



## 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Zonal Championships

Pearl Continental Hotel, Lahore, PAKISTAN

5<sup>th</sup> May – 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023

### Message from Jan Kamras, WBF President



Jan Kamras

Dear Participants, dear Friends,

I am pleased to welcome you on behalf of the WBF to the 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Championships in Lahore, Pakistan, which also serve as the Zonal Qualifier for the World Teams Championships in Marrakech later this year.

Organizing such an event is a mammoth task and our thanks go to all persons involved, under the leadership of the President of host federation Mr. Mubasher Lucman. Not to be forgotten is the work involved in preparation for such an event at the Zonal level by BFAME President Bahjat Majali and his colleagues.

Representing one's country in any sport is a great honor. It also comes with responsibilities, and Bridge is no exception in this regard. I trust that you will make your country proud by displaying impeccable ethics, while at the same time competing to the best of your abilities. As you may know, I have made proper behaviour at the bridge table one of the cornerstones of my presidency.

I wish you all an enjoyable championship and that you achieve your goals, whatever they may be. Everyone cannot win, but everyone can leave the championship with good memories of having played at the top level of our wonderful sport, maybe even making some new friends in the process.

Best Regards,



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## INDIA leads in all the 4 Events

All the four team events of the 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Championships viz. OPEN, WOMEN, MIXED & SENIORS got underway yesterday morning at the Pearl Continental Hotel, Lahore. .

At the end of the first day's play, the Indian Open Team (**Joyjit Sensarma (Coach & NPC), Ajay Khare, Raju Tolani, Rajeshwar Tewari, Sumit Mukherjee, Jaggay Shivdasani, Sandeep Thakral**) with 34.44 VPs are leading in the OPEN event after 3 rounds. Jordan is 2<sup>nd</sup> with 34.44 VPs.

In the Women's Team event, the Indian ladies (**Anal Shah (Coach & NPC), Alka Kshirsagar, Asha Sharma, Puja Batra, Bharati Dey, Kalpana Gurjar, Vidhya Patel**) with a score of 40.54 VPs after 3 rounds. Pakistan with 38.21 VPs are in 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

In the Seniors event the Indian team (**Subhash Gupta (Coach & NPC), Hemant Jalan, Sukamal Das, Subrata Saha, Pranab Bardhan, Badal Das, Samir Basak**) with a score of 43.31 VPs are leading after 3 rounds. Pakistan with 34.58 VPs are in 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

In the Mixed event the Indian team (**Vinay Desai (Coach & NPC), Marianne Karmarkar, Kiran Nadar, Himani Khandelwal, Sandeep Karmarkar, B. Satyanarayana, Rajeev Khandelwal**) with a score of 37.51 VPs are leading after 3 rounds. Jordan with 35.25 VPs are in 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Thus all the 4 Indian teams are leading at the end of day-1.

***See detailed results on Page 6 & Page 7.***



## Corrigendum

In yesterday's bulletin (Bulletin-1), though the date 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023 was correct but the day of the bulletin was wrongly given at few places as Friday instead of Saturday. **The mistake is deeply regretted.**

## Today's Play Schedule (Sunday – 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023)

OPEN TEAMS									
TBL #	RR-1, RND-4 (1000 Hrs.)			RR-1, RND-5 (1400 Hrs.)			RR-2, RND-1 (1645 Hrs.)		
TBL-1	BANGLADESH	Vs	INDIA	INDIA	Vs	PAKISTAN	UAE	Vs	PAKISTAN
TBL-2	JORDAN	Vs	PAKISTAN	JORDAN	Vs	UAE	JORDAN	Vs	BANGLADESH
	UAE	Vs	BYE	BANGLADESH	Vs	BYE	INDIA	Vs	BYE
WOMEN TEAMS									
TBL #	RR-1, RND-4 (1000 Hrs.)			RR-1, RND-5 (1400 Hrs.)			RR-2, RND-1 (1645 Hrs.)		
TBL-3	PAKISTAN	Vs	JORDAN	JORDAN	Vs	INDIA	PALESTINE	Vs	INDIA
TBL-4	UAE	Vs	INDIA	UAE	Vs	PALESTINE	UAE	Vs	PAKISTAN
	PALESTINE	Vs	BYE	PAKISTAN	Vs	BYE	JORDAN	Vs	BYE
SENIORS TEAMS									
TBL #	RR-2, RND-1 (1000 Hrs.)			RR-2, RND-2 (1400 Hrs.)			RR-2, RND-3 (1645 Hrs.)		
TBL-5	JORDAN	Vs	INDIA	PAKISTAN	Vs	JORDAN	INDIA	Vs	PAKISTAN
	PAKISTAN	Vs	BYE	INDIA	Vs	BYE	JORDAN	Vs	BYE
MIXED TEAMS									
TBL #	RR-2, RND-1 (1000 Hrs.)			RR-2, RND-2 (1400 Hrs.)			RR-2, RND-3 (1645 Hrs.)		
TBL-6	UAE	Vs	INDIA	INDIA	Vs	PAKISTAN	JORDAN	Vs	INDIA
TBL-7	PAKISTAN	Vs	JORDAN	JORDAN	Vs	UAE	UAE	Vs	PAKISTAN

