Court & Social

Court Circular

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 5th
The Prince of Wales this morning visited Iceland Foods Limited, Second Avenue, Deeside Industrial Park, Deeside, Flintshire, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Clwyd (Mr Henry Fetherstonhaugh).
His Royal Highness this afternoon visited Wockhardt UK Limited, Ash Road North, Wrexham Industrial Estate, Wrexham, and was received by Mr Lloyd FitzHugh (Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Clwyd).
The Prince of Wales later visited St Winefride's Well, Plessington House, Greenfield Street, Holywell, Flintshire.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 5th
The Duke of Cambridge this morning attended a National Service of Commemoration and Thanks on the Anniversary of the Foundation of the NHS, St Paul's Cathedral, London EC4.
His Royal Highness, Joint Patron, NHS Charities Together, this afternoon held an NHS Big Tea for NHS staff and volunteers at Buckingham Palace.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 5th
The Earl of Wessex, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Foundation, this morning received Mr Jiri Zrust (Honorary Chairman, World Fellowship).
His Royal Highness this afternoon attended a Dragon Group Lunch at Lancaster House, London SW1.
The Countess of Wessex this afternoon attended a St George's Award Presentation at St George's School, Windsor, Berkshire.
Her Royal Highness, Chairman, Women's Network Forum, afterwards attended a Surrey Lieutenancy Business Discussion via video link at which Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey (Mr Michael More-Molyneux) was present.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 5th
The Princess Royal today visited the Isle of Man and was received by the Lieutenant Governor (His Excellency Sir Richard Gozney).
The Princess Royal, representing The Queen, Lord of Man, this morning presided over the Tynwald Day Ceremony at the Royal Chapel of St John the Baptist and Tynwald Hill, St John's.
Her Royal Highness this afternoon visited the Tynwald Day Fair, Rear Fair Field, St John's.
The Princess Royal afterwards visited the Royal National Lifeboat Institution Peel Lifeboat Station, Peel Marina, Peel.
Her Royal Highness, President, Riding for the Disabled Association, subsequently visited Manx Carriage Driving 4 Disabled, Ballavartyn Equestrian Centre, Santon.
The Princess Royal later attended a Beating Retreat and Sunset Ceremony at Government House, Onchan, and presented a Merchant Navy Medal for Meritorious Service.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 5th
The Duchess of Gloucester, Honorary President, the Lawn Tennis Association, this afternoon attended the Championships at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Wimbledon, London SW19.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 5th
The Duke of Kent, President, All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, this afternoon attended the Wimbledon Championships, Church Road, Wimbledon, London SW19.

For more details about the Royal family, visit www.royal.uk

Today's birthdays

The Dalai Lama is 86; **Baroness Cox,** a former Deputy Speaker, House of Lords, 84; **Mr Vladimir Ashkenazy,** pianist and conductor, 84; **Prof Sir Gordon Conway,** Chief Scientific Adviser, Department for International Development, 2005-09; President of the Royal Geographical Society, 2006-09, 83; **Mr Tony Lewis,** writer, broadcaster and former England cricket captain, 83; **Lady Mary Peters,** Lord-Lieutenant for Belfast, 2009-14; Olympic pentathlon gold medallist, Munich 1972, 82; **Mr John Makepeace,** designer and furniture maker, 82; **Lord Powell of Bayswater,** former diplomat; Private Secretary to the Prime Minister, 1984-91, 80; **Sir Charles Gray,** a former High Court Judge, 79; **Mr Robin Wight,** President, WCRS and Engine Group, 2008-20, 77; **Prof Sir Alan Craft,** President, Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, 2003-06, 75; **Mr G.W. Bush,** President of the United States, 2001-09, 75; **Mr Sylvester Stallone,** actor, director and producer, 75; **Mr Jonathon Porritt,** environmentalist, 71; **Miss Geraldine James**, actress, 71; **Mr Geoffrey Rush,** actor, 70; **Dame Hilary Mantel,** author, 69; **Sir Michael Boyd,** Artistic Director, Royal Shakespeare Company, 2002-12, 66; **the Marquess of Hertford** 63; **Miss Jennifer Saunders,** comedienne, writer and actress, 63; and **Mr Makhaya Ntini,** former South Africa cricketer, 44.

