





# 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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Bulletin - 5

Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## INDIA Continues to TOP in all the Four Team Events

Yesterday was the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Championships. We are on the last round robin in the OPEN & WOMEN Team events with 12 out of the 15 rounds already completed. Today the last three matches will decide the semi-finalist teams in the Open & Women team events.

After 12 rounds, in the open event, the Indian Team (Joyjit Sensarma (Coach & NPC), Ajay Khare, Raju Tolani, Rajeshwar Tewari, Sumit Mukherjee, Jaggay Shivdasani, Sandeep Thakral) is leading with a score of 135.52 VPs.

Pakistan Team (Tehsin Gheewala (Captain), Mohsin Chandna, Farrukh Liaqat, Imran Abedi, Hassan Askari, Mubashir Puri) is in 2<sup>nd</sup> position with a score of 128.54 VPs. The Jordan team is on 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 114.93 VPs and Bangladesh is in 4<sup>th</sup> position with 111.70 VPs. UAE open had a bad day and have dropped to the last position with 109.31 VPs.

In the Women event, after 12 rounds, the Indian Team (Anal Shah (Coach & NPC), Alka Kshirsagar, Asha Sharma, Puja Batra, Bharati Dey, Kalpana Gurjar, Vidhya Patel) are leading with a massive score of 160.98 VPs.

The Pakistan Team (Fatima Raza (Captain), Rubina Saeed Hai, Qudsia Dossa, Nilofer Aslam, Meharangiz Shahveer, Durriya Vasi) with nearly 15 VPs less is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> position with a score of 144.22 VPs. The UAE team with 120.15 VPs and Palestine with 96.14 VPs are in 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> position respectively. Jordan team is last with 77.51 VPs.

The Senior teams completed their fourth round-robin yesterday and after playing total of 12 rounds, the Indian team (Subhash Gupta (Coach & NPC), Hemant Jalan, Sukamal Das, Subrata Saha, Pranab Bardhan, Badal Das, Samir Basak) are leading with a score of 149.68 VPs

The Pakistan team (Saeed Akhtar (Captain), Shahid Hameed, Imran Gardezi, Ghias Malik, Azhar Hameed, Mirza Shauq Hussain) is in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with 134.07 VPs, and Jordan is way behind in 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 73.75 VPs. There are still 2 more round robins of 3 matches each to be played.

The Mixed teams also completed their fourth round-robin yesterday and after playing a total of 12 rounds, 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 157.49 VPs.

The UAE team (Nermeen Qasim Norani (Captain), Elvan Edis, Sawsan Elabyari, Humayun Sumar, Timur Edis, Amr Mekky) is in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with 133.86 VPs, followed by Jordan and Pakistan in 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> place with 97.93 and 90.22 VPs respectively. Still 2 more round robins each of 3 matches are to be played. The 2 TOP teams in Senior& Mixed will play the final on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

See detailed results on page 4 & 5.



Ministry of Inter Provincial Coordination Government of Pakistan







# Delegation of International Police Association Visits the BFAME Championships

A delegation of International Police Association visited BFAME championships venue on Monday, the May 08, 2023. The delegation was briefed about the game of bridge, the international bridge events, the medals awarded to players, and other related details.





Reported by - Mr. Ghalib Bandesha

# The Palestine Women Team at BFAME 2023



## Today's Play Schedule (Wednesday – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023)

				OPEN TE	<b>AMS</b>					
TBL#	RR-3, RND-	3 (10	00 Hrs.)	RR-3, RND-	4 (14	00 Hrs.)	RR-3, RND-5 (1645 Hrs.)			
TBL-1	INDIA	Vs	JORDAN	UAE	Vs	INDIA	INDIA	Vs	PAKISTAN	
TBL-2	BANGLADESH	Vs	UAE	JORDAN	Vs	PAKISTAN	JORDAN	Vs	BANGLADESH	
	PAKISTAN	Vs	BYE	BANGLADESH	Vs	ВҮЕ	UAE	Vs	BYE	
				WOMEN TI	EAIV	1S				
TBL#	RR-3, RND-	3 (10	00 Hrs.)	RR-3, RND-	4 (14	00 Hrs.)	RR-3, RI	ND-5	(1645 Hrs.)	
TBL-3	INDIA	Vs	PALESTINE	UAE	Vs	INDIA	INDIA	Vs	PAKISTAN	
TBL-4	JORDAN	Vs	UAE	PALESTINE	Vs	PAKISTAN	PALESTINE	Vs	JORDAN	
	PAKISTAN	Vs	BYE	JORDAN	Vs	ВҮЕ	UAE	Vs	BYE	
				SENIORS T	EAN	18				
TBL#	RR-5, RND-	1 (10	00 Hrs.)	RR-5, RND-	2 (14	00 Hrs.)	RR-5, RI	ND-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-5, RND-	1 (10	000 Hrs.)	RR-5, RND-	2 (14	00 Hrs.)	RR-5, RI	ND-3	(1645 Hrs.)	
TBL-6	INDIA	Vs	UAE	PAKISTAN	Vs	INDIA	INDIA	Vs	JORDAN	
TBL-7	JORDAN	Vs	PAKISTAN	UAE	Vs	JORDAN	PAKISTAN	Vs	UAE	

