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Team Pakistan & Team India top the Round-Robin stage in the Open & Women events respectively

Yesterday was the 5th day of the 22nd BFAME Championships and the round robin stage in the OPEN & WOMEN category came to an end after playing 3 round robins each of 5 matches.

In the open event, the **Pakistan Team** (Tehsin Gheewala (Captain), Mohsin Chandna, Farrukh Liaqat, Imran Abedi, Hassan Askari, Mubashir Puri) topped with a score of **164.34 VPs**.

The **Indian Team** (Joyjit Sensarma (Coach & NPC), Ajay Khare, Raju Tolani, Rajeshwar Tewari, Sumit Mukherjee, Jaggay Shivdasani, Sandeep Thakral) were just behind in 2nd position with a score of **163.41 VPs**. There was a last minute race for grabbing the last 2 places and finally Bangladesh with **143.77 VPs** and the UAE team with **140.65 VPs** came 3rd & 4th to qualify for the knock-outs.

In the Women event, the **Indian Team** (Anal Shah (Coach & NPC), Aika Kshirsagar, Asha Sharma, Puja Batra, Bharati Dey, Kalpana Gurjar, Vidhya Patel) topped with a massive score of **206.36 VPs**.

The **Pakistan Team** (Fatima Raza (Captain), Rubina Saeed Hai, Qudsia Dossa, Nilofer Aslam, Meharangiz Shahveer, Durriya Vasi) finished in 2nd position nearly 36 VPs behind at **170.79 VPs**. The UAE team with 151.59 VPs and Palestine with 128.64 VPs qualified for knock-outs in the 3rd & 4th position respectively.

Today onwards the 6*16 boards Semi-finals will be played over 2 days. In the open event Pakistan being ranked #1 chose UAE as their opponent for the 1st semi-final and in the other India plays Bangladesh.

In Women's event #1 India chose Palestine as their opponent for the 1st semi-final and in the 2nd semi-final Pakistan will be playing UAE.

The Senior & Mixed teams completed their fifth round-robin yesterday and with only last round robin to be played today, in the Senior event, Pakistan team (**Saeed Akhtar (Captain), Shahid Hameed, Imran Gardezi, Ghias Malik, Azhar Hameed, Mirza Shauq Hussain**) edged past the Indian team (**Subhash Gupta (Coach & NPC), Hemant Jalan, Sukamal Das, Subrata Saha, Pranab Bardhan, Badal Das, Samir Basak**) to top with 180.91 VPs. India are in 2nd place with 179.68 VPs. Jordan is way behind in 3rd place with 85.91 VPs.

In Mixed event the Indian team (**Vinay Desai (Coach & NPC), Marianne Karmarkar, Kiran Nadar, Himani Khandelwal, Sandeep Karmarkar, B. Satyanarayana, Rajeev Khandelwal**) are leading with a score of 192.38 VPs. The UAE team (**Nermeen Qasim Norani (Captain), Elvan Edis, Sawsan Elabyari, Humayun Sumar, Timur Edis, Amr Mekky**) is in 2nd place with 156.13 VPs, followed by Jordan and Pakistan in 3rd & 4th place with 133.52 and 117.47 VPs respectively. The 2 TOP teams in Senior & Mixed will play the final tomorrow. **See detailed results on page 4 & 5.**



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Today's Play Schedule (Thursday – 11th May 2023)

OPEN & WOMEN - SEMI-FINALS (6 * 16 Boards)

1000 Hrs: Semi-final – Session-1

1400 Hrs: Semi-final – Session-2

1645 Hrs: Semi-final – Session-3

TBL-1: Pakistan Vs. UAE (Open)

TBL-2: India Vs. Bangladesh (Open)

TBL 3: India Vs. Palestine (Women)

TBL 4: Pakistan Vs. UAE (Women)

SENIORS TEAMS

TBL #	RR-6, RND-1 (1000 Hrs.)			RR-6, RND-2 (1400 Hrs.)			RR-6, RND-3 (1645 Hrs.)		
TBL-5	INDIA	Vs	JORDAN	JORDAN	Vs	PAKISTAN	PAKISTAN	Vs	INDIA
	PAKISTAN	Vs	BYE	INDIA	Vs	BYE	JORDAN	Vs	BYE

MIXED TEAMS

TBL #	RR-6, RND-1 (1000 Hrs.)			RR-6, RND-2 (1400 Hrs.)			RR-6, RND-3 (1645 Hrs.)		
TBL-6	INDIA	Vs	PAKISTAN	JORDAN	Vs	INDIA	INDIA	Vs	UAE
TBL-7	UAE	Vs	JORDAN	PAKISTAN	Vs	UAE	JORDAN	Vs	PAKISTAN

Today's Vu-Graph Matches on BBO

Round-1: 1000 Hrs

BBO 1: PAKISTAN Vs. UAE (OPEN)

BBO 2: INDIA Vs. PALESTINE (WOMEN)

Round-2: 1400 Hrs

BBO 1: INDIA Vs. BANGLADESH (OPEN)

BBO 2: PAKISTAN Vs. UAE (WOMEN)

Round-3: 1645 Hrs

BBO 1: To be Decided

BBO 2: To be Decided

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

OPEN TEAM EVENT

Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO RR3-R2	RR3-R3		RR3-R4		RR3-R5		PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
2	1	INDIA	135.52	4	16.09	5	2.41	2	9.39		163.41
1	2	PAKISTAN	128.54	B	10	4	15.19	1	10.61		164.34
3	3	BANGLADESH	111.7	5	16.25	B	10.00	4	5.82		143.77
5	4	JORDAN	114.93	1	3.91	2	4.81	3	14.18		137.83
4	5	UAE	109.31	3	3.75	1	17.59	B	10.00		140.65

