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China Resources



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At the conclusion of Day I, the competition has already heated up. The seeded teams will have to work real hard to ensure qualification. Three Chinese teams are now leading the pack: Pan-China in A, Guangdong Huachu Chemical in B, and Guangzhou Pearl River in C. In the youth section, three teams (Reunion, Spring Roll and victorie encore) had a perfect day and are tied for first place.

Today's Vu-graph			
	Time	Match	
	10:00	AIA vs. Dawn	
	13:00	深圳橋友隊 vs. Ghost of Red	
	15:20	Pan-China vs. Hong Kong PLUS	

Today's programme

Time	Event
10:00—12:00	Open/ Youth Teams QR 4 公開組/青年組初賽第四圈
13:00—15:00	Open/ Youth Teams QR 5 公開組/青年組初賽第五圈
15:20—17:20	Open/ Youth Teams QR 6 公開組/青年組初賽第六圈
19:15—23:30	Channel 8 IMP Pairs 十友金融國際序分雙人賽

Today's match schedule

Round 4

Section A

- Al China Resources v HK Dora
- A2 Pan-China v Japan Narita
- A3 Honeymoon v Magic
- A4 HK PLUS v Charade
- A5 ADSL v HK Lion

Section B

- BI AIA v Dawn
- B2 廣東華礎化工 v Japan-
- B3 Rebel v Makati City
- B4 Kelvin Ko v 上海汽車
- B5 HKJ v IPS Gold

Section C

- CI Ambassador v HK Ella
- C2 Po Real Estate v SARA
- C3 JATA v 上海鳴晨
- C4 Ghost of Red v 廣州珠 江實業
- C5 深圳橋友 v HK Green

Section Y/Z

- YI Reunion v Rose Bowl Silver
- Y2 Spring Roll v City U
- Y3 IPS silver v Shun Lee
- Y4 victorie encore v SSBL
- ZI Not Too Late v Shun Lee 2
- Z2 深圳竹林 v City U
- Z3 IPS Bronze v Rose Bowl **Bronze**

Round 5

Section A

- Al China Resources v Japan -Narita
- A2 ADSL v J HK PLUS
- A3 Pan-China v Magic Eyes
- A4 Honeymoon v Charade
- A5 HK Dora v HK Lion

Section B

- BI AIA v Japan-Lion
- B2 HKJ v Kelvin Ko
- B3 廣東華礎化工 v Makati City
- B4 Rebel v 上海汽車
- B5 Dawn v IPS Gold

Section C

- CI Ambassador v SARA
- C2 深圳橋友 v Ghost of
- C3 Po Real Estate v 上海鳴
- C4 JATA v 廣州珠江實業
- C5 HK Ella v HK Green

Section Y/Z

- YI Reunion v Victorie encore
- Y2 Spring Roll v IPS silver
- Y3 Rose Bowl Silver v Rose Bowl Gold
- Y4 SSBL v Shun Lee
- ZI Not Too Late v City U
- Z2 深圳 竹林 v IPS Bronze
- Z3 Rose Bowl Bronze v Shun Lee2

Round 6

Section A

- Al China Resources v Honeymoon
- A2 ADSL v Charade
- A3 Pan-China v HK PLVS
- A4 HK DORA v Magic Eyes
- A5 Japan-Narita v HK Lion

Section B

- BI AIA v Rebel
- B2 HKJ v 上海汽車
- B3 廣東華礎化工 v Kelvin
- B4 Dawn v Makati City
- B5 Japan-Lion v IPS Gold

Section C

- CI Ambassador v Ghost of Red
- C2 深圳橋友 v SARA
- C3 Po Real Estate v HK Ella
- C4 廣州珠江實業 v 上海 鳴晨
- C5 JATA v HK Greeen

Section Y/Z

- YI Reunion v IPS silver
- Y2 Spring Roll v Victorie en core
- Y3 Rose Bowl Silver v Shun
- Y4 SSBL v Shun Lee2
- ZI Not Too Late v IPS **Bronze**
- Z2 深圳竹林 v City U
- Z3 Rose Bowl Bronze v Rose Bowl Gold