### Today's Vu-Graph Matches on BBO

#### Round-1: 1000 Hrs

BBO 1: PAKISTAN Vs. JORDAN (WOMEN)

BBO 2: UAE Vs. INDIA (MIXED)

#### Round-2: 1400 Hrs

BBO 1: INDIA Vs. PAKISTAN (OPEN)

BBO 2: JORDAN Vs. INDIA (WOMEN)

#### Round-3: 1645 Hrs

BBO 1: JORDAN Vs. BANGLADESH (OPEN)

BBO 2: INDIA Vs. PAKISTAN (SENIORS)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> BFAME COUNCIL MEETING

The 2<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Council meeting to deal with the rest of agenda items which include BFAME Elections, will be held today, the 7th May 23 at 07:30 P.M. in the venue (Pearl Continental) Hotel, followed by a dinner.

Representatives of all NBOs are kindly requested to attend.

## Participants of the 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME CHAMPIONSHIPS, LAHORE

### OPEN EVENT

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




### LADIES EVENT

Country	Team Members
 <b>INDIA</b>	Anal Shah (Coach & NPC), Alka Kshirsagar, Asha Sharma, Puja Batra, Bharati Dey , Kalpana Gurjar, Vidhya Patel
 <b>JORDAN</b>	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
 <b>PAKISTAN</b>	Fatima Raza (Captain), Rubina Saeed Hai, Qudsia Dossa, Nilofer Aslam, Meharangiz Shahveer, Durriya Vasi
 <b>PALESTINE</b>	Laila Haddadin (Captain), May Abu Gharbieh, Nawar Hasheim, Hanan Bitar, Fiuoz Badwan, Fadia Najjar
 <b>UAE</b>	Manju Law (Captain), Ruby Kochhar , Kumkum Kumar, Rupy Wallia, Chhaya Gandhi, Anshu Aggarwal

### MIXED EVENT

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

### SENIORS EVENT

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

## Tournament Draw

### OPEN TEAMS (5 TEAMS) - ROUND ROBIN - 1

RND #	TBL-1		TBL-2		BYE		Team #	TEAM NAME
1	2	Vs	5	3	Vs	4	1	INDIA
2	5	Vs	1	2	Vs	3	4	PAKISTAN
3	1	Vs	4	5	Vs	3	2	BANGLADESH
4	3	Vs	1	4	Vs	2	5	JORDAN
5	1	Vs	2	4	Vs	5	3	UAE
							6	BYE

### WOMEN TEAMS (5 TEAMS) - ROUND ROBIN - 1

RND #	TBL-3		TBL-4		BYE		Team #	TEAM NAME
1	2	Vs	5	3	Vs	4	1	JORDAN
2	5	Vs	1	2	Vs	3	4	INDIA
3	1	Vs	4	5	Vs	3	2	PAKISTAN
4	3	Vs	1	4	Vs	2	5	UAE
5	1	Vs	2	4	Vs	5	3	PALESTINE
							6	BYE

#### NOTES:

1. There will be 3 Round-Robins in OPEN & WOMEN events.
2. In the 2nd Round-Robin of Open / Women event the draw will be swapped that is 2 vs 5 will become 5 vs 2 and 3 vs 4 will become 4 vs 3 and so on.
3. The 3rd Round-Robin draw in OPEN / WOMEN events will be same as of the first round-robin with new Team Nos. being allocated to Teams, based on their rankings at the end of 2nd round-robin

### SENIOR TEAMS (3 TEAMS) - ROUND ROBIN - 1, 3 & 5

RND #	TBL-5		BYE		Team #	TEAM NAME
1	2	Vs	3	1	1	PAKISTAN
2	3	Vs	1	2	2	INDIA
3	1	Vs	2	3	3	JORDAN
					4	BYE

### MIXED TEAMS (4 TEAMS) - ROUND ROBIN - 1, 3 & 5

RND #	TBL-6		TBL-7		Team #	TEAM NAME
1	1	Vs	4	2	1	INDIA
2	3	Vs	1	4	2	JORDAN
3	1	Vs	2	3	3	PAKISTAN
					4	UAE

#### NOTES:

1. There will be 6 Round-Robins in SENIOR & MIXED events.
2. In Senior / Mixed events, the draws of Round Robin 2 & 4 will be swapped that is 1 vs 4 will become 4 vs 1 & 2 vs 3 will become 3 vs 2.
3. In the 6th Round-Robin draw in SENIOR / MIXED events will be same as of the first round-robin with new Team Nos. being allocated to Teams, based on their rankings at the end of 5th round-robin