# Today's Vu-Graph Matches on BBO

Round-1: 1000 Hrs

BBO 1: INDIA Vs. UAE (MIXED)

BBO 2: JORDAN Vs. PAKISTAN (MIXED)

Round-2: 1400 Hrs

BBO 1: JORDAN Vs. PAKISTAN (OPEN)

BBO 2: UAE Vs. INDIA (WOMEN)

Round-3: 1645 Hrs

BBO 1: JORDAN Vs. BANGLADESH (OPEN)

BBO 2: INDIA Vs. PAKISTAN (WOMEN)

## **RESULTS AT A GLANCE**

	OPEN TEAM EVENT										
Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO RR2-R4	RF	22-R5	RR	23-R1	RF	R3-R2	PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
1	1	INDIA	106.97	2	12.29	В	10.00	3	6.26		135.52
2	2	PAKISTAN	97.31	1	7.71	3	8.52	5	15.00		128.54
4	3	BANGLADESH	76.48	В	10.00	2	11.48	1	13.74		111.70
3	4	JORDAN	82.8	5	9.09	5	13.04	В	10.00		114.93
5	5	UAE	86.44	4	10.91	4	6.96	2	5.00		109.31

	WOMEN TEAM EVENT										
Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO RR2-R4	RR	22-R1	RR	22-R2	RF	R2-R3	PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
5	1	JORDAN	74.33	2	0.40	3	2.03	2	0.75		77.51
1	2	INDIA	112.13	1	19.60	В	10.00	1	19.25		160.98
2	3	PAKISTAN	111.81	В	10	1	17.97	4	4.44		144.22
3	4	UAE	82.19	5	6.48	5	15.92	3	15.56		120.15
4	5	PALESTINE	68.54	4	13.52	4	4.08	В	10.00		96.14

	SENIOR TEAM EVENT										
					Rou	ınd	Robin	- 4			
Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO R2		R1		R2		R3	PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
2	1	PAKISTAN	95.28	В	10.00	3	17.59	2	11.20		134.07
1	2	INDIA	114.63	3	16.25	В	10.00	1	8.80		149.68
3	3	JORDAN	59.59	2	3.75	1	2.41	В	10.00	2.00	73.75

	MIXED TEAM EVENT										
	Round Robin - 4										
Rank	T#	Team Name	TOTAL UPTO R2		R1		R2		R3	PEN	TOTAL
				Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	Vs.	VPs	VPs	
1	1	INDIA	114.56	4	5.00	3	18.87	2	19.06		157.49
3	2	JORDAN	74.4	3	17.97	4	4.62	1	0.94		97.93
4	3	PAKISTAN	83.94	2	2.03	1	1.13	4	3.12		90.22
2	4	UAE	86.6	1	15.00	2	15.38	3	16.88		133.86