Extension Numbers



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19 August Results

Sec	Section A			
		IMP	VP	
ΑI	China Resources v HK Lion	46:28	19:11	
A2	ADSL v Honeymoon	34:36	15:15	
A3	Pan-China v Charade	49:11	24:6	
A4	HK PLUS v HK Dora	22:37	12:18	
A 5	Japan-Narita v Magic Eyes	38:18	20:10	

Section C **IMP** VP CI Ambassador v HK Green 29:21 17:13 C2 深圳橋友 v JATA 31:34 14:16 C3 Po Real Estate v 廣州珠江實業 26:49 10:20 C4 Ghost of Red v HK Ella 14:55 6:24 C5 SARA v 上海鳴晨 43:11 23:7

Sec	Section A			
		IMP	VP	
ΑI	China Resources v Magic Eyes	26:57	8:22	
A2	ADSL v Pan-China	32:38	14:16	
A3	Honeymoon v HK Dora	48:27	20:10	
A4	Japan-Narita v Charade	29:47	11:19	
A 5	Hong Kong PLUS v HK Lion	35:42	14:16	

Sect	Section C			
		IMP	VP	
CI	Ambassador v 上海鳴晨	58:29	22:8	
C2	深圳橋友 v Po Real Estate	47:43	16:14	
C3	JATA v HK Ella	42:57	12:18	
C4	SARA、廣州珠江實業	29:81	4:25	
C5	Ghost of Red v HK Green	26:47	10:20	

Sec	Section A			
		IMP	VP	
ΑI	China Resources v Charade	34:24	17:13	
A2	ADSL v Magic Eyes	18:52	7:23	
A3	Honeymoon v HK PLUS	30:34	14:16	
A4	Japan-Narita v HK Dora	45:20	21:9	
A 5	Pan-China v HK Lion	30:33	14:16	

Sec	tion C		
		IMP	VP
CI	Ambassador v 廣州珠江實業	21:32	13:17
C2	深圳橋友V上海鳴晨	37:22	18:12
C3	JATA v Ghost of Red	56:41	18:12
C4	SARA v HK Ella	84: I	25:0
C5	Po Real Estate v HK Green	77:2	25:0

Sec	tion B		
		IMP	VP
ВІ	AIA v IPS Gold	37:18	19:11
B2	HKJ v Rebel	35:24	17:13
В3	廣東華礎化工v上海汽車	33:22	17:13
B4	Kelvin Ko v Dawn	25:35	13:17
B5	Japan-Lion v Makati City	21:21	15:15

Sec	tion Y / Z		
		IMP	VP
ΥI	Reunion v IPS Bronze	62:11	25:4
Y2	Spring Roll v Shun Lee	61:15	25:5
Y3	IPS Silver v SSBL	67:27	24:6
Y4	victorie encore v Rose Bowl Silver	76:13	25:2
ΖI	Not Too Late v Rose Bowl Gold	30:65	7:23
Z2	深圳竹林 v Rose Bowl Bronze	46:41	16:14
Z3	City U v Shun Lee 2	66:4	25:2

Sec	tion B		
		IMP	VP
ВІ	AIA v Makati City	58:28	22:8
B2	HKJv廣東華礎化工	37:62	9:21
В3	Rebel v Dawn	41:48	14:16
B4	Japan-Lion v 上海汽車	47:39	17:13
B5	Kelvin Ko v IPS Gold	44:37	16:14

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		IMP	VP
ΥI	Reunion v Shun Lee	59:4	25:3
Y2	Spring Roll v SSBL	68:3	25:1
Y3	IPS Silver v Rose Bowl Silver	88:28	25:2
Y4	victorie encore v 深圳竹林	69:0	25:I
ΖI	Not Too Late v Rose Bowl Bro	nze 50:21	22:8
Z2	IPS Bronze v Shun Lee 2	60:25	23:7
Z3	City U v Rose Bowl Gold	50:30	20:10

