

On Top of the World



You already know that this is the first world title open to both sexes that has been won by two women. You also know that comparing one of them to Claudia Schiffer would be insulting... to Cecilia Rimstedt. Your reporter was given the task of interviewing the girls... well someone has to do the job.

Cecilia, 17, comes from Halmstad, a town in the south of Sweden near Malmo. She is still at school studying social sciences, maths, and languages. She has two twin brothers and a sister Sandra who all play bridge. Away from bridge she enjoys table tennis. She is engaged to Patrik Johansson, 25, who also competed in the World Junior Pairs. So KEEP AWAY you other fellows!

Her partner, Sara Sivelind, 24, lives in Avesta and works for a bridge supply company, Svenska Bridge Forlaget. She has two brothers, one playing bridge, and both her parents play.

Together they were in the team that won both the Swedish and Norwegian Junior Championships last year. They were also in the Swedish Girls team that took the silver medal at the second European Girls Championship in Riccione. Cecilia was also in Prague for the first Girls Championship where the team also won silver.

It was Cecilia's first visit to a World Junior Pairs, but Sara was in Hungary three years ago with a different partner.

Going into the last two hands of the championship the leaders were the Poles, Jacek Kalita and Krzysztof Kotorowicz. Here are the two deals that swung gold and silver (the girls had already played Boards 27 and 28):

This Week's Activities

The Lecture Room for Patrick Jourdain's advanced lectures is the room behind the Hotel's Internet room. For the less experienced players, Klaus Reps' lectures will take place at the far end of the corridor on the ground floor.

The sporting activity on Wednesday morning will be beach volleyball, organized by Thomas Schoenfeldt. Teams will be 6-8, and they should be of mixed nationality.

The Schroeder Cup

The Schroeder Cup, named after Dirk Schroeder who presented it, will be given to the player who performs best in the five pair games.

The only rules are that it is your top three pair games that are counted, and your three qualifying performances must involve playing with partners from three different countries - and obviously none of those sessions can be with players from your own country, since the Camp rules forbid that!

Table Tennis Tournament

You should already have seen the notice in the main playing area about a doubles Table-tennis tournament. Please sign up on the sheet if you are interested in playing, and/or let Rosaline Barendregt or Jeremy Fournier know.

Schedule for Today

08:30 – 09:45	Breakfast
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:15 – 14:15	Lecture
14:30	Pairs Tournament 1
18:00 – 19:30	Dinner
20:00	Pairs Tournament 2
23:30	Snack

Board 25. Dealer North. E-W Vul.

♠ A 9 8 4 3 ♥ K J 7 5 ♦ K J 8 ♣ K	♠ 7 6 ♥ 9 8 6 3 2 ♦ 10 9 6 ♣ 9 7 6	♠ 10 2 ♥ A Q ♦ A 5 2 ♣ A Q J 4 3 2	♠ K Q J 5 ♥ 10 4 ♦ Q 7 4 3 ♣ 10 8 5
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We don't know any auction that reached a grand slam accurately so it was more important which small slam you arrived at. The Poles selected Six Clubs for a score of +1390 and 49/140 of the matchpoints. This was the auction from the Swedes:

West	North	East	South
<i>Cecilia</i>		<i>Sara</i>	
	Pass	1♣ (i)	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
4NT (ii)	Pass	5♦ (iii)	Pass
5♥ (iv)	Pass	5NT (v)	Pass
6NT	All Pass		

- (i) Strong Club 17+
- (ii) RKCB, clubs as trumps
- (iii) (0 or) 3 keys of 5
- (iv) Queen of trumps?
- (v) Yes, but no outside king

Six No-trumps collected an overtrick and 100/140 of the matchpoints. The Swedes took the lead by a fraction of a board.



