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The End Of The Long Weekend

With three sessions played it was a long and tiring day. In Session 7 **El Maadi** and **El Gezira (1)** were top dogs and in Session 8 **Heliopolis** and yet again **El Gezira (1)** had the best results. In Session 9 **El Gezira (2)** had a near clean sweep while **Protec** not only won with a maximum but did not allow their opponents to score an IMP. In the standings Protec are now more than a match ahead with Sporting still in second. The two El Gezira teams now occupy third and fourth.

We have the next two weekends free to overindulge in the year-end festivities, so we reconvene January 8 2021. Happy Holidays to all.

Results Round Robin 7

Team	Team	IMPs	VPs	VPs
Sporting	Wadi Degla	22-10	13.28	5.22
Heliopolis	El Zohour	59-31	16.42	3.58
El Maadi	El Ahly (3)	69-11	19.85	0.15
El Ahly (1)	Protec	23-30	7.97	12.03
El Gezira (1)	El Ahly (2)	72-17	19.61	0.39

Results Round Robin 8

Team	Team	IMPs	VPs	VPs
Heliopolis	Wadi Degla	49-23	16.09	3.91
El Maadi	Sporting	37-25	13.28	6.72
El Ahly (1)	El Zohour	24-21	10.91	8.59
El Gezira (1)	El Ahly (3)	76-40	17.59	2.41
El Gezira (2)	El Ahly (2)	33-28	11.48	8.52

Results Round Robin 9

Team	Team	IMPs	VPs	VPs
El Maadi	Wadi Degla	44-19	15.92	3.83
El Ahly (1)	Heliopolis	46-23	15.56	4.44
El Gezira (1)	Sporting	17-33	5.82	13.93
El Gezira (2)	El Ahly (3)	70-13	19.77	0.23
El Ahly (2)	Protec	0-85	0	20

In Round 7 Wadi Degla had a 1.5 VP penalty.

In Round 8 El Zohour had 0.5 VP penalty.

In Round 9 both Wadi Degla and Sporting had a 0.25 VP penalty.

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Information for Captains

Very important notes, Kindly circulate to all of your players

1. The BBO accounts for the TDs are as follows :
EBF, EBF_1, EBF_2, EBF_3, EBF_4 and EBF_5
2. At the beginning of each match/session, the TDs have to start more than one table at the same time in order to host all the championship matches and they place the players in their seats according to pre-sent line-up.... Sometimes, we have a late offline players (please check the event regulations for penalty of late arrival at BBO) and this may cause some delay in the other matches/tables.

In order for the TDs to avoid this, they will hold an empty seat for you and they will move to host another match and then back to the late table. For that reason, it is quiet normal that your players might have a message from the TD through the BBO server with the following text

Want to substitute

Would you like to play in Teams tournament # xxxxxx Teams "Egyptian League as a substitute? Your partner will be xxxxxxxx"

YES NO

Please alert your players to accept this request ASAP.

*VERY IMPORTANT NOTES *

The BBO Management recommends that you wait in the main section of BBO when you are about to receive an invitation to play. Different areas of BBO are managed by different servers, so if you are located in the casual section the system may read you as being offline even if you are online.

Also, we use a special procedure in order to make sure that all of our matches are starting at the same time. We start inviting players and set up the team match some minutes before the official starting time. This may result in your partner already sitting (and waiting) at the table of the Pan Arab Inter-Club match while you are still in the lobby. That is totally normal, and is done in order to be more precise on the starting time. We kindly ask all players to just stay in the lobby (main section of BBO or in the competitive section) and wait for our invitation.

