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PROGRAM FOR TODAY

8.30	Open Teams, registration deadline
9.00	Open Teams, rounds I-III
12.30	Trip to Vilnius
17.00	Open Pairs, sessions IV-VI
21.30	Party at Casino Olympic

BBO TRANSMISSION

9.00	Teams Tournament
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RESULTS

Invitation Cup – final results

1.V.Vainikonis – W.Olański	LTU/POL	81,14
2.J.Gober – J.Kowalewski	POL	75,34
3.P.Lakatos – G.Winkler	HUN	43,07
4.M.Karpov – I.Trishkin	EST	48,99
5. S.Orlov – D.Prokhorov	RUS	39,96
6.L.Luks – O.Oja	EST	38,16
7.W.Jaworski – G.Narkiewicz	POL	37,84
8.M.Atalski – S.Pajak	POL	37,18
9.R.Jagniewski – M.Kwiecień	POL	34,74
10.A.Bielskis – E.Tallat-Kelpsa	LTU	33,89

Junior Teams – final results

1.Belarus I	182.29 VP
Haponava, Klebanovich, Kutsuk, Siarebrany	
2.Estonia	153.97 VP
Nigul, Pam, Tamm, Teinmaa	
3.Poland	149.71 VP
Brede, Kotorowicz, Nowosadzki, Wiankowski	
4.Finland	137.76 VP
Fagerlund, Fagerlund, Granstrom, Patana	
5.Lithuania	130.42 VP
Blazevicius, Ceponkus, Grigoraitis, Kuprijanas	

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6.Belarus 2	129.59 VP
Byckevich, Chayeuski, Mikhilau, Verenich	
7.Domino	118.26 VP
Barzda, Cesunaite, Posochovas, Vitkauskas	

Open Pairs – standing after session III:

1.Sobolewska – Bogucki	POL	64,45%
2.Kowalski – Tuszyński	POL	64,38%
3.Magnusson – Odlund	SWE	62,68%
4.Filipowicz – Niedzielski	POL	61,55%
5.Pazur – Zawislak	POL	61,42%
6.Petryliene – Petryla	LTU	61,38%
7.Puczyński – Romański	POL	60,94%
8.Balasovs – Bethers	LAT	60,43%
9.Jagniewski – Kwiecień	POL	60,38%
10.Brede – Kotorowicz	POL	59,65%

IMPORTANT INFORMATIONS

LOCAL TIME

Everybody should remember, that the local time in Lithuania is one hour earlier than in Warsaw, it is Eastern European Summer Time here – what is equal to UTC/GMT +3 hours

So please be careful enough to check your watch time!

At least, try to be on place one hour earlier than you think you should be ☺

CITY SIGHTSEEING TOUR

According to *vox populi*, the sightseeing tour of Vilnius has been organized. The tour will start on Saturday, at 12.30, at the Le Meridien Villon. There will be two groups – one with English speaking guide, and another one with Polish speaking guide.

Everyone who would like to take the part in the trip should contact Erikas Vainikonis, not later than on Saturday, 10.00.

The part of trip is the lunch at the restaurant with the panoramic view of the city.

The cost of the trip is 35 LTL, or 10 euros.

SCHEDULE CHANGE

Because of the trip, the schedule of the play has been changed to make the Saturday noon pause on Saturday longer. One round of the team tournament has been transferred to Sunday. Also starting time on Sunday is one hour earlier!

Actual schedule for Sunday:

9.00	Open Teams, rounds IV-IX
16.30	Prize giving ceremony

NO SMOKING REGULATIONS

Smoking is strictly forbidden besides the smoking area. Smoking areas will be prepared and well signed at the playing venue.

SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER

Tonight, after Open Pairs, the players are invited to Casino Olympic. The poker tournament – Texas Hold'em – will be carried on, and the other casino games – roulette, black jack, etc., will be available.

The shuffle to the casino will go from Meridien Villon after the last boards of Open Pairs tournament, at about 21.30

BEST HANDS COMPETITION



There will be the prizes for the:

- best bid hand of the competition
- best played hand of the competition
- best defended hand of the competition

The prize will be one year subscription of the oldest Polish bridge magazine (published since 1957) – “Brydż”

The entries should be delivered to the editor of the bulletin or to the tournament directors.

The choice of the winners will be made according to the artistic value of single the entry, assessed by the anonymous jury.

No prize can be awarded in any category if there will be no entry of appropriate level.