A hard(ly) working reporter

Here is the final deal, which made the girls the new world champions:

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ A K 9 5 ♥ 2 ♦ 10 8 6 3 ♣ J 9 8 2	♠ Q 3 ♥ A Q 9 8 6 ♦ Q 7 4 ♣ A 7 6	♠ – ♥ K 10 5 3 ♦ A K J 2 ♣ K Q 10 4 3	♠ J 10 8 7 6 4 2 ♥ J 7 4 ♦ 9 5 ♣ 5
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First what happened at the Poles' table:

West	North	East	South
<i>Kotorowicz</i>		<i>Kalita</i>	
		1♣(i)	Pass
1♠	2♥	Pass	3♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass
(i) Polish			

As East-West managed a game at more than half the tables the key thing here was whether Three Hearts doubled went two off or three off.

Kalita led the ace of diamonds and switched to the king of clubs. Declarer won, ruffed a club and led a diamond to the queen and king. Now East switched to a trump. Declarer overtook the seven with the eight and ruffed his last diamond with dummy's last trump, the jack. With dummy down to all spades, declarer had to lead the suit. West took his two winners, on the first of which Kalita threw a small club. This was the ending as West cashed his second top spade:

♠ A 9 5 ♥ – ♦ 10 ♣ J 9	♠ Q ♥ A Q 9 6 ♦ – ♣ 7	♠ – ♥ K 10 5 ♦ J ♣ Q 10	♠ J 10 8 7 6 4 ♥ – ♦ – ♣ –
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What should East throw on the second top spade? He actually chose to ditch another small club leaving himself with the boss club, the queen and the boss diamond, the jack. West next played the fourth diamond. Declarer, realising East was following suit, ruffed low and exited with a club leaving East on play to lead a trump and make only one more trick. The penalty was 500 to E-W.

But suppose East had kept either a losing club (or had discarded his diamond, for that matter). Then West can cash the jack of clubs and play a suit in which East is void – either a spade or the appropriate minor. If declarer ruffs low, East over-ruffs and exits with a plain suit. This way he comes to two trump tricks and collects a penalty of 800 which would have been worth 125/140 instead of the 71/140 score they actually achieved.

(Our resident nit-picker, Peter Gill, accurately points out that maybe West should take some of the blame. Knowing that declarer has three clubs (partner would surely have introduced a six-card suit over 2♥) he should cash the ♣J before playing his second top spade. Now so long as East pitches a minor suit on the second top spade, the penalty of 800 is assured.)

Now we turn to the girls' table:

West	North	East	South
Cecilia		Sara	
3♣	3♥	2♣ (i) 5♣	Pass All Pass

Sivelind reached the popular spot of Five Clubs, which looks easy if you pick up the diamonds. But she made her contract without ever taking the diamond finesse.

South led a heart to the ace and North returned a deceptive ♦7 which declarer feared might be a singleton.

Sivelind won and led a low trump to the eight, North ducking smoothly. If declarer plays a second trump North will win and play a third, leaving East reliant on the diamonds coming in. So Sivelind abandoned trumps. First she cashed the top spades ditching two diamonds, then ruffed a spade, ruffed a heart, ruffed a spade, ruffed her last small heart, and played a trump. The suit did not break but North was now known to have no winner to play, so Sara could win any return, being left rather elegantly with the great poker hand of the king of hearts, king of diamonds, and king of trumps, then draw the last trump, and claim.



Vincent de Pagter, Netherlands

This was well done, particularly as Sara's play of a low trump at trick three might have caught a South with ace-small in trumps and all the diamonds, failing to rise to give his partner a diamond ruff. From a strictly technical point of view it is slightly safer to take the first heart ruff when in hand at trick two, and then play the trump. If that holds you ruff the other heart, take the diamond discards on the spades, and play a second trump. The difference is that you have an extra trump to take care of a spade force.

The Dutch pair of Michielsens/de Pagter, who had steamed up the leader-board from a starting position of 12th place to third, about half a top behind both leading pairs, made a valiant effort here to overtake the other two pairs. They defended 3♠x as East/West and collected 800 when declarer misguidedly finessed in hearts at trick one and suffered an unnecessary ruff. That got them to within half a board of the lead – but they had run out of boards, and could do no better than third place.