WOMEN TEAM EVENT

Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO RR3-R2	RR3-R3		RR3-R4		RR3-R5		PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
5	1	JORDAN	77.51	4	0.84	B	10.00	4	3.27		91.62
1	2	INDIA	160.98	5	17.97	4	17.72	3	9.69		206.36
2	3	PAKISTAN	144.22	B	10.00	5	6.26	2	10.31		170.79
3	4	UAE	120.15	1	19.16	2	2.28	B	10.00		151.59
4	5	PALESTINE	96.14	2	2.03	3	13.74	1	16.73		128.64

SENIOR TEAM EVENT

				Round Robin - 5							
Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO R4	R1		R2		R3		PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
1	1	PAKISTAN	134.07	B	10.00	3	19.25	2	17.59		180.91
2	2	INDIA	149.68	3	18.09	B	10.00	1	2.41	0.50	179.68
3	3	JORDAN	73.75	2	1.91	1	0.75	B	10.00	0.50	85.91

MIXED TEAM EVENT

				Round Robin - 5							
Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO R4	R1		R2		R3		PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
1	1	INDIA	157.49	4	18.09	3	2.83	2	13.97		192.38
3	2	JORDAN	97.93	3	14.18	4	15.38	1	6.03		133.52
4	3	PAKISTAN	90.22	2	5.82	1	17.17	4	4.26		117.47
2	4	UAE	133.86	1	1.91	2	4.62	3	15.74		156.13

PENALTIES & WARNINGS FROM HEAD TD

Penalties:

1. The Senior Teams from INDIA & JORDAN have been penalized 0.5 VPs in RR5-R1, for slow play.

ROUND-BY-ROUND SCORE OF ALL EVENTS

OPEN TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR3 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	INDIA	Vs.	JORDAN	60-34	16.09 - 3.91
2	BANGLADESH	Vs.	UAE	53-26	16.25 - 3.75
	PAKISTAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR3 - Round # 4					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	UAE	Vs.	INDIA	49-13	17.59 - 2.41
2	JORDAN	Vs.	PAKISTAN	30-51	4.81 - 15.19
	BANGLADESH	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR3 - Round # 5					
TBL #	INDIA		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	INDIA	Vs.	PAKISTAN	30-32	9.39 - 10.61
2	JORDAN	Vs.	BANGLADESH	56-40	14.18 - 5.82
	UAE	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
WOMEN TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR3 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	INDIA	Vs.	PALESTINE	62-23	17.97 - 2.03
4	JORDAN	Vs.	UAE	21 - 71	0.84 - 19.16
	PAKISTAN		BYE		10.00 - 0
RR3 - Round # 4					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	UAE	Vs.	INDIA	9-46	2.28 - 17.72
4	PALESTINE	Vs.	PAKISTAN	34-20	13.74 - 6.26
	JORDAN		BYE		10.00 - 0
RR3 - Round # 5					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	INDIA	Vs.	PAKISTAN	37-38	9.69 - 10.31
4	PALESTINE	Vs.	JORDAN	56-26	16.73 - 3.27
	UAE		BYE		10.00 - 0
SENIOR TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR5 - Round # 1					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	INDIA	Vs.	JORDAN	68-28	18.09 - 1.91
	PAKISTAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR5 - Round # 2					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	JORDAN	Vs.	PAKISTAN	13-64	0.75 - 19.25
	INDIA	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR5 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	PAKISTAN	Vs.	INDIA	55-19	17.59 - 2.41
	JORDAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
MIXED TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR5 - Round # 1					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	INDIA	Vs.	UAE	62-22	18.09 - 1.91
7	JORDAN	Vs.	PAKISTAN	44-28	14.18 - 5.82
RR5 - Round # 2					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	PAKISTAN	Vs.	INDIA	55-22	17.17 - 2.83
7	UAE	Vs.	JORDAN	21-43	4.62 - 15.38
RR5 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	INDIA	Vs.	JORDAN	46-31	13.97 - 6.03
7	PAKISTAN	Vs.	UAE	23-47	4.26 - 15.74

Participants of the 22nd BFAME CHAMPIONSHIPS, LAHORE

OPEN EVENT

Country		Team Members
	BANGLADESH	Rifatul Islam.NPC, Asifur Rahman, Biswajit Saha, Moshiur Rahman, AHM Kamruzzaman, Shah Zia Haque, Rashedul Hasan Ripon
	INDIA	Ranjan Bhattacharya (Head of Mission), Joyjit Sensarma (Coach & NPC), Ajay Khare, Raju Tolani, Rajeshwar Tewari, Sumit Mukherjee, Jaggy Shivdasani, Sandeep Thakral
	JORDAN	Zafer Najeh Jarrar (Captain), Aaida Haider HANNA Abu -Jaber, Sakher Mohammed Malkawi, Clement Maamarbach, George Kashami , Amr Nimer
	PAKISTAN	Tehsin Gheewala (Captain), Mohsin Chandna, Farrukh Liaqat, Imran Abedi, Hassan Askari, Mubashir Puri
	UAE	Hussein Adam Ali Ibrahim (Captain), Tamer Eissa, Khaled Hassan, Mohamed Said, Hazem Ghoneim, Abdelrahim Mehilba