## RESULTS AT A GLANCE

### OPEN TEAM EVENT

			Round Robin - 1											
Rank	T#	Team Name	R1		R2		R3		R4		R5		PEN	TOTAL
			Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
1	1	INDIA	B	10.00	5	11.20	4	13.28						34.48
3	2	PAKISTAN	5	14.39	3	5.20	B	10.00						29.59
5	3	BANGLADESH	4	2.28	2	14.80	5	5.00						22.08
2	4	JORDAN	3	17.72	B	10.00	1	6.72						34.44
4	5	UAE	2	5.61	1	8.80	3	15.00						29.41

### WOMEN TEAM EVENT

			Round Robin - 1											
Rank	T#	Team Name	R1		R2		R3		R4		R5		PEN	TOTAL
			Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
3	1	JORDAN	B	10.00	5	18.97	4	7.20						36.17
1	2	INDIA	5	14.80	3	15.74	B	10						40.54
2	3	PAKISTAN	4	18.2	2	4.26	5	15.74						38.21
4	4	UAE	3	1.79	B	10.00	1	12.80						24.59
5	5	PALESTINE	2	5.20	1	1.03	3	4.26						10.49

### SENIOR TEAM EVENT

Round Robin - 1													
Rank	T#	Team Name	R1		R2		R3		PEN		TOTAL		
			Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs				
2	1	PAKISTAN	B	10.00	3	18.55	2	6.03			34.58		
1	2	INDIA	3	19.34	B	10.00	1	13.97			43.31		
3	3	JORDAN	2	0.66	1	1.45	B	10.00			12.11		

### MIXED TEAM EVENT

Round Robin - 1													
Rank	T#	Team Name	R1		R2		R3		PEN		TOTAL		
			Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs				
1	1	INDIA	4	14.60	3	14.39	2	8.52			37.51		
2	2	JORDAN	3	11.48	4	12.29	1	11.48			35.25		
4	3	PAKISTAN	2	8.52	1	5.61	4	5.82			19.95		
3	4	UAE	1	5.40	2	7.71	3	14.18			27.29		

### Vu-Graph on BBO

Live Vu-graph of the 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Championships will be available on BBO daily from 6<sup>th</sup> May to 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 as per the following Schedule:

1000 – 1220 Hrs (0500 GMT) – Session-1

1400 – 1620 Hrs (0900 GMT) – Session-2

1645 – 1905 Hrs.(1145 GMT) – Session-3

## ROUND-BY-ROUND SCORE OF ALL EVENTS

OPEN TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR1 - Round # 1					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	PAKISTAN	Vs.	UAE	57-40	14.39 - 5.61
2	BANGLADESH	Vs.	JORDAN	25-62	2.28 - 17.72
	INDIA	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR1 - Round # 2					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	UAE	Vs.	INDIA	33-37	8.80 - 11.20
2	PAKISTAN	Vs.	BANGLADESH	25-44	5.20 - 14.80
	JORDAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR1 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	INDIA	Vs.	JORDAN	48-36	13.28 - 6.72
2	UAE	Vs.	BANGLADESH	47-27	15.00 - 5.00
	PAKISTAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
WOMEN TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR1 - Round # 1					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	INDIA	Vs.	PALESTINE	44-25	14.80 - 5.20
4	PAKISTAN	Vs.	UAE	61-20	18.21 - 1.79
	JORDAN		BYE		10.00 - 0
RR1 - Round # 2					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	PALESTINE	Vs.	JORDAN	19-67	1.03 - 18.97
4	INDIA	Vs.	PAKISTAN	43-19	15.74 - 4.26
	UAE		BYE		10.00 - 0
RR1 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	JORDAN	Vs.	UAE	26-36	7.20 - 12.80
4	PALESTINE	Vs.	PAKISTAN	27-51	4.26 - 15.74
	INDIA		BYE		10.00 - 0
SENIOR TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR1 - Round # 1					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	INDIA	Vs.	JORDAN	78-26	19.34 - 0.66
	PAKISTAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR1 - Round # 2					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	JORDAN	Vs.	PAKISTAN	20-64	1.45 - 18.55
	INDIA	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
RR1 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	PAKISTAN	Vs.	INDIA	24-39	6.03 - 13.97
	JORDAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
MIXED TEAM EVENT RESULTS					
RR1 - Round # 1					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	INDIA	Vs.	UAE	51-33	14.6 - 5.4
7	JORDAN	Vs.	PAKISTAN	41-36	11.48 - 8.52
RR1 - Round # 2					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	PAKISTAN	Vs.	INDIA	27-44	5.61 - 14.39
7	UAE	Vs.	JORDAN	24-32	7.71 - 12.29
RR1 - Round # 3					
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	INDIA	Vs.	JORDAN	32-37	8.52 - 11.48
7	PAKISTAN	Vs.	UAE	21-37	5.82 - 14.38

## OPEN TEAMS – RR1, ROUND -1 (PAKISTAN Vs. UAE)

The hosts Pakistan kicked off their campaign of 22nd BFAME Bridge Championships against UAE in the Open event on Table-1.