Standings After 9 Rounds

Teams	Rank	VPs
Protec	1	134.02
Sporting	2	109.7
El Gezira (2)	3	106.38
El Gezira (1)	4	106.31
Heliopolis	5	102.83
El Ahly (1)	6	97.28
El Maadi	7	96.19
El Ahly(2)	8	80.97
Wadi Degla	9	79.22
El Zohour	10	48.98
El Ahly (3)	11	29.92

Day, Date	10th Match		11th Match			
	Time : 2:00 PM		Time 4:45 PM			
Friday 08.01.2021	Wadi Degla	X	El Ahly (1)	Wadi Degla	X	El Gezira (1)
	El Maadi	X	El Gezira (1)	El Ahly (1)	X	BYE
	Heliopolis	X	BYE	El Maadi	X	El Gezira (2)
	Sporting	X	El Gezira (2)	Heliopolis	X	El Ahly (2)
	El Zohour	X	El Ahly (2)	Sporting	X	Protec
	El Ahly (3)	X	Protec	El Zohour	X	El Ahly (3)

Wadi Degla

Round Robin 7

Sporting

As noted yesterday Wadi Degla had climbed up the standings. For our first match today they are pitted against second placed Sporting. Can Wadi Degla continue its climb towards the top?

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ KJ1095 ♥ Q8 ♦ 1054 ♣ Q63	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> N W E S </div>	♠ 7 ♥ 106543 ♦ QJ762 ♣ 87	♠ 6 ♥ J92 ♦ A83 ♣ AK10954
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♠ AQ8432 ♥ AK7 ♦ K9 ♣ J2

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Zaitoun</i>	<i>Amiry</i>	<i>Shedid</i>	<i>Samir</i>
-	-	1♣	1♠
1NT	Pass	2♣	2♠
All Pass			

How many trump tricks do you need to double a part-score contract, apparently West thinks that four is insufficient. I am confident that a double in that position should be punitive. I understand the reluctance to double a part-score into game but there have to be some risks taken, all you need are two tricks from partner who opened first in hand and if he has opened extremely light playing in 3♣ cannot possibly a disaster if he removes your double. Declarer had only six tricks and so was two off.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Ragab</i>	<i>Farrag</i>	<i>Fadaly</i>	<i>Heshmat</i>
-	-	1♣	1♠
1NT	Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠
Double	All Pass		

What is the point of South's double, especially if he is going to bid 2♠ whatever North bids, bidding on over 1NT you turn -150 into -500, a gain of two

IMPs into a loss of seven IMPs

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ 103 ♥ J109853 ♦ K9 ♣ AKJ	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> N W E S </div>	♠ 7652 ♥ A76 ♦ A653 ♣ 87
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♠ AQJ984 ♥ 42 ♦ J74 ♣ 52	♠ K ♥ KQ ♦ Q1082 ♣ Q109643
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Zaitoun</i>	<i>Amiry</i>	<i>Shedid</i>	<i>Samir</i>
-	-	-	Pass
2♠	3♥	3♠	4♥
Pass	Pass	4♠	Double
All Pass			

Four Hearts could have been beaten, can you see how. The initial lead must be a trump and East must not play his ace on the first round. Then when the defence gain the lead they can cash the ace of trumps and take two spade tricks. North started with the ♣A and now to take the contract two off he has to find the amazing play of the ♣J to partner's ♣Q so that they can play back a diamond. A play beyond most mortals and so the damage was limited to one off.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Ragab</i>	<i>Farrag</i>	<i>Fadaly</i>	<i>Heshmat</i>
-	-	-	1♣
2♠	3♥	3♠	Pass
Pass	4♣	4♠	5♣
Pass	Pass	Double	All Pass

At this table South elected to open the bidding with his hand and was faced with a tricky decision when suddenly 4♠ came to him. Might it have been better to leave the choice to partner, especially as your hand is not suited for offence, you need



an awful lot of precise cards from partner to take eleven tricks. And so it was as there were three top losers. Another seven IMPs to Sporting.

