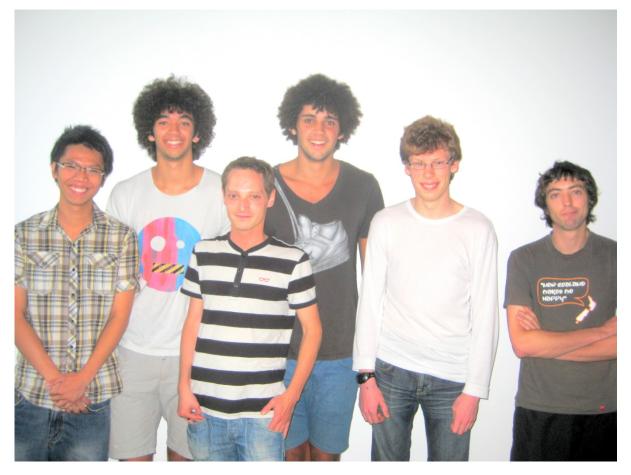


Canberra, Friday January 22st 2010



Winners of the South West Pacific Teams Championship

Andy Hung, Adam Edgtton, Alex Smirnov, Nabil Edgtton, Liam Milne, Michael Whibley



Tim Bourke's Problem

11. INFORMATIVE

Matchpoints, Dealer South. N-S Vul.

NORTH
♠K 5
🕈 A 8 6 5
•764
♣ 8654
SOUTH ▲ A 9 7 6 4 2 ♥ K 4 ◆ A K 8 3

West	North	East	South
			1♠
2NT	Pass	3♣	Double
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♠
All pass			

West's Unusual Two Notrump bid promised at least 5-5 in minors. Your double just proclaimed a strong hand and North now had a problem. Clearly, it would be unacceptable to bid just three hearts on a hand containing an ace and a king, and four clubs was intended as a "choice of games cue bid", which you converted to the obvious spot. West leads the king of clubs to your ace. How do you plan the play?

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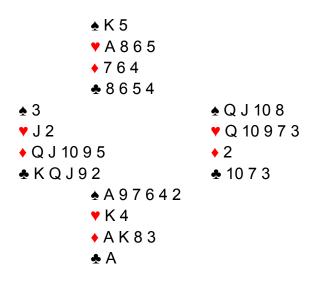
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•	Hyatt Hotel - Commonwealth Ave -
	Pickup is at back of Hotel
	60minutes before 1 st Session
•	NCC
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	before 1 st Session
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	Session
•	Rex Motel
•	Capital Executive Apartments.
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•	NCC
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•	NCC
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Tim Bourke's Problem Solution

You have eight spades and only six hearts. As West can have at most three major suit cards, it is more likely that West holds only one trump than any other holding. Suppose the full deal is:



And you may ask, "As I have two apparent losers in both trumps and diamonds, how does that help me?" The answer to that "question" should be to try and ruff your fourth diamond in dummy.

First, cross to the king of trumps in dummy and lead a diamond to the ace. A heart to the ace allows another diamond to be led towards your hand. As East cannot gain by ruffing a loser with a master trump, your king of diamonds will win. Now you put West on lead with a diamond, planning to ruff the fourth round in dummy. As West began with 1=2=5=5 he cannot prevent you executing this plan. If he returns a diamond, you ruff with dummy's five and all the defenders will score is two trump tricks to go with their diamond trick. If instead West returns a club, you will trump this in your hand and lead a fourth round of diamonds, ruffing in the dummy. East can over-ruff but now one of your two diamond losers and one of two trump losers have been telescoped.

Morton's Fork

by Richard Hills

Archbishop John Morton was also Lord Chancellor under King Henry VII of England, charged with collecting the King's taxes. His cunning ploy is now known as Morton's Fork:

"If the subject is seen to live frugally, tell him because he is clearly a money saver of great ability he can afford to give generously to the King.

If, however, the subject lives a life of great extravagance, tell him he, too, can afford to give largely, the proof of his opulence being evident in his expenditure."

The bridge version of Morton's Fork happens when declarer leads a suit, and a defender has a choice of playing high or low. If the defender plays high, declarer makes an extra trick using Plan A; if the defender plays low, declarer makes an extra trick using Plan B.

South West Pacific Teams, Match 10, Board

3 DIr: S KQ98754 Vul: Both J73 🜲 KT QT985 🛦 KJ7642 AT2 🕨 J -A6 • K4 🛔 J72 🗕 A643 ♦♥♠ NT 9 22-Ν - 2 2 -11 S -12 QT9852 E 3 - - 4 3 8 Q985 W3 --53

Double-dummy analysis by Deep Finesse says that East makes 10 tricks in a spade contract, but West makes 11. Why is this so? Morton's Fork!

