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## Olympic Gold Winners

A warm welcome to the bridge lovers of all nations! Today the qualifying rounds of the Forbo Linoleum International Teams Tournament take place. As usual, the field is studded with big names. You can be pretty sure you'll see their stars shine in the stories to come. Three players however we would like to mention here in advance: Fred Gitelman from Canada and Bas Drijver and SjoerT Brink from The Netherlands. What do they have in common? Not much, except that each of them won a gold medal in the Olympic Grand Prix two weeks ago in Salt Lake City. Not bad, uh? We will follow these golden boys closely for you.

The Forbo Tournament started yesterday with rounds 1 and 2 of the Nations Cup. The participating countries of this prestigious event are: Olympic champion Italy, Bermuda Bowl runner-up Norway, last year's Nations Cup winner North America and The Netherlands, represented by its national teams champion Modalfa. These are the results and rankings so far:

<b>Round 1</b>	<b>IMPS</b>	<b>VPS</b>
The Netherlands - Italy	39 - 31	16 - 14
North America - Norway	62 - 30	22 - 8
<b>Round 2</b>		
Norway - The Netherlands	0 - 116	0 - 25
Italy - North America	53 - 35	19 - 11
1. The Netherlands		41
2. North America		33
3. Italy		33
4. Norway		8

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*A glorious moment for the winners of the Friendship Cup, Joost Prinsen and Rob Donkersloot, when they receive the trophy from Forbo Linoleum's General Manager Jeroen Tak and Hansje Verkade, the company's secretary.*



Welcome to the Nations Cup

Canada has been celebrating its win at the Men's event of the International Olympic Committee's Grand Prix in Salt Lake City. Fred Gitelman from that team is at the Kurhaus partnering Brad Moss in the North American team. Their team-mates are John Carruthers and Howard Weinstein. We caught up with Carruthers at dinner-time to find a hand for the Daily Bulletin from their first-round match against Norway. "By chance," he said, "the first hand played at each table was of interest. We began with Board 11":

S/-

♠ 974 ♥ 632 ♦ A1072 ♣ K75	♠ K10632 ♥ Q10 ♦ KJ853 ♣ 2 <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 5px auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <span style="font-size: 8px;">N</span>  <span style="font-size: 8px;">W</span>  <span style="font-size: 8px;">Z</span>  <span style="font-size: 8px;">O</span> </div> ♠ A ♥ AKJ9854 ♦ 6 ♣ J843	♠ QJ85 ♥ 7 ♦ Q94 ♣ AQ1096
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West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>MalinowskiMoss</i>		<i>Tislevoll</i>
pass	1♠	2♣	1♥
pass	pass	pass	4♥

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Carruthers</i>	<i>Saelensminde</i>	<i>Weinstein</i>
pass	1♠	2♣	3♥
pass	4♣	pass	4♥
pass	pass	pass	

At the table where Geo Tislevoll was declarer, Gitelman led a low club from the West seat. Moss won the Ace and switched to a trump. This was won in dummy, declarer came to hand with a spade to the Ace, ruffed a club, cashed the King of spades (throwing a club), ruffed a spade, drew trumps, and led his diamond. Gitelman played low smoothly but declarer, of course, put up the King and claimed 11 tricks. 450 to Norway. At the table where North America declared the same contract Boye Brogeland was on lead as West. His choice was the devilish ♦7! Poor

Weinstein, who had hardly recovered from his long journey, inevitably put in the Jack. Erik Saelensminde won with the Queen, and shot back a trump. Declarer could unblock the spades, but when the defence was in on the first club, another trump put paid to the game. A further 50 to Norway was worth 11 IMPs. Weinstein had a quick peek to see who held the Ace of diamonds. "Welcome to the Nations Cup," said Brogeland, revealing his subterfuge. This was the first board of the match, which started proceedings at Norway's home table:

N/-

♠ Q7 ♥ AQ96 ♦ A1052 ♣ AQ8	♠ AJ53 ♥ K105 ♦ K3 ♣ J963 <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 5px auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <span style="font-size: 8px;">N</span>  <span style="font-size: 8px;">W</span>  <span style="font-size: 8px;">Z</span>  <span style="font-size: 8px;">O</span> </div> ♠ 642 ♥ 432 ♦ 984 ♣ K1074	♠ K1098 ♥ J87 ♦ QJ76 ♣ 52
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West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>MalinowskiMoss</i>		<i>Tislevoll</i>
pass	1♣	pass	pass
2NT	pass	3♣	dbl
3♥	pass	3NT	pass
pass	pass		