Today is the anniversary of the execution of Sir Thomas More in 1535.

RAF Appointments

Gp Capt A.M. Baker to be promoted Air Commodore and to be Head Strategy and Force Development, Support Operations, United Kingdom Strategic Command, with effect from July 26, 2021, in succession to Brig M.P. Moore.
Gp Capt J.P. Brayshaw to be promoted Air Commodore and to be Military Advisor to Defence People Transformation and Head of Future Workforce Planning in the Ministry of Defence in October 2021 in succession to Cdre E.L. Ablett.
Gp Capt K.S. Cowieson to be promoted Air Commodore and to be Battle Management Force Commander and Air Officer Battle Management, Headquarters Air Command with effect from July 9, 2021, in succession to Air Cdre R.D. Moir, who is leaving the Service.

Diplomatic news

Mr Mark Bryson-Richardson has been appointed Ambassador to Iraq in succession to Mr Stephen Hickey. Mr Bryson-Richardson will take up his appointment during July 2021.

Other notice

BARON STEVENS OF BIRMINGHAM
Baron Stevens of Birmingham, of Richmond upon Thames in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, is the gazetted name, style and title of the life barony conferred upon Sir Simon Stevens.

Bridge news

Last week, **writes Julian Pottage, Bridge Correspondent,** the highest scores each day in the English Bridge Union's main online matchpoint duplicate pairs sessions were as follows:
Monday: 71.57% by Mike Dixon and Julie Rotchell in Game 3 (7.30 pm).
Tuesday: 75.18% by Dean Mortlock and Andrew Collins in Game 1 (2 pm).
Wednesday: 73.46% by Bob Turnham and Hazel Miles in Game 2 (3.30 pm).
Thursday: 69.70% by Pearl Murphy and Stephen Whittleton in Game 3.
Friday: 72.44% by Stephen Reay and David Gunn in Game 3.
Saturday: 74.81% by Naomi Gibbs and Michael Rawlins in Game 2.
Sunday: 75.76% by Michael Pattacks and Anne Catchpole in Game 2.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

The Daily Telegraph

LONDON, WEDNESDAY JULY 6, 1921

IRISH PEACE MOVE

GENERAL SMUTS IN DUBLIN

EARL OF BANDON RELEASED.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. DUBLIN, Tuesday.

General Smuts arrived at Kingstown this morning by the mail steamer from Holyhead. His coming was awaited at the pier by a host of Pressmen and photographers, but he eluded them. So complete, indeed, was the deception that certain of the evening papers in their earlier issues said that he had not arrived.

The mail steamer reached the Carlisle pier at 5.45 a.m. There was a rush aboard of Pressmen and photographers, who scanned the list of passengers, but failed to find the General's name. Then the Lord Mayor of Dublin went aboard. He seems to have had a conversation with General Smuts, and on leaving he went to the Mansion House, leading inquirers to believe that General Smuts was not in the city, but hinting that he might have news for them if they called at the Mansion House later in the day.

The Pressmen and photographers being about the pier head, the General did not come on shore. They departed about ten o'clock. Then General Smuts left the steamer and drove by motor to the Mansion House. Here he was welcomed by the Lord Mayor. It is understood that he met Mr. Arthur Griffith and other leaders of Sinn Fein. His stay was of about half an hour's duration. Afterwards he met Mr. de Valera at Count Plunkett's Dublin residence. It is understood that he will stay in Dublin till Friday next, and there are rumours that he may be present at the peace conference, which was adjourned till that date. Sinn Fein, however, is careful to emphasise the statement that General Smuts's visit is quite unofficial.

To-day's issue of the Irish Bulletin, the official organ of Sinn Fein, has the following comment on Monday's conference: "Whatever the ultimate issue of the present movement for peace, the conference held at the Mansion House yesterday has remarkable interest and significance. It is the first to be held between the national leaders of Ireland and representatives of minority sections within Ireland since the war of independence began. The fact that the conference was adjourned to next Friday after an interchange of views is a proof that Irishmen of hitherto widely divergent opinions can continue to deliberate upon the best means of showing a united front to England at this crisis."