With Archbishop Morton declarer as West in 5S the two trumps are drawn, the red suits are eliminated and then Archbishop Morton leads a low club towards the ace. If North plays the king of clubs, then the ace wins

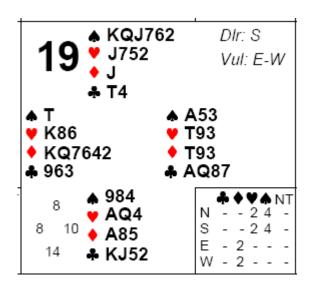
and a club is led through South's queen to Archbishop Morton's jack for the eleventh trick. If, instead, North plays the ten of clubs, then again the ace wins and North is thrown in with the king to concede a ruffand-sluff.

But if Archbishop Morton is dummy in 5S, the contract is defeated by South leading a low club at trick one, then leading another club when in with the ace of spades (if declarer tries eliminating the red suits before drawing trumps, South must be careful to over-ruff the third heart with the ace of spades, thus leaving North with the three of spades as an exit card).

Still Smiling

Ben Thompson

Seamus Browne played the ♥6 and we all burst out laughing.



I was playing 2♠ from South and had played a heart to the Queen and King in the midgame. Late in the play, Khokan Bagchi returned the ♥9 when in with a club and Seamus smoothly unblocked the 8 as I won the Ace, leaving this heart position:

10

6



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When I led the 4 and Seamus played the 6, we all burst out laughing because no-one would throw the 8 under the Ace from 10 8 6 and create a finesse position against themselves.

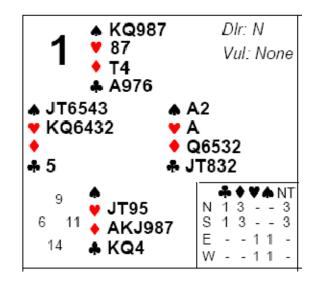
Still, as Seamus pointed out with a Cheshire grin on his face, sometimes it works.

Seamus is still showing the effects of his accident but his sense of fun and sparkling play are thankfully completely intact.

Round 13

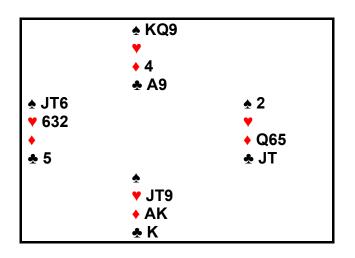
The nest to last round of qualifying served up a set of boards with all the potential action anyone could want. With so many teams in with at least a mathematical chance of qualifying and no team locked in, there were bound to be some dramatic movements as a result of these 20 deals. I chose to watch the match between the DelMonte team, then fifth, and the Noble team one place behind. Apolina Kowalski and Jerzy Romanski faced Ishmael DelMonte and Ashley Bach.

First up was a reminder of the old dictum "When you have a misfit, stop bidding."



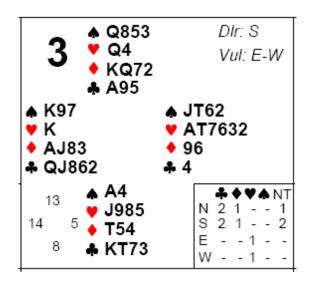
Apolina opened 1♦and Jerzy responded 1♠. 2♣ from Apolina saw Ashley bid his rather good diamond suit. Jerzy leapt to 3♥ which Apolina converted to 4♠. Ishmael thought that this contract might prove to be difficult and expressed his doubts through the red card.

Ish led the ◆10 overtaken by Ash and ruffed by declarer. A heart was led to dummy's Ace and the Ace of spades was cashed. The appearance of the ◆7 from Ash on this trick did little for Jerzy's equanimity. He continued with a small club from dummy and Ash scored with his Queen. When Ashley continued that suit, Jerzy ruffed. The ♥K was taken but, when Jerzy tried the Queen, Ish ruffed. At this point Jerzy had five out of the first seven tricks but the roof was about to fall in. The position was:



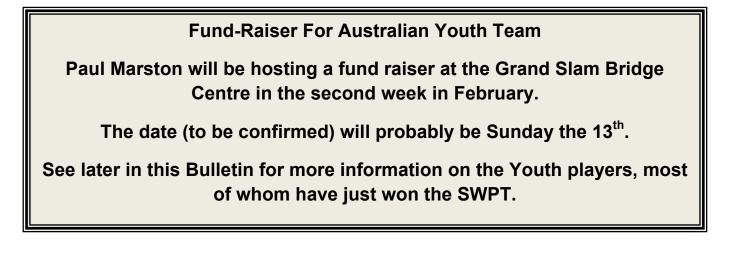
Ishmael removed dummy's trump and Jerzy could only collect one more trick. Just -800 to start the day.