DAILY TRIVIA

Many years ago, experts were polled as to who was the **SECOND** best player in the world. (Present company was the first, of course). One player won by a landslide. Who?

SUIT COMBINATIONS

How should you play these three combinations?

- AQ743
facing
K1082
- AQ943
facing
K1082
- AQ943
facing
K872

Marco Island ACBL Camp 1996

This is the tenth year of my involvement with junior camps in America and Europe. To give you a taste of these events, I shall be dipping into my files and showing you a couple of deals from some of these events.

The first camp I attended was the inaugural ACBL event in Marco Island Florida. It was especially pleasant to see that by the end of the week everyone had overcome their nerves about letting their partner down. It was especially noteworthy to see that a couple of the Italians who had come to the camp on the basis of winning a mini-bridge tournament were able to win one of the Midnight Swiss tournaments. As you might expect, where standards are so variable, performances ranged from the sublime to the ridiculous; here are two examples from opposite ends of the spectrum.

Dealer West. None Vul.

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♣	K 10 3											

There is always a place for light relief in Bridge, and the junior training camp is an ideal place to find inexplicable events. This was just such a board; you can see how E-W might well go overboard with their misfitting hands. Nonetheless, a major suit partscore for E-W handles reasonably, and one pair actually managed to make 3NT. Eight tricks in no-trumps does not seem absurd - but you might be surprised to discover that at one table it was N-S who managed that feat.

The auction started as one might expect with West opening One Diamond and East responding One Spade; now Marianne Serreau of France had a bid of One No-trump available to her to show a strong no-trump. Adding on one point for her declarer play she tried that, and was greeted by a vicious double by West, to end the auction. Naturally West started with the queen of clubs, and Marianne took it and tried a low diamond. West ducked, and Marianne won the queen and led the jack of hearts from dummy. East, perhaps worried about the possibility of her partner having a singleton honour, ducked, allowing declarer to repeat the finesse and cash the ace of hearts. When the 5-2 split came to light the full distribution of the hand was apparent. If East had five hearts then he had at least five spades too. Since West had opened One Diamond they must both be 5-5. Now came the masterstroke; Marianne cashed the ace of spades and led a low club from hand.

West could see that if he took this trick he would have to concede a diamond eventually to dummy, so he hoped for the best, namely that his partner would have the ten of clubs and that the rest of his hand would be high or that East would have an entry back to West. So he ducked, which allowed the nine of clubs to score an unexpected trick, and Marianne exited with another club, allowing dummy's diamond winner to be the overtrick!

Dealer North. None Vul.

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♦	J 7											
♣	A Q 8 3											

The contract at virtually every table was 2NT, and the defence naturally started by taking the first five tricks in diamonds. Where Craig Nathan was declarer like everyone else he was forced to find three discards, and he followed the most sensible option of letting go a small club, then a spade, and finally a top heart. The best West could do was to switch to a spade, but Craig took his ace and cashed four rounds of hearts, finishing in dummy.

In the three card ending East was squeezed; he had sole control of clubs and spades, and whichever suit he discarded would allow South to discard in the other black suit and take the club finesse for the last three tricks.

The basic principle of the camp is that one should never criticize partner, and so East was not entirely serious when he remarked that he was disappointed that his partner had not found an initial spade lead, which would have avoided the squeeze position. Remarkably the consequence of cashing your diamonds is to rectify the count for declarer; few defenders would be able to resist the temptation, I fear!



A Gruesome Hand

by Peter Gill

I made an error when I wrote up this hand yesterday, but it is worth a proper write-up. The Americans Joe Grue - John Kranyak and the Poles Krzysztof Kotorowicz - Jacek Kalita had met in the Grand Final of the 2005 World Junior Teams Championship in Sydney, with the Americans winning. They met again in Session 4.

Board 14. Dealer East. Nil Vul.

