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In its semi-final against **Vito**, World Champion and reigning Cup holder '**t Onstein 1**' had an easy ride. The other semi-final between **Allegra Lavazza** and **Karlsruhe** was very close. With 5 boards to go the match was completely equal (66-66). Then the Italians bid and made a vulnerable game and stole a partial at the other table. So today the Cup final is between **Allegra Lavazza** and '**t Onstein 1**'.

KARLSRUHER BSC IS COMPARING SCORES. HALFWAY THE SEMI-FINAL AGAINST ALLEGRA THE GERMAN CHAMPION WAS 11 IMPS UP. STILL THE ITALIANS SURVIVED BY 13 IMPS.



Check the interview with Karlsruher Bernard Ludewig half way his semi-final against Allegra Lavazza by Elisabeth van Ettinger at BridgeTopics.com.

RESULTS SEMI-FINALS

Semifinal A

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 1+2	Rd 3	Rd 1-3	Rd 4	Final
BC't Onstein 1	38	27	65	42	107	33	140
Vito	2	19	21	13	34	13	47
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	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 1+2	Rd 3	Rd 1-3	Rd 4	Final
G.S. Allegra	4	12	16	38	54	25	79
Karlsruher BSC	7	20	27	28	55	11	66

Semifinal B

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 1+2	Rd 3	Rd 1-3	Rd 4	Final
Auguri Warsaw	19	36	55	21	76	12	88
BC 't Onstein 2	19	3	22	21	43	32	75

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 1+2	Rd 3	Rd 1-3	Rd 4	Final
Israeli National Champ	22	19	41	14	55	31	86
Lazy	31	20	51	42	93	17	110

Semifinal C

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 1+2	Rd 3	Rd 1-3	Rd 4	Final
BC Grant Thornton	25	63	88	6	94	33	127
BTSC Hannover	14	32	46	23	69	25	94

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 1+2	Rd 3	Rd 1-3	Rd 4	Final
Skara BS	8	27	35	14	49	46	95
Cayyolu Bridge Club	17	37	54	32	86	4	90

CHERISH YOUR KING OF TRUMPS

One of the more popular Bols Tips is Cherish your Ace of Trumps by the legendary Giorgio Belladonna. Board 12 of Round Robin 5 brought a new version of the Tip to life: Cherish your King of Trumps:

W/NZ	♠ K 8 4 ♥ K 6 5 3 2 ♦ 9 8 6 4 ♣ 2
	♠ A Q 10 9 N ♠ 7 6 5 3 ♥ A Q 7 W ♥ 10 ♦ A K 3 S ♦ J 10 7 2 ♣ K Q 5 ♣ A J 9 8
	♠ J 2 ♥ J 9 8 4 ♦ Q 5 ♣ 10 7 6 4 3

Allegro v. Israel National Champion

Open room

West	North	East	South
Birman	Bocchi	Fohrer	Madala
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♣	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♦	Pass	6♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

After Puppet Stayman and RKC Alon Birman became declarer in 6♠. Obviously EW possessed all the key cards but one, Norberto Bocchi therefore elected not to lead his stiff club, but kicked off with a diamond: 6, Jack, Queen and Ace. Declarer crossed to dummy with a low club to the Jack and played a spade to the ten, ducked (!) by Bocchi.

At this point Birman could have made twelve tricks simply cashing his Ace of Trumps. Afraid of spades 4-1, he decided to finesse the suit once more. Declarer therefore continued with ♥A, heart ruff and a spade to Jack, Queen and King. Birman ruffed the heart return in dummy and had to find the safest way to come back to his hand to draw the last trump. When he choose a club, Bocchi ruffed, 6♠ down one.

Closed room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Altshuler	Sementa	Zeligman
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

In the closed room West showed a very strong NoTrump hand as well and again, after Puppet and RKC, 6♠ was reached. There was one big difference though. Due to the 2♠ relay East, Antonio Sementa, played the hand.

South led a club won in dummy. Sementa cashed the ♥A, ruffed a heart and played a spade to the ten, ducked (!) by Gilad Altshuler. Declarer entered dummy by ruffing the third heart and played another trump: Jack, Queen and King. With hearts eliminated any card by North would allow declarer to make twelve tricks. At the table Altshuler returned a trump.

In his match against Auguri Warsaw Karlsruher Sebastian Reim made 6♠ similar to Sementa's line of play. At that table North, Yuri Khiuppenen, tried to make life difficult for declarer by cherishing his King of Trumps and ducking that card on first occasion.