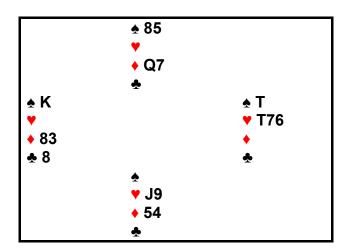
Board 3 was a partial misfit and Ash and Ish were accurate in defence once again.



Apolina was in 2♠ and Ash led the ♣7 to the Jack and Ace. Ish returned the ♦K into the jaws of dummy's AJ, presumably attacking the entries to the threatening club suit. The trump King was cashed and then a club was ruffed in hand. Apolina led a small spade to dummy's 9 and Ish's Queen and Ish returned a club. Apolina took the opportunity to shed his diamond loser as Ash's king scored. Ash continued clubs, drawing dummy's Queen, ruffed by the ♥Q and overruffed with the Ace.

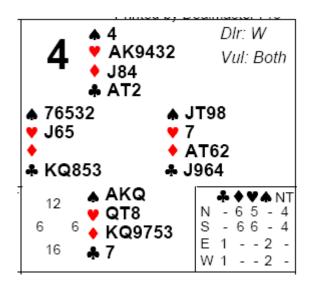
Apolina played the ♠J, taken by South with the Ace and led the ♦10 covered by the Jack but Ishmael ducked and Apolina discarded a spade to produce:





The AK was ruffed with the 9 and the defence still had the boss trump to come – 2 off.

Then board 4 which I'm sure caused grif for many pairs:



Ish and Ash bid efficiently to slam via

West	North	East	South
Р	1♥	Р	2♦
Р	27	Р	3♥
Р	4NT	Р	5♣
Р	5•	Р	5♠
Р	67		

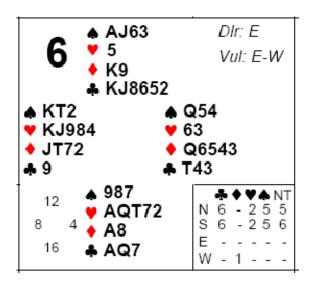
but then Jerzy doubled – obviously Lightner. Apolina led the A and it was all over. Unlucky perhaps, but not as unlucky as the team playing against Matthew McManus and Michael Ware. Matthew and Michael play a highly artificial relay system.

Matthew opened 1♣ which showed hearts. Michael relayed with 1♥ (notice that this protects them immediately from the diamond lead – lucky? Wait, there's more!)

West now put in an obstructive 2♥ bid to show his splendid black cards. This broke the relay so Matthew passed to show a minimum. However, Michael didn't think that it <u>did</u> break the relay. In his eyes, Matthew's pass showed 4+ diamonds. Even though East bid 4♠ and Michael eyed his spade holding hungrily, he still thought that hearts and a 4+ diamond suit was too good a chance to miss so he bid 6♠. Now find a way to beat that.

Michael admitted later that, had he realised that Matthew had merely shown a minimum, the ♠AKQ would have seen him reaching for the red card and 500 rather than the 1370 which he actually collected.

Then a difficult slam hand



Ish and Ash cruised to 6+ via

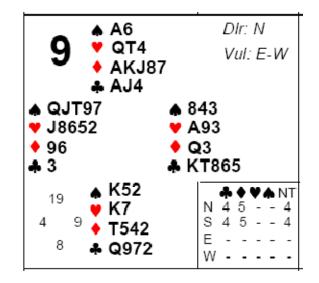
1NT	2♣
27	3♣
4♣	4NT
5•	6♣

However, declarer committed himself to a favourable heart position and, when this did not eventuate, he was down.

Michael and Matthew also reached 6. Michael was declarer and he received a club lead. He took that in hand and immediately ran the ♠8. This drew East's Queen and gave Michael real hope that he would succeed as he now only needed the ♠K to be with West. When a diamond was returned, Michael took out a little insurance – he also looked for a favourable heart position, being able to fall back on the spade finesse later, if necessary.