Open Room:

NS (PAKISTAN) – Mohsin Chandna – Imran Abedi  
EW (JORDAN) – Khaled Hassan – Mohamed Said

Closed Room:

NS (JORDAN) – Abdelrahim Mehilba – Hazem Ghoneim

EW (PAKISTAN) – Tehsin Gheewala – Hassan Askari

Board 1, Dlr: North, Vul: None

♠A8		
♥Q98		
♦AJT		
♣AKQJ5		
♠QJ6	N	♠9743
♥J54	W	♥A732
♦K6	E	♦Q9842
♣97642	S	♣
		♠KT52
		♥KT6
		♦753
		♣T83

The first deal of the championship though a flattish board with 3NT contract gave 1 IMP to the Pakistan team for scoring 11 tricks against 10 scored by their opponents. In the open room, East led H2 to allow 2S, 2H, 2D & 5C, a total of 11 tricks, whereas after the Diamond lead, declarer could score only 10.

Board 2, Dlr: East, Vul: NS

♠765		
♥K753		
♦KJT3		
♣98		
♠KT42	N	♠A983
♥Q94	W	♥82
♦Q854	E	♦72
♣T4	S	♣KQJ72
		♠QJ
		♥AJT6
		♦A96
		♣A653

In open room, South opened 1 NT and that became the final contract. Declarer got D4 lead and now there were 3H, 4D and a club trick for Pakistan to score +120. In the closed room, Pakistani East bid 2C over 1NT and scored that as well once the spade QJ fell for +90 and 5 IMPs gain to Pakistan.

On board 3, UAE opened their account by gaining 3 IMPs when both West's opened 1H with 97653 (opponents having the rest of the heart suit) but Pakistan NS in open room took their opponents only one down, whereas there are 8 tricks for defense.

After a flat Board # 4, where both EW scored 11 tricks, we had this board (See on next page)

Board 5, Dlr: North, Vul: NS

♠KQ72		
♥JT6		
♦KJ7		
♣K63		
♠T8643	N	♠J9
♥Q94	W	♥52
♦83	E	♦A954
♣Q42	S	♣AJT85
		♠A5
		♥AK873
		♦QT62
		♣97

It was surprising that in the open room, the Pakistani pair preferred playing in #NT over 4H, which seems to be a better contract. The closed room UAE NS played in 4H but had to give a trump, a diamond and 2 Clubs for 1 down. The 3NT contract 2 down on club lead but for unknown reasons, East preferred leading the D9 and when West won the HQ, he continued with diamonds and now there were 10 tricks for the NS. Pakistan thus gaining 12 IMPs on the board, to lead 18-3.

Board 7, Dlr: South, Vul: All

♠Q		
♥AJT98542		
♦972		
♣2		
♠AT9872	N	♠K43
♥Q	W	♥
♦3	E	♦AQJ85
♣AKQT5	S	♣J8743
		♠J65
		♥K763
		♦KT64
		♣96

OPEN ROOM:

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



In the open room, West should have upgraded his 2-suiter hand after getting a min 3 carder support from partner, who has shown a good hand by jumping to 4S. But he bid only 5S, declarer making all the 13 tricks, once declarer took the finesse in spade after SQ fell.

# CLOSED ROOM:

West	North	East	South
1S	4H	4S	5H
6S	All Pass		

Tehsin (west) did not gave any chance to the opponents and jumped to 6S over 5H. Though he did not take the spade finesse after the fall of SQ, but that was 1430 to Pakistan against 710 and a swing of 12 IMPs.

They led 30-3 before another slammish hand came in the next board itself.

Board 8, Dlr: West, Vul: None

♠J932			
♥94			
♦8542			
♣KQ3			
♠AQT54	N	♠K86	
♥J873	W	♥AKQ5	
♦KQ63	E	♦AJ7	
♣	S	♣A84	
		♠7	
		♥T62	
		♦T9	
		♣JT97652	

In the open room, the UAE EW played in 6H making all the 13 tricks. In the closed room, the bidding went as follows:

West	North	East	South
1S	Pass	2C(1)	Pass
2H	Pass	3H	Pass
3S	Pass	3NT	Pass
4D	Pass	4NT	Pass
5C (2)	Pass	7H	All Pass

- (1) – GF  
(2) – One Keycard

There was nothing in the play. North led CK and declarer claimed 13 tricks. It is interesting to note that except 7H, all other contracts 7D, 7S or 7NT go down. That was another 11 IMPs in the kitty of Pakistan.