INVITATION CUP

Two rounds before the end of the Invitation Cup two pairs were on the top with substantial advantage over the rest of the field (look at right side):

1.Vainikonis – Olanski	75,45
2.Lakatos – Winkler	66,27
3.Bielskis – Tallat-Kelpsa	51,63
4.Orlov – Prokhorov	44,30

Board 22.

WE vulnerable, dealer East.

		N		
		♠ KJ10		
		♥ KQ52		
		♦ Q102		
		♣ J842		
W	E			S
♠ Q53	♠ 9			♠ A87642
♥ AJ986	♥ 4			♥ 10732
♦ 4	♦ KJ7653			♦ A98
♣ AQ107	♣ K9653			♣ -

At the round XVI – one before the last – first two pairs met at table one. Let's look what has happened there (complete deal on the left):

W	N	E	S
Lakatos	Vainikonis	Winkler	Olański
pass	dbl.	2♦ ¹⁾	pass
dbl.	pass...	pass	4♠

¹⁾weak two in diamonds

West led his singleton diamond – ten, jack, ace. Olanski now played a heart – it was a sportive chance for E-W – if West takes the ace, defense can manage two ruffs - but West ducked. King from

dummy, club ruffed in hand. Now spade to the ten, spade king, and spade ace. A heart was played now – West took his ace and declarer claimed ten tricks. +590 was worth 8,50 imps for NS.

Board 23.

Both vulnerable, dealer South.

		N				E				S	
		♠ Q754				♠ 1093				♠ AJ82	
		♥ 1095				♥ 6				♥ AKJ732	
		♦ A873				♦ Q1094				♦ 65	
		♣ J7				♣ AQ853				♣ K	
W											
		♠ K6									
		♥ Q84									
		♦ KJ2									
		♣ 109642									
W		N		E		S					
		<i>Lakatos</i>	<i>Vainikonis</i>	<i>Winkler</i>	<i>Olański</i>						
		pass	1NT ¹⁾	pass	2♥!						
		pass...									

¹⁾one round forcing (one of the possibilities is a heart “miniraise”)

It was lucky board for NS – Vitas has chosen 1NT instead of 2♥ (it is worth to note that they had system gadget enabling the evaluation of the North hand as weaker than normal 2♥ raise!), and Wojtek has bid slightly conservative 2♥. Only 9 trick were

available, while 4♥ was a reasonable game, and was bid on many tables. 140 was rewarded with +3,90 imps.

Board 24.

Love all, dealer West.

		N				E				S	
		♠ K				♠ QJ32				♠ 10985	
		♥ 5				♥ 10964				♥ KD87	
		♦ AK9843				♦ Q102				♦ 76	
		♣ J10732				♣ Q9				♣ AK6	
		W									
		♠ A764									
		♥ AJ32									
		♦ J5									
		♣ 854									
W		N		E		S					
		<i>Lakatos</i>	<i>Vainikonis</i>	<i>Winkler</i>	<i>Olański</i>						
		pass	1♦	pass	1♥						
		pass	2♣	pass	3NT						
		pass...									

Lakatos led ♥2. Olanski took the trick with the king (East has played the nine), and ducked a diamond. East, after the trick of the ♦10, continued with ♥10 – queen, ace... Now West played... a club – 10 tricks and +5,87 for Vainikonis – Olanski, and their advantage was about 30 imps at the moment... It was enough to win the tournament, even after -11 imps from the final round.

MASTERS OF 3NT

3NT is of regarded as the easiest game. There are some players who specially like that contract. One of them is surely Apolinary Kowalski, whose nick between some friends is “champion of 3NT”. I was a victim of his perfect treatment in one of the boards of pairs tournament.

The bidding was (complete bard on the next page):

		N				E				S	
		<i>Kowalski</i>	<i>Wójcicki</i>	<i>Tuszyński</i>	<i>Połytyło</i>						
			pass	pass	2♦ ¹⁾						
		dbl.	rdbl.	pass	2♥						
		2NT	pass	3♦ ²⁾	pass						
		3NT	pass...								

¹⁾Polish multi – weak two in any major

²⁾asking for 4 cards in spades

Board 13.

Both vulnerable, dealer North.

		N		
		♠ J876		
		♥ A8		
		♦ 96		
		♣ QJ943		
W			E	
♠ KQ5			♠ A1094	
♥ K7			♥ J94	
♦ AKQ3			♦ 10842	
♣ K1052			♣ 76	
		S		
		♠ 32		
		♥ Q106532		
		♦ J75		
		♣ A8		

I led ♣Q. South took the trick with the ace and returned the suit – Apek put the ten, and I was again in hand with the queen. As the position was more or less clear, I decided to exit with diamond.