# **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	TEA	M EVENT RES	ULTS	
		RR2	2 - Round # 5		
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	PAKISTAN	Vs.		29-37	7.71 - 12.29
2	UAE	Vs.	JORDAN	29-26	10.91 - 9.09
	BANGLADESH	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
	1	RR3	3 - Round # 1		
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	PAKISTAN	Vs.	BANGLADESH	25-30	8.52 - 11.48
2	UAE	Vs.	JORDAN	31-42	6.96 - 13.04
	INDIA	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
		RR3	3 - Round # 2		
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	BANGLADESH	Vs.		29-15	13.74 - 6.26
2	PAKISTAN	Vs.		31-11	15.00 - 5.00
	JORDAN	Vs.	BYE	0111	10.00 - 0
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TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	INDIA	Vs.		66-11	19.60 - 0.40
4	PALESTINE	Vs.	UAE	40-27	13.52 -6.48
	PAKISTAN		BYE		10.00 - 0
	T	RR3	3 - Round # 1	•	
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	PAKISTAN	Vs.	JORDAN	59-20	17.97 - 2.03
4	UAE	Vs.	PALESTINE	53-28	15.92 - 4.08
	INDIA		BYE		10.00 - 0
		RR3	3 - Round # 2		
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
3	JORDAN	Vs.	INDIA	11-62	0.75 - 19.25
4	PAKISTAN	Vs.	UAE	36-59	4.44 - 15.56
	PAKISTAN		BYE		10.00 - 0
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TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	JORDAN	Vs.	INDIA	4-31	3.75 - 16.25
	PAKISTAN	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
		RR4	- Round # 2		
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
5	PAKISTAN	Vs.	JORDAN	62-26	17.59 - 2.41
	INDIA	Vs.	BYE		10.00 - 0
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TBL #	Home Team INDIA	Vs.	Visiting Team PAKISTAN	1MPs	<b>VPs</b> 8.80 - 11.20
5	JORDAN	VS.	BYE	26-30	10.00 - 0
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TDL #	Homes Table	KR4	l - Round # 1	1140-	\/Da
TBL #	Home Team UAE	Vs.	Visiting Team INDIA	1MPs 44-24	<b>VPs</b> 15.00 - 5.00
7	PAKISTAN	VS.	JORDAN	8-47	2.03 - 17.97
	1 . / 11 (10 1 / 11 )	•	1 - Round # 2	U-4 <i>1</i>	<u> </u>
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	INDIA	Vs.	PAKISTAN	73-26	18.87 - 1.13
7	JORDAN	Vs.	UAE	35-57	4.62 - 15.38
		RR4	- Round # 3		
TBL #	Home Team		Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
6	JORDAN	Vs.	INDIA	5-54	0.94 - 19.06
7	UAE	Vs.	PAKISTAN	59-28	16.88 - 3.12

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

		OPEN EVENT
C	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, Jaggay Shivdasani, Sandeep Thakral
•	JORDAN	Zafer Najeh Jarrar (Captain), Aaida Haider HANNA Abu -Jaber, Sakher Mohammed Malkawi, Clement Maamarbachi, George Kashami, Amr Nimer
C	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
C	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
C	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
<b>⊗</b>	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
C	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
<b>⊗</b>	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

## 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	Vs	6		1	INDIA
2	5	Vs	1	2	Vs	3	4	Vs	6		2	PAKISTAN
3	1	Vs	4	5	Vs	3	2	Vs	6		3	BANGLADESH
4	3	Vs	1	4	Vs	2	5	Vs	6		4	JORDAN
5	1	Vs	2	4	Vs	5	3	Vs	6		5	UAE
										•	6	BYE

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

RND #		ΓBL-3	3	7	ΓBL-4	4	BYE		
1	2	Vs	5	3	Vs	4	1	Vs	6
2	5	Vs	1	2	Vs	3	4	Vs	6
3	1	Vs	4	5	Vs	3	2	Vs	6
4	3	Vs	1	4	Vs	2	5	Vs	6
5	1	Vs	2	4	Vs	5	3	Vs	6

Team #	TEAM NAME
1	JORDAN
2	INDIA
3	PAKISTAN
4	UAE
5	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 #	٦	ΓBL-5	5		BYE	
1	2	Vs	3	1	Vs	4
2	3	Vs	1	2	Vs	4
3	1	Vs	2	3	Vs	4

Team #	TEAM NAME
1	PAKISTAN
2	INDIA
3	JORDAN
4	BYE

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

RND#	TBL-6		ΓBL-7			
1	1	Vs	4	2	Vs	3
2	ფ	Vs	1	4	Vs	2
3	1	Vs	2	3	Vs	4

Team #	TEAM NAME
1	INDIA
2	JORDAN
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.
- 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

## OPEN TEAMS - RR2, ROUND -4 (PAKISTAN Vs. JORDAN)

#### Open room:

NS: Mohsin Chandna/ Imran Abedi (Pakistan) EW: Amr Nimer/Zafar Najeh Jarrar (JORDAN)

#### Closed room:

NS: George Kashami/ Clement Maamarbachi (JORDAN)

EW: Tehsin Gheewala/ Mubashir Puri (Pakistan)

The Jordanians picked up a non vulnerable game swing by bidding a marginal 4S game on board 1, which wasn't bid by Pakistan in the open room. That gave them 7 IMPs.