<p>♠ Q 2 ♥ K Q 9 5 3 2 ♦ 8 3 2 ♣ 6 2</p>	<p>♠ 6 4 ♥ 10 7 6 ♦ A Q 9 7 ♣ A J 8 3</p>	<p>♠ K J 9 8 3 ♥ A 4 ♦ K J 6 4 ♣ 7 5</p>	<p>♠ A 10 7 5 ♥ J 8 ♦ 10 5 ♣ K Q 10 9 4</p>
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West	North	East	South
Kalita	Grue	Kotorowicz	Kranyak
INT	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	All Pass	2♦	Pass

Joe Grue won the award for the best played hand in the world by a junior in 2005. This might be a candidate for the best defence of 2006. Grue led ♦7! The reasoning is that the weak declaring hand is unlikely to have ♦K, and if dummy has the king and partner the jack, declarer will duck from dummy at Trick One. Also, all the other suits were unattractive to lead.

Kotorowicz won the jack, drew trumps and played a deceptive ♠2 to the jack. His deceptive play was based on the idea that if he played ♠Q, the defence would duck, but if he played a spade to the jack, the defence might go wrong. Kranyak won ♠A, cashed ♣K, and led ♣Q, which Grue smartly overtook with the ace.

Grue now devised a better deceptive play than Kotorowicz. Grue led ♦Q!! Put yourself in Kotorowicz's seat. Could Grue have possibly led from ♦AQ at Trick One? Surely not. Would Kranyak have ducked the ace at Trick One? This also seemed unlikely, but was surely more likely than the underlead from A Q 9 7 or A Q 7. Kotorowicz gave ♦Q a long look, but eventually he ducked, hoping Grue had ♦Q7 doubleton or four diamonds without the ace. 110 was worth 62 out of 140 for Grue, better than the 33 out of 140 he would have got for -140, but not a great score because some N/S pairs bought the hand in 3♣.

Planning One's Discards

by Peter Gill

One of the contending pairs was given a discarding problem when their opponents reached a flawed 7NT contract, with the West hand exposed as dummy. The hidden East hand had opened 1♦, jump rebid 3♦ and showed three key cards for diamonds plus the ♣K.

Board 20. Dealer West. Both Vul.

<p>♠ J 7 4 2 ♥ K Q 10 6 4 ♦ Q J ♣ 10 8</p>	<p>♠ A K 10 5 ♥ 9 8 ♦ 8 ♣ A Q J 7 5 3</p>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;"> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">N</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">E</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">W</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">S</td> </tr> </table> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>♠ 8 ♥ A J 7 ♦ A K 9 6 5 3 2 ♣ K 2</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">N</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">E</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">W</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">S</td> </tr> </table>	N	E	W	S	<p>♠ 8 ♥ A J 7 ♦ A K 9 6 5 3 2 ♣ K 2</p>	<p>♠ Q 9 6 3 ♥ 5 3 2 ♦ 10 7 4 ♣ 9 6 4</p>
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South led a club, and East rattled off six club tricks. What should North discard?

The most important point is that North should be planning his four discards at Trick 3. Don't discard one card at a time on a long suit, but instead think about all four cards which you will have to discard.

North can safely discard three hearts, and can discard both diamonds as well. North thus has no immediate discarding problem, but his partner might have a problem. North's best plan is to help partner out by discarding ♦Q then ♦J as the first two discards. Then partner will know to hang onto his 10xx in diamonds, which does not look all that useful until you see partner discard the queen and the jack.

The very best players help out their partners by doing such plays. Discarding ♦Q then ♦J as the first two discards is exactly what Joe Grue did at another table, defending 3NT. Alas the 7NT contract made when South not unreasonably let go of a diamond in order to hold onto his spades.

Answers to the Daily Trivia

HOWARD SCHENKEN

Answers to the Suit Combinations

a) Decide on external evidence who is most likely to hold all four cards in the suit. If it is West, start by leading the king. If East, lead low to the queen.

b) This is a 100% safety play. Lead low to the queen so that you can pick up the jack whether it is your left hand opponent or right hand opponent who has all four cards.

c) Since you cannot guard against East having all four outstanding cards in the suit, begin life with the king to pick up the 4-0 split with West having the length.