Apek cashed three rounds of diamonds, carefully discarding high spots from dummy, and leaving the deuce. To the third diamond I was forced to discard a club...

As Poletylo followed three times to diamond tricks, it was obvious, that he has doubleton spade (6♥, 2♣, 3♦ = 11 cards), so declarer now cashed two high spades and finessed the jack. To the ace of spades he discarded the heart from the hand. This was the ending:

		N		
		♠ -		
		♥ A8		
		♦ -		
		♣ 94		
W			E	
♠ -			♠ -	
♥ K			♥ J94	
♦ 3			♦ 2	
♣ K5			♣ -	
		S		
		♠ -		
		♥ Q1065		
		♦ -		
		♣ -		

When the last diamond was played, I was in hopeless position – I parted with the heart, but Apek played a heart and I was forced to lead a club into his tenace – 10 tricks and 98% for EW!

Please, notice, that this play would work also in the case of changing the positions of heart queen and ace. From the first lead declarer could deduce, that North has either the queen, or ace of hearts.

At the board No 5 two other friends of mine could show their art of 3NT declarer play:

Board 5.

NS vulnerable, dealer North.

		N		
		♠ QJ964		
		♥ QJ875		
		♦ Q		
		♣ Q9		
W			E	
♠ K82			♠ 753	
♥ K103			♥ A94	
♦ A754			♦ KJ96	
♣ A52			♣ K108	
		S		
		♠ A10		
		♥ 62		
		♦ 10832		
		♣ J7643		

At my table, the bidding went:

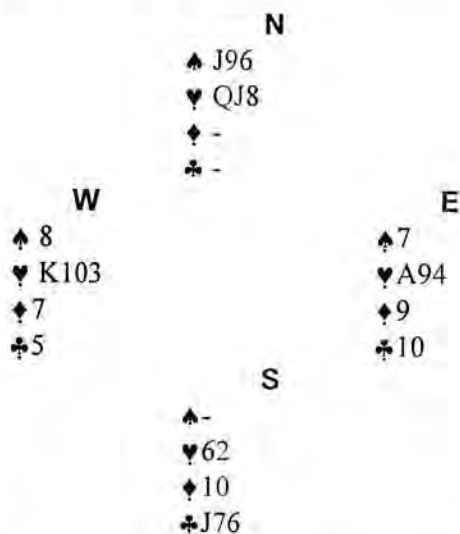
W	N	E	S
<i>Poletylo</i>			
	2♥ ¹⁾	pass	2♠ ²⁾
dbl.	pass	3♠	pass
3NT	pass...		

¹⁾weak twosuit, at least 5-5, hearts and another duit

²⁾pass or correct

North led spade queen, South won the trick with the ace, and returned the suit. Poletylo took the trick with the king. Now he played a diamond... The queen was a good news. Now the ace and king of clubs

were cashed, and two top diamonds. This was the ending:



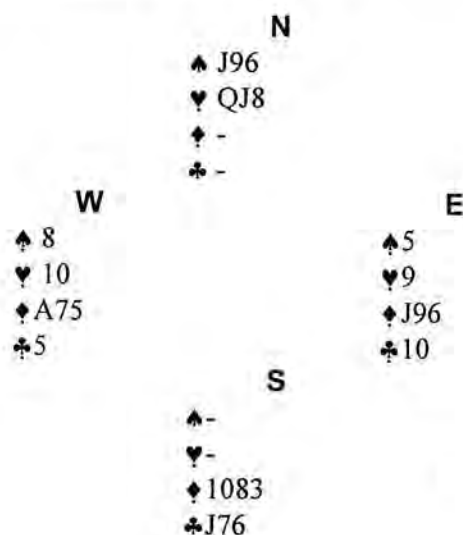
Now declarer played a spade and North cashed his winners and had to play a heart, enabling declarer to take three tricks in that suit. This was the way to the nine of them and the contract was made.

Wojtek Olański improved this method. Please, notice, that in the ending, clever North with Qxxxx in hearts could play also the queen, forcing declarer to a heavy guess.

Now let's look how Wojtek managed 9 trick here.

At his table, North also showed a weak twosuit with 5-5 in majors, and two first trick were the same. Wojtek also played a

diamond from the hand, and when the queen appeared, he found the 100% way to assure the contract: he cashed two top hearts, two top clubs (North followed the suit), and in the ending:



played a club... Poor South could only cash two more club tricks, and had to lead a diamond into the tenace, giving the ninth trick.

It is possible, that declarers could choose which of the opponents is more sympathetic – North, or South and give some trick according to it...



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