LADIES EVENT

Country		Team Members
	INDIA	Anal Shah (Coach & NPC), Alka Kshirsagar, Asha Sharma, Puja Batra, Bharati Dey , Kalpana Gurjar, Vidhya Patel
	JORDAN	Abdallah Al Ajlouni (NPC), Fatina Mohd Kheir Said AlNajjar, Najwa Abdul Rahman Rasheid Al-Najjab, Amal Tawfiq Shaker Fakhouri , Maram Jeries Odeh, Selva.KH Hairbedian Qussous, Lina AL Masri
	PAKISTAN	Fatima Raza (Captain), Rubina Saeed Hai, Qudsia Dossa, Nilofer Aslam, Meharangiz Shahveer, Durriya Vasi
	PALESTINE	Laila Haddadin (Captain), May Abu Gharbieh, Nawar Hasheim, Hanan Bitar, Fiuroz Badwan, Fadia Najjar
	UAE	Manju Law (Captain), Ruby Kochhar , Kumkum Kumar, Rupy Wallia, Chhaya Gandhi, Anshu Aggarwal

MIXED EVENT

	INDIA	Vinay Desai (Coach & NPC), Marianne Karmarkar, Kiran Nadar, Himani Khandelwal, Sandeep Karmarkar, B. Satyanarayana, Rajeev Khandelwal
	JORDAN	Marwan Ghanem (Captain), Rana Saifeddin Abdelhadi, Jamal Tawfiq Saleh abDELJALIL, Farah Ahmad Mohd Tambulat, Dimah Omar AL SHAIKH Mahmood al-Taher, Samer mohammad Ali Alrawashdeh
	PAKISTAN	Samira Fancy (Captain), Rahat Mahmood , Agha Rubina, Khalid Mohiuddin, Anwar Kazilbash, Mansoor Arslan
	UAE	Nermeen Qasim Norani (Captain), Elvan Edis, Sawsan Elabyari, Humayun Sumar, Timur Edis, Amr Mekky

SENIORS EVENT

Country		Team Members
	INDIA	Subhash Gupta (Coach & NPC), Hemant Jalan, Sukamal Das, Subrata Saha, Pranab Bardhan, Badal Das, Samir Basak
	JORDAN	Ghassan Ghaneem (Cap), Hassana Bachir Salim EL Housami, Suha Muhamad Mahmoud Abbassi, Yasmin M.A. Khattak, Yousef Shafiq Yousef Batshon, Yacoub Nehme Karouta
	PAKISTAN	Saeed Akhtar (Captain), Shahid Hameed, Imran Gardezi , Ghias Malik, Azhar Hameed, Mirza Shauq Hussain

MIXED TEAMS – RR4, ROUND -3 (UAE Vs. PAKISTAN)

Open room:

NS: Timur Edis/ Elvan Edis (UAE)

EW: Arslan Mansoor/Samira Fancy

Closed room:

NS: Khaled Mohiuddin/Rahat Mahmood (Pakistan)

EW: Humayun Sumar/Nermeen qasim (UAE)

This was an important match for the Pakistan mixed team. The UAE team stood 2nd in the points table with a relatively comfortable lead of about 20 victory points over the third team, Jordan, and Pakistan were last a further 10 VPs behind. So to have any realistic chance of making it to the final, Pakistan needed to win this match, hopefully by a big margin.

The proceedings started with a 5 imp pickup for UAE on board 17, when they avoided a marginal game in the closed room, which was bid by the Pakistani pair in the open room.

Board 18 was a push, both EW pairs playing in a making partial.

Board 19 looked like another push;

19		N TIMUR		W N E S	
D		♠ 763 ♥ Q4 ♦ 86 ♣ AK10863		1♥ 3♣ 3♠ 4♥ P P P	
W SAMIRA				E ARSALAN	
♠ ♥ AK109863 ♦ Q94 ♣ QJ2				♠ AK1095 ♥ 7 ♦ AJ1072 ♣ 54	
		S ELVAN			
		♠ QJ842 ♥ J52 ♦ K53 ♣ 97			
				4♥ W NS: 0 EW: 0	

Samira and Arslan bid to a normal 4H in the open room. North led the two top clubs and continued with a third one, ruffed in dummy with the 7 and over ruffed with the jack by south (here natural trump trick). Now, when she exited with a heart, Samira finessed the 10, assuming a 4-1 heart split with south holding QJxx (quite possible given north's preempt).

However this was not to be and north gleefully grabbed his doubleton queen to put the contract one down. The play was the same in the closed room, but west did not finesse in hearts, dropping the queen and later parked his two diamond losers on the two top spades. +620 and 12 imps to UAE.

After a flat spade game making with an overtrick in board 20 at both tables and a normal spade game going down one on board 21, for two pushes, this was the next hand (See on next column)

22	D	N KHALID				W N E S			
		♠ J1064	♥ K1085	♦ 8	♣ AK108	P	1♥	P	1♦
						P	4♥	P	2♥
						P		P	P
W HUMAYUN						E NERMEEN			
♠ KQ75						♠ 9			
♥ 94						♥ Q76			
♦ Q753						♦ AJ6			
♣ Q73						♣ J96542			
		S RAHAT							
		♠ A832							
		♥ AJ32							
		♦ K10942							
		♣							
						4♥ N NS: 0 EW:			

Although Khaled held shortness in his partner's suit and only eleven hcp, he made the practical jump to game after getting a heart raise from his partner. He was equally impressive in the play. Nermeen led her singleton spade, won by Humayun with the queen, who shifted to the heart 9.

Lacking a convenient entry to hand other than the heart king, he spurned the free finesse on offer and won the king for a diamond play. When east turned up with the ace and returned another trump, Khaled stuck to his guns and finessed dummy's jack, ruffed a diamond in hand and claimed 10 tricks, conceding just another spade to the defence.

