-11	-11	-1	-1	-1	0	0	11	1	1	11	1	1
17	230	5	7	6	3	5	7	0	0	-7	-5	-3	-6	-7	-5
18	-40	4	3	4	-3	-9	4	0	0	-3	-4	3	-4	-4	9
19	-650	0	0	0	0	0	-13	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0
20	-650	0	-15	0	0	-5	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	5

IMP +		42	37	25	17	41	42	0	0	54	21	34	70	26	33
IMP -		21	54	70	34	33	26	0	0	37	42	17	25	42	41

LADIES (1st RR Match 5)

No	DATUM	INDONESIA		KOREA		NEW ZEALAND		CH. TAIPEI		CHINA		AUSTRALIA		JAPAN	
		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
1	460	-1	11	1	-1	1	-1	-11	1	0	0	1	1	-1	-1
2	-30	5	2	-2	-12	12	2	-2	-5	0	0	-2	2	-2	2
3	-120	-2	2	0	0	0	0	-2	2	0	0	7	-2	2	-7
4	60	-5	-6	6	-4	4	-6	6	5	0	0	-5	5	-5	5
5	-460	2	1	0	1	-1	0	-1	-2	0	0	1	0	0	-1
6	500	1	3	1	-1	1	-1	-3	-1	0	0	-2	-1	1	2
7	60	1	5	4	5	-5	-4	-5	-1	0	0	1	-2	2	-1
8	-210	2	-2	-5	-6	6	5	2	-2	0	0	-5	-2	2	5
9	300	3	-3	-8	8	-8	8	3	-3	0	0	3	-11	11	-3
10	130	10	6	-6	1	-1	6	-6	-10	0	0	10	6	-6	-10
11	-470	0	0	1	1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1
12	70	11	-3	1	5	-5	-1	3	-11	0	0	1	4	-4	-1
13	-60	8	-6	4	11	-11	-4	6	-8	0	0	4	11	-11	-4
14	210	-6	-9	-2	1	-1	2	9	6	0	0	-2	-5	5	2
15	40	4	-2	-11	4	-4	11	2	-4	0	0	1	-2	2	-1
16	610	9	4	-4	4	-4	4	-4	-9	0	0	9	4	-4	-9
17	-130	-7	-2	5	-11	11	-5	2	7	0	0	-7	-1	1	7
18	520	-8	12	4	-4	4	-4	-12	8	0	0	3	-3	3	-3
19	330	4	10	-9	-4	4	9	-10	-4	0	0	4	-4	4	-4
20	-150	6	1	0	-2	2	0	-1	-6	0	0	-8	1	-1	8

IMP +		66	57	27	41	45	47	33	29	0	0	46	34	33	31
IMP -		29	33	47	45	41	27	57	66	0	0	31	33	34	46

DATUM

YOUTH (1st RR Match 1)

No	DATUM	JAPAN		HONG KONG		SINGAPORE		CH. TAIPEI		INDONESIA		AUSTRALIA	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	430	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0
2	-250	-5	-7	2	4	-6	-7	7	6	-4	-2	7	5
3	90	0	-3	9	5	1	4	-4	-1	-5	-9	3	0
4	200	0	3	-3	-5	-3	-7	7	3	5	3	-3	0
5	-200	-3	0	0	3	3	-3	3	-3	-3	0	0	3
6	20	4	-4	-3	3	-3	-3	3	3	-3	3	4	-4
7	170	8	6	-2	9	0	-10	10	0	-9	2	-6	-8
8	70	4	-4	-3	-3	-3	3	-3	3	3	3	4	-4
9	-40	5	0	6	2	-2	10	-10	2	-2	-6	0	-5
10	-630	1	1	-1	-11	0	1	-1	0	11	1	-1	-1
11	-70	1	-1	-1	-3	-2	-1	1	2	3	1	1	-1
12	-610	3	-5	4	-3	-9	10	-10	9	3	-4	5	-3
13	870	-5	5	11	-11	-5	5	-5	5	11	-11	-5	5
14	60	0	-3	-4	0	0	-1	1	0	0	4	3	0
15	-210	-5	5	-5	-14	7	-2	2	-7	14	5	-5	5
16	290	6	-3	-8	-3	3	9	-9	-3	3	8	3	-6
17	10	-2	3	3	-2	-3	-2	2	3	2	-3	-3	2
18	0	-3	-3	3	3	3	3	-3	-3	-3	-3	3	3
19	-50	2	-6	0	2	-2	0	0	2	-2	0	6	-2
20	-40	-4	4	-11	-4	4	-4	4	-4	4	11	-4	4

IMP +		34	27	38	31	21	46	40	38	59	41	39	27
IMP -		27	39	41	59	38	40	46	21	31	38	27	34

YOUTH (1st RR Match 2)

No	DATUM	JAPAN		HONG KONG		SINGAPORE		CH. TAIPEI		INDONESIA		AUSTRALIA	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	310	-9	6	10	-13	13	-10	-9	-5	-6	9	5	9
2	140	-1	1	0	-2	2	0	-1	-3	-1	1	3	1
3	100	0	0	5	5	-5	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	-20	-4	-3	3	4	-4	-3	5	3	3	4	-3	-5
5	-240	-4	-2	7	5	-5	-7	8	6	2	4	-6	-8
6	-40	4	0	-2	4	-4	2	-2	-6	0	-4	6	2
7	660	0	-1	0	-1	1	0	0	1	1	0	-1	0
8	110	1	-1	0	6	-6	0	3	2	1	-1	-2	-3
9	0	-3	3	5	3	-3	-5	3	-3	-3	3	3	-3
10	0	3	-3	-3	3	-3	3	5	3	3	-3	-3	-5
11	230	6	7	6	12	-12	-6	6	5	-7	-6	-5	-6
12	160	-2	-10	-2	1	-1	2	-1	-3	10	2	3	1
13	-400	6	6	6	6	-6	-6	-6	-6	-6	-6	6	6
14	290	3	8	-8	-3	3	8	3	-4	-8	-3	4	-3
15	200	-11	-10	-2	-10	10	2	-7	2	10	11	-2	7
16	830	4	-3	3	9	-9	-3	-8	-3	3	-4	3	8
17	70	-3	-8	-5	3	-3	5	-3	-8	8	3	8	3
18	-90	5	2	4	2	-2	-4	-8	2	-2	-5	-2	8
19	-660	0	0	-1	-2	2	1	-1	0	0	0	0	1
20	-400	7	-5	-6	6	-6	6	-6	-7	5	-7	7	6