The Bulletin adds a reference to "the unvarying spirit of tolerance extended in Republican Ireland to minorities of whatever class or creed." Such protestations suggest some questions. What is toleration as interpreted by Sinn Fein and the Republicans? Is it exemplified in the wholesale incendiarism which wastes the Southern Provinces, the burning of loyalists' houses, and such acts as the kidnapping of Lord Bandon?

The Earl of Bandon, I hear to-day, has been released. Sinn Fein is said to have issued an order for his release some days ago, and it is even rumoured that on Monday night he crossed to England on his way to London. Of this, however, there is no official confirmation.

Announcements

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Deaths

ALLEN.—Richard James, aged 95, died peacefully at home on 30th June 2021, following a short illness. Much loved husband of Mary, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. A funeral service will be held at St Andrew's Church, East Hagbourne in due course, followed by a cremation.
Online ref: A250684

BOYD MAUNSELL.—Gemma Jane Inez (née Pringle), 3 days after her 85th birthday on Monday 28th June at Thames Valley Hospice. Adored wife of Timothy, mother of Dominic and Jerome, grandmother of Poppy, Lucas, Nina and James, aunt, great-aunt and friend to many. Family only funeral on 14th July. Donations in lieu of flowers to TVH, Windsor Road, Maidenhead SL6 2DN. Tel: 01753 842121.
Online ref: 596718

DE BURGH MARSH.—Edward, known to all as 'Teddy'. Died peacefully at home on June 17th 2021, aged 100. Will be much missed by his wife Pat, his four children and nine grandchildren. Funeral to be held at St Leonard's Church, Lexden, at 1 p.m. on July 19th. All welcome.
Online ref: A250664

EVERETT.—Mary Agnes Elizabeth of Beverley, East Yorkshire. Died peacefully on 18th June 2021, aged 87 years. Beloved wife of the late Philip (Past Master, Worshipful Company of Constructors). Devoted mother, grandmother and friend to Paul, Rosemary, James, Will, Tracy, Gordon and Lois. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Parkinsons.org.uk
Online ref: 596735

HANCOCK.—Dr William George, of Brook, Kent. Bill died peacefully on 28th June, aged 86, surrounded by family. Beloved husband, father and grandfather, he is survived by his wife Rosalie, his children, Allan and Helen and his grandchildren, George, Herbie, Kaleb, Amber and Nathaniel. The Funeral Service will be held at St Mary's Church, Brook, Kent, on Tuesday 20th July at 11.30 a.m., followed by a reception at the family home. Donations in lieu of flowers to St Mary's Church Flower Fund.
Online ref: A250667

HARGREAVES.—Anne died at home on 18th June 2021, aged 82, surrounded by family. Much loved wife of the late F.B.V. Hargreaves (Brian). Loving mother and grandmother. She will be greatly missed.
Online ref: A250662

HARTLEY.—Clare Julia, suddenly on 21st June 2021, aged 70. Loved by her family Alan, Geoffrey, Jeremy and John, and missed by friends and colleagues at Dora Wirth Ltd, at Pan Macmillan and in COLAS. Cremation at West London Crematorium at 2.30 p.m. on Monday 19th July. Enquiries to John Nodes Funerals, Ladbroke Grove.
Online ref: A250644

HODGES.—Richard died on 2nd July 2021, aged 83, peacefully at home. Dick will be missed and forever loved by late wife Elizabeth (née Kibart), wife Sue, children Chris and Sarah, and grandchildren Sam, Clare, Leo and Elsie. Former Squadron Leader RAF and dedicated throughout his life to education. Funeral will be at Holy Trinity Church, Witney on 16th July 2021 at 11 a.m. (invitation only). Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to (Sobell House/Gastroenterology at the JR) via Peter Smith & Son c/o Tel: 01993 702000.
Online ref: A250683