The bidding at the other table was more involved;

West	North	East	South
Samira	Timur	Arslan	Elvan
		Pass	1D
Pass	1H	Pass	3H
Pass	4C	Pass	5S(*)
DBL	RDBL	Pass	6H
All Pass			

Elvan Edis decided to make a jump raise to 3H when her partner responded 1H to her opening bid. With a slightly better diamond suit and trumps, this could have been justified, but I guess it is enough to just raise to 2H with this hand. When north cue bid 4C, denying a spade cue but some slam interest with a club control, south probably bid 4S (the vugraph records show 5S), still not showing any sign of weakness. When west doubled the spade bid for lead, North redoubled, showing spade support (he doesn't have the standard 1st round control in spades, 4S redoubled might be an interesting contract!), south finally finished describing her hand with a 6H bid.

Arslan duly led a spade, ducked in dummy and won by Samira with the queen. She played back a club, which was ruffed by declarer in dummy and played the heart ace and another one to the ten lost to the queen. Arslan played another heart and the contract should have gone down three now, but West didn't take her spade trick and declarer went down two. That was 11 imps to Pakistan.

Pakistan picked up another 6 imps on the next deal when Arslan made a diamond part score in the open room, which went down at the other table.

Board 24 was also a flat heart game made with an overtrick at both tables. The halftime score stood at 17-16 to UAE. Pakistan had some work to do, to get some much needed imps.

D 25	N TIMUR	W N E S
	♠ K943 ♥ A7 ♦ A8764 ♣ Q9	1NT P 3NT P P P
W SAMIRA	E ARSALAN	
♠ 752 ♥ 985 ♦ K10932 ♣ A5	♠ QJ8 ♥ KQ632 ♦ 5 ♣ J1073	
	S ELVAN	
	♠ A106 ♥ J104 ♦ QJ ♣ K8642	3NT N NS: 0 EW: 0

North opened a 12-14 NT and south bid game with her eleven hcp and a five card suit. Arslan led his 4th best heart, dummy winning the 10. Declarer led the diamond queen and won west's king with the ace and played another diamond to dummy's queen, East throwing a club. He now led a club to his queen which won and could have made an overtrick by ducking a club to west's ace, but he played a spade, winning the king when east split his honors and finessed the 9 on the way back. Arslan cleared the hearts, and declarer had to go one down. That was a 6 imp pickup when the Pakistan pair collected +200 in 2H doubled by East at the other table.

Both tables played 2H by north in the next board, but with one vital difference; the Pakistani north was doubled in his contract.

D 26	N KHALID	W N E S
	♠ K2 ♥ AJ5432 ♦ A7 ♣ 1053	1NT 2♥ 1♠ P X P P P
W HUMAYUN	E NERMEEN	
♠ 54 ♥ K10987 ♦ KJ943 ♣ K	♠ AQJ109 ♥ 6 ♦ Q8 ♣ QJ976	
	S RAHAT	
	♠ 8763 ♥ Q ♦ 10652 ♣ A842	2♥x N NS: 0 EW: 0

The bidding was the same in the other room, but west didn't double. The defence was merciless and declarer finished down 3, conceding 800. The play at the other table followed similar lines, but north was under no pressure proving the old adage of "no double, no trouble" correct. He went two down but picked up 12 imps.

You hold; S KQJ6 H AQJ94 D AK10 C 7

What do you open? One west opened 1H and later reversed to 2S after a 1NT response. When east, holding S 109 H K83 D Q753 C A642, bid 4H (probably showing a weaker hand than a 3H bid), she decided to pass. With the diamonds 3-3, there were 12 top tricks available.

The UAE west player chose to open 2C and soon found himself propelled into a heart slam, which he made easily, gaining 11 valuable imps for UAE.

Pakistan picked up 6 imps on board 29, when a thin spade game went down on a trump promotion in the open room, and the Pakistan pair stopped in a partial.

After a couple of flat boards, this was the final board of the match and the day. It was an exciting one as well;

D 32	N TIMUR	W N E S
	♠ 1073 ♥ K8642 ♦ 753 ♣ 87	1♥ P 1♠ P 3♣ P 6♣ P P P
W SAMIRA	E ARSALAN	
♠ A ♥ AQJ95 ♦ K96 ♣ AJ32	♠ QJ942 ♥ ♡ ♦ AJ42 ♣ K1096	
	S ELVAN	
	♠ K865 ♥ 1073 ♦ Q108 ♣ Q54	6♣ W NS: 0 EW: 0

East, probably still smarting at the previously missed heart slam, took no chances this time and punted a very reasonable 6C after his partner made a jump shift. Samira got a diamond lead, which she won in hand with the king and cashed the club ace and led another club inserting the nine when north played low.

South won and played back another club. Samira could still have made the hand by taking a ruffing finesse in spades and later dropping north's tripleton 10, but chose to finesse in diamonds. This now led to down two, when the defence collected another trick in the wash.

At the other table, a spade was led in the same contract. Declarer won the ace, guessed the club queen and established the spades for an impressive +1370 and a further 17 imps to UAE.

The final score was **UAE 59 Pakistan 28**, further dampening any hopes for the Pakistan mixed team to qualify for the final.

- Reported by Yasser Rahim

IMPORTANT FOR PLAYERS

Please note that the Bridgmate Scores are the official scores. Hence please compare and confirm your scores with the official result displayed on the screen at the Vu-Graph room. Only in case of a discrepancy, you may contact the CTD / TD and get the printout to verify your scores.