. On next board, in the open room, the Pakistan NS played in 3C making 10 tricks for +130. In the closed room, after a mis match has been shown, then also they went all the way to 6C going 1 down for another 5 IMPs to Pakistan. On board 10, Pakistan got another IMP and then board 11 came

Board 11, Dlr: South, Vul: None

♠AQ8652			
♥982			
♦Q6			
♣53			
♠9	N	♠KJ4	
♥KQ4	W	♥J763	
♦KJT32	E	♦95	
♣AKJ2	S	♣Q864	
		♠T73	
		♥A75	
		♦A874	
		♣T97	

.In the open room, the UAE west opened 1 NT and that became the final contract. North led the S6 and declarer lost his opportunity of making 9 tricks, if he plays the SJ. He will get 2 spades, 3 hearts and 4 Clubs. When declarer played low, South won with Ten and returned the spade, North allowing him to win the trick in dummy. When declarer played a heart, South hopped up with Ace and returned the spade and that was 1 down.

In the closed room, the Pakistan East was in 4H on a 4-3 Moysian fit. South led the H5, declarer winning with King, and playing spade. North hopped up with Ace and played H9 to South's Ace and heart return cleared the trump

Declarer now cashed the clubs and led D9 from hand and played the DK when South played low. The DJ was played and now NS are in problems. North has to play the DQ and gets end played in playing spades and declarer can put the SJ to make the contract. If South over takes then he will have to play spades or diamond, in both cases, the contract will be made. Well played Askari. That was aother 10 IMPs gain for Pakistan. Pakistan was leading 57-3 after this board.

But now it was the turn of the UAE team to show their skills.

Board 12, Dlr: West, Vul: NS

♠K3			
♥QJ9642			
♦QT			
♣K43			
♠AQ65	N	♠T98742	
♥AKT7	W	♥3	
♦J9	E	♦8753	
♣A86	S	♣Q5	
		♠J	
		♥85	
		♦AK642	
		♣JT972	

In the open room, the East west pair bid to 4S, which was ice cold. In the closed room, North overcalled a weak 2H over West's 1C and once East did not take any action, it went all pass. Declarer only gave 1 spade and a club and 2 hearts for a score of +140 and that was 11 IMPs to UAE.

Board 13, Dlr: North, Vul: All

♠K76			
♥JT5			
♦AKJT			
♣975			
♠J4	N	♠AQ2	
♥87	W	♥43	
♦843	E	♦Q9652	
♣AKJT82	S	♣Q43	
		♠T9853	
		♥AKQ962	
		♦7	
		♣6	

Both the tables were in 4H by South. On both tables, one top club was cashed and club returned, ruffed in hand.

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## WOMEN TEAMS – RR1, ROUND -2 (INDIA Vs. PAKISTAN )

### Open room:

**NS Kalpana Gurjar / Vidhya Patel (India)**

**EW Fatima Raza/ Qudisia Dosa (Pak)**

### Closed room:

**NS Durriya Vasi/ Rubina Saeed (Pak)**

**EW Asha Sharma / Puja Batra (India)**

**Board 24:** In the Open room, India stopped in 4C after a precision 2C opening by Kalpana showing 11-15 hcp with 5+C. Fatima made an aggressive overcall of 2H, Vidhya mentioned her diamonds and Qudisia raised aggressively to 3H. North, very reasonably rebid here excellent 7 card C suit lacking a H stopper, which ended the bidding.

24	N KALPANA GU		W N E S	
	♠ A4 ♥ Q5 ♦ 108 ♣ AQJ8532		P 2♣ 2♥ 3♦ 3♥ 4♣ P P	
W QUDSIA DOS	♠ K8753 ♥ 873 ♦ 963 ♣ K6		E KALPANA GU	
			♠ Q62 ♥ AK9642 ♦ Q ♣ 1074	
S VIDHYA PAT	♠ J109 ♥ J10 ♦ AKJ7542 ♣ 9		4♣ N	
			NS: 0 EW: 0	

In the closed room Rubina Saeed & Durriya Vasi reached a very reasonable 5D contract after a 1C opening and a weak 2H overcall by E, Rubina Saeed, sitting south jumped straight to 5D but went down, a 5 imp pickup for India.

24	N DURRIYA VA		W N E S	
	♠ A4 ♥ Q5 ♦ 108 ♣ AQJ8532		P 1♣ 2♥ 5♦ P P P	
W ASHA_SHARM	♠ K8753 ♥ 873 ♦ 963 ♣ K6		E DURRIYA VA	
			♠ Q62 ♥ AK9642 ♦ Q ♣ 1074	
S RUBINA SAE	♠ J109 ♥ J10 ♦ AKJ7542 ♣ 9		5♦ S	
			NS: 0 EW: 0	



**Board 27 :** In the closed room, after a 1H opening by Rubina and a 2D overcall by Asha, Durriya jumped pre-emptively to 4H and Puja, sitting E, decided to show her values by doubling. W, understandably rebid 5D and the club suit got lost, so when South sacrificed in 5H, it was doubled for one down. India plus 100.