Smile Sweetly

by Peter Gill

This article is intended to introduce the Editors to you. We would be delighted if you would give us any hands or stories, especially amusing ones. You don't have to write them down, it's enough to simply bring along the hand record and tell us what happened.

Barry Rigal is well known to most of you. He is the refined Englishman who has moved to New York and somehow managed to pick up only the best characteristics of the Americans, such as a charming wife and great skill at bridge.

Peter Gill comes from an island down under and is famous for talking a lot. At bridge, he won an award for the Best Defended Hand in the World in 2003, and he would like to write up a great play by one of you this week so that you might win a similar award. Here's his most memorable bridge hand.

This was the first board of a 20 board match in the 1992 Australian Open Teams Championship against the leading team, two great players whose big weakness was their temperament. I was playing with Zibi Zeb, who had played in the Polish Junior Team in the 1980s then moved to Australia. On our Convention Card, he wrote: "Smile Sweetly After Disaster" as one of our conventions. I was quite happy to try out this agreement.

Dealer North. N/S Vul.

<p>♠ K 10 6 ♥ 2 ♦ 7 5 ♣ Q J 10 8 7 5 4</p>	<p>♠ A 8 5 ♥ A K J 10 8 7 3 ♦ Q 10 3 ♣ –</p>	<p>♠ Q 3 ♥ 6 ♦ K 9 8 4 2 ♣ A 9 6 3 2</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	E	S
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West	North	East	South
	Zibi Zeb		Peter Gill
	2NT	4♥	4♠
Dble	Pass	Pass	Rdbl
All Pass			

Even by Australian standards, the bidding was pretty bad. Zibi, a Polish visitor who had me playing a Krakow version of Polish Club, opened 2NT to show either a weak preempt in a minor or a good preempt in a major. Luckily for you current youth players, regulations have largely eradicated such viruses from the modern bridge world.

East overcalled 4♥, and having no system notes to deal with interference over the Krakow 2NT, I bid 4♠ on the assumption that my shortage there indicated that partner would surely have spades. When West doubled, I started to worry a little bit, so I played safe by redoubling to ensure that partner bid his suit. You might think that 4NT would have been more

prudent, but the outcome was about to become strangely satisfying.

West led ♥4 to the king, East switched to ♦3 to my king and West's ace, and West switched to a spade to the ace and another spade. I won the queen and carefully exited with a diamond to the jack. West played another heart, which I ruffed in dummy. Only now did I play clubs, playing ♣Q from dummy. East thought for a while, then discarded a heart and I won ♣A to escape for a mere penalty of 4000. Had I not played the hand so carefully, I would have gone for 4600.

Zibi greeted me with a beaming smile and pulled out his hands for the next board as if nothing had happened. In return, I managed the best smile I could. Then it started.

East: "Why didn't you ruff the club? You blithering idiot, I've had a plus 4000 before, but 4600 would have been my highest score ever."

West: "But why didn't you exit a spade so that I knew what was going on? Or you could have ducked the diamond to my ten? And you blame ME?"

East: "You're just an imbecile. Even a moron could have seen what was going on."

And on and on it went, as they abused each other.

The datums for the 20 board match was 86 - 23 IMPs in our favour. Zibi and I outscored them by 86 to 0 on the remaining 19 boards, because they were so upset with each other.

We won the match by a maximum.

At the other table, our team-mates had reached 6♥. The declarer David Beauchamp ruffed the club lead, played a heart to the queen then made the vital play of a spade to the ace, before South realised that it was necessary to unblock ♠Q under the ace. Now three rounds of diamonds, taking the finesse, followed by a spade exit ended played South, who had to concede a ruff and discard. Plus 920 reduced the loss on the board to only 23 IMPs.

I recommend the Smile Sweetly agreement to all bridge players.