In one of the other matches there was a mildly amusing auction

West	North	East	South
-	-	-	1♣
2♠	Double	4♠	Pass
Pass	Double	Pass	5♦

All Pass

Some of you may be aware of Burn's law which states that you should always have more of your trump suit than the opponents. On this deal it was definitely broken – we might see more of this law today. We need not dwell on the play except to say declarer managed six tricks.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ 83	♠ K654	♠ Q2
♥ 2	♥ Q65	♥ AJ873
♦ KJ85	♦ 9432	♦ AQ76
♣ AJ10932	♣ K7	♣ 85

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♠ AJ1097
♥ K1094
♦ 10
♣ Q64

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Zaitoun	Amiry	Shedid	Samir
-	Pass	1♥	1♠
Double	3♠	All Pass	

3♠ was unfortunate as on the lead of a heart West obtained two heart ruffs by using the ♦A as a second entry to West's hand, an unlucky one off.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ragab	Farrag	Fadaly	Heshmat
-	Pass	1♥	1♠
Double	3♠	Pass	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	All Pass

After the defence cashed two rounds of spades they switched to hearts and declarer then set about establishing the clubs before tackling trumps and so made his contract.

There is one declarer who is poorer but wiser

after playing the same contract and not recalling the maxim of establishing the side suit before touching trumps. He received a trump lead which was taken in dummy and then cashed the ♥A and ruffed a heart. He tried a low spade towards hand but North hopped up with his king to lead another trump. This was won in hand but the 4-1 break was exposed and the hand now just fell to pieces and he ended up three down – difficult to explain that one to your team mates.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ 5	♠ Q9
♥ A	♥ Q873
♦ AQ986	♦ KJ54
♣ J87654	♣ AQ10

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♠ AK1086	♠ J7432
♥ K102	♥ J9654
♦ 1072	♦ 3
♣ 93	♣ K2

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Zaitoun	Amiry	Shedid	Samir
-	-	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

An eminently sensible auction to a good contract which presented no problems with both the ♥J and the diamond honours well-placed and ten tricks were safely gathered.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ragab	Farrag	Fadaly	Heshmat
-	-	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

A no swing board as the same contract was reached and the play similar.

However at another table South looking at his hand of power and quality decided to enter a vulnerable auction with a bid of 2♦ showing the majors. It may come as no surprise to you that this little foray cost a mere 100



Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Zaitoun	Amiry	Shedid	Samir
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♠	Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	1NT	All Pass	

East led the ♠3 to partner's jack which declarer immediately took with his ace. A diamond towards dummy's honours was captured by West's ace. A spade to the king and the return taken by the queen. West now fell from grace by continuing spades. He knows North has the ♠10 for multiple reasons. Firstly with four spades East would not have passed 1♠, with just three spades declarer would probably have held up and thirdly when

West returned a spade and East held ♠K10 then he would have won with the ♠10. So to what suit should West switch, obviously not hearts, obviously not diamonds, and , oh, by the way, which suit did East bid? Clubs, so why not try a club you will be +100 rather -120.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ragab	Farrag	Fadaly	Heshmat
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♠	Pass	Pass	Double
1NT	All Pass		

North made the good start of of the ♥7 to South's king and the equally good return of the ♦Q was made, ducked and the ♦J followed. This time declarer took his ace and tried the ♠J ducked by North. A small spade towards the king held the trick and now a small heart for the jack and queen. Now all North had to do was cash his top tricks and play a heart to South who could then take the setting trick with the ♦10 but no North gave away the contract by switching to a club. Another no hope contract succeeds. Five IMPs to Sporting.

At the end of the session in a very low scoring game – the biggest swing on any board was seven IMPs – Sporting edged Wadi Degla 22-10. Three of the other matches did not find these boards so flat as there were scores 59-31, 69-11 and 72-17.

Undo regulations

1. The undo button is activated from the beginning
2. Click the undo button to stop the play instead of typing STOP at the table chat.... It will be used just as a stop button.
3. Call the TD
4. **No Action from any party will be taken before the arrival of the TD.**
5. The TD will instruct the opponents whether to accept the undo or not.
6. The TD will keep counting the undoes for each player, only 2 undoes are allowed for each player during one session.
7. **If the opponents accept – before the TD arrival - , play continue but they might be penalized and all parties forfeit their rights for any kind of rectification later on.**
8. **If the opponents don't accept – before the TD arrival - , play stops and the TD decide what is to be done.**
9. **The TDs reserve the rights to adjust the score of the board for any unauthorised information might arise from using the undo process.**
10. **The Head TD has all the rights to deactivate the undo button at any time if problems arise from activating the button.**