MIXED TEAMS – RR5, ROUND -1 (INDIA Vs. UAE)

Editor watched the first match of the morning session (RR5-R1 between India and UAE of the Mixed event).

Open Room:
NS (INDIA) – Rajeev Khandelwal – Himani Khandelwal
EW (UAE) –Amr Mekky – Sawsan Elabyari

Closed Room:
NS (UAE) – Timur Edis – Elvan Edis
EW (INDIA) – Sandeep Karmarkar – Marianne
Karmarkar

India gained a solitary IMP on 1st board of the match when their NS in open room played in 2S making against their counterparts who played 1 NT making in the closed room.

Board 2, Dlr: East, Vul: NS

♠ K975
♥ 2
♦ A5
♣ KJ7632

♠ AJ63
♥ KJT83
♦ J63
♣ T

♠ QT42
♥ Q7
♦ QT872
♣ Q5

♠ 8
♥ A9654
♦ K94
♣ A984

W N E S

At both the tables, the club fit was found but both NS preferred playing in 3NT rather than the club contract. Both tables scored their 9 tricks. As the cards lie, 6C was also making.

Board 3, Dlr: South, Vul: EW

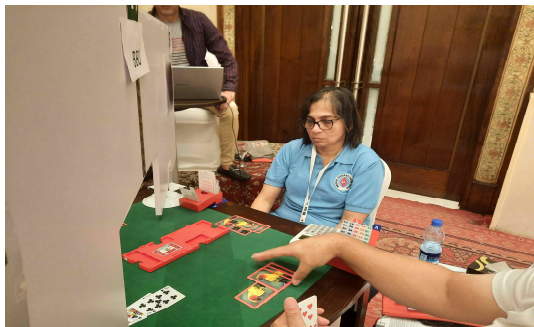
♠AK95
♥AKT32
♦J8
♣96

♠43
♥J74
♦9
♣AKQ875

N
W E
S

♠JT762
♥98
♦A6
♣J432

♠Q8
♥Q65
♦KQT75432
♣



Himani Khandelwal

OPEN ROOM

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	3D

CLOSED ROOM

West	North	East	South
			1D
2C	2H	3C	3H
Pass	4H	All Pass	

In the open room, the pre-empt did not go well for NS as it was a cold 6D. In the closed room, South opened 1 D (rather than the pre-emptive bid) and when over 2C partner bid a forcing 2H, it was easy for NS to reach the game in 4H. Surprisingly the diamond suit never came into picture in the closed room. the hearts were supported. 4H. When East did not give a diamond ruff to partner, there were 12 tricks in hearts and +480 for a 7 IMP gain to UAE.



Amr Mekky

India gained 1 & 3 IMPs on next 2 boards.

Board 6, Dlr: East, Vul: EW

♠QT3
 ♥72
 ♦KJ9743
 ♣T6
 ♠AJ82
 ♥KQJ84
 ♦6
 ♣874
 ♠K976
 ♥A953
 ♦QT8
 ♣J3
 ♠54
 ♥T6
 ♦A52
 ♣AKO952

OPEN ROOM

West	North	East	South
		Pass	2C(1)
Pass	3C(2)	Pass	3D(3)
All Pass			

(1) – Precision (2) – TRF to D (3) – Transfer As per partner' bd.

CLOSED ROOM

West	North	East	South
		Pass	1NT
2C(1)	2D	3S	5D
Pass	Pass	DBL	All Pass

(1) – Landy (both majors)

In open room, defenders took 2 tricks each in major suits plus the DQ to take 1 down for 50 to EW.

In closed room, once EW found their spade fit (3S scores without problem), South took the plunge to 5D, which got doubled and went 3 down for 500, India thus gaining 10 IMPs on the board.

UAE gained immediately on the next board itself.

Board 7, Dir: South, Vul: Both

♠A8632			
♥KT2			
♦Q			
♣K854			
♠	N	E	♠KQT95
♥Q98653	W		♥J74
♦J65			♦K3
♣T632			♣A97
	S		
			♠J74
			♥A
			♦AT98742
			♣QJ

OPEN ROOM

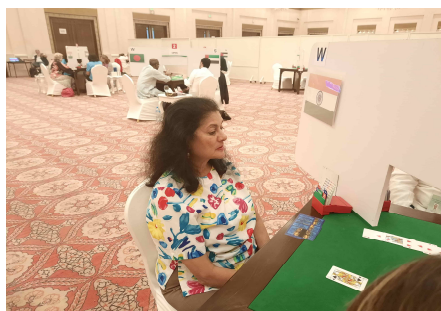
West	North	East	South
			1D
Pass	1S	Pass	2D
Pass	2NT	Pass	3S
Pass	4S	DBL	All Pass

East with his good 5-card spade suit did not spare the opponents in punishing. East led the H7 to dummy's Ace and declarer tried to cross ruff the hand. He played DA and ruffed a diamond and then ruffed a small heart in dummy. Declarer now played CQ and East won and played back the club. Declarer now played spade to the Ace and cashed his HK, CK & tried to get a club ruffed with the Jack but East was able to ruff with the SQ and take all the tricks with his trumps for 2 down and -500.

CLOSED ROOM

West	North	East	South
			1D
Pass	1S	Pass	2D
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

East led his SQ and declarer won with Ace and played the DQ to king and Ace and gave one diamond trick to West's Jack and claimed 6 diamonds, 2 hearts, Ace of spade and a club to make 10 tricks for +630 and a whopping gain of 15 IMPs on the board.