Section Y / Z

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Sec	Section B				
		IMP	VP		
ВІ	AIA v上海汽車	36:13	20:10		
B2	HKJ v Makati City	26:34	13:17		
B3	Rebel v Kelvin Ko	48:23	21:9		
B4	Japan-Lion v Dawn	33:54	10:20		
B5	廣東華礎化工 v IPS Gold	53:14	24:6		

		IMP	VP
ΥI	Reunion v SSBL	77:29	25:4
Y2	Spring Roll v Rose Bowl Silver	69:16	25:3
Y3	IPS Silver v Not Too Late	5:51	5:25
Y4	victorie encore v Shun Lee	79:6	25:0
ΖI	深圳竹林 v Shun Lee 2	55:43	18:12
Z2	IPS Bronze v Rose Bowl Gold	34:68	7:23
Z3	City U v Rose Bowl Bronze	88:35	25:3

Ranking After 18 August

Section A		
I Pan-China	55	
Magic Eyes	55	
3 Japan-Narita	52	
4 Honeymoon	49	
5 China Resources	44	
6 HK Lion	43	
7 HK PLUS	42	
8 Charade	38	
9 HK Dora	37	
10 ADSL	35	

Section B	
廣東华礎	62
2 AIA	61
3 Dawn	55
4 Rebel	46
5 Japan-Lion	42
6 Makati City	40
7 HKJ	39
8 Kelvin Ko	38
9上海汽車	36
10 IPS Gold	31

Section C	
廣州珠江	63
2 Ambassador	52
SARA	52
4深圳橋友	50
5 Po Real Estate	48
6 JATA	44
7 HK Ella	42
8 HK Green	33
9 Ghost of Red	28
10 上海鳴晨	26.5

Section Y / Z		
I Reunion	75	
Spring Roll	75	
victorie encore	75	
4 City U	70	
5 Rose Bowl Gold	56	
6 IPS Silver	54	
Not Too Late	54	
8深圳竹林	34	
IPS Bronze	34	
10 Rose Bowl Bronze24		
II Shun Lee 2	21	
12 SSBL	П	
13 Shun Lee	8	
14 Rose Bowl Silver	7	



2009年华润城市桥牌锦标赛

拉开帷幕

一年一度的香港城市桥牌锦标赛在期待中如 期而至,华润集团冠名本年度城市赛并提供大力 支持。比赛赛场设在富豪九龙酒店三楼。

共有 27 支队伍参加了首先开战的公开队式赛,牌手分别来自新加坡、日本、泰国、中国大陆、中国台北,以及中国香港本地。特别值得一提的是,这次参加城市赛的大陆牌手不仅人数多,而且至少有 20 名参加过今年全国 A 类俱乐部联赛的牌手出现在赛场上,其中还有多名现役国家队队员。

公开队式赛预赛分3个组,其中包括3支女子队式赛的参赛队。预赛进行9轮循环赛,每轮16副牌,一共取8队进入第二阶段淘汰赛。

首轮比赛在 BBO 实况转播的是两支来自大陆的队: 广东华础化工 vs 上海汽车俱乐部。上海汽车俱乐部队就是参加女子队式赛的三支队伍之

第 1 轮 第 2 副 南北有局		
AK76AK1064AK32		♣ J10986♥ 43◆ Q75♣ 1065
	★ 543▼ K752◆ 93★ J984	

N	E	S
黄勇	周咏梅	梁艺艺
		_
2♥	_	_
_	2♠	_
X		_
	3♠	_
=		
N	E	S
朱萍	乐林	刘逸倩
	_	_
2♥	_	_
_	2♠	_
X	3♠	_
_	_	=
	黄勇 2♥	黄勇 周咏梅 — 2♥ — — 2♠ X — 3♠ = N E 朱萍 乐林 — 2♥ — — — 2♠