KEMP.—Wendy sadly passed away peacefully at Addenbrookes Hospital on 22nd June, aged 87. A selfless and kind woman of many talents, she will be missed by many. Beloved wife of Ken, and much loved mother to Daniel, Matthew, Adam, Sam, and grandmother to Arabella and David. A private family cremation will be held at Great Chesterford, following which friends are welcome to attend a Memorial Service at Widdington Church on Tuesday 20th July at 12.15 p.m. No flowers please, but donations can be made payable to Widdington Church, via Wendy's personal 'In Memory' page, at www.peasgoodandskeates.co.uk
Online ref: 596760

LOVELESS.—Alan, peacefully on 28th June, aged 102. Dearly loved husband of the late Mary, and much loved father, grandfather and great grandfather. "With Christ ... far better." Service at Wye Church on Monday 19th July. Enquiries to Tel: 01843 263118.
Online ref: A250675

MARSHAM.—Caroline died peacefully having bravely fought illness. Much loved mother of Charles, Meg and Moot, mother-in-law to Dee, granny to Poppy, Toby, Lucy, Rory, Rosy and Harry and great granny to Sebastian. A generous, kind and brave friend who will be greatly missed by many. A private cremation will be held and a service of thanksgiving is to be confirmed at a later date.
Online ref: A250645

MARSKELL.—Don Arthur passed away peacefully in his sleep on 2nd July 2021. Much loved father to Annette, Graham, Steve and Julie and grandfather to Laura, Gemma, Christopher and Kathryn. Already missed and loved forever.
Online ref: A250674

MATTHEW.—Josephine Marian (née Ekin) died on 28th June 2021, after wonderful nursing care. Widow of David. Mother of Michael and Anthony, grandmother of Josiah and Ben. Morning cremation private. Eucharist and Thanksgiving at Rowde Parish Church on 22nd July at 2.30 p.m. All welcome afterwards for tea locally. Enquiries to anthonymatthewfcn@gmail.com or Tel: 01225 782082.
Online ref: A250669

PARKER.—Robert Bernard. Died peacefully at home on 28th June, aged 88 years. Husband of Val, father of Helen, Ralph and Luci and proud grandfather.
Online ref: 596642

RAYNER.—Major Robin Frederick late RSF, RHF, died on 22nd June aged 85. Beloved husband of Anne and father to Susan, Caroline, Penny and Christopher. He will be greatly missed by all his grandchildren, family and many friends. A Service will take place on 19th July at 1 p.m. at The Oaks Crematorium, Havant. No flowers please, but donations may be made in Robin's name to Dementia UK. All enquiries to Michael Miller Funeral Directors. Tel: 01730 233244.
Online ref: A250672

SANDERS.—Lady Sanders died peacefully on 25th June 2021, aged 94. Barbara, much loved widow of Sir Robert Sanders and dear mother of Neil, Alasdair and Andrew, grandma to Malcolm, Charlotte, Angus, Stuart and Ieuan and great grandma to Finn and Rory. Funeral will be held at St Thomas', Mellor on 8th July 2021 at 2 p.m. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, to www.salvationarmy.org.uk
Online ref: A250671

STOCKTON.—Vernon Neville, passed away peacefully, aged 92 years, at North Middlesex Hospital on 20th June 2021. Much loved husband to Cecilia, father to Mark, Paul and Giles, grandfather to Nicola and Louisa, great-grandfather to Molly. A private family cremation will be held on 7th July. A Thanksgiving Service to commemorate his life will be held at 11.30 a.m. on 21st July at St Peter's Church, Grange Park.
Online ref: A250668

STOKES.—Julia Mary passed away peacefully on 17th June 2021. Much loved and respected by her sons, 5 beloved grandchildren, brother, sisters, family and friends. Julia will be remembered for her never ceasing kindness to others, loyalty, bravery and elegance. A memorial service will be held in September at Seaton All Hallows, Rutland. Donations to the PSP Association, a cause she helped so much. www.pspassociation.org.uk
Online ref: A250663

TIGHE.—Antony Lewin died peacefully on 17th June 2021, aged 90. Beloved husband of Susan and much loved father of Edward and Elizabeth, grandfather of George, Beatrice, Frederick and Alexandra. A private family funeral will be held on 14th July, with a memorial service on Monday 30th August at St Mary's Church, Turweston. No flowers please. Donations to Friends of Turweston Church, if desired. https://antonytighe.muchloved.com/
Online ref: A250670

