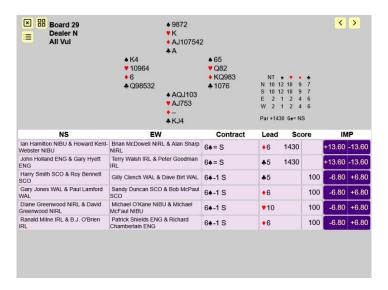
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Our first match was against Scotland. We were leading at the half-time break but results worsened as the hour got later and we lost by 44 IMPS.

A quick scan of the Wales scorecard will suggest that we were good on the part score hands but less than perfect on the potentially more difficult ones.

Board 29 saw both Wales and Scotland in 6♠ by South. The Scots led the singleton diamond, the Welsh led a club. Both declarers tried to ruff the second diamond with the ♠3 and were over-ruffed with the ♠4 and then lost a subsequent finesse to the ♠K. Maybe you can find a better line.



Board 32 is a difficult hand to bid after West opens with a maximum 15-17NT. East will need a fit in both minors to make a game contract but the 5-0 club break could lead to disaster. Pairs who played in 3• deserve much credit but sadly Wales lost heavily on this board.



The Ireland team had a substantial lead over England at half time but the English fought back for a narrow win. The two Northern Irish teams fought out a draw.

There is a lot more bridge to be played over the weekend.

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