El Gezira (1)

Round Robin 8

El Ahly (3)

For the second match we have El Gezira (1), who were mid table at the end of play yesterday but had a very good win for their first match today against El Ahly (3) who have yet to get any momentum and are in need of some good results.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ 63 ♥ KQ4 ♦ Q75 ♣ J6532	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 0 auto; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> N E S W </div>	♠ AK52 ♥ J76 ♦ K986 ♣ Q9	♠ 10874 ♥ 1083 ♦ 102 ♣ 10874
♠ QJ9 ♥ A952 ♦ AJ43 ♣ AK			

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Medhat</i>	<i>Wattar</i>	<i>El Sokary</i>	<i>Khouri</i>
-	-	Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♦
All Pass			

There were plenty of points and controls but a lack of tricks. With the positioning of the heart honours declarer only needed the diamond finesse to be kind, it was not declarer's day and finished one down.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shafiq</i>	<i>Khayry</i>	<i>Magdi</i>	<i>Mogeda</i>
-	-	Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

North chose the right time to show a lack of ambition and 3NT presented no problem ten tricks and 12 IMPs to El Ahly (3).

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ Q7 ♥ K653 ♦ Q10542 ♣ 108	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 0 auto; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> N E S W </div>	♠ 4 ♥ J972 ♦ 963 ♣ J7632	♠ 32 ♥ 84 ♦ AKJ87 ♣ KQ94
♠ AKJ109865 ♥ AQ10 ♦ - ♣ A5			

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Medhat</i>	<i>Wattar</i>	<i>El Sokary</i>	<i>Khouri</i>
-	-	-	2♣
Pass	2♦	Double	2♠
4♥	Double	5♦	Pass
Pass	Double	All Pass	

I suspect East's Double of 2♦ was to show diamonds and not for takeout. West may have taken a different view. Vulnerable sacrifices are rarely profitable and this was a case in point as declarer had four tricks to lose: -500.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shafiq</i>	<i>Khayry</i>	<i>Magdi</i>	<i>Mogeda</i>
-	-	-	4♦
All Pass			

I promised you another case of Burn's law and here we have another, again in diamonds. Obviously South meant his bid to be Texas and either North failed to remember or South was using a convention upon which they had not agreed. The good news was that the trumps behaved kindly, the broke 5-5. It rarely is good for a team to be playing in the same suit in both rooms and so it was here: thirteen IMPs to El Gezira (1).



Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ A8753		♠ 96									
♥ AQ		♥ K97									
♦ J1093		♦ 754									
♣ 32		♣ AJ874									
♠ KQJ10	<table border="1" style="text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 42
		N									
W			E								
		S									
♥ 862	♥ J10543										
♦ 2	♦ AKQ86										
♣ KQ965		♣ 10									

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Medhat	Wattar	El Sokary	Khouri
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

A restrained auction which reached the best spot and made with an overtrick.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Shafiq	Khayry	Magdi	Mogeda
1♣	1♠	3♣	Double
4♣	Double	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

If North felt he must bid for a second time then I think he would have done better to bid 4♦. He can almost guarantee that his partner will bid 4♥ if he doubles. The defence started with their singleton diamond and when declarer took a losing heart finesse he suffered the ignominy of two diamond ruffs and still had a spade to lose and so was three off. Ten IMPs to El Gezira (1).

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ AK1032		♠ QJ7									
♥ QJ65		♥ 9									
♦ A83		♦ KQ105									
♣ Q		♣ 97543									
♠ 9864	<table border="1" style="text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 5
		N									
W			E								
		S									
♥ K2	♥ A108743										
♦ 9	♦ J7642										
♣ AJ10862		♣ K									

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Medhat	Wattar	El Sokary	Khouri
-	1♠	Pass	1NT
2♣*	2♥	3♣	4♥
Pass	Pass	5♣	Pass
Pass	5♥	All Pass	
2♣	Capaletti		