BIG HAND, SMALL GAIN

Semi-final, 't Onstein v. Vito, board 16

W/EW

♠ K
♥ K J 9 6
♦ A K Q 5
♣ K Q 6 2

♠ A Q 6 2
♥ A 8 7
♦ J 8 6
♣ J 8 3

	N	W	E	S
♠	9 7 4 3	10 4 3 2	10 9 3	10 5

♠ J 10 8 5
♥ Q 5
♦ 7 4 2
♣ A 9 7 4

In the open room NS quickly bid to 3NT after North had opened with a strong club. After the lead of the ♦10 Tony

Rusev came to ten obvious tricks: four diamonds, two in hearts and four clubs. NS +430.

In the closed room West already started the bidding:

West	North	East	South
Gunev	Drijver	Nanev	Brink
1♦	?		

Quite surprisingly Bas Drijver passed with his 21 HCP. When the hand was passed around, North started to cash his three top trumps and then switched to his bare ♠K. Declarer won, cashed the ♥A and tried the ♣Q. Drijver however ruffed and NS made the rest of the tricks. EW 1♦ -5 meant a 3 IMPs gain on the board for 't Onstein.

EVEN GREAT PLAYERS...

Board 31 of the semi-finals was all about clubs.

S/NS

♠ J 10 3
♥ 10 7 3
♦ K 5 4 3
♣ K Q 2

♠ Q 8 7 5
♥ K 4
♦ A Q 6
♣ A J 10 5

	N	W	E	S
♠	A K 9 6 4 2	10 7 3	10 9	8 3
♥	A Q	-		
♦	J 10 9			
♣	8 3			

♠ -
♥ J 9 8 6 5 2
♦ 8 7 2
♣ 9 7 6 4

All four declarers played 6♠ from the West hand. In the match Onstein v. Vito Bas Drijver led the ♣Q to Rosen Gunev's Ace. Sjoert Brink followed with the ♣7. Declarer drew spades in three rounds, cashed ♥A, overtook the ♥Q with the King and exited with a low club to South's nine. With the ♦K off-side the slam went down.

Against Simon de Wijs' 6♠ North also led a club honour to the Ace. At this table South pitched erroneously pitched a club on the third round of spades. Declarer first tested the clubs and when the suit at this point broke De Wijs could pitch his diamond losers from dummy and ended up with twelve tricks.

In the semi-final Karlsruhe v. Allegra Duboin was allowed to make the spade slam similar to what happened at the table of Simon de Wijs because here as well South pitched a club on the run of the spades.

When Norberto Bocchi led a high club Agustin Madala followed with the six and Bernard Ludewig won the Ace. Declarer played the hand brilliantly - until a certain point. He drew trumps, cashed ♥K and ♥A and played the ♣8 from dummy: nine, Jack and Queen. North was endplayed. At the table he returned the ♣2 in the 10-5 fork (South had the 7 and the 4 left). Declarer won the seven with his ten, ruffed the ♣5 and made the losing finesse in diamonds. Down one.

One may wonder what happened? Well declarer simply had forgotten that his ♣5 was high and South didn't realize that his six (or the seven) at trick one was a very expensive card. This proves once more that even these great players sometimes make mistakes.



HALBFINALE G.S. ALLEGRA GEGEN KARLSRUHER BSC

Das Deutsche Bulletin von Karen Schroeder

Nachdem die erste Halbzeit mit 7:4 für Karlsruhe ausging, wurden die Hände 13-14 gespielt. In Board 15 spielten (fast) alle 3 SA und es ging darum, die Pik Dame zu finden:

♠ A 1098		♠ D 5 4	
♥ 8 3		♥ 9 7 2	
♦ A D 8		♦ K 6 5 4	
♣ D 10 4 3		♣ A B 8	
♠ 7 6 3	N	♠ K B 2	
♥ D B 10 6 5 4	W	♥ A K	
♦ 2	E	♦ B 10 9 7 3	
♣ 7 5 2	S	♣ K 9 6	

Nach Ausspiel von ♥ Dame entwickelt sich Süd die Karos, verliert an den König und des kommt natürlich Coeur zurück. Nun werden alle Karos abgespielt und West muss 4 Abwürfe tätigen.

Da erinnert er sich an die nette Geschichte, die anlässlich eines Trainings erzählt wurde:

Wenn man von drei kleinen Karten eine abwirft, weiß doch der Gegner genau, wohin er schneiden soll. Also darf man davon nicht abwerfen. Was ist die logische Konsequenz: man wirft von der Dame eine weg, damit der Gegner meint, man hätte sie nicht.