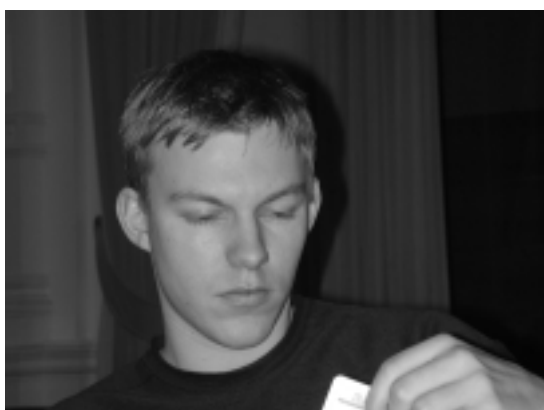
West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Carruthers</i>	<i>Saelensminde</i>	<i>Weinstein</i>
dbl	1♣	pass	pass
dbl	pass	1♠	2♣
2NT	pass	2♦	pass
pass	pass	3NT	pass

Again the contract was the same at both tables. Both Norths led a low club to the King and Ace. When Gitelman was declarer as West he led the Queen of spades at trick two. Malinowski allowed this to hold, and when the next spade came he ducked again. Gitelman put in the ten. When this held he knew North still had both the Ace and Jack. South had passed the opening bid, so declarer also knew both the red Kings were offside. He led a diamond to the Ace and a second diamond to

North's King. Malinowski now erred by continuing with a low club to South's ten. Gitelman let this hold and won the next club, discarding a heart from dummy. He then cashed the two remaining diamonds, ending in dummy. North was in trouble. He could discard a heart on the third diamond but on the last he had to throw one of his black winners (he chose the Jack of spades). Gitelman exited from dummy with a spade, and came to two hearts on the endplay. 400 to North America.

At the other table, after a club to the King and Ace, Brogeland had the same inference about the red Kings being offside, and he began with Ace and another diamond. Carruthers won and carefully continued with the NINE of clubs. Brogeland let this hold, so North now followed with the JACK, retaining the precious small club.

Brogeland won the third club, and tried the Queen of spades. As at the first table North ducked, and ducked again when the second spade was led. Brogeland had the same endplay in mind and realised he did not need to risk the finesse. He put up the King and cashed the two diamonds. Carruthers threw a heart on the first, and then a high spade (the Ace) on the next. Brogeland exited from dummy with a spade to North's Jack. But then came the crucial difference. North was able to play his carefully preserved low club to South's ten, and a heart from South finished declarer's hopes. 50 to North America for 10 IMPs. These two swings almost cancelled each other out, but North America had the better of the remaining exchanges to win the match 62-30 or 22-8 in VPs.



Boye Brogeland: ...Welcome to the Nations Cup...

### Nations Cup Match 2

Once the players have an excellent dinner behind them one might expect some extra excitement, so we took up a seat at the table where Olympiad champions Norberto Bocchi & Giorgio Duboin of Team Lavazza faced Weinstein-Carruthers of the North American team that led the standings. The first board provided good copy:

N / -	♠ A K 4 ♥ K 10 6 ♦ A K 7 4 2 ♣ 10 6	♠ J 9 7 6 ♥ Q J 8 4 ♦ 9 8 ♣ A 8 2									
♠ Q 10 8 5 2 ♥ 2 ♦ J 6 5 ♣ K 5 4 3	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>O</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Z</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		O		Z		♠ 3 ♥ A 9 7 5 3 ♦ Q 10 3 ♣ Q J 9 7
	N										
W		O									
	Z										

West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Moss</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
	2♣	pass	2♦
pass	2♥	pass	3♣
pass	3♦	pass	3♠
pass	4♦	pass	4♥
pass	pass	pass	

The Italians' new secret weapon, unveiled last year, is the Two Club opening showing 18/19 balanced. (Well, to tell the truth, Bocchi has 17, but we teach beginners to add 1 point for a five card suit, so it must be alright for world champions too.) South's Two Diamonds was a transfer, promising hearts, and North's Two Hearts was almost compulsory. South's Three Clubs was a game-forcing relay, Three Diamonds was little more than waiting, Three Spades promised clubs, and Four Diamonds agreed hearts but was more encouraging than bidding Four Hearts (the equivalent of what is known as Last Train). South signed off in game. If you look at the report of the match between Norway and North America you will see that Howard Weinstein was caught on the first board by Brogeland underleading an Ace at trick one. Whether this point was in the mind of Brad Moss

we cannot tell, but he knew dummy had a club suit, and his first card after dinner was the TWO of clubs lead.