Marianne Karmarkar

Board 8, Dir: West, Vul: None

♠KJ			
♥J64			
♦AQJ42			
♣A83			
♠Q92			♠A8765
♥AQ53			♥72
♦753			♦KT
♣Q76			♣K942
	N	E	
	W		
			S
			♠T43
			♥KT98
			♦986
			♣JT5

CLOSED ROOM

West	North	East	South
Pass	1D	1S	Pass
2D	Pass	2S	All Pass

There was not much to play in 2S and the contract made with an over trick.

OPEN ROOM

West	North	East	South
Pass	1NT	2S(1)	Pass
3S	All Pass		

The contract should have been made here as well but for some unknown reason, the declarer did not take the heart finesse and went 1 down giving 5 IMPs to India.

Board 9, Dir: North, Vul: EW

♠Q82			
♥Q986			
♦9			
♣QT653			
♠KJ53			♠A9764
♥KT3			♥J
♦764			♦QT8
♣J97			♣AK82
	N	E	
	W		
			S
			♠T
			♥A7542
			♦AKJ532
			♣4

OPEN ROOM

West	North	East	South
	Pass	1S	2S
3S	4H	4S	Pass
Pass	5H	All Pass	

4S does not make but North could not be sure of the defensive tricks they had and preferred bidding. He went 2 down (though on HA and low heart play, he will be one less down).



Sawsan Elabiyari

CLOSED ROOM

West	North	East	South
4S	Pass 5H	1S DBL	4D All Pass

4D was a type of leaping Michaels showing D & H. So North had reasons to get temped in bidding 5D with his 4-carder support. Unluckily this contract got doubled and that was 300 to opponents for a 5 IMPs gain to India.

Board 12, Dir: West, Vul: NS

♠872		♠J5
♥J52		♥AKQ8
♦KQJ		♦A742
♣KT84		♣AJ3
	♠AKQT9643	
	♥T7	
	♦	
	♣965	

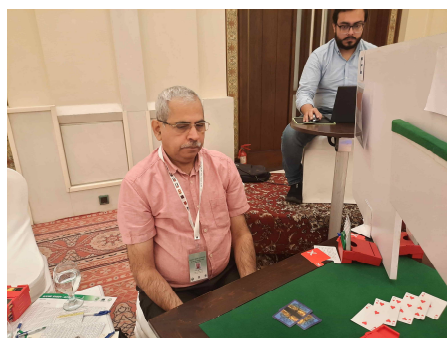
OPEN ROOM

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1D	3S
5D	DBL	All Pass	

CLOSED ROOM

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1C	4S
Pass	Pass	DBL	All Pass

North would never have imagined that opponent will play in his 6 carder suit, He promptly doubled and the contract went 3 down for 500 to NS. In the closed room, South pre-empted to the hilt but had only 8 tricks for 2 down and another +500 to NS. That was 14 IMPs to India. The match was now turning to totally one side affair.



Sandeep Karmarkar

Board 13, Dir: North, Vul: All

♠KQ8543		♠
♥QT		♥85
♦Q752		♦AJ863
♣A		♣KJ9642
♠AJ92		♠T76
♥K97632		♥AJ4
♦9		♦KT4
♣75		♣OT83

OPEN ROOM

West	North	East	South
4H	1S	3C(1)	3S
5H	4S	Pass	Pass
All Pass	Pass	Pass	DBL

CLOSED ROOM

West	North	East	South
Pass	1S	2NT(2)	DBL
All Pass	Pass	3C	DBL

In the open room, there seems to be some misunderstanding on bidding, with West taking the bid of 3C as C & H. When the dummy came, West would have been surprised. The result was equally bad. Contract went 3 down for 800 to NS.

In the closed room, 2NT was for both minors and when South his values by doubling, East ran to clubs and that also got doubled. But declarer got temp when the lead was S6. He played SA discarding a heart. Cashed DA and ruffed a diamond, ruffed a spade and ruffed another diamond. Declarer went 1 down because of South's good trumps but that was another 12 IMPs to India.

India gained another 3 IMPs on board 14, when UAE overbid the hand.



Elvan Edis

Board 15, Dir: South, Vul: NS

♠J83		♠AT64
♥KQ2		♥A863
♦Q643		♦KT2
♣KT4		♣AJ
♠Q52		♠K97
♥7		♥JT954
♦AJ875		♦9
♣Q976		♣8532

In the open room, West raised East's 1NT to three, whereas in closed room it was passed. South led the HJ and declarer could take only 8 tricks for down 1, whereas in closed room the contract was made with an overtrick. India gained another 5 on the board.

On last board, India gained another 2 IMPs for overtricks in a 3NT contract winning the match by a huge margin of 62-22 IMPs.

-Editor

Memories of the BFAME – Part 6

**Correct observation followed by meticulous deduction and precise
Visualization of goals is vital to the success of any enterprise. Terry Pratchett**
By Ghassan Ghanem – President Emeritus, BFAME

The following deal came during the Eighteenth BFAME Championships held at "Bristol Hotel" in Amman – Jordan on May/June 2015. It was the Open Series, the penultimate Round Robin, Jordan vs. Qatar.

Board 17, Dlr: North, Vul: None

♠AK92 ♥Q5 ♦52 ♣AKQ75 ♠T86 ♥KJ92 ♦73 ♣T862	N W E S	♠QJ753 ♥T876 ♦T86 ♣9 ♠4 ♥A43 ♦AKQJ94 ♣J43	♠QJ753 ♥T876 ♦T86 ♣9
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West	North	East	South
	<i>M. Ghanem</i>		<i>S. Barakat</i>
	1C	Pass	1D
Pass	2S	Pass	3C
Pass	3S(1)	Pass	4D(2)
Pass	4S(2)	Pass	4NT(3)
Pass	5C(2)	Pass	5H
Pass	7C	All Pass	

- (1) Advanced control cue bid.
- (2) Controls cue bidding.
- (3) None or two of the three top honors of the trump suit.