IMP +		39	33	49	69	31	29	33	24	46	37	48	52
IMP -		37	46	29	31	69	49	52	48	33	39	24	33

DATUM

YOUTH (1st RR Match 3)

No	DATUM	JAPAN		HONG KONG		SINGAPORE		CH. TAIPEI		INDONESIA		AUSTRALIA	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	480	-1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	-2	0	0	0
2	30	11	4	-6	-10	-6	4	-4	-11	-4	6	10	6
3	-130	1	-6	-1	1	-1	-1	6	-1	1	1	-1	1
4	-110	1	1	0	-5	0	0	-1	-1	0	0	5	0
5	-470	2	1	-1	-2	-10	1	-1	-2	-1	10	2	1
6	240	-7	7	-2	-5	7	-4	-7	7	4	-7	5	2
7	0	-3	-3	-3	-5	-3	-4	3	3	4	3	5	3
8	-230	2	5	-5	-2	2	-2	-5	-2	2	-2	2	5
9	80	-5	-8	-5	9	12	-1	8	5	1	-12	-9	5
10	280	8	4	-10	-8	-10	-8	-4	-8	8	10	8	10
11	-470	1	-1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0	-1	0	0
12	110	2	-12	2	2	-6	2	12	-2	-2	6	-2	-2
13	-500	-3	4	-4	3	12	-8	-4	3	8	-12	-3	4
14	90	-4	-2	2	0	-4	-2	2	4	2	4	0	-2
15	-100	0	1	4	0	-1	0	-1	0	0	1	0	-4
16	490	0	0	1	0	0	-10	0	0	10	0	0	-1
17	-300	12	12	6	0	-3	3	-12	-12	-3	3	0	-6
18	520	3	-4	-12	-3	-7	-3	4	-3	3	7	3	12
19	460	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	-100	-12	-7	5	2	-4	0	7	12	0	4	-2	-5

IMP +		43	39	20	17	34	12	43	35	43	55	40	49
IMP -		35	43	49	40	55	43	39	43	12	34	17	20

NO SMOKING ALERT!

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the fourth floor of the *Urban Gourmet Port*, including the playing areas, the Secretariat, the foyer and the rest rooms. Please be considerate of others and refrain from smoking in these areas. Smoking is permitted in hotel rooms and outside.



AIRPORT LIMOUSINE AND RETURN FLIGHT RECONFIRMATION

It is advisable to reconfirm your return flight and to reserve a seat on the airport limousine bus to Kansai International Airport (KIX) as soon as possible during your stay here. Should you require assistance, please contact the Business Center (ext. 3780) located on the second floor of the Sheraton. The Business Center's hours are 8:00 am to 7:00 pm every day.

KYOTO ONE-DAY TOUR ON MAY 25

Two buses will leave for Kyoto at 8:30 am sharp. Registered participants are advised to be at the hotel main entrance ten minutes early. The tour includes visits to Kinkakuji (or Golden Pavilion), Heian Shrine, lunch and shopping at Kyoto Handicraft Center, Hekiunso Garden and Sanjusangendou Temple. Buses will return to the hotel by 5:30 pm. Anyone interested in this trip must reconfirm as soon as possible at the Secretariat. Those wishing to leave the buses and travel around Kyoto on their own are advised to declare their intentions in advance.

DELAYS IN ROOM SERVICE

The hotel advises that, due to the expected heavy use of room service during this tournament, there may be delays in food delivery. Please be patient.

ACCESS BETWEEN HOTEL AND PLAYING AREA

Be advised that there are two access routes between the Kobe Bay Sheraton Hotel and the Urban Gourmet Port Building. One is located on the fourth floor and the other on the second floor.

COMPLIMENTARY BUS SHUTTLE TO SANNOMIYA OR SHIN KOBE

The Kobe Bay Sheraton offers complimentary shuttle bus service between the hotel and Sannomiya or Shin Kobe. Tickets may be obtained at the desk on the fourth floor of the Urban Gourmet Port Building. Schedules are available in your room, guest packet, the hotel Business Center, or the desk.

SPORTS PUB ARENA

To welcome PABF attendees, the Sports Pub Arena will remain open until 12:00 midnight instead of its usual 11:00 pm. Light meals will be available.

CONTACTING THE PABF SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat, located in the I-Hall on the 4th floor of the *Urban Gourmet Port*, can be contacted as follows: From your hotel room dial 6060 or 6061; from the Kobe City area dial 857-5585; from outside the City area dial 078-857-5585; and from overseas (for our Internet readers) dial +81-78-857-5585 (voice) or +81-78-857-5584 (fax).

DISCOUNT ON USE OF TENNIS COURTS

The Bay Club on the 5th floor of the Kobe Bay Sheraton Hotel is offering 50% off tennis court rentals. Please book all reservations directly to #3891 in order to receive the discount. (Note: rental items do not qualify for the discount.)