The heart Ace was cashed and a heart was ruffed with the 8 of clubs. He crossed back to the ♣Q and led another heart. Avi Kanetkar calmly dropped the King of hearts on this but Michael was too well aware of Avi's capabilities and he ruffed with the Jack, preventing East from over-ruffing. With the spade position favourable, there were no more problems.

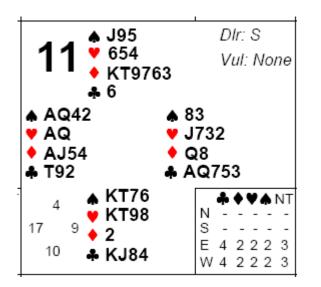
A quiet run of boards followed, only enlivened where I watched by



Ish was playing a mundane 3NT contract and had received the ♣6 lead. Ish covered with dummy's 7 and was not upset when it scored. He led the ♦2 off dummy, covered by the 9, King and three. Ish led the Jack of clubs which Apolina took with the King. Jerzy discarded the ♦6 and Ish turned to Apolina, saying with a smile, "Say goodbye to the Queen of diamonds. You were going to score it but not now."

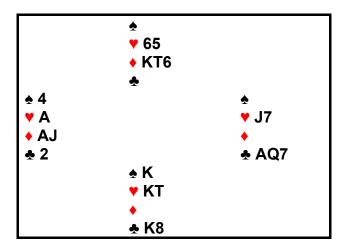
Two hands later and a more difficult 3NT contract landed.





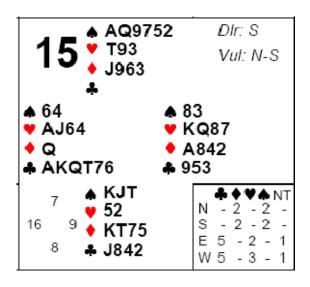
Ian Thomson was one to succeed on this as follows.

Ian received a low diamond lead and played dummy's Queen. He successfully finessed the ♥Q and then ran the ♣9 to South's Jack. South played the fourth suit in four tricks when he switched to the ♠7 which was allowed to pass to North's 9. The ♠J came back to Ian's Queen and he ran the ♣10, South ducking. Ian now conceded a diamond to North's 9 and a spade came back to Ian's Ace to leave



Ian cashed the ♥A and then the ♦A. South was under real pressure on the latter. He discarded the King of hearts but Ian threw him in with the spade King to force a concession of the last two club tricks. Apolina had a slightly easier ride after, on the same lead, he played dummy's ♦8 and was gratified to see it score. GeO Tislevoll was probably the most successful declarer in 3NT on the hand – he took three tricks. No, just for once, I'm not being sarcastic – you see GeO sat South and minus 300 was worth a nice pick-up. Jane Dawson opened the North hand 3 and East passed. GeO took a shot at 3NT but there were an awful lot of losers – not that it mattered.

Then an opportunity for some defensive brilliance:



Ashley Bach passed and Jerzy Romanski called 1♣. Ishmael DelMonte overcalled 1♣ which Apolina Kowalski doubled. Ashley raised to 2♠ and Jerzy settled in 4♥.

Ishmael led the ♠2 which Ash correctly interpreted. He took his King and returned a club for Ish to ruff. Unfortunately Ash returned the ♣2 which was too hard for Ish to decipher. Ish cashed the ♠Q and Jerzy claimed.

Andrew Markovics and George Kozakos managed the situation to better effect. Again, Andrew led the small spade and George took the King to return a club. George, however, returned the ♣8 and Andrew had enough faith to underlead his spade honours for a second time. His reward, of course, was a second ruff for one off.

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NEWS:

Recently, an Australian Junior Team has been invited to participate in the most prestigious Junior event in Europe, called the White House Junior International in Amsterdam. As this is an invitation-only event, 2010 will mark its first year of the appearance of Australia competing in what is formally an all-European event. This will prove to be an experiencing and a challenging tournament as the other 20 EU countries contending are some of the world's top countries. As we are short on funds, we need your help!

How You Can Help:

We are planning to organise fundraising session events in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. We would love to see you there and here are a few reasons why:

• Team Members are: Adam & Nabil Edgtton (from Sydney), Andy Hung (from Brisbane), Justin Howard (from Melbourne) and a migrated kiwi, Michael Whibley. You will of course see one of our lovely faces in these events in our respective cities!