27	N DURRIYA VA		W N E S	
	♠ 109765 ♥ 108532 ♦ 6 ♣ 84		2♦ 4♥ X P 5♦ P P 5♥ X P P P	
W ASHA_SHARM	♠ 2 ♥ 9 ♦ AJ75432 ♣ AKJ2		E PUJA BATRA	
			♠ A83 ♥ A ♦ Q8 ♣ Q1097653	
S RUBINA SAE	♠ KQJ4 ♥ KQJ764 ♦ K109 ♣		5♥x S	
			NS: 0 EW: 0	

In the open room after a similar start to the bidding, Fatima took a more direct route over 4H and bid 5C with her 7 card club suit and was promptly raised to slam by her grandmother. She was soon claiming +940. 13 imps to Pakistan.

27	N KALPANA GU		W N E S	
	♠ 109765 ♥ 108532 ♦ 6 ♣ 84		2♦ 4♥ 5♣ 5♥ 6♣ P P P	
W QUDSIA DOS	♠ 2 ♥ 9 ♦ AJ75432 ♣ AKJ2		E KALPANA GU	
			♠ A83 ♥ A ♦ Q8 ♣ Q1097653	
S VIDHYA PAT	♠ KQJ4 ♥ KQJ764 ♦ K109 ♣		6♣ E	
			NS: 0 EW: 0	

### Board 29

29	N KALPANA GU		W N E S	
	♠ 8632 ♥ A752 ♦ 4 ♣ J1093		P P 1♦ P 1NT P 1NT P 3NT P P P	
W QUDSIA DOS	♠ AQ75 ♥ K104 ♦ 102 ♣ AK87		E FATIMA RAZ	
			♠ K4 ♥ J96 ♦ AK875 ♣ 652	
S VIDHYA PAT	♠ J109 ♥ Q83 ♦ QJ963 ♣ Q4		3NT E	
			NS: 0 EW: 0	

## Board 29

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<div> <div>D</div> <div>29</div> </div>		<div> <div>N</div> <div>KALPANA GU</div> </div>		<div> <div>W</div> <div>N</div> <div>E</div> <div>S</div> </div>			
<div> <div>♠ 8632</div> <div>♥ A752</div> <div>♦ 4</div> <div>♣ J1093</div> </div>				<div> <div>♠ P</div> <div>♥ 1♦</div> <div>♦ P</div> <div>♣ 1NT</div> </div>			
				<div> <div>1♠</div> <div>3NT</div> <div>P</div> <div>P</div> </div>			
<div> <div>W</div> <div>QUDSIA DOS</div> </div>				<div> <div>E</div> <div>FATIMA RAZ</div> </div>			
<div> <div>♠ AQ75</div> <div>♥ K104</div> <div>♦ 102</div> <div>♣ AK87</div> </div>				<div> <div>♠ K4</div> <div>♥ J96</div> <div>♦ AK875</div> <div>♣ 652</div> </div>			
		<div> <div>S</div> <div>VIDHYA PAT</div> </div>					
		<div> <div>♠ J109</div> <div>♥ Q83</div> <div>♦ QJ963</div> <div>♣ Q4</div> </div>					
				<div> <div>3NT E</div> <div>NS: 0 EW: 0</div> </div>			
<div> <div>Rewind</div> <div>Previous</div> <div>Next</div> <div>Options</div> <div>GIB</div> <div>Play</div> </div>							

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In the open room, after the bidding sequence of 1D-1S-1N-3N, Fatima, who chose to open the east hand, received the lead of the jack of spades. She tested the diamonds and when they refused to behave ducked a C to North, hoping the clubs were 3-3 and she would eventually be able to get a H trick, but that was not to be and down she went. India +100.

In the closed room, Puja chose to pass the east hand, which gave west the opportunity to open 1N. She was raised to 3N and got a heart lead from north. When South put the queen, she already had nine tricks after knocking out the heart ace, and soon chalked up an overtrick when North threw a spade. India plus 630 and 12 imps to India.

## Board 31:

<div><div>31</div><div>D</div></div>		<div><div>N</div><div>KALPANA GU</div></div>		<div><div>W</div><div>N</div><div>E</div><div>S</div></div>	
<div><div>♠ 10653</div><div>♥ KJ53</div><div>♦ K64</div><div>♣ 76</div></div>		<div><div>P</div><div>1♦</div><div>P</div><div>1♥</div></div>		<div><div>1♠</div><div>3♥</div><div>P</div><div>4♥</div></div>	
<div><div>W</div><div>QUDSIA DOS</div></div>		<div><div>E</div><div>FATIMA RAZ</div></div>		<div><div>♠ J74</div><div>♥ 1042</div><div>♦ A72</div><div>♣ Q1092</div></div>	
<div><div>♠ K98</div><div>♥ J109853</div><div>♦ A854</div></div>		<div><div>S</div><div>VIDHYA PAT</div></div>		<div><div>♠ AQ2</div><div>♥ AQ9876</div><div>♦ Q</div><div>♣ KJ3</div></div>	
		<div><div>4♥ S</div><div>NS: 0 EW: 0</div></div>			
<div><div>Rewind</div><div>Previous</div><div>Next</div><div>Options</div><div>GIB</div><div>Play</div></div>					

Both teams played 4H by south and received the jack of D lead, ducked by both easts. It ultimately boiled down to a correct club guess, which Vidhya did and Rubina didn't. 12 Imps to India.