5♣ was heading for three off. North was in search of the vulnerable game bonus. All would depend on East's lead, a club lead would see the contract fail, any other would allow declarer to discard the club loser on the ♠AK. When East led the ♦K the task was simplified even more as there was no need to endplay West as leading diamond towards the jack would restrict the diamond losers to one.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Shafiq	Khayry	Magdi	Mogeda
-	1♠	Pass	2♥
3♣	4♣	5♣	Double
Pass	5♥	All Pass	

This time played by South gave the defence two possibilities of finding a winning lead, the ♣A or the singleton diamond and West chose the diamond and declarer had to lose a trump and could find no way to dispose of his two diamond losers and so was one down.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ 832		♠ A74									
♥ 9832		♥ 6									
♦ 10543		♦ QJ962									
♣ Q9		♣ A1087									
♠ J10965	<table border="1" style="text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ KQ
		N									
W			E								
		S									
♥ AKQJ54	♥ 107										
♦ 8	♦ AK7										
♣ J		♣ K65432									

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Medhat	Wattar	El Sokary	Khouri
-	-	Pass	1♣
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	All Pass



West gave in gracefully and let his partner play in 3NT. Declarer was not hard pressed to bring home his contract after ace of diamonds lead was followed by the king of spades, in fact an overtrick was available

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shafiq</i>	<i>Khayry</i>	<i>Magdi</i>	<i>Mogeda</i>
-	-	1♦	2♣
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♦	All Pass

Yet again there seems to have been a bidding misunderstanding. Probably starting with the 3♣ bid, either an immediate bid of 4♥ to get the hand off your chest or a double and then you can bid both of your suits would seem to be better options. I suspect 4NT was meant to be natural but the misunderstanding rolled on with a momentum of its own – unstoppable until the six-level was reached. Yet again Burn’s law has been broken and again in diamonds and at a higher level, at this rate we will have a contract of 7♦ with a 1-1 fit soon. This was fourteen iMPs to El Ahly (3).

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ A85		♠ J1097
♥ J1042		♥ A7
♦ K2		♦ 108654
♣ AQJ10		♣ 74
		♠ K432
		♥ KQ9853
		♦ A
		♣ 65

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Medhat</i>	<i>Wattar</i>	<i>El Sokary</i>	<i>Khouri</i>
-	-	Pass	1♥
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥
All Pass			

The lead of the ace of spades followed by a trump did not paralyse declarer and so just took his now established eight tricks.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shafiq</i>	<i>Khayry</i>	<i>Magdi</i>	<i>Mogeda</i>
-	-	Pass	1♥
1NT	Pass	Pass	2♥
Pass	Pass	Double	All Pass

The ace of clubs was led and the suit continued. Winning in dummy declarer came to hand with a diamond and played towards the ♠Q which held. A small heart from dummy saw East rise with his ace and push a spade through, but declarer knew the position of the ♠A and so did not cover and when a third round was played the ace fell establishing the king and the eighth trick giving eleven IMPs to El Ahly (3).

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ 86		♠ AQJ2
♥ Q964		♥ KJ105
♦ AQ83		♦ 2
♣ 542		♣ AJ107
		♠ K93
		♥ 873
		♦ J95
		♣ KQ83

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Medhat</i>	<i>Wattar</i>	<i>El Sokary</i>	<i>Khouri</i>
-	-	1♣	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

The defence was correct and the lead of a trump went to the ace and a club came back. Declarer rose with ace and drew trumps and then took a losing diamond finesse. A spade came back and again declarer rose with his ace and then exited via the ♠J taken by South who had two club tricks to cash and that was two off.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shafiq</i>	<i>Khayry</i>	<i>Magdi</i>	<i>Mogeda</i>
-	-	1♣	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

The opening lead of the ♦J was taken by the ace



and a losing club finesse taken. Another diamond was ruffed in hand and the jack of hearts led and was taken by North who switched to a spade, he needed to find a club as that sets up a club trick. Declarer finessed and lost to the king and when a spade was returned he cashed two rounds discarding a club in dummy, cashed his ♣A and then executed a successful crossruff to bring home an unlikely contract.