VENABLES-KYRKE.—Ann on June 23rd 2021, aged 84, in New York City after a long illness. Adored cousin, godparent, friend and for 57 years, flight attendant colleague at Pan Am and Delta. Further information from enquiriesannkyrke@gmail.com
Online ref: A250642

YOUNG.—Anne (née Evans-Freke), died peacefully on Sunday 27th June 2021, aged 87 years. Much loved mother and grandmother. Funeral on Wednesday 14th July at 11.30 a.m. at St Peter's Church, Terwick. Invitation only.
Online ref: A250666

In memoriam

HALEY.—Bill. Born today 1925 - died 1981. Always the King of Rock 'n' Roll. (R Drew).
Online ref: A250615

Personal

Personal

Text for the day

I WILL praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works. I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.
Psalm 9.1-2

Messages

GRATEFUL THANKS to St Jude for prayers answered. CH.
Online ref: 596766

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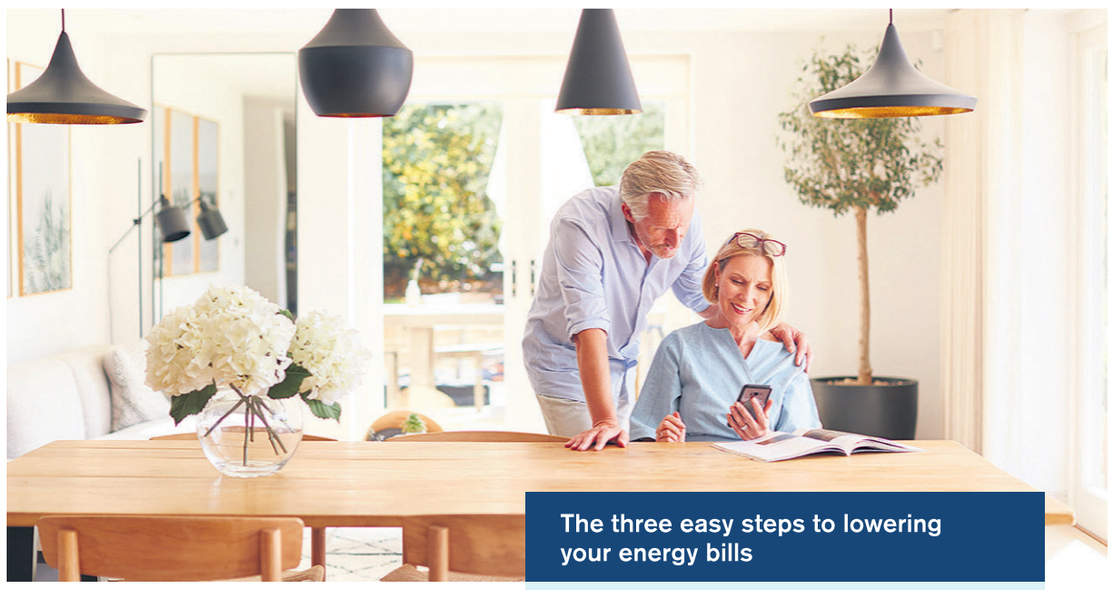

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Bridge Hand

No Undo for Mr Lall

By **Tom Townsend**

Dealer West **E/W vulnerable**

North: ♠ 2 ♥ A K 9 3 2 ♦ A 10 ♣ K Q J 6 2
West: ♠ 8 4 3 ♥ none ♦ J 5 4 3 2 ♣ 10 9 8 7 3
East: ♠ Q ♥ 10 6 5 4 ♦ K Q 9 8 6 ♣ A 5 4
South: ♠ A K J 10 9 7 6 5 ♥ Q J 8 7 ♦ 7 ♣ none

West	North	East	South
pass	1♥	pass	2♠
pass	3♣	pass	3♥
pass	4♦(1)	pass	5NT(2)
pass	6♣(3)	pass	6♦(3)
pass	7NT(3)	dble	pass
pass	pass		

(1) Control-showing (cue-bid)
(2) Asking for top trumps
(3) Unexplained and mysterious

Contract 7NT doubled
Declarer South
Opening Lead ♦3

UNDOS in competitive online bridge can be a vexed issue. Take this deal from New Alt VI. North was the legendary Bob Hamman, CEO of SCA Promotions, played by Dustin Hoffman in *The Program* (a film about Lance Armstrong). South was Bob's long-time colleague Hemant Lall. East-West were Andrew Black's Swedish stars, Simon Hult and Gunnar Hallberg.