Peter Gill, Australia

INDIVIDUAL

(Single Session Event)

Rank	Name	Country	MPs	Total					
1	Rutger VAN MECHELEN	BEL	973.5	69.14	54	Anne Juhl SORENSEN	DEN	743.0	52.77
2	Angela COLLURA	USA	947.0	67.26	55	Marion MICHIELSEN	NED	740.0	52.56
3	Erwin LIEKENS	BEL	891.6	63.32	56	Rosaline BARENDREGT	NED	739.5	52.52
4	Benoit GUIOT	BEL	890.6	63.25	57	Kevin DWYER	USA	736.2	52.29
5	Dror PADON	ISR	888.9	63.13	58	Arthur COHEN	FRA	735.5	52.24
6	Simon PAULET	FRA	882.1	62.65	59	Robyn DOWER	ENG	735.4	52.23
7	Eimur KRISINSSON	ICE	879.7	62.48	60	Joe GRUE	USA	733.9	52.12
8	Dennis BILDE	DEN	874.0	62.07	61	Jason FELDMAN	USA	733.4	52.09
9	Victor CHUBUKOV	USA	873.5	62.04	62	Miroslav KEMENOVA	SVK	733.0	52.06
10	Owen FEEHAN	IRL	872.6	61.97	63	Michael GUNDSSEN	DEN	731.9	51.98
11	Eric ARVIDSSON	SWE	855.3	60.75	64	Thomas TROMHOLT	DEN	729.1	51.78
12	Owen LIEN	USA	850.4	60.40	65	Eldad GINOSSAR	ISR	729.0	51.78
13	Maria WUERMSSEER	GER	847.5	60.19	66	N RODWELL	AUS	728.7	51.75
	Mads KROGSGAARD	DEN	847.5	60.19	67	Carole PUILLET	FRA	728.1	51.71
15	Dominik GOERTZEN	GER	841.5	59.77	68	Paul GOSNEY	AUS	728.0	51.70
16	Andrew SINCLAIR	SCO	839.5	59.62	69	Matt STAHLMAN	USA	727.5	51.67
17	Michael WHIBLEY	NZL	832.0	59.09	70	Johann SIGURDARSON	ICE	726.1	51.57
18	Eliran ARGELAZI	ISR	829.5	58.91	71	George TRIGEORGIS	USA	726.0	51.56
19	Matias ROHRBERG	DEN	826.5	58.70	72	James CORRY	IRL	722.0	51.28
20	Bob DRIJVER	NED	823.5	58.49	73	Simon HOULBERG	DEN	721.3	51.23
21	Joshua DONN	USA	822.5	58.42	74	Kerry NASH	IRE	718.6	51.04
22	Ari GREENBERG	USA	816.8	58.01	75	Meike WORTEL	NED	718.3	51.02
23	Philippe MOLINA	FRA	815.0	57.88	76	Nistor RADU	ROM	717.9	50.99
24	Alon BIRMAN	ISR	811.7	57.65	77	Lars TOFTE	DEN	716.6	50.89
25	Merijn GROENENBOOM	NED	810.5	57.56	78	Yuval YENER	ISR	716.5	50.89
26	Bence BOZZAI	HUN	809.7	57.51	79	Susan STOCKDALE	ENG	714.5	50.75
27	Lars K. NIELSEN	DEN	808.0	57.39	80	Michael BYRNE	ENG	712.7	50.62
28	Alex WILKINSON	SCO	807.3	57.34	81	Andrew DUBAY	USA	711.1	50.50
29	Robert LUKOTKA	SVK	807.1	57.32	82	Monika BARONAITE	LIT	709.0	50.36
30	Timothee BOEKHORST	FRA	804.0	57.10	83	Gerbrand HOP	NED	708.6	50.33
31	Lea PEDERSEN	DEN	799.4	56.78	84	Randall RUBINSTEIN	USA	706.5	50.18
32	Magnus MELIN	SWE	797.5	56.64	85	Ian JONES	IRL	706.0	50.14
33	John KRANYAK	USA	794.0	56.39	86	Mark REEVE	IRL	702.5	49.89
34	Eric MAYEFSKY	USA	791.5	56.21		Vassilis VROUSTIS	GRE	702.5	49.89
35	Mihaela BALINT	ROM	788.3	55.99	88	Daniel LAVEE	CAN	702.4	49.89
36	Espen LINDQVIST	NOR	787.7	55.94	89	Martin HRINAK	SVK	702.0	49.86
	Marion CANONNE	FRA	787.7	55.94		Joe MELA	ENG	702.0	49.86
38	Olivier BESSIS	FRA	784.0	55.68	91	Simon BECK	SWE	701.5	49.82
39	Gabriel GISLASON	ICE	783.1	55.62	92	Julie Hald NIELSEN	DEN	701.0	49.79
40	Duncan HAPPER	ENG	781.1	55.48	93	Konstaninos DOXIADIS	GRE	700.6	49.76
41	Aymeric LEBATTEUX	FRA	780.7	55.45	94	Victor LAU	HKG	700.5	49.75
42	Emma SJOBERG	SWE	777.6	55.23	95	Lubos KIANICA	SVK	699.9	49.71
43	Johan FASTENAKELS	BEL	774.0	54.97	96	Katrina LOMAS	IRL	698.9	49.64
	Catalin LAZAR	ROM	774.0	54.97	97	Jennifer LIN	USA	698.0	49.57
45	Steve DE ROOS	BEL	773.0	54.90	98	Alex SMIRNOV	GER	695.8	49.42
46	Sverre AAL	NOR	772.0	54.83	99	Thomas BESSIS	FRA	692.5	49.18
47	Miltos KARAMANLIS	GRE	770.0	54.69		Dan RECHT	USA	692.5	49.18
48	Emmett DAVIS	IRE	769.7	54.67	101	Jeremy FOURNIER	USA	692.4	49.18
49	Richard BOYD	IRL	766.5	54.44	102	Karl ASPLUND	SWE	691.6	49.12
50	Robert BRADY	USA	762.0	54.12	103	Brian SHARKEY	IRL	690.0	49.01
51	Sara SIVELIND	SWE	761.6	54.09	104	Yotam BAR YOSEF	ISR	683.2	48.52
52	Magdalena TICHA	CZE	753.7	53.53	105	Aurelio MAUGERI	ITA	681.9	48.43
53	Alex MORRIS	ENG	753.0	53.48	106	Adam FINSSON	ICE	681.7	48.42
					107	Maria MORTENSEN	DEN	679.0	48.22
					108	Argenta PRICE	USA	673.4	47.83