Bocchi put up the Queen from dummy, and there was a little hesitation from West before he came up with the successful play of putting on his King. How embarrassing for the defence if West withholds that card!

At trick two West returned a diamond. Bocchi won in the South hand, played a trump to the King and a low trump back. When East smoothly contributed the eight, Bocchi went into thought. If the trumps were not breaking he had to put in the nine. But this "safety" play might actually be the ruin of the contract.

There were two dangers if West could beat the nine. One was a diamond ruff and the other was a club ruff. How embarrassing to go down when the trumps were 3-2!

Your reporter feels that Bocchi had picked up the clue that East had underled his Ace at trick one. That ruled out the possibility of the club ruff, and also the danger that East held a singleton diamond. However, there remained the danger that West's switch was to a singleton. He might be able to win the heart, put East in with the Ace of clubs and receive a diamond ruff. After due consideration Bocchi came up with the winning answer... he put in the nine of hearts. When West showed out declarer knew he had saved his game.

### Forbo Linoleum Friendship Cup

Results Top 5 (78 participants)

1. Joost Prinsen - Rob Donkersloot	70 %
2. Mrs. Gerrebrands - Mr. Vrijenhoek	65 %
3. Mr. Boer - Mr. Kramp	64,4 %
4. Mrs. Ten Berg - Mrs. Ducheyne	62,6 %
5. Mr. Ros - Mr. Koens	60,3 %

### Forbo Friendship Cup

Two special characters won this year's edition of the Forbo Friendship Cup. First, well known Dutch actor Joost Prinsen, famous for many years as Erik Engerd (Scary Erik) on Dutch television and long time supporter of the Dutch ladies team. Where our ladies are playing, sooner or later Prinsen shows up. He was playing with Rob Donkersloot, another bridge addict, who spends literally his entire holidays flying all over the world to support - in his case - the Dutch Open team. Consequently, their partnership was inevitable. Receiving their prizes Prinsen said, surveying the room with a big smile: 'Frankly, seeing the competition, I can't imagine who else should have won.' Donkersloot was impressed by Prinsen's accurate defence on the next deal:

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Prinsen</i>	<i>Valk</i>	<i>Donkersloot</i>	<i>Borst</i>
			1♥
pass	1♠	pass	2♣
pass	4♥	pass	pass
pass			

Joost Prinsen led the ♦5. Declarer, Piet Borst, former rubber king of The Hague, won the ♦Q and played three rounds of hearts. East discarding two diamonds. South then exited with a fourth heart, North and East throwing a spade. Prinsen played another diamond. Declarer won the Ace and cashed the King throwing two spades from his hand. The ten of clubs followed, small, small, Queen. Prinsen, who had closely watched declarer's discards, had no trouble finding the winning return: the king of spades. After winning the ♠A, declarer played a small club from dummy, Jack, King, Ace. Now, Prinsen

simply returned a small club and claimed the last trick with the ♣8.  
Of course you need a little luck to win a pairs event, so Prinsen was not exactly unhappy when he heard his opponents bid 7♥, holding ♥V10542. No, he didn't double. (The opponents were cold for 7♠).

Former Dutch World Champion Wubbo de Boer, played with Koos Nobel, fanatic bridge player and sponsor of numerous bridge events in Holland. We heard Koos complain: 'Wubbo is loosing it, he's over the hill.' This is what happened:

N/O/W	♠ AJ5 ♥ A98 ♦ 43 ♣ KQ952	♠ KQ876432 ♥ K7 ♦ 2 ♣ 108			
♠ 9 ♥ 42 ♦ QJ985 ♣ J7643	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W O</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">Z</td></tr> </table>	N	W O	Z	♠ 10 ♥ QJ10653 ♦ AK1076 ♣ A
N					
W O					
Z					

West	North	East	South
<i>Tammens</i>	<i>Nobel</i>	<i>Sisselaar</i>	<i>De Boer</i>
	1♣	1♠(!)	2♥
pass	3♥	pass	4NT
pass	5♥	pass	6♥
pass			

Tammens led the ♠9. De Boer won the Ace, played a club to the Ace, led the ♥Q and finessed. Winning the ♥K, Sisselaar, returned an innocent looking ♠Q and De Boer ruffed with the .....♥3. To his big surprise he saw Tammens scoring his ♥4. 'An eight-card suit is worth mentioning once, isn't it?', was Sisselaar's dry remark. 'Only because they are my friends', he continued, 'I didn't double.'