Marwan knew that the delayed hearts' cue bidding was a first round control. If that cue bid was a second round control, Sireen would have bid six clubs. How did she guess about the three trump top honors? Because Marwan's reverse bid without much in the red suites, says all his points were in the black suit, and even if that wasn't the case, he can settle for the small slam.

Jordan topped the Round Robins table, and went on to meet Bahrain in the Semi-final.

The following deal came during the same Championships. It was the Seniors Series, the third Round Robin, Jordan vs. Pakistan.

Board 4, Dlr: West, Vul: Both

♠A65 ♥AJ86 ♦KJ4 ♣A96	N W E S	♠K7 ♥K542 ♦AQ6 ♣KQ86 ♠QT84 ♥T73 ♦9532 ♣T2	♠J932 ♥Q9 ♦T87 ♣J743
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West	North	East	South
<i>N.H. Ghanem</i>		<i>G.A. Ghanem</i>	
1NT	Pass	2C	Pass
2H	Pass	4C(1)	Pass
4D(2)	Pass	4S(2)	Pass
5C(3)	Pass	6H	All Pass

- (1) Cue bidding, showing slam interest, and fixing hearts as a trump.
- (2) First or second round controls cue bidding
- (3) Club control cue bid, and showing one or three of the three top honors of the trumps' suit.

When Nuha showed the number of hearts' top honors she was holding,, I knew we were missing one of them, so I settled for the small slam.

It was the penultimate match and we lost it badly. The slam was bid and made at the other table. On the last match against Sri Lanka we needed a big win to catch a qualifying birth, however, it wasn't possible, the hands were dull and gave no chance for swinging to neither side, and they were a good team. We won 27 – 25, which was as good as nothing.