This should have been an easy 7♥, as demonstrated by Black and David Gold at the other table. They bid 1♥-4♣(void)-4♦(cue)-4NT(RKCB not counting clubs)-5♦(three)-7♥-pass. The ♦K was led to 7♥. Black (North) won the ♦A, tested trumps with the ♥A, and played a spade. When the ♠Q popped up he could claim, drawing trumps ending in dummy.

Had East followed to the ♠2 with a low spade, Black would have taken the ♠A, ruffed a spade with the ♥K to clear the suit, and drawn trumps with the marked finesse of the ♥8.

Back in the other room, Hult (East) applied the axe to 7NT, hoping for the unusual lead of a club. When this got the ♦3 lead from Hallberg, it looked like the grand would make doubled.

Lall took the ♦A, the ♥Q, the ♥A and the ♥K, mistakenly unblocking the ♥J. He continued with the ♥9 to East's ♥10, and requested Undo.

In Alt, "players are encouraged to accept an opponent's Undo in obvious misclick situations". The ♥J didn't look like a misclick; more like a mental error. Either South missed West's discard (it was a diamond, red on red) on the first heart, or he thought he had more hearts himself. Had Lall really misclicked, one would have expected his more immediate Undo request.

East-West referred the Undo to the Tournament Director, Denis Dobrin, who intially granted it to let play continue. Lall played the ♠2 and claimed his contract.

That wasn't the end. Dobrin returned a few minutes later, VAR-style, and undid the Undo. Quite right, too. The ♥J would stand, as would the ♥9 to the ♥10. The defenders were awarded that trick, plus five more for six down.

Lall 7NT doubled minus six, N/S -1400
Black 7♥ made, N/S +1510

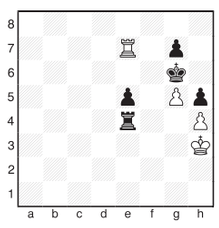
Chess

So close to Carlsen

By **Malcolm Pein**

MAGNUS Carlsen survived an almighty comeback from Wesley So in their quarter-final match at the Goldmoney Asian Rapid on Chess24. Having taken the first set, Carlsen won the opening game of the second as Black, then went 1.5-0.5 ahead, only for So to take the match to a tie-break after winning games three and four.

So converted a double-rook endgame with an extra pawn and Carlsen was unable to defend another endgame a pawn in arrears. M. Carlsen – W. So. White to play:

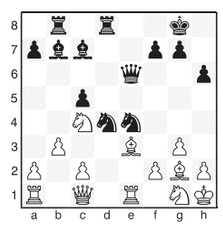


White had to activate the rook with 55.Ra7 and if 55...Rg4 56.Ra8! e4 57.Rf8, or 56...Rg1 57.Re8 Kf5 58.Re7 g6 59.Rf7+ Ke4 60.Rf6, or 56...Kf5 57.Rf8+ Ke4 58.Rf7 when White is just in time, i.e. 58...Kd3 59.Rxg7 e4 60.g6 e3 61.Rd7+ Kc2 62.Re7 Kd2 63.g7 e2 64.Rd7+ Ke1 65.Re7. After 55.Ra7 Kf5 56.Rxg7 Re3+ 57.Kg2 Kg4 58.Re7 Kxh4 59.g6 draws. **55.Kg3? Rg4+! 56.Kh3 e4 57.Ra7 Rf4 58.Re7 Rg4 59.Ra7 Kf5! 60.Rxg7 e3 61.Rf7+ Ke4 62.Re7+ Kd3** (With his pawn on g5, not g7, White is lost) **63.Rd7+ Kc2 64.Re7 Kd2 65.Rd7+ Ke1 66.Rh7 Kf2 67.Rf7+ Ke1 68.Rh7 e2! 69.Rxh5 Re4 70.g6 Kd2 71.Rd5+ Ke3 0-1**

Carlsen recovered immediately, outplaying So in both games of the blitz play-off, only forcing a draw in the second to progress 1.5-0.5. In the semifinals Carlsen faces Levon Aronian, who also needed a play-off to get past tournament sensation, 17-year-old Arjun Erigaisi.