J. Bent and A. Manneke showed that fear is a poor councillor in a pairs contest, as evidenced by the next deal.

S/A11	♠ J ♥ Q3 ♦ AQ95432 ♣ 983	♠ 8764 ♥ 1095 ♦ K1086 ♣ AK			
♠ Q3 ♥ AK87642 ♦ - ♣ J764	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W O</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">Z</td></tr> </table>	N	W O	Z	♠ AK10952 ♥ J ♦ J7 ♣ Q1052
N					
W O					
Z					

West	North	East	South
<i>Bent</i>		<i>Manneke</i>	
			1♠
3♥	4♦	dbl	4♠
pass	pas	dbl	pass
pass	pass		

Defending double dummy, East-West can score 800: ♥A, club to the King, diamond ruff, club to the Ace, diamond ruff and a club ruff. Hard to find at the table! However, West tried to cash the Ace and King of hearts. Manneke, in real life in charge of Stork, Boxmeer, might at that point have thought that escaping for less than 800 was more daunting than running a multi-national company. But things started to look up quickly. He played two high trumps and welcomed the ♠Q on his left. Two more rounds of trumps followed. Next, he passed the ♦J to the King. East cashed his two high clubs and declarer claimed the rest. Many East-West pairs bid and made 4♥, so minus 200 turned out to be a good score. Living dangerously proved to be rewarding again.

Although the bridge displayed in this event was generally good, though not always of the highest calibre, it's more than fair to say that a very good time was had by all.



Peter Sisselaar: ...innocent...

Impressed

The first round of the Nations Cup was Ton Bakkeren's debut on the Dutch National Team. It was not an easy start for Ton, who confessed that at the beginning he was quite impressed by his opponents' reputation: Norberto Bocchi and Giorgio Duboin. Take for instance deal #15:

S/NS ♠ A 9 ♥ 10 9 8 6 ♦ J 8 7 5 ♣ J 5 3	♠ K 8 5 3 ♥ K 7 ♦ A 10 6 4 3 ♣ 8 7	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; text-align: center;">                     N                      W   O                      Z                 </div>	♠ QJ7642 ♥ J 4 ♦ KQ2 ♣ Q2
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♠ 10 ♥ AQ532 ♦ 9 ♣ AK10964
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♠ - ♥ 10 9 8 ♦ J 8 ♣ J	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; text-align: center;">                     N                      W   O                      Z                 </div>	♠ QJ7 ♥ J ♦ 2 ♣ -
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♠ - ♥ AQ53 ♦ - ♣ 10
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Obviously, West was in trouble in three suits. Pitching the ♣J would cost a trick, but it would also let the defence prevail. However, at the table West discarded a red card, allowing declarer to take the remaining tricks. Pity.

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakkeren</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Bertens</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
pass	1♥	pass	1♣
pass	3NT	pass	3♥
pass			pass

Bocchi's 1♥ response showed a spade suit and 3♥ a 6-5. Huub Bertens led a low spade for the Ace, and next Giorgio Duboin allowed the ♠9 to hold the trick. The diamond switch was for the Queen and Bertens continued with the ♦K, again ducked by declarer. Bertens, who foresaw a squeeze against his partner, tabled an interesting ♣Q, though a heart would do as well. South won the ♣A, cashed the ♣K, crossed to dummy with the ♥K and cashed the ♠K. This was the position with West still to play to the trick:

*Ton Bakkeren:...impressed...*



*You may have noticed on the front page the rather extravagant score collected by the Dutch team in the second round of the Nations Cup. Unfortunately, the team was so overjoyed by this result that they immediately sped to the casino to celebrate and your reporters were unable to elicit the details. Thus, the details will follow in bulletin number 2.*