Ghassan Ghanem

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BUTLER RANKINGS AFTER 15 MATCHES – ALL CATEGORIES

Who have played at least 1/3 Boards

Rank	Player	Boards Played	Total IMP	Avg. IMP	Rank	Player	Boards Played	Total IMP	Avg. IMP
1	PUJA BATRA	128/240	144.53	1.13	50	MOHSIN CHANDNA	176/240	-1.1	-0.01
2	ASHA_SHARMA	128/240	144.53	1.13	51	IMRAN ABEDI	176/240	-1.1	-0.01
3	SHAHID HAMEED	112/240	101.17	0.90	52	ABDELRAHIM MEHILBA	160/240	-2.63	-0.02
4	GHIAS MALIK	112/240	101.17	0.90	53	HAZEM GHONEIM	160/240	-2.63	-0.02
5	HASSAN ASKARI	96/240	82.75	0.86	54	MUBASHIR PURI	112/240	-4.69	-0.04
6	TEHSIN GHEEWALA	160/240	114.18	0.71	55	DIMAH OMAR AL SHAIKH MAHMOOD AL-	144/240	-14.91	-0.10
7	JAGGY SHIVDASANI	128/240	85.29	0.67	56	MARWAN GHANEM	144/240	-14.91	-0.10
8	ZAFER NAJEH JARRAR	112/240	72.03	0.64	57	AMR MEKKY	112/240	-12.18	-0.11
9	AMR NIMER	112/240	72.03	0.64	58	SAWSAN ELABYARI	112/240	-12.18	-0.11
10	SUKAMAL DAS	112/240	69.99	0.62	59	ASIFUR RAHMAN	144/240	-24.79	-0.17
11	SUBRATA SAHA	112/240	69.99	0.62	60	AHM KAMRUZZAMAN	144/240	-24.79	-0.17
12	B SATYANARAYANA	160/240	97.56	0.61	61	RANA SAIFEDDIN ABDELHADI	160/240	-28.61	-0.18
13	KIRAN NADAR	160/240	97.56	0.61	62	JAMAL TAWFIQ SALEH ABDELJALIL	160/240	-28.61	-0.18
14	BHARATI DEY	112/240	67.12	0.60	63	SHAH ZIA HAQUE	144/240	-27.09	-0.19
15	MARIANNE KARMARKAR	160/240	96.69	0.60	64	MOSHIUR RAHMAN	144/240	-27.09	-0.19
16	SANDEEP KARMARKAR	160/240	96.69	0.60	65	SUMIT MUKHERJEE	160/240	-32.27	-0.20
17	ALKA KSHIRSAGAR	112/240	67.12	0.60	66	RAJESHWAR TEWARI	160/240	-32.27	-0.20
18	SANDEEP THAKRAL	144/240	85.29	0.59	67	SAMER MOHAMMAD ALI ALRAWASHDEH	176/240	-37	-0.21
19	DURRIYA VASI	176/240	100.58	0.57	68	FARAH AHMAD MOHD TAMBULAT	176/240	-37	-0.21
20	KALPANA GURJAR	144/240	74.57	0.52	69	ANWAR KAZILBASH	224/240	-51.46	-0.23
21	VIDHYA PATEL	144/240	74.57	0.52	70	AGHA RUBINA	224/240	-51.46	-0.23
22	HEMANT JALAN	112/240	54.51	0.49	71	AAIDA HAIDER HANNA ABU - JABER	144/240	-48.29	-0.34
23	SAMIR BASAK	112/240	54.51	0.49	72	SAKHER MOHAMMED	144/240	-48.29	-0.34
24	RUBINA SAEED HA	192/240	85.96	0.45	73	TAMER EISSA	128/240	-50.65	-0.40
25	AZHAR HAMEED	80/240	27.02	0.34	74	MOHAMED SAID	112/240	-47.27	-0.42
26	MIRZA SHAUQ HUSSAIN	80/240	27.02	0.34	75	KHALID MOHIUDDIN	144/240	-59.98	-0.42
27	IMRAN GARDEZI	128/240	40.95	0.32	76	RAHAT MAHMOOD	144/240	-59.98	-0.42
28	SAEED AKHTAR	128/240	40.95	0.32	77	ANSHU AGGARWAL	112/240	-47.8	-0.43
29	MANJU LAW	176/240	50.1	0.28	78	CHHAYA GANDHI	112/240	-47.8	-0.43
30	RUBY KOCHHAR	176/240	50.1	0.28	79	SELVA.KH HAIRBEDIAN	144/240	-64.97	-0.45
31	MAY ABU GHARBIH	160/240	42.59	0.27	80	LINA AL MASRI	144/240	-64.97	-0.45
32	FATIMA RAZA	192/240	51.57	0.27	81	SAMIRA FANCY	112/240	-50.96	-0.46
33	QUDSIA DOSSA	192/240	51.57	0.27	82	MANSOOR ARSLAN	112/240	-50.96	-0.46
34	LAILA HADDADIN	160/240	42.59	0.27	83	GHASSAN GHANEEM	160/240	-88.64	-0.55
35	ELVAN EDIS	192/240	41.83	0.22	84	YASMIN M.A.KHATTAK	160/240	-88.64	-0.55
36	TIMUR EDIS	192/240	41.83	0.22	85	HANAN BITAR	144/240	-79.55	-0.55
37	RAJU TOLANI	112/240	24.27	0.22	86	NAWAR HASHEIM	144/240	-79.55	-0.55
38	BADAL DAS	96/240	19.43	0.20	87	CLEMENT MAAMARBACHI	128/240	-85.43	-0.67
39	PRANAB BARDHAN	96/240	19.43	0.20	88	GEORGE KASHAMI	128/240	-85.43	-0.67
40	AJAY KHARE	128/240	24.27	0.19	89	FIUROSZ BADWAN	80/240	-56.7	-0.71
41	KUMKUM KUMAR	96/240	12.71	0.13	90	FADIA NAJJAR	80/240	-56.7	-0.71
42	RUPY WALLIA	96/240	12.71	0.13	91	MARAM JERIES ODEH QUSSOUS	112/240	-94.97	-0.85
43	RASHEDUL HASAN RIPON	96/240	10.6	0.11	92	FATINA MOHD KHEIR SAID ALNAJJAR	112/240	-94.97	-0.85
44	BISWAJIT SAHA	96/240	10.6	0.11	93	HASSANA BACHIR SALIM EL HOUSAMI	80/240	-92.42	-1.16
45	HIMANI KHANDLWA	160/240	18.38	0.11	94	SUHA MUHAMAD MAHMOUD ABBASSI	80/240	-92.42	-1.16
46	RAJEEV KHANDLWAL	160/240	18.38	0.11	95	NAJWA ABDUL RAHMAN RASHEID AL-NA	128/240	-185.2	-1.45
47	KHALED HASSAN	176/240	19.65	0.11	96	AMAL TAWFIQ SHAKER FAKHOURI	128/240	-185.2	-1.45
48	HUMAYUN SUMAR	176/240	0.64	0.00	97	YUSEF SHAFIQ YUSEF BATSHON	80/240	-132	-1.65
49	NERMEEN QASIM NORANI	176/240	0.64	0.00	98	YACIOUB NEHME KAROUTA	80/240	-132	-1.65

Team of the Caddies in the Championships



FROM L to R: Mehrin Sheikh, Mobin Sheikh, Abdul Muqet Sheikh, Awwad Mirza, Sehrish Rehman

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Championships Schedule

Thursday, May 11	1000 – 1220 Hrs.	Semi-Finals – Segment 1 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1400 – 1620 Hrs.	Semi-Finals – Segment 2 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1645 – 1905 Hrs.	Semi-Finals – Segment 3 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1000 – 1220 Hrs.	RR6 – R1 - SENIOR/ MIXED Teams
	1400 – 1620 Hrs.	RR6 – R2 - SENIOR/ MIXED Teams
	1645 – 1905 Hrs.	RR6 – R3 - SENIOR/ MIXED Teams
Friday, May 12	1000 – 1220 Hrs.	Semi-Finals – Segment 4 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1400 – 1620 Hrs.	Semi-Finals – Segment 5 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1645 – 1905 Hrs.	Semi-Finals – Segment 6 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1000 – 1220 Hrs.	Finals – Segment 1 - MIXED / SENIOR Teams
	1400 – 1620 Hrs.	Finals – Segment 2 - MIXED / SENIOR Teams
Saturday, May 13	1000 – 1220 Hrs.	Finals – Segment 1 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1400 – 1620 Hrs.	Finals – Segment 2 - OPEN / WOMEN Teams
	1930 Hrs.	Prize Distribution over Victory Banquet

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Semi Finals: 96 Boards (16x6) for Open & Women Category.
- Finals: 32 boards (16x2) for all four categories. For Open & Women Category on 13th May and for Mixed & Senior Category on 12th May.

No Mobile Phones

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No Smoking



Smoking in the playing area, is strictly prohibited and will attract heavy penalties.

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