109	Ellen Smiri KRISTBERGSSON	ICE	672.4	47.76
110	Vincent VIDALAT	FRA	671.5	47.69
111	Rawad HADAD	SWE	666.9	47.37
112	Christina SIKIOTI	GRE	666.5	47.34
113	Els TOUTENEL	BEL	666.4	47.33
114	Marios KYRANIDES	GRE	664.0	47.16
115	Gudjon HAUKSSON	ICE	663.3	47.11
116	Paul SEGUINEAU	FRA	660.1	46.88
117	Lars Moller SORENSEN	DEN	656.5	46.63
118	Quentin LEVOY	FRA	655.0	46.52
119	Wayne SOMERVILLE	IRL	654.5	46.48
120	Marten WORTEL	NED	652.9	46.37
121	Vincent NAB	NED	652.0	46.31
122	Andrew LUKE	USA	650.1	46.17
123	Mira SOFIOS	GRE	649.3	46.12
124	Emil JEPSEN	DEN	645.6	45.85
125	Eyal BEN-ZVI	ISR	645.0	45.81
	Lukas SIDOR	SVK	645.0	45.81
127	Jessie CARBONNEAUX	FRA	643.5	45.70
128	Sofia RYMAN	SWE	641.3	45.55
129	Aarnout HELMICH	NED	634.9	45.09
130	Rens PHILIPSEN	NED	634.0	45.03
131	Stuart HARING	ENG	633.4	44.99
132	Martin SORENSEN	DEN	633.1	44.96
133	Hrefna JONSDOTTIR	ISL	632.6	44.93
134	David ANCELIN	FRA	630.3	44.77
135	Athanasios DARKADAKIS	GRE	625.5	44.42
136	Stanislav MIKLIK	SVK	625.3	44.41
137	Inda Hronn BJORNSDOTTIR	ISL	624.0	44.32
138	Katka TICHA	CZE	622.5	44.21
139	Christian BRUNO	DEN	620.9	44.10
140	Arturas KUPRIJANAS	LIT	609.0	43.25
141	Eric SIEG	USA	606.0	43.04
142	David SYNNOTT	IRL	605.6	43.01
143	Bronagh CONSIDINE	IRL	605.0	42.97
144	Gintari	LIT	604.5	42.93
145	Lucia ZAVODSKA	SVC	601.4	42.71
146	Troels KRISTENSEN	DEN	595.0	42.26
147	Myrfo ATHANESSAFOU	GRE	593.0	42.12
148	Matt CONY	USA	590.4	41.93
149	Luke GARDINER	NZL	585.1	41.56
150	Nabil EDGTTON	AUS	584.5	41.51
151	Niclas Raulund EGE	DEN	578.0	41.05
152	Vincent BROERSEN	NED	577.5	41.02
153	Sidsel GOLTERMAN	DEN	573.7	40.75
154	Eleni VATSOLAKI	GRE	570.5	40.52
155	Bjorn SORLING	SWE	562.0	39.91
156	Adam EDGTTON	AUS	560.7	39.82
157	Jacco HOP	NED	560.4	39.80
158	Lazar KORNEL	HUN	560.0	39.77
159	Ruth CONNOLLY	IRE	554.0	39.35
160	Joachim LARSEN	DEN	534.5	37.96
161	Moa PETERSEN	SWE	501.0	35.58
162	Dan ISRAELI	ISR	489.9	34.79
163	Charles TAM	USA	469.6	33.35
164	Oscar COHEN	FRA	452.1	32.11
165	Olagus HANNESSON	ISL	451.5	32.07
166	Aris ANASTASATOS	GRE	417.4	29.64
167	Rytis POSOCHOVAS	LIT	391.5	27.81
168	Bas VAN BEIJSTERVELDT	NED	366.0	25.99