Doch kennt auch der Gegner diese "Technik".

Madala scheinbar ja, denn er schnitt zur falschen Seite und der Kontrakt fiel einmal.

Dafür rächte er sich aber gleich in Board 20:

♠ A 7 5 4		♠ K B 3	
♥ D		♥ 7 4 2	
♦ 10 5 4		♦ B 3	
♣ 10 9 8 5 2		♣ A K D 6 4	
♠ 9 8 6 2	N	♠ D 10	
♥ K 9 8	W	♥ A B 10 6 5 3	
♦ K D 9 8 7 2	E	♦ A 6	
♣ -	S	♣ B 7 3	

Über 1 SA von Ost bot Süd 2 Karo = Einfärber in Oberfarbe, die in 3 Karo von West endeten. Ausspiel ♥ Dame, gewonnen vom Süd mit dem Ass. Nun folgte ♠ 10 zum Ass von Nord und ein kleines Pik zurück. Der Alleinspieler hat, vielleicht vom schnellen Spiel des Gegners ein bisschen verleitet, legte unüberlegt den Buben. Es kann nichts kosten den König zu legen, denn

selbst wenn dieser gestochen würde, kann Süd den Partner mit Coeur wieder erreichen, um noch einmal den Partner stechen zu lassen und ein weiteres Coeur zu spielen und damit den Kontrakt zu Fall zu bringen.

Also ist das Risiko, den König zu legen, gering. Gewinnt dieser, kann man auf Treff die zwei weiteren Piks und ein Coeur abwerfen und gibt nur noch Karo Ass und einen Coeur-Schnapper ab.

Ein schönes Gegenspiel wurde belohnt.

Nach 2 Halbzeiten war der Stand 16:27 für Karlsruhe - dann aber kam der dritte Durchgang, der durch Schlemm's geprägt wurde (siehe englischer Bericht).

Der Stand nach 44 Boards war 66:66 und dann kam diese Hand:

♠ D B 5 4 2		♠ 9 6	
♥ 4		♥ A D 10 6 5	
♦ K 8 4		♦ A D 9	
♣ K 7 5 4		♣ A 6 3	
♠ 7 3	N	♠ A K 10 8	
♥ K B 8 3 2	W	♥ 9 7	
♦ 7 5	E	♦ B 10 6 3 2	
♣ B 10 9 8	S	♣ D 4	

Im Closed Room wurde die Hand mit 1 Coeur eröffnet, 3 Treff zeigte Punkte und Anschl. und mit 4 Coeur wurde der Endkontrakt festgelegt, der genau erfüllt wurde.

Im Open eröffnete Reps systemgemäß

West	Nord	Ost	Süd
		1NT	pass
2♣	pass	2 ♥	pass
pass	2 ♠	3 ♥	3♠
pass	pass	pass	

die genau erfüllt wurden und das kostete 13 IMPs, die dann auch im Endergebnis die Differenz und Niederlage bedeuteten. Allerdings kann man davon ausgehen, dass hier die günstige 4 ♠ Verteidigung nach vorhergehender Reizung gefunden worden wäre, was auch die Niederlage bedeutet.

Somit spielt das Team aus Karlsruhe morgen um den 3. Platz gegen Vito aus Bulgarien.

Elisabeth van Ettinger von Bridgetopics hat heute mit Bernard Ludewig ein Interview geführt, welches Sie unter <http://www.youtube.com/user/bridgetopics?email=share> video user sehen können.

BUTLER OF THE ROUND ROBIN (1-5)