Board 2 had the typical multi mis-understanding. South thought that he was showing a pre-empt in spades by bidding 3H. well, his partner had other ideas. He thought 3H was showing a minimum heart pre-empt and passed 3H. South had to play in the 3-1 fit and managed to make four tricks. The Jordanian south opened a natural weak 2S in the closed room and was promptly raised to game. With the club king onside, he managed to make eleven tricks and another 15 imps to Jordan.

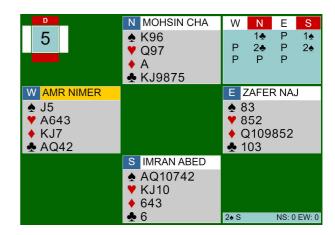
Board three was a push board.

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<ul><li>♠ 82</li><li>♥ AQJ108</li><li>♠ AJ74</li><li>♠ 75</li></ul>		<ul><li>♣ QJ1064</li><li>♥ 972</li><li>♦ K9</li><li>♣ 842</li></ul>
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	<ul><li>♠ A7</li><li>♥ K53</li><li>♦ Q63</li><li>♠ AKJ93</li></ul>	NO O FW O
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South meant his 2NT bid as natural; probably the upper range of a strong NT. North thought it was asking him to bid his best minor, which he duly did and 3D became the final contract. The play wasn't pleasant for the declarer. East led the spade queen won in dummy. Declarer tried the effect of a low diamond from dummy inserting the eight when west played low. East won the nine and shifted to the heart nine, holding the trick.

Hearts were continued, declarer ruffing the third round. He now cashed the spade king and tried to ruff a spade in dummy, but Tehsin over ruffed, drew the remaining trumps by cashing the ace and jack and cashed his two good hearts for down four. That was good for seven imps when the other table played the normal 2H contract, making.

South faced a tough decision in the open room on the next board;



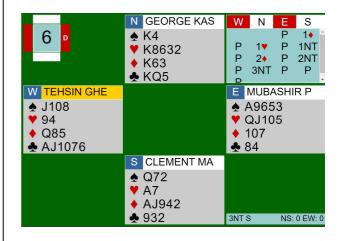
Do you invite game by bidding 3S or rebid a constructive 2S (it has to be constructive as you can pass 2C with a bad hand) with the south hand? With a singleton club, I have some sympathy for south for choosing the latter bid. North clearly thought that souths 2S was not constructive, else he has a clear raise. The cold spade game was missed.

The bidding at the other table was more competitive;

West	North	East	South
	1C	Pass	1S
DBL	RDBL(*)	4D	4S
All Pass			

West came in with a competitive double showing the red suits and North's RDBL showed 3-carder spade support. East tried to put maximum pressure by bidding 4D, but South had enough information to bid 4S. It was made without any problems gaining 10 imps to Jordan.

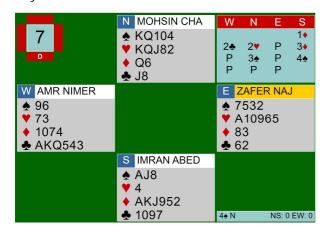
Pakistan struck back on the very next board though;



Tehsin led the club jack against 3NT. Declarer won in dummy, cashed the diamond king and finessed in diamonds. Tehsin won the trick with queen, and shifted to the spade jack. Declarer tried the king from dummy, but Puri won, and returned a low spade. Declarer could have made the hand by ducking and thus exhausting Tehsin of spades, but he won the queen and now had to go one down as he had only eight tricks without the club ace.

The play was exactly the same in the other room, but Abedi didn't make the mistake of winning the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of spades and won 10 precious imps back for Pakistan.

Would you make a vulnerable two level overcall holding the west hand on the next board? Surely many would chicken out.

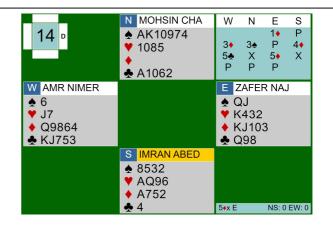


Amr bid 2C and NS tried the spade game in the Moysian fit lacking a club stopper. The contract went two down after declarer was forced to ruff the third club while east discarded one of his diamonds.