Sports News

FOOTBALL



FIFA has suspended European champions Greece and its member clubs from international competition because of government interference in the sport. World governing body FIFA said the Hellenic Football Federation had broken rules on "the independence of members and decision-making in each country".

It means Greek clubs and officials are banned from European competitions, and it jeopardises Steve McClaren's first game as England boss - a friendly against Greece planned for 16 August. The suspension will be in place with "immediate effect and until further notice", according to a FIFA statement.

In the World Cup, France defeated Brazil 1-0, Thierry Henry scoring in the second half, the first time ever that a Zidane assist to Henry had led to a goal. France play Portugal and Germany play Italy.

FIFA cleared the German players involved in the brawl after the win over Argentina.

David Beckham has stepped down from the England captain's role. John Terry and Steve Gerrard are the most likely replacements.

GOLF

England's John Bickerton won the French Open by one stroke from Pdraig Harrington of Ireland.

Annika Sorenstam won the US Women's Championship play-off against Patty Hurst.



WIMBLEDON TENNIS 3rd round

Third seed Andy Roddick lost to Andy Murray of England.

Venus Williams lost to Jelena Jankovic.

The other top seeds won their matches.

In Round 4, Marcos Baghdatis beat Andy Murray.



MOTOR SPORT

As usual Ferrari won the American Formula One Grand Prix at Indianapolis, Michael Schumacher winning from his teammate Felipe Massa with Giancarlo Fisichella 3rd and Jarno Trulli 4th.

20 year old Dani Pedrosa won the British Grand Prix at Donington from Valentino Rossi.



NBA

The New Orleans Hornets have nabbed Peja Stojakovic in a 5-year \$64 million deal.



TOUR DE FRANCE

Norway's Thor Hushovd took the yellow jersey as race leader from George Hincapie after winning bonus seconds during the Tour's second stage.