前面的叫牌过程基本一致,但两室的 3♣叫牌是在不同的进程中叫出来的。这个叫牌进程中,也许搭档之间需要探讨一下 pass、3♣、4♣之间的强弱区别。广东华础赢得一个无局方的局,6IMP。





(左起:罗文阐、朱萍、乐林、刘逸倩。)

同样是第2副牌,在另外两支大陆队的比赛中出现了精彩的一幕。

在另外一支参加女子队式赛的广州珠江女队 vs 北京普得地产的比赛中, 开室叫牌过程如下:

W	N	Е	S
卢燕	李杰	古玲	侯勖
1 ♣ (精确)	2♥	_	3♥
X		4♠	
6♠	_	_	=

侯勖首攻▼5,李杰▼A 赢得之后感觉到了自己的处境:如果直接逼迫明手将吃红心续攻,就无异于把自己的双张♠Q 明摆在庄家面前一样,于是李杰迅速地回了一张方块。

庄家是老阿姐古玲,不亏是久经沙场的老牌手,敏感地感觉到了李杰的回牌不对劲,为什么他会回攻明手如此强大的低花套呢?一定是在掩盖什么!古玲果断的放弃了将牌的飞牌,直落◆AK 敲落李杰的◆Q,完成 6◆定约。

古玲(广州珠江实业女队)

第 1 轮 第 4 副 双方有局		
★ K86♥ Q1076◆ AK85◆ A6		♦ 93▼ AJ♦ 10763♠ KJ1092
	AJ1052♥ 98442♣ Q43	

开室, 王礼萍和周咏梅使用精确值, 庄位在 东家。梁艺艺轻松首攻黑桃, 定约回天无术。

闭室,罗文阐和乐林使用自然体系,西家直接 开叫 1NT 成为 3NT 定约的庄家,朱萍很难首攻出 黑桃,选择正常的红心首攻。广东华础又赢得一 局,12IMP。

第 1 轮 第 7 副 双方有局	★ K10▼ AQ632◆ 82★ 10962	
♣♥ KJ5◆J1097643♣ AQ5		♣ Q8765♥ 97♦ A♣ KJ743
	▲ AJ9432▼ 1084◆ KQ5♣ 8	

开室叫牌:

3NT

71 - 1/1-1			
W	N	E	S
王礼萍	黄勇	周咏梅	梁艺艺
			1♠
2•	X		2♠
3♦	_	3NT	_
4◆	_		=
闭室叫牌:			
W	N	E	S
罗文阐	朱萍	乐林	刘逸倩
			_
1♦	1♥	1♠	2•
3♦		3♥	_

开室王礼萍 4◆宕 2, -200。

闭室, 刘逸倩对 3NT 加倍, 朱萍做了最佳首攻, 准确地攻出♠K, 继续♠ 10, 庄家从明手正确的再次跟小牌, 刘逸倩 SJ 接过来后换出♥10, 庄家♥J, 朱萍♥Q赢得后准确的回出方块, 整个防守一气呵成, 没给庄家留半点喘息机会。3NTX 宕 3, -800。上海汽车赢得 12IMP。



(左起:周咏梅、梁艺艺、王礼萍、黄勇。)

第 1 轮 第 15 副 南北有局	≜ 1097654 3 ♥ 7 • 63 ≜ Q82	
▲ AJ8♥ KJ6◆ Q9542◆ 107		♠ Q2♥ 1043♦ K8♠ KJ6543
	★ K▼ AQ9852◆ AJ107◆ A9	

开室叫牌:

X

W	N	E	S
王礼萍	黄勇	周咏梅	梁艺艺
			1♥
_	2♠	_	4♠
		=	

虽然首攻梅花帮助了庄家,但无奈输墩太多,开室 4◆无法完成,宕 1。

汨	室	牕	

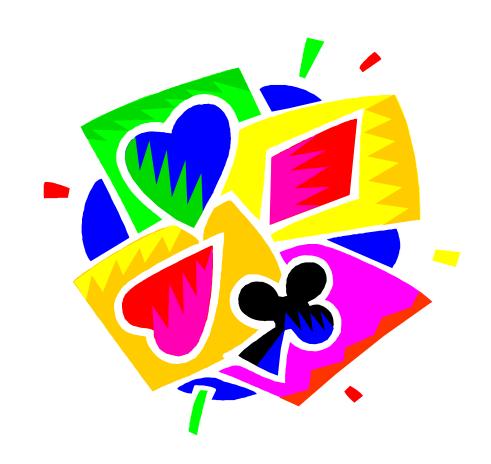
W	N	E	S
罗文阐	朱萍	乐林	刘逸倩
			1♥
		2♣	2♦
X	_	3♣	
3NT	_	_	=

闭室东西方向的 3NT 也应该是不能完成的定约,但防守方给了机会,再加上老天帮忙,罗文阐完成了定约。

北家朱萍首攻◆6,明手上 K 被刘逸倩吃住。 刘逸倩换攻◆8,庄家放◆J 赢得这墩。虽然明手几 乎没有进手张,但罗文阐也只能寄望树立梅花 套,于是打出◆10。北家没盖上◆Q,跟◆2,让庄 家顺利做好了梅花套。明手最后的上手机会在 ◆Q,但必须要求防守方的 8 张黑桃是 7-1 分配, 并且单张必须是◆K。运气来了什么也挡不住,最 后罗文阐拔掉◆A 的时候看到刘逸倩的◆ K 落下, 原本冰冷的心情一下子变得心花怒放了。

第 15 副牌,广东华础再赢 8IMP。这一轮比赛,最终广东华础队以 IMP34:19, VP18:12 赢得胜利。

(宋召)

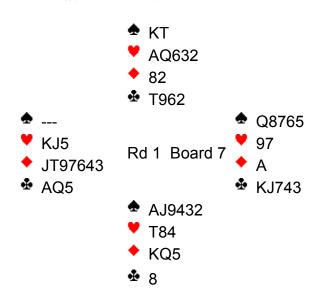


チーム戦 中国上海 対 中国広東

	♣ Q74♥ K532◆ QJ9♣ 875	
★ K86♥ QT76◆ AK85★ A6	Rd 1 Board 4	♣ 93♥ AJ♦ T763♣ KJT92
	♣ AJT52♥ 984♦ 42♣ Q43	

101		71	
Wang	Huang	Zhou	Liang
1 ♣ !	Pass	1NT!	Pass
2 🏝 !	Pass	2 ♣ !	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
Luo	Zhu	Le	Li
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

1 ♣ オープンはつよい。INT はバランスハンド 8 点以上。2 ♠ は 4 枚メジャー無しで 8-10 点。この 展開になると S のリード。E は 4 枚メジャーがないのでリードは簡単に ♠ を。あと、 ♣ Q で勝 ち、 ♠ トリックが 4 個も作れて 1 ダウンをさせました+100。向うは、みんな大好きな 1 NT をオップンしてリッドは N にした。いちばん長いのは ♥ なので ♥ 2 をリードした、 ♠ は 9 トリックが取られる前に通れなくなってしまいました-600。



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Wang	Huang	Zhou	Liang
			1 ♣
2 🔷	X	Pass	2 🏝
3 🔷	Pass	3NT	Pass
4 🔷	All Pass		
Luo	Zhu	Le	Li
			Pass
1 🔷	1 💙	1 🕏	2 🔷
3 🔷	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	X
All Pass			