Cross Table Scores After Nine Rounds

Team	Ahly (1)	Ahly (2)	Ahly (3)	Gezira (1)	Gezira (2)	Maadi	Zohour	Heli- opolis	Protec	Sport- ing	Wadi Degla	Bye	Rk.	VPs
Protec				15.19	13.04	20	13.52	8.24			20		1	89.99
Sporting	3.42	9.69	19.77				17.85	13.04				12	2	75.77
El Ahly(2)	16.42		17.59			15.74				10.31	0	12	3	72.06
Wadi Degla		20	16.09		1.91		16.26		0			12	4	66.26
Heliopolis			18.87	12.03	4.5	11.76			11.76	6.96			5	65.88
El Gezira (1)	4.26				14.4		19.85	7.97	4.81			12	6	63.29
El Gezira (2)	5.61			0			17.97	15	6.96		17.59		7	63.13
El Ahly (1)		3.58	12.55	15.74	14.39	0				16.58			8	62.84
El Maadi	14.4	4.26					8.24	8.24	0			12	9	47.14
El Ahly (3)	7.45	2.41						1.13		0.23	3.91	12	10	27.13
El Zohour				0.15	2.03	10.26			6.48	2.15	3.74		11	24.81

Protec

Round Robin 9

El Ahly (2)

Having had a bye round Protec were rested and still heading the standings, so we are taking a second look at them. Their opponents are El Ahly (2) who after six rounds were lying third but had faltered a little today.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ AK5 ♥ 1082 ♦ 843 ♣ KJ42	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; width: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	♠ Q864 ♥ K643 ♦ K10 ♣ A63	♠ 103 ♥ J ♦ AQJ652 ♣ Q1075
♠ J972 ♥ AQ975 ♦ 97 ♣ 98			

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Nayer</i>	<i>Seddick</i>	<i>Elselehdaar</i>	<i>Lotfy</i>
-	-	1♦	1♥
Double 3♦	2♦ 3NT	Pass	2♥ Pass
Double	All Pass		

Did North not see his partner's heart bids and then when doubled still thought 3NT was a superior contract to that of hearts. He was, perhaps, disabused when he saw the first eight tricks piled up in front of the defence, just 1100 out.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Moustafa</i>	<i>Mosaad</i>	<i>Mohasseb</i>	<i>Abdelazim</i>
-	-	3♦	Pass
Pass	Double	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

4♥ was an excellent defence against 5♦, the only problem was the opponents were only in 3♦, but -200 was only a pinprick set against the 1100 in the other room. Fourteen IMPs to Protec.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ AQ2 ♥ AQ84 ♦ 8632 ♣ 87	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; width: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	♠ 10973 ♥ K10753 ♦ - ♣ A963	♠ 864 ♥ J92 ♦ AK4 ♣ 10542
♠ KJ5 ♥ 6 ♦ QJ10975 ♣ KQJ			

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Nayer</i>	<i>Seddick</i>	<i>Elselehdaar</i>	<i>Lotfy</i>
1NT*	Pass	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♦
All Pass			
1NT	11-14		

Do my eyes deceive me or is it another case of Burn's law being broken, in which suit, why diamonds, of course. Declarer could not avoid his fate of failing by one trick.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Moustafa</i>	<i>Mosaad</i>	<i>Mohasseb</i>	<i>Abdelazim</i>
1♦	Pass	1NT	Pass
Pass	Double	All Pass	

North made a light takeout double which South transformed into penalty double. The diamond lead exposed the situation in that suit. Declarer continued with the ♥J which lost to the king and a club came back won by South who now cleared the diamond suit. Declarer could have cashed out for one off but tried to find a line to make it and so went two off. Twelve IMPs to Protec.



Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ 8
 ♥ AJ1054
 ♦ AJ1084
 ♣ 92
 ♠ AKQJ3
 ♥ 963
 ♦ Q72
 ♣ 107
 ♠ 10974
 ♥ Q872
 ♦ 63
 ♣ 853
 ♠ 652
 ♥ K
 ♦ K95
 ♣ AKQJ64



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Nayer	Seddick	Elselehaaar	Lotfy
-	1♥	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

South overestimated the power of ♠652 to stop the suit and looked askance as West cashed the first five tricks.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Moustafa	Mosaad	Mohasseb	Abdelazim
-	1♥	Pass	2♣
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♠
Double	4♣	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

West's 2♠ certainly helped the avoidance of 3NT and five of either minor would make and so 5♣ gained ten IMPs for Protec.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ K109864
 ♥ 7
 ♦ Q9
 ♣ KQJ10
 ♠ A72
 ♥ AQ43
 ♦ AK
 ♣ 7542
 ♠ QJ3
 ♥ J65
 ♦ J1032
 ♣ A98
 ♠ 5
 ♥ K10982
 ♦ 87654
 ♣ 63



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Nayer	Seddick	Elselehaaar	Lotfy
-	-	Pass	Pass
1♣	1♠	1NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

When South led the ♥9 which ran round to declarer's jack he could see some hope for his contract and when the ♦Q fell under the ♦AK he was definitely home. A small spade off dummy was taken by North's king who led clubs and declarer took the third round. He then cashed the two master diamonds throwing a heart and the ace of spades from dummy. The scQJ were next and South's hand could now be counted and the heart finesse taken without any risk to the contract for an overtrick

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Moustafa	Mosaad	Mohasseb	Abdelazim
-	-	Pass	Pass
1NT	2♣*	3NT	All Pass
2♣	Cappaletti, any 6+ suit		

North led the ♣K which was taken in dummy buy the ace. A successful finesse of the ♥Q followed and then a small spade from hand and North took the king and cashed three clubs. West erred by discarding a diamond from dummy as he was unaware that the ♦Q was doubleton and now the contract was doomed. . Twelve more IMPs to Protec.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

♠ 95
 ♥ 1052
 ♦ J32
 ♣ A10975
 ♠ 2
 ♥ AQ986
 ♦ AK9654
 ♣ 6
 ♠ 1087643
 ♥ J73
 ♦ 87
 ♣ QJ
 ♠ AKQJ
 ♥ K4
 ♦ Q10
 ♣ K8432



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Nayer	Seddick	Elselehaaar	Lotfy
1♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

The ace of clubs was led and the suit continued



and declarer ditched his losing spade. He ruffed the spade switch and cashed the ♦AK and led another diamond and when North followed he ruffed with dummy's 7. South had to overruff with the king and now declarer could draw trumps and cash his diamonds.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Moustafa	Mosaad	Mohasseb	Abdelazim
1♥	Pass	2♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Declarer followed the same basic plan but he elected to ruff the diamond with the jack and now North's ten was the setting trick. I suspect the play of ruffing with the ♥7 is slightly superior as you will make your contract when the ten is with North or the K and ten are with South whereas ruffing with the jack appears to only win when North has the king and you still have to negotiate the suit for only one loser. Yet another ten IMPs to Protec.

At the end of the match Protec had amassed an enormous score and prevented their opponents from registering a single IMP, the margin was 85-0.

Nouveaux règlements d'annulation

1. Le bouton Annuler est activé depuis le début
2. Cliquez sur le bouton Annuler pour arrêter la lecture au lieu de taper STOP à la table de discussion.... Il sera utilisé comme un bouton d'arrêt.
3. Appelez l'ARBITRE
4. **Aucune action de quelque partie que ce soit ne sera prise avant l'arrivée du l'ARBITRE.**
5. l'ARBITRE indiquera aux adversaires d'accepter l'annulation ou non.
6. l'ARBITRE continuera à compter les annulations pour chaque joueur, seulement 2 annulations sont autorisées pour chaque joueur au cours d'une session.
7. **Si les adversaires acceptent - avant l'arrivée du l'ARBITRE -, le jeu continue mais ils pourraient être pénalisés et toutes les parties perdront leurs droits pour tout type de rectification par la suite..**
8. **Si les adversaires n'acceptent pas - avant l'arrivée du l'ARBITRE -, le jeu s'arrête et l'ARBITRE décide de ce qui doit être fait.**
9. **Les ARBITERs se réservent le droit d'ajuster le score du tableau pour toute information non autorisée pouvant résulter de l'utilisation du processus d'annulation..**
10. **L'ARBITRE du tournoi en chef a tous les droits pour désactiver à nouveau le bouton d'annulation à tout moment si des problèmes surviennent lors de l'activation du bouton.**