Tehsin understandably did not overcall two clubs in the other room and NS reached 3NT in an uncontested auction. When east led a normal heart, declarer ran away with eleven tricks. 13 imps to Jordan.

Jordan led 45-17 after eight boards. Board 9 and 10 were flat and Jordan picked up a further 4 imps on board 11 when they managed to defeat a 1NT contract in the closed room, which was made in the open room.

The match reignited after a lull, when this board turned up;



Ever heard the advice; "preempt to the maximum level, once". Well Amr (West) raised his partner's opening bid of 1D to a preemptive 3D but then decided that he wasn't done yet when north bid 3S and south cue-bid 4D to show a good raise in spades with some slam interest. Amr's 5C bid created problems for NS to find their spade slam and they just decided to take their money in 5D doubled, which should have been more than slam (1100 for down 5). The defense started well, south leading his singleton club and getting his ruff. He should have returned s spade, but inexplicably cashed the heart ace. That was still 8 imps to Pakistan, when the other table stopped in 4S making six.



The Pakistan EW bid a 23 point 3NT and made it with an overtrick, when the diamond finesse worked after North had led his partner's suit.

Final score: Pakistan 34 & Jordan 50

Reported by Yasser Rahim

## PENALTIES & WARNINGS FROM HEAD TD

## **Penalties:**

1. The JORDAN Senior Team got a penalty of 2 VPs in RR4-R2, when mobile phone of one of their players rang in the playing area.

## OPEN TEAMS - RR2, ROUND -5 (PAKISTAN Vs. INDIA)

Editor watched the first match of the morning session (RR2-R5), the eagerly awaited 2<sup>nd</sup> tussle between Pakistan and India in the open event.

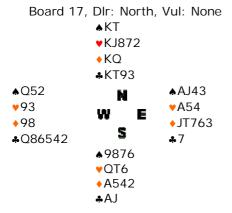
Open Room:

NS (INDIA) – Mubashir Puri – Tehsin Gheewala EW (UAE) –Raju Tolani – Ajay khare

Closed Room:

NS (UAE) – Rajeshwar Tewari – Sumit Mukherjee EW (INDIA) – Imran Abedi – Mohsin Chandna

The 1<sup>st</sup> board of the match itself turned out to be interesting.



Both rooms reached the par contract of 4H. As the cards lie, west can never be on lead to allow 2 tricks in spades. Double dummy, there seems to be maximum 2 spade & 1 trump loser.

The lead in both the tables was DJ. In the open room declarer won the DK and cashed DQ as well and played club to the Ace and the DA, which was ruffed by West with 9and over ruffed by Jack. A low trump to the Ten was played, when East played low and declarer pulled a low spade to King and Ace. East can now return the spade to get the club ruff and take the contract down but played the HA and a heart. When declarer played the CJ to King, he was down as one trick in club & one in spade had to be given.

In the closed room also declarer cashed DKQ and went to dummy with CA and played the DA ruffed & over ruffed but now played the club King and thus was down 2 to give 2 IMPs to Pakistan.

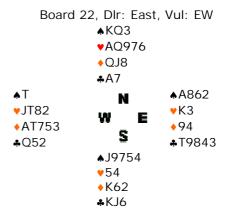


Mohsin Chandna

Pakistan gained 1 IMP for an over trick on board 18, and India scored 1 imp each on boards 19 & 21 for an over trick.



Raju Tolani



#### **OPEN ROOM**

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

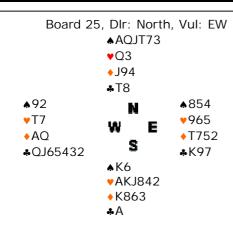
#### **CLOSED ROOM**

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

In the open room, the lead was C2, allowing a free finesse in clubs. Declarer now payed a low spade to King and continued with SQ, East ducking again. Spade was continued, East winning with Ace and playing back a club. Now when DQ was played, West ducked and the DJ was taken by West, who now gave a diamond ruff to partner. With heart king offside, the contract went 1 down.

In the closed room, the NS were in 3NT and the lead was C10. Declarer took the Ace in hand and played SK, East winning it with Ace and playing another club to Jack & Queen. The third club was won in dummy but as Diamond Ace was not with East, declarer was able to win 4 spades, 1 heart, 2 diamonds and 2 clubs for 10 IMPs to India.

At half way stage the score was 12-4 in favour of India.