Wの $^{\diamond}$ はちょっと弱い。Wang の 4^{\diamond} は 2 ダウン-200 ですが、相手は喜ぶのがまだ早い。チームメイトは 3 NT をビッドしてダブルされてとてもあぶなかった。 $^{\diamond}$ K リード勝って $^{\diamond}$ T をつづけて $^{\diamond}$ J に。それから、 $^{\forall}$ T をシフトして, $^{\forall}$ J, $^{\forall}$ Q...... $^{\diamond}$ 8 をプレイ。 $^{\diamond}$ は長いが期待できない。結局、 $^{\diamond}$ A と $^{\diamond}$ 5 枚しか取れない Luo は-800 を入手しました。Zhou の 3 NT でも Le の 3 でも、ビッドしなくてもいいかなあと思って。。。

チーム戦 中国 対 タイ

	♠ AKQJ975♥ 6♠ Q72♣ J6	
♣ 8432♥ JT◆ 965♣ Q984	Rd 2 Board 25	♣♥ Q532◆ JT843♣ K732
	★ T6▼ AK9874◆ AK★ AT5	

	I _		I _
Du	Sophon.	Dai	S Baisa.
	1 ♣	Pass	2 💙
Pass	4 🛳	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 💙	Pass	6 ♣
All Pass			
A Riam.	Wang	Svangso.	Gang
	1 ♣	Pass	2 💙
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	7 ♣
All Pass			

グランドスラムチャンスです。 \spadesuit がトランプだったら \forall は期待できます。重点はどんな \spadesuit を持ってるか確認しなければならない。中国チームは 4NT をビッドして 5 \spadesuit を聞いた。キーカード 2 枚及び \spadesuit Q です、つよい \spadesuit AKQ だ。 \forall も期待できるので、7 \spadesuit を安心してビッドした。もちろん 13 トリックです。タイチームは、意味不明の 5 \forall をビッドして、6 \spadesuit にとまっていた。ビッディングボックスには 5 \spadesuit の紙はなくなってしょうがないかも。

	♣ J975♥ 65◆ Q974♣ 932	
▲ AKTGO	¥ 932	A 042
♣ AKT62♥ T♦ 52♣ AKT84	Rd 2 Board 28	♣ 843♥ Q82♦ T63♣ Q765
	♠ Q	
	AKJ9743	
	AKJ8	
	Ф Ј	

Du	Sophon.	Dai	S Baisa.
1 ♣	Pass	1NT!	4 💙
Х	All Pass		
A Riam.	Wang	Svangso.	Gang
1 ♣	Pass	Pass	Х
2 🎂	Pass	Pass	4 💙
Pass	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
Pass	Х	All Pass	

Dai は 1NT をビッドして 2^{\triangle} をあとで止まるつもりだけど、S Baisa.は直接 4^{\blacktriangledown} ゲームレベルに 達っした。Du は ${}^{\bigstar}$ をどうしても言いたいが 5^{\bigstar} をビッドできない。ダブルをしてすこしでももらいたいです。ところが、 ${}^{\blacktriangledown}$ やはフィットしすぎてダウンは遠い。5 メイク 790 もとられてしまった。Gang は X をして 4^{\blacktriangledown} をしました。強いハンドを丁寧にビッドしたけど、A Riam. は 2^{\bigstar} をビッドしてしまった。 ${}^{\bigstar}$ フィットが明らかなので 4^{\bigstar} がたくさん落ちないことが Svangso.はよくわかります。 4^{\bigstar} は 2^{\bigstar} ウン 300 点しかあげなかった大量 IMP。

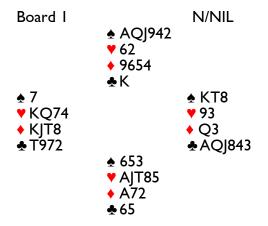
DOZO YOLOSHKU

DR KF TUNG

The Intercity is a melting pot for expert and novice players. The Youth players start their green games in the Youth Teams. Later some players go to play in the Open Teams. In the Open Teams we have regular visitors with international champions under their belt, and we have friends who care to join us once in awhile.

WE CHERISH ALL OF YOU.

We have four visiting teams from Japan this year, and I take my opportunity to watch the Charade Ladies for the QI match against Pan-China. At the same time, our very young players HK Green have to survive the Ambassador Team.