In brd 32, the Pakistan team recovered 11 imps by making a profitable non-vulnerable sacrifice in hearts against a vulnerable 4S game.

The Pakistan team considered themselves unlucky, because the first two boards, 17 and 18 were cancelled by the tournament director due to a Pakistan player arriving 12 minutes late. They not only lost plus positions in these boards, but also were penalized by losing 3 imps for each board.

**The end result - India 43- Pakistan 19.**

- **Reported by Yasser Rahim**

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Declarer went to HJ and ruffed last club and in closed room, the UAE south played a spade and when West played low, played the S6. East got end played and the contract was made. In the open room, declarer put the SK and defenders were able to take 3 spade tricks for one down and an all important 12 IMPs to UAE.

There was another major swing on board 14.

Board 14, Dlr: East, Vul: None

<div> <div>♠ 952</div> <div>♥ 763</div> <div>♦ Q75</div> <div>♣ AJ76</div> </div>		<div> <div>N</div> <div>E</div> </div>		<div> <div>♠ 3</div> <div>♥ KQJ9</div> <div>♦ J6432</div> <div>♣ T43</div> </div>	
<div> <div>♠ AJ</div> <div>♥ A8542</div> <div>♦ AT9</div> <div>♣ K92</div> </div>		<div> <div>W</div> <div>S</div> </div>		<div> <div>♠ KQT8764</div> <div>♥ T</div> <div>♦ K8</div> <div>♣ Q85</div> </div>	

Though 4H by EW can score, but in both the rooms the contract was 4S doubled. Both the rooms led the HA.

In the open room, declarer gave one club trick besides the 3 Aces to go one down, but in closed room the contract was allowed to make, when West played a low club after taking the HA. That was another 12 IMPs to UAE.

Board 15 was a flat board and UAE gained 2 IMPs on board 16, when they bid 3S and made 10 tricks for +170 and their partner's bid 4H going 2 down for -100.

**Pakistan won the match by 57-40.**

- **Editor**

## 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.**

# **Memories of the BFAME – Part 2** **A really strong woman accepts the war she went** **through and ennobled by her scares. Carly Simon** **By Ghassan Ghanem – President Emeritus, BFAME**

This deal occurred during the Fifteenth BFAME Championships held in Amman-Jordan in June/July 2009, at the Regency Hotel. It was round one of the Open Series 2<sup>ND</sup>. Round Robin.

Board 25, Dlr: North, Vul: EW

	♠KT9	
	♥K952	
	♦T4	
	♣J762	
♠A74		♠5
♥J73	<b>N</b>	♥AT84
♦92	<b>W E</b>	♦AKQJ853
♣AKT54	<b>S</b>	♣8
	♠QJ8632	
	♥Q6	
	♦76	
	♣Q93	

West	North	East	South
		<b>Kiran Nadar</b>	
	Pass	1D	2S(1)
3S(2)	4S(3)	4NT(4)	Pass
6C(5)	Pass	6D	All Pass

- (1) – Weak Jump
- (2) – Opening hand
- (3) – Pre-emptive
- (4) - Classic Blackwood
- (5) – Preparing Club Slam
- (6) – I prefer diamonds, my independent suit

Nadar won the spade lead, and immediately played a heart to her eight losing to the queen. South played a club, giving the lead back to dummy killing the last entry to the dummy. Without hesitation, Nadar cashed both top clubs discarding a heart, and finessed the heart again to make her contract.

Referring to The Official Encyclopaedia of Bridge, the suit combination when the defenders hold the king and queen, and declarer and dummy hold seven cards: **T x x & A J 8 x**, to make three tricks, "Lead small to the eight" and that what Nadar played, she was criticized, but Raman Jayaram quoted the Encyclopaedia proving she was right.

This hand comes from the women series Semi final of the BFAME Championships held in Cairo – Egypt in 1989 at Ramses Hotel. The Indian pair facing Zimbabwe, bid the slam following a meticulous sequence.

Kiran Nadar – the youngest participant among all in the Women Series – was sitting West, Neena Bonarji – four times BFAAME champion – was sitting East.