#### **OPEN ROOM**

West	North	East	South
	2S	Pass	3H
Pass	4H	Pass	4NT
Pass	5C	Pass	5D
Pass	6H	All Pass	

#### **CLOSED ROOM**

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

Both tables opened the hand as 2S (weak 2 in spades) with 8-11 HCPs. South (Tehsin Gheewala) in open room was more aggressive in bidding then his closed room counterpart Sumit Mukherjee, who did not try for slam. 6H and 6NT from South were cold and Pakistan gained 11 IMPs on the board.



**Tehsin Gheewala** 

On board 26, India gained 2 IMPs for making 3 overtricks against 1 overtrick by their opponents in a 3NT contract.

Board 27, Dlr: South, Vul: None **♦**98764 **♥**AQ92 ↑T5 **♣**Q5 **♠**Q2 **A**AK5 ♥T854 **♥**J763 **♦**J4 ♦A872 **♣**K8732 **.**J4 **♦**JT3 **∨** K ♦KQ963 ♣AT96



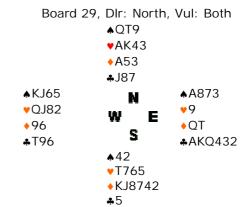
Mubashir Puri

In open room, the bidding was:

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

The declarer gave 3 spades, 1 club & 2 trump tricks to go one down. In closed room, North called 2H over the opener's 1D showing 5S + 4H with 5-8 HCPs. So South played in 2S, which made with an extra trick for +140 to India and a gain of 5 IMPs.

Pakistan recovered 3 IMPs on next board..



#### OPEN ROOM:

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

#### OPEN ROOM:

West	North	East	South
	1C	Pass	2D(*)

All Pass

India scored 3C in open room & 2D with an overtrick in closed room to gain 6 IMPs.



Ajay Khare

Board 30, Dlr: East, Vul: None **♦**A753 ▼KQJ3 ◆ J **.**AQ94 **♦**QT6 **▲**942 **y**9 ♥A54 ◆AT943 ♦KQ65 **♣**J862 **&**K75 **♦**KJ8 ♥T8762 **♦**872 **♣**T3

#### **OPEN ROOM**

West	North	East	South
		Pass	Pass
Pass	1C	Pass	1H
Pass	4H	All Pass	

#### **CLOSED ROOM**

West	North	East	South
		1D	Pass
3C(*)	Pass	3D	Pass
Pass	DBL	Pass	3H
All Pass			

In open room East did not feel it right to open 1D with his 12 HCPs but 4-3-3-3 hand and North took a aggressive view by bidding 4H. There was not much in the play, when West led the S6. Without spade lead, declarer will have to role the C10 to East's king and then can discard the losing spade. In the other room, the hand was opened and 3C most probably showed wek hand with diamonds & clubs. Though North doubled but was happy to play in 3H making 10 tricks for a loss of 6 imps.

Board 31, Dlr: South, Vul: NS AJ75 **♥**K95 QT9 **AQJT ♦**T83 **♦**Q42 ♥Q874 **♥**632 **♦**J2 ♦K754 S **♣**K963 **.**A84 **♦**K96 **Y**AJT ♦A863 **.**752

#### **OPEN / CLOSED ROOM**

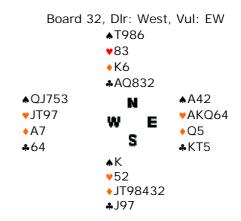
West	North	East	South
			1D
Pass	1S	Pass	1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	



Imran Abedi

In both the rooms there was identical bidding but in open room, the lead was C3 to CA and C8 returned. West ducked this and declarer played spade to the King and the finesse lost to the SQ. East played hhe 3<sup>rd</sup> club and West cashed both the clubs DQ to King & Ace and returned a passive spade. That was 1 down for +100 to India.

In the other room, the lead was the H4. This gave tempo to the declarer, who was able to get 3 tricks each in spade & hearts and 2 in diamonds along with a club to score 9 tricks and a gain of 12 IMPs.



#### **OPEN ROOM**

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1H	3D
4H	5D	DBL	All Pass

#### **CLOSED ROOM**

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

Both South bid aggressively. But Open room North sacrificed, whereas in the closed room 4H was passed. South in closed room led the C7 and declarer took out trumps and when SK fell on Ace, there were 12 tricks for -680. 5D doubled went 3 down for 500 to opponents and a gain of 5 IMPs to Pakistan.

Final Score - India won the match 37-29.