## Participants 10th Forbo Linoleum International Bridge Tournament

Angelini	Garozzo	Sementa	Fantoni	Nunes	Lombard 1	Westra	Van Eijck	Muller	De Wijs
Auken 1	Auken S	Møller	Rohowsky	Rheim	Lombard 3	Von Seida	Kuivenhoven	Markovic	De Wilde
Auken 2	Auken J	Schaeffer	Blakset	Bruun	Luitwieler	Luitwieler	Oltmans	Kortleve	Te Velde
Belarus	Feranchuk	Godun	Medusheuski	Sotnikau	Modalfa 2	Kirchhoff	Abram	Borm	Tuwanakotta
De Boer	De Boer	Snellers	Malysa	Van der Gaast		Smit	Rietveld		
Buitenhof 1	Wijma	Brulleman	Ten Brink	De Vrind	Møller	Møller	Blakset	Lund Madsen	Lund Madsen
Buitenhof 2	Van Glabbeek	Janssen	Hofland	Etman	Neth. juniors	Drijver	Schollaardt	Bruggeman	De Groot
Bulgaria	Stamatov	Karaivanov	Karaivanov	Trendafilov	Netherlands	Bertens	Bakkeren	Nab	Paulissen
Burgay	Burgay	De Falco	Mariani	Balicki	Neth. seniors	Kokkes sr	Verhees sr	Boegem	Janssens
	Zmudzinski				Neth. < 18	Drijver	De Pagter	Molenaar	Verbeek
Chodorowska	Chodorowska	Chodorowski	Wojcicki	Doletylo	Neth. w. red	Pasman	Simons	Hoogweg	Van Zwol
Demis B.V.	Van Luijk	Amorison	Grashoff	Pijper	Neth. w. white	Speelman	Debets	Visser	Buket
Denmark A	Schaltz	Schaltz	Andersen	Christiansen	Nrth America	Carruthers	Gitelman	Weinstein	Moss
Denmark B	Nørgaard	Caspersen	Nicolaisen	Raulund	Norway	Brøgeland	Tislevoll	Saelensminde	Malinowski
Den. juniors	Houmøller	Houmøller	Gjaldbaek	Henriksen	't Onstein	Maas	Ramondt	Jansma	Verhees
Den. women	Koch	Clemmensen	Bekkouche	Binderkrantz	Oskam	Oskam	Schutte	Krijgsman	Nuyens
Doyer	Doyer	Kuip	Van de Woude	Older	Poland	Jassem	Pszczola	Kwicien	Chmurski
Farwig	Farwig	Hackett B	Brink	Van Prooijen	Polowan	Polowan	Robinson	Kowalski	Tuszynski
Fischer	Fischer	Schifko	Terraneo	Simon	Portugal	Matos	Luiz	Teixeira	Soares
Germany	Daehr	Cohner	Nehmert	Rauscheid	Ravebo	Véger	Meys	Ter Laare	Burghout
Goldberg	Goldberg	Levy	Fu Zhong	Armstrong	Romania	Lungu	Valeanu	Matei	Savin
Hackett	Hackett J	Hackett J	Hackett P	Harper	Scherders	Scherders	Scherders	Bakkeren	Nurmohamed
Henri	Henri	Lafourcade	Falla	Morren	Star	Germann	Winkel	Hagoort	Willemsens
Hok 1	v.d. Wouden	Ten Kate	Klaver	Ramer	Sweden 1	Flodqvist	Brenning	Efraimsson	Borin
Hok 2	Wintermans	Tammens	Gosschalk	Mulder	Sweden 2	Morath	Gustawsson	Eriksson	Nilsson
Hungary	Lakatos	Winkler	Gal	Homonnay	Sweden 3	Nyström	Bertheau	Becklen	Larsson
Iceland	Eysteinnsson	Baldursson	Jørgensen	Armannsson	Trouwborst	Trouwborst	Doremans	Daemen	Oosthoek
Indonesia	Lasut	Manoppo	Karwur	Sacul	Van Lanschot	Van der Neut	Zwart	Kokkes	Sprinkhuizen
Italy	Lavazza	Bocchi	Versace	Lauria	Verkade	Verkade	Jansen	Kranenborg	Boswijk
	Duboin	Ferraro			Wartena	Wartena	Groenenboom	Groenenboom	Kruis
Journalists	Horton	Meyer	Adad	Guillaumin	Waterlow	Waterlow	Panto	Dhondy	Kay
Kreijns	Kreijns	Kreijns	Van der Kam	Van den Bergh	Wernle	Wernle	Smederevac	Babsch	Bieder
Limmen	Kramer	Groot	Limmen	Hink	Worm	Worm	De Ruitter	Begas	Boer
					Zandvoort	Zandvoort	Benthem	Laan	Stomphorst



*Bas Drijver:  
Gold Medal in Salt Lake City...*