Cumulative Butler Rankings After Round 9

Rank	IMPs	Names
1	2.79	nayer AHMED NAYER - sale7dar ALI ELSELEHDAAR
2	1.25	Wilsey1 WALID SHAFIQ
3	1.09	kabouki AHMED FOUAD
4	1	amr.leheta AMR LEHETA
5	0.99	shazly YEHIA EL SHAZLY
6	0.96	Zimeditch HAZEM ADLY
7	0.93	mokh1 MOKHTAR BASYOUNI
8	0.84	Deepdiver MOHMED HAMMAM - dido 1 MOHMED DWIDAR
9	0.78	melkhot MARAWAN KHEDR - Elewa MAGED ELEWA
10	0.78	mido2011 ISMAIL MOUSTAFA
11	0.77	Abaza1961 KHALED ABAZA
12	0.76	Amr13 AMR RAGAB - fadaly ASSER FADALY
13	0.7	Mohsen k MOHSEN KAMEL
14	0.65	the micho MOHAMED MAGDI
15	0.64	tarekm1 TAREK METWALI
16	0.62	knight ABDELRAHMAN MOSAAD - azeema7 MOHAMED ABDELAZIM
17	0.62	mah828 MAHMOUD ABDELFAHAT
18	0.52	boss226 NADA WATTAR - kiko MAUD KHOURI
19	0.49	Baherr BAHER AHMED
20	0.4	EgySlam AHMED HARB
21	0.39	simpa961 MOSTAFA SHEDID - mzaitoun MAHMOUD ZAITOUN
22	0.36	ekdawi MAGED EKKDAWI
23	0.31	Awahdan ASHRAF WAHDAN
24	0.31	Ahmedmoh AHMED MOHASSEB
25	0.3	Mavrick REDA AMIRY
26	0.21	moaaz MOHAMED ABDELHADY - sawires MINA SAWIRES
27	0.17	Bakly AHMED HUSSEIN
28	0.16	Ahmadzein AHMED ZEIN
29	0.14	thejuwel ADEL EL KOURDY
30	0.09	farrag2020 AMR FARRAG
31	0.04	A_samir AHMED SAMIR
32	-0.01	M_fouda MOTAZ FOUADA
33	-0.04	samirsalib SAMIR SALIB
34	-0.07	guitonnell MARGUERITE HOMSY
35	-0.2	mfadel58 MOHAMED FADEL
36	-0.28	heshmat1 MOHAMED HESHMAT
37	-0.29	danadino DINA EL AWADY
38	-0.33	Sameregy SAMER MAHMOUD
39	-0.39	Romeo TAREK SALAH
40	-0.75	Thabet2007 MOHAMED THABET
41	-0.82	Bassio RAMY BASSUNY - Ashry00 MOHAMED EL ASHRY
42	-0.83	drnader NADER NABIL
43	-0.84	Tt1971 TAMER IBRAHIM
44	-0.99	said el sh SAID HASSANIN
45	-1.12	Omar Shahe OMAR SHAHEEN - karimmoh8 KARIM ASHRAF
46	-1.13	Bangloo13 HISHAM MOKTAR
47	-1.14	Amy75 AYMAN LOTFY - Kermet IHAB SEDDIK
48	-1.21	sherifsok SHERIF ELSOKARY
49	-1.25	garoga MOSTAFA MEDHAT
50	-1.28	nouragain NOUR KHAYRY
51	-1.34	MoGeDa MOHAMED ABDELMEGEED
52	-1.42	osamasamir OSAMA SAMIR
53	-1.49	sherif sas SHERIF HELMY
54	-1.59	Alolla ALI HUSSEIN - shalaboo AHMED SHALABY
55	-1.76	mitos1978 MOHAMED BEBARS