Board 18, Dlr: North, Vul: EW

	♠KQ6	
	♥KJ532	
	♦2	
	♣KJ62	
	<b>N</b>	
<b>W E</b>		
<b>S</b>		
	♠AJ872	
	♥AT	
	♦AJT5	
	♣A3	

West	East
<b>Nadar</b>	<b>Bonarji</b>

<b>1H</b>	<b>1S</b>
<b>2C</b>	<b>2D</b>
<b>2S</b>	<b>3H</b>
<b>4H</b>	<b>4NT(1)</b>
<b>5D(2)</b>	<b>6S</b>
<b>All Pass</b>	

- (1) – Roman Key Card Blackwood
- (2) – One Key Card

India won to face Egypt in the Final, they were losing badly, but came back fast, remounting to win the title after the NPC changed the pairing. It was an amazing "Remontada".

*Ghassan Ghanem*

## *Request from Bulletin Editor*

*The Bulletin Editor will be thankful to all those, who can pass on an interesting hand to the Bulletin Editor in the Tournament Operation Room.*

## IMPORTANT NOTE ON SEMI-FINALS BY HEAD-TD

### Open & Women Categories

- In the Open & Women Categories team event, the top four teams will qualify to the semi-final stage after playing 3 complete RR according to the published schedule.
- The top ranked team after the 3 complete RR stage will choose their opponent in the semi-final from the 3rd or the 4th teams and the remaining 2 teams will play against each others.
- The semi-final match will be played in 6 Sessions, 16 boards each in IMPs.
- The final match between the semi-final winners will be played in 2 Sessions, 16 Boards each.
- Play-off between the semi-final losers will be played in 2 Sessions, 16 Boards each to determine the 3rd placed team.
- In all the knock out stages, there shall be a carry-over = 0.5 IMP to the team who scored more VPs in the RR stage.

*Waleed El Menyawi, Head TD*

## PENALTIES & WARNINGS FROM HEAD TD

### Warnings:

1. UAE OPEN Team gets warning for not submitting their line up on time for RR1-R2. (1<sup>st</sup> offense)
2. JORDAN OPEN Team gets warning for not submitting their line up on time for RR1-R4 (1<sup>st</sup> offense).

### Penalties:

1. PAKISTAN Mixed Team (NS in the Open room) gets a penalty of 0.5 VPs for not entering the score of last board on the Bridgemate in RR1 – R3.
2. Bangladesh (open) – 2<sup>nd</sup> offense – Team must pay a fine of 10 US\$ before starting the 4<sup>th</sup> round of RR1.
3. Jordan (Seniors) – 2<sup>nd</sup> offense – Team must pay a fine of 10 US\$ before starting the 1<sup>st</sup> round of RR2.

## The UAE MIXED TEAM



### No Mobile Phones

Use of Mobile telephones is prohibited in the playing area, while the play session is on. No player can take the Mobile phone inside the playing arena. It has to be deposited outside playing area and TDs will make a random check. Strict action will be taken against the offending players.



### No Smoking



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

### IMPORTANT - PLEASE NOTE

*The Tournament Directors would award penalties as prescribed by the Laws and Conditions of the contest for Use of Mobiles, Slow play or Late Arrival.*

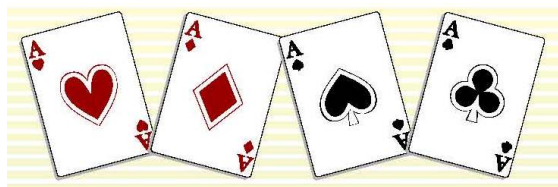
*All players are informed that ENGLISH is the official language of the tournament for interacting while the match is on.*



"OH, THANK HEAVENS!! A FOURTH!!"

# **The 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Championships, LAHORE, PAKISTAN**

**5<sup>th</sup> May to 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023**



## **Championships Schedule**

**Daily Timings**      1000 – 1220 Hrs.    Match 1 of the day - OPEN/WOMEN/SENIORS/MIXED Teams  
                             1400 – 1620 Hrs.    Match 2 of the day - OPEN/WOMEN/SENIORS/MIXED Teams  
                             1645 – 1905 Hrs.    Match 3 of the day - OPEN/WOMEN/SENIORS/MIXED Teams

Saturday, May 06 till Wednesday, May 10, 2023 - Same timings as above for all qualifying matches in the Round Robin of all the events. All teams play three matches per day. But in Mixed & Senior their last round robin will be played on Thursday, May 11, 2023.

**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

**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:**

- Complete Triple Round Robin Qualification matches of 16 boards each with 3 matches per day, Total 15 matches in Open & Women Category.
- Semi Finals: 96 Boards (16x6) for Open & Women Category.
- 6 Round robin matches of 16 boards each with 3 matches per day. Total 18 matches in Mixed & Senior Category
- Finals: 32 boards (16x2) for all four categories. For Open & Women Category on 13<sup>th</sup> May and for Mixed & Senior Category on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

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