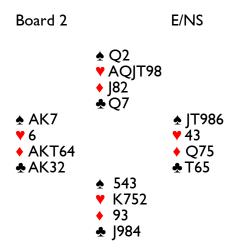


Close Room, Pan China - Charad

Misako opens 1♠, and Atsuko competes to 3♠ in the end. She gets 6 trumps and 2 Aces, for -100.

Pan-China Team opens a Precision 1♠, and then North shows his 6 card suit. Sumiko chances a make-or-save3NT! South pushes the red button, Sumiko retreats to 4♣ and then South decides that she must be trying to steal his 4♠. Yumiko comes up with the business double. Declarer gets the same 7 tricks, for -500 and 9 IMPS to Charade.

Ambassador and HK Green both stopped in 4♠ by East for 10 tricks.



Open Room, Ambassador – HK Green

W	Ν	E	S
		Р	Р
I.	I ♥	Р	2♥
X	Р	2♠	Р
3♥	Р	4♠	AP

Walter cashes the top spades, making 12 tricks for HK Green. The Ambassadors make 12 tricks in 5◆.

HK Green gets 2 IMPS.

John has not got into trouble with his I ♦ opening, but in the other match Yumiko has her problems:

Open Room, Pan China - Charade



Yumiko could have doubled 3♥ to show her strength and shape. She wheels out 4♣, and then Sumiko has to give preference to 4♦. Declarer also plays wrong to finish one down.

Close Room, Pan China - Charade



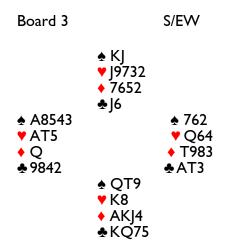
Misako saves the day with her I♥ bid over the strong I♣ Declarer makes I2 tricks, gaining 7 IMPS for Pan China.

With 24 points many NS pairs try 3N on Board 3 but fails.

Charlie bids well to stop at 2N, but he fails to win 6 IMPS on this board as Ambassador goes 2 down in the other room.

Close Room, Ambassador – HK Green





In 3N South has to finesse the $\bullet Q$ for any hope after the spade lead. In 2N you know you will lose 3 spades and 2 Aces. You win in your hand, lead a club to the Jack and Ace. East continues a spade. West wins and gives you the third spade. From the defense you can play East for the $\bullet Q$ and $\bullet A$, and West for the missing high cards. You cash the $\bullet A$, $\bullet K$, $\bullet J$, $\bullet K$, $\bullet K$, $\bullet J$, $\bullet K$,

After two routine boards here comes a part-score bidding problem.

Board 6		E/EW	′	
W	Ν	E	S	
			Р	I.
	l♠	X	2♠	?

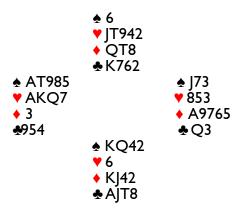
South holds



Patrick Choy (Ambassador) gives up on this sequence.

Charlie (HK Green) also gives up, but then West bids 3♠ and has to play one level higher.

The complete hand:



If South bids 3♣ on the second round he makes 9 tricks. The defense gets a heart, a spade, a diamond and a ruff.

When West settles in 3♠, he has to lose 5 tricks one way or the other. Since North has announced some hearts, the chance for any game would be small.

Board 7 is another part-score challenge in bidding.

West holds

Board 7

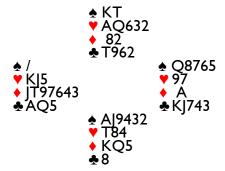
S/ALL

What do you bid after South opens I♠?

John (HK Green) elects a 2♦ bid. North doubles, and then South corrects to 2♠. John has to pass.

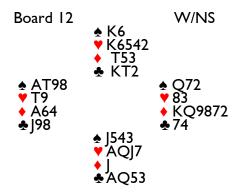
Yumiko passes on the first turn. North bids IN forcing, and then South bids 2♠. Now Yumiko has a chance to bid 3♠, because partner has a good chance to hold 2 diamonds.