-Editor



Hey Partner.... How can you get confused by that bid.....??? Discussion between Sumit & Rajeshwar

## Memories of the BFAME - Part 5 It doesn't take much to be good, but it takes a lot to be real good. Billy Gibbons By Ghassan Ghanem - President Emeritus, BFAME

The Open Teams of the BFAME Championships held in Cairo - Egypt in 1989 had seen a very close Final match. It was Egypt vs. India. This slam deal demonstrates some simple cue bidding.

Board 11, Dlr: South, Vul: None



West	North	East	South
Roy		Ghose	
1NT 2D 4C(2) 4S(4)	Pass Pass Pass Pass	2C(1) 3C 4H(3) 6C(5)	Pass Pass Pass Pass All Pass
West	North	East	South
1NT 2NT(6) 3S(4) 5C	Pass Pass Pass All Pass	2S(5) 3H(4) 4D(4)	Pass Pass Pass DBL

- (1) Stayman
- (2) Fixing the club suit and slam interest
- (3) Agreeing Clubs, and cue bidding
- (4) Control Cue bid
- (5) Transfer to Clubs
- (6) Super Acceptance

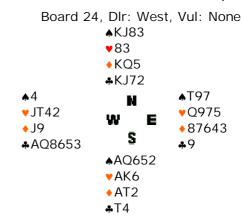
Ghose tried Stayman before introducing clubs, just in case Debasish Roy holding hearts. When it was clear that Roy doesn't have a heart suit, Ghose introduced his sequenced club suit. Roy's heart's cue bid confirmed good clubs' holding and denied a diamond stopper. Ghose spade's cue bid also assured diamond control, otherwise Ghose would have signed off in five clubs.

The hands make thirteen tricks, Ghose may have bid the grand, however, he was worried that his partner was holding wasted diamonds' values, instead of a club top honor.

The Egyptian pair at the other table started on the right foot but they were lost when west bid five clubs. Actually he should have bid four heart instead.

In the Ladies Final, Marguerite Homsy and Falak Metawea of Egypt also bid the slam, the Indian pair lost on the hand but they gained the title.

The following deal was played in the match between India Vs South Africa during the Eighth Round of the Open Teams Championship of the Eighth BFAAME Championships held at "the Forte Grand Hotel" in Amman - Jordan in April 1995.



West	North	East	South
Donde	Krishnan	Boolkin	Prabhakar
Pass	1C	Pass	1S
Pass	2S	Pass	3D(1)
Pass	4S(2)	Pass	4NT(3)
Pass	5D(4)	Pass	6S
All Pass			

- (1) Roman Key Cards Blackwood.
- (2) One Key Card.

In the Open Room, Venkatraman led the club ace and couldn't read Shah's nine of clubs until he saw the clubs four dropping which made it crystal clear that the club nine was a singleton, South should have dropped the ten to make it difficult for the defense. Down one. I

In the Closed Room, Donde led the hearts' Jack, and when in with the club ace, he played another hear. Contract made, and 14 IMPs for India.

**Ghassan Ghanem** 

## IMPORTANT

Captains of the qualified Open & Women Teams to Semi-finals are requested to be present at the operations room (adjacent to the playing arena) latest by 1915 Hrs. for Captain's meeting to be taken by Head TD.

# The Technical Teams of the Championships



From L to R: Anil Altindag (Scorer), T. C. Pant (Bulletin Editor), Tarek Abdel Rahman (TD), Waleed El-Menyawi (Head TD and Director of Operations), Ihsan Qadir (CTD), Sarfraz Butt (Asst. TD), Raad Etoom (TD), Wajahat Suri (Asst. TD)



The Dealing Team: Mohd. Saim Siddiqui & Mohd. Asghar



The BBO Team: Syed Usama Hussain, Syed Daood Bukhari, Syed Masud Bukari. Mudassar Rahim. Sardar Aamir. Talib Joiva

# The Organizing Team of the Championships



The organizing team of BFAME 2023 with the PBF President Mr. Mubasher Lucman From L to R: Abdul Haye, Umar Daraz, Ahsan, Amna, Kazim Naqvi, Faaiz, Jahangir, Bilal & Vicky

# Today's Dinner Invitation To all Players & officials of the 22<sup>nd</sup> BFAME Championships

Wednesday, 10th May 2023
Venue: P.F Chang
By Adam Bernard

## IMPORTANT FOR PLAYERS

Please note that the Bridgemate 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.

#### 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 area. 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.

# 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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