Platz	IMPs/Bd.	Nr.	Namen	IMPs	Boards	Dg. 1	Dg. 2	Dg. 3	Dg. 4	Dg. 5
2	1,4000	10103	Noberto BOCCHI - Agustin MADALA	140,0	100	6,0	12,0	26,0	25,0	71,0
3	1,3400	102	Bauke MULLER - Simon DE WIJS	134,0	100	14,0	7,0	31,0	40,0	42,0
5	0,6600	10603	Kalin KARAIKANOV - Tony RUSEV	66,0	100	-29,0	14,0	28,0	48,0	5,0
6	0,6100	204	Jacek PSZCZOLA - Jacek KALITA	61,0	100	38,0	-15,0	-13,0	3,0	48,0
7	0,5250	503	Cengiz ARIGÜN - Alpay ÖZALP	42,0	80	-6,0	7,0	28,0	13,0	-
8	0,5100	10204	Gilad ALTSHULER - Shlomo ZELIGMAN	51,0	100	-3,0	41,0	-14,0	20,0	7,0
9	0,5000	10604	Ivan NANEV - Rosen GUNEV	50,0	100	-6,0	13,0	14,0	25,0	4,0
10	0,4375	303	Roland ROHOWSKY - Jörg FRITSCHE	35,0	80	28,0	15,0	-	-40,0	32,0
11	0,3750	605	Aleksey STERKIN - Alexander PETRUNIN	15,0	40	-	-	-	47,0	-32,0
13	0,1500	10104	Giorgio DUBOIN - Antonio SEMENTA	12,0	80	29,0	23,0	-	-33,0	-7,0
14	0,1125	10301	Bo ROOS - Henrik NOBERIUS	9,0	80	22,0	-41,0	-	33,0	-5,0
15	0,0833	304	Nedju BUCHLEV - Sebastian REIM	5,0	60	16,0	-	-28,0	-	17,0
16	0,0500	403	Hrolfur HJALTASON - Oddur HJALTASON	3,0	60	-16,0	-6,0	-	25,0	-
17	0,0000	604	Georgy MATUSHKO - Yuri KHOKHLOV	0,0	80	-6,0	6,0	13,0	-13,0	-
19	-0,0667	305	Bernard LUDEWIG - Klaus REPS	-4,0	60	-	-34,0	29,0	1,0	-
21	-0,2375	603	Vadim KHOLOMEEV - Yuri KHIUPPENEN	-19,0	80	-14,0	4,0	8,0	-	-17,0
22	-0,2500	10402	Matthias SCHÜLLER - Paul ORTH	-15,0	60	9,0	-	-4,0	-20,0	-
23	-0,2667	405	Sveinn Runar EIRIKSSON - Julius SIGURJONSSON	-16,0	60	-	-	-31,0	-3,0	18,0
24	-0,2750	10304	Patrik JOHANSSON - Magnus GORANSSON	-11,0	40	-	-7,0	-	-	-4,0
25/26	-0,3500	10503	Frank BAKKEREN - Ton BAKKEREN	-35,0	100	3,0	-23,0	31,0	-25,0	-21,0
25/26	-0,3500	203	Krzysztof BURAS - Grzegorz NARKIEWICZ	-35,0	100	6,0	34,0	-8,0	-25,0	-42,0
27	-0,3900	10504	Huub BERTENS - Berry WESTRA	-39,0	100	-7,0	-12,0	1,0	-48,0	27,0
28	-0,5000	10401	Wolfram VON ALVENSLEBEN - Ortwin WAGNER	-40,0	80	-22,0	-13,0	-26,0	-	21,0
29	-0,6500	101	Bas DRIJVER - Sjoert BRINK	-65,0	100	6,0	-7,0	-15,0	-1,0	-48,0
30	-0,7000	10203	David FOHRER - Alon BIRMAN	-70,0	100	7,0	7,0	-28,0	15,0	-71,0
32	-0,9333	10403	Matthias FELMY - Vitaliy KHANUKOV	-56,0	60	-	-14,0	-	-15,0	-27,0
33	-1,0833	10303	Andreas PERSSON - Magnus GORANSSON	-65,0	60	-9,0	-	-31,0	-25,0	-
35	-1,5000	501	Levent ÖZGÜL - Toygar ALPER	-150,0	100	-38,0	-7,0	-29,0	-47,0	-29,0

Paare ohne Wertung

IMPs/Bd.	Nr.	Namen	IMPs	Boards	Dg. 1	Dg. 2	Dg. 3	Dg. 4	Dg. 5
-0,2000	401	Sveinn Runar EIRIKSSON - Magnus Eidur MAGNUSSON	-4,0	20	-	-4,0	-	-	-
-1,4000	404	Magnus Eidur MAGNUSSON - Julius SIGURJONSSON	-28,0	20	-28,0	-	-	-	-
0,7500	406	Magnus Eidur MAGNUSSON - Hrolfur HJALTASON	15,0	20	-	-	15,0	-	-
1,4500	407	Magnus Eidur MAGNUSSON - Oddur HJALTASON	29,0	20	-	-	-	-	29,0
-0,9000	504	Sühan TAŞKIN - Hülya DARILMAZ	-18,0	20	-	-	-	-	-18,0
0,2000	10105	Guido FERRARO - Antonio SEMENTA	4,0	20	-	-	4,0	-	-
-0,0500	10305	Henrik NOBERIUS - Patrik JOHANSSON	-1,0	20	-	-	-1,0	-	-