• This Australian Junior Team has been a tough contender amongst the world. Success in this tournament would increase our relationship with the Europeans for future prospects, and it would be mark our presence for the forthcoming World Juniors in October. Here is a list of some of our past achievements:

- 2006 World Schools: 2nd in Round Robin, 4th out of 15 overall
- Active involvement in Oz-one Trainings
- 2007 PABF Juniors: 1st out of 9 countries
- 2008 World Juniors: 3rd in Round Robin, 5th out of 18 overall
- 2009 Yeh Bros. Cup: Respectable result throughout the Round Robin
- 2009 PABF Juniors:
- 1st out of 10 countries

When:

The fundraising events will most likely consist of a one-session pairs during either February or March (not during Gold Coast) although the exact dates will vary between different cities. More information on the club location and the date is yet to be confirmed, so we would gladly appreciate if you would spread the word around! The entry fee is most likely \$25 per person, and our total aim is \$8000. We are also searching for Sponsor(s) for our team jerseys for any interested, and if you cannot participate we would gladly appreciate any donations made. Donations can be sent to Bank of Queensland (BSB: 124 -032, Accnt No: 20575656) and remember to attach your name. Donators' names will be put through to the following (new!) Oz Junior Bridge website at www.ozjuniorbridge.com

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Place	Name	Score
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2	Stern	263
3	De Livera	263
4	Bloom	259
5	Lilley	257
6	Mullamphy	255
7	Kanetkar	253
8	Noble	254
9	Markey	253
	Tishler	252
10	Walsh	232
11	Leibowitz	240
12	Del'Monte	245
13	Bilal	244
14	Magee	242
15	McCartney	242
	Ingham	
17	Havas	240
18	Hagan	239
19	Rothfield	239
20	Horowitz	237
21	Antoff	235
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The loser of that match goes into the quarter-finals on Saturday afternoon.

Losers of the matches on this page join the winners of matches on the next page in knock-out matches on Saturday morning.

The winners of the three knockout matches on Saturday afternoon progress to the semi-finals on Sunday

Table	Team	Round 1	Round 2	Total
	Milne			
	L Milne, M Whibley, N Edgtton, A Edgtton, A Hung	41	42	83
	Bloom			
1	M Bloom, P Gill, S Hans, T Nunn, P Gosney	60	21	81
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Table	Team	Round 1	Round 2	Total
	Stern			
	D Stern, R Grynberg, P Gue, P Wyer, S Burgess, T Lloyd	23	26	49
	De Livera			
	A De Livera, I Robinson, I Thomson, R Brightling,			
2	M McManus, M Ware	42	46	88
-			10	

Table	Team			Total
	Lilley			
	ے۔ D Lilley, Z Nagy, B Haughie, A Braithwaite, N Griffiths, J Williams	72	68	140
	Magee			
3	J Magee, T Strong, S Fischer, M Bookallil	17	18	35
Table	Team			Total
	Mullamphy			
	M Mullamphy, R Klinger, B Jacobs, B Thompson	38	25	63
	McCartney			
4	P McCartney, O Camp, A Shami, S Hobley	9	49	58
Table	Team			Total
	Kanetkar			
	A Kanetkar, T Brown, W Lazer, P Gumby, A Peake, B Neill	47	53	100
	Horowitz			
5	J Horowitz, D Cherry, P Gallasch, J Middleton, J Wyner	48	41	89
Table	Team			Total
	Noble			
	B Noble, G Bilski, A Kowalski, J Romanski, M Prescott, R Jedrychowski	40	68	108
	Havas			
6	E Havas, G Schmidt, P Kahler, S Mendick, R Stuart, R Douglas	20	19	39
Table	Team			Total
	Markey			
	P Markey, A Mill, J Haffer, G Smolanko, D Appleton, P Reynolds	68	36	104
	Rothfield			
7	J Rothfield, S Klofa, L Gold, J Ebery, J Collins	46	49	95
Table	Team			Total
	Tishler			
	S Tishler, B Richman, B Travis, J Rayner	42	40	82
	Ingham			
8	S Ingham, R Fruewirth, K Dyke, T Sharp	34	23	57
Table	Team			Total
	Walsh			
	A Walsh, B McDonald, K Morrison, M Chadwick, M Hughes, T Griffin	27	31	58
	Bilal			
9	G Bilal, S Khan, S Browne, K Bagchi, M Smart	33	41	74
Table	Team			Total
	Leibowitz			
		24	43	77
	L Leibowitz, E Chadwick, A Yezerski, L Grewcock	34	43	//
10	L Leibowitz, E Chadwick, A Yezerski, L Grewcock Del'Monte I Del'Monte, C Berman, A Bach, H Horwitz, M Courtney, L Raymond	55	43	99





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