Ding Liren faces Vladislav Artemiev, who proved far too good for Anish Giri. Ding drew the first set 2-2 with Jan-Krzysztof Duda, then lost a wild opening encounter in the second set. However, the Chinese number one won the next three games, the final one being especially brutal.

J. K. Duda – Ding Liren
Two Knights Defence 15 + 10
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 Na5 6.Bb5+ c6 7.dxc6 bxc6 8.Be2 h6 9.Nh3 Bd6 10.d3 0-0 11.0-0 c5 12.Bf3 Rb8 13.Kh1 Bc7 14.Ng1?! Qd6! 15.g3 Nc6 16.Na3 Nd4 17.Nc4 Qa6 18.Bg2 e4! 19.Be3 Rd8 20.Qc1 Bb7 21.b3 Qe6 22.dxe4 Nxe4 23.Re1?? Black to play and win:



Answer:
23...Qd5! 0-1 The threat is ...Nxg3+ and ...Qxg2#. If 24.Rf3 Nxg3+! 25.hxg3 Qh5+ 26.Nh3 Bxf3 is crushing or if 24.Nf3 Nxf3 25.Bxf3 Nxg3+!

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Summary of Project

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Environmental Impact Assessment and Consent Process

In accordance with the above-mentioned Regulations, the project is subject to an environmental impact assessment procedure, and Regulation 13 applies as the project could have a significant effect on the environment of Norway.

The OGA is responsible for deciding whether or not to grant consent for the project, but agreement to the grant of consent must be obtained from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ("the Secretary of State") prior to consent being granted. The Secretary of State's decision on whether or not to agree to the grant of consent is based on the environmental impact assessment for the project.

The range of possible decisions in response to the application of consent is:

(a) the Secretary of State agrees to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the project, and the OGA grants consent, so the project may proceed;

(b) the Secretary of State refuses to agree to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the project, so the project may not proceed; or

(c) the Secretary of State agrees to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the project, but the OGA does not grant consent, so the project may not proceed.

Where the Secretary of State agrees to the grant of consent, conditions that BG International Limited must comply with may be attached to the agreement, including environmental conditions to avoid, prevent, reduce or offset any significant adverse effects on the environment, and measure to monitor such conditions.

Notice of the decisions of the Secretary of State and the OGA for the project will be published at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-2020-eia-regulations#environmental-impact-assessments-eia, where information on the Secretary of State's decision to agree or refuse to agree to the grant of consent will also be made available.

Access to Further Information

Copies of this notice, the previous notice made under Regulation 11(3)(c), the summary of the project, the Environmental Statement, and the further information may be viewed and downloaded at www.shell.co.uk/sustainability/reporting and at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-2020-eia-regulations#environmental-impact-assessments-eia. Access shall remain at least three months after the date on which the Secretary of State publishes the notice under Regulation 16(1) (publication of consent decisions).

A copy of the Environmental Statement, summary of the project and the further information may also be obtained by post or email. Requests should be made to
BG International Limited
Jackdaw Project,
c/o Shell U.K. Limited, 1 Altens Farm Road, Nigg, Aberdeen, AB12 3FY,
by e-mail to HSE-Learning@shell.com or by telephone 01224-882000 by 05/08/2021.

Public Consultation

Representations, comments or questions relating to the project may be made to the Secretary of State by 05/08/2021. All representations should quote reference number D/4260/2021 and may be made by letter or email to:
Business Support Team
Offshore Petroleum Regulator for Environment & Decommissioning
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
AB1 Building, Crimon Place, Aberdeen, AB10 1BJ

Judicial Review

A person aggrieved by the grant of consent for a project may use the procedure to apply for judicial review regarding the decisions made in respect of this project. A court may allow proceedings to challenge a decision made in respect of the Regulations.