East has only I diamond, but this will be enough for 9 tricks:

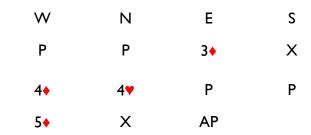


Charlie gives an even tougher test for the Ambassadors by opening 2♠ with the South hand. West tries 3♠, so East bids 3N for 2 down. 2♠ makes in the

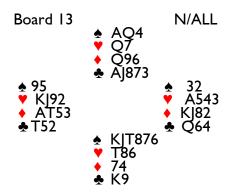
open room, and Charlie gains 3 IMPS.



Walter and John have done well:



Their teammates are allowed to play in 4♥ and collects 4IMPS.

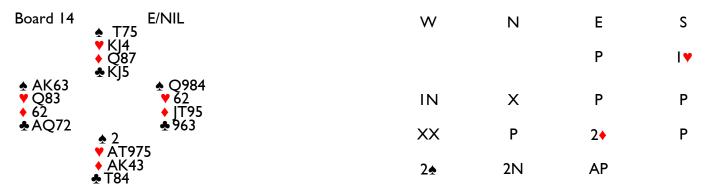


The boys have to remember this hand for their lesson from Fu Zhong.

Fu Zhong plays 4♠ after an IN opening and a transfer sequence.

Walter leads the •2. John wins •A and shifts to the •]. Walter covers the •Q and plays another heart. This is the first mistake. West tries to win the third heart, but Fu Zhong ruffs high to play out all the trumps. On the last spade John parts his last diamond (the second mistake) and Walter has to be squeezed in the minors.

On trick 3 Walter should cash the •K. Then the heart continuation will clarify everything. As it now goes John cannot be blamed for trying the third heart. In the latter part, however, John has his error in failing to protect his •T. After all, the •T is the only card left for a role.



Many players on the West seat will be penalized when they overcall IN on third seat. Yumiko is one of them, getting -500 for the venture and a loss of I I IMPS. John also makes the same mistake, but he is luckier:

John makes the right move to run. Fu Zhong makes the safe 2N bid, and John escapes for a push as the Ambassadors play 3♥ for 10 tricks in the other room. While N♠ can make 3N or 4♥, it is normal for them to stay low with their 22 points.

DOZO YOLOSHKU is a polite Japanese saying when you are in a competition or when you are a visiting player. It carries a tint of 'please feel free to play your best!'

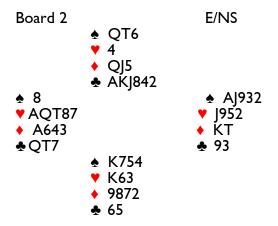


THE CATALYST BID

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The CELEBRITY TEAM squad of Gui Sheng Yue, Chen Shenghong, Luo Wen Chan and Le Lin has an easy ride in the CHINA FINANCIAL LEASING CELEBRITIES match at first, but in the final round their luck seems to run out.

Maybe they drank too much! But this board shows a good judgment from Le Lin.



When Chen and Gui held the NS hands:

W	Ν	Е	S
		Р	Р
I ♥	2♣	X	Р
2♦	Р	3♥	AP

Friendly defense, making 11 tricks.

When Luo and Le held the EW hands:

W	Ν	Ε	S
Luo		Le	
		Р	Р
I۳	2♣	4♥	AP

Accurate defense, making 10 tricks. The Gui-Le Team wins 6 IMPS, and the uptrick present makes no difference.

Suppose North has not bid. Then EW would be engaged on an invitational sequence and probably stop at 3.

After the 2♣ bid, however, it is easier for East to know the position of the missing cards. The opponents have good clubs. When partner has 4 controls, 4♥ would be an odds-on contract.

Le simply bid 4. On the other table, both East and West could have bid 4. after the negative double relay in the end.

Dear players behold. You will meet this squad in the coming days. Try not to let them beat you.

