

HCL International Bridge Tournament 2011

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"SURBHI" Team Leads after 6 Rounds in Team of Four Event

The Tournament started yesterday with the Team of Four event for the "**Naresh Tandan Trophy**". **77 teams** - including one team from Bangladesh, were seen in action in the the Team of Four event.

Texan Aces, Dhampur Sugar Mills, Formidables, Shree Cement, Poddar Developers, Promila Saraf, Hemant K. Jalan, Arun Jain, Manyavar, Khandelwal, Azure and Maya Meera Sneha are some of the top Indian teams participating.

At the end of first day (after 6 rounds), **SURBHI**, comprising of Col. Guriqbal Singh, Sant Sharma, Ravi Kumar, Col. Sohan Pal, Buddy Shah and Rahul Shetty lead the event with **120 VPs**. **Dhampur Sugar Mills** (Ashok Goel, Suhas Vaidya, Pritish Kushari, Debbrata Majumder, Sumit Mukherjee and Bhabesh Saha) & **Maharaja** (Kalyan Choudhary, Kalyan Nandi, A. Kundan, S.R. Bhattacharya, S. Some and S. Das) are in joint second place with **119 VPs**. Formidables (116) is in 4th place and Khandelwal is in 5th place with 113 VPs. Spartans (108) and Azure (107) are in 6th & 7th place & with a score of 105 VPs, the 8th place is shared by Elusive 52 and Sham Sharma teams.

Today it is going to be far more competitive as teams lagging behind will try to catch up for the Quarter Final berths. There will be 4 more rounds before the Quarter Finalists are identified. The top teams lagging behind are Promila Saraf and Maya Meera Sneha with 103 VPs, Poddar Developers, Texan Aces and Arun Jain with 100 VPs. Manyavar (90), Hemant Jalan (87) & Shree Cement (85) will have to do exceptionally well for a berth in last-8.

The top 8 teams will qualify for the 3*12 board quarter-finals. 2 sessions of the quarter-finals will be played today evening and will be on BBO.

The OPEN PAIRS event starts today evening and considering the large participation in the Teams event, a real large number of entries are expected in the Pair event also.

The first elimination will consist of 2 sessions of 20/22 boards. The participants will play in 6 sections. The first session of elimination-I will be played today evening and the 2nd session will be played tomorrow morning.

Please don't forget to join for Cocktails & Dinner at 2000 Hrs. today at the venue itself.

INVITATION

*All participants are cordially invited for Cocktails & Dinner
Today at 2000 Hrs. at the venue.*

TEAM OF FOUR EVENT
Naresh Tandan Trophy

Scores after Round – 6 (Day-1)

RANK	TEAM #	TEAM NAME	SCORE	RANK	TEAM #	TEAM NAME	SCORE
1	26	SURBHI	120		65	AGARWALA, ALLAHABAD	91
2	59	MAHARAJA	119	41	25	MANYAVAR	90
	1	DHAMPUR SUGAR MILLS	119		76	MOHIT MEHTA	90
4	5	FORMIDABLES	116		52	FORCES-1	90
5	61	KHANDELWAL	113	44	68	DR. SANGHI	89
6	77	SPARTANS	108		37	MANGO	89
7	41	AZURE	107	46	34	DYNAMOS	88
8	40	SHAM SHARMA	105	47	27	SANJIB'S IV	87
	19	ELUSIVE 52	105		57	HEMANT JALAN	87
10	21	MAYA MEERA SNEHA	103		50	AMITABH VERMA	87
	23	A. R DAS'S IV	103		75	SUSHMA	87
	6	GO GREEN	103	51	55	NORIKO	86
	45	PROMILA SARAF	103		71	JUNIORS	86
14	66	HINGORANI	102	53	33	SHREE CEMENT	85
	47	SHAH	102		54	USHA KIRAN	85
16	35	NAVNEET	101	55	16	SPSBA, KANPUR	84
	11	LADIES (6)	101		67	GLORY	84
	49	HANDS & HEARTS	101	57	18	SOUMITRA BASU'S IV	83
19	9	TEXAN ACES	100	58	32	PUNJAB BRIDGE ASSOC	81
	17	PODDAR DEVELOPERS	100	59	12	ALIGARH BLUE	80
	13	ARUN JAIN	100		56	JIJAJI CLUB GWALIOR	80
22	28	EXPLORER	98		22	INFINITY	80
	7	INDIAN MAVERICKS	98	62	72	ALPHA	78
	43	DOCTOR'S FOUR	98		14	BJOY	78
25	29	BIMAL SICKA	97	64	20	F-5	77
	70	SECURE	97	65	51	A.C.L.A	75
	62	FORCE	97	66	39	TOAD'S	73
28	30	RAJPUTANA	95	67	63	KUME	70
	64	AMETURE	95	68	10	NAGBAGAN CARD CLUB	68
	15	PANKAJ MEHTA	95		4	FRIENDS	68
31	42	CBA	94		36	SHASHI'S TEAM	68
	73	YOUNG GUNS	94	71	44	TULSI	66
33	31	PRITHIS - ASANSOL	93	72	8	DELHI DIAMONDS	64
	69	TEAM ANDREY	93	73	58	MOHAMMED MERCHANT	63
	53	ARISTOS	93	74	2	DESERT WARRIORS	61
	74	PAL ALIG	93	75	24	GREATER KAILASH	60
37	48	ROHIT WRAPPERS	92	76	60	DULAL IV	59
38	46	GUPTA, KARNATAKA	91	77	3	THE STAR BRIDGE TEAM	55
	38	CENTRAL SECRETARIAT	91				

Entries For Pair Event

You are requested to give entries for "Open Pairs" today latest by 1530 Hrs.

Entry Fee – Rs. 1200 (Per Pair) for first elimination & Rs. 800 from those qualified to play the 2nd elimination.

Transport Arrangements

Pick & Drop Bus facility is available to participants from HOTEL ROYALE PARK (G-43, Sector – 6), NOIDA.

For further information please contact Mr. TC Pant (in the Scoring room) or the registration desk at the venue.

Interesting Deals

Round1: MANYAVAR Vs SURBHI

Board 21, Dealer : North, Vul: NS

	♠AQ73 ♥J ♦AJ765 ♣K86		
♠T873 ♥Q7654 ♦KT98 ♣	N W E S	♠J62 ♥K83 ♦432 ♣QJ96	
	♠K8 ♥AT92 ♦Q ♣AT7432		

West	North	East	South
<i>A Padhye</i>	<i>Buddy</i>	<i>R.Dalal</i>	<i>Rahul Shetty</i>
Pass	1D	Pass	2C
Pass	2S	Pass	3C
Pass	4C(1)	Pass	4S(2)
Pass	6C	All Pass	

(1) – RKC in clubs; (2) -2 Key cards without Trump Q
 West led a low heart (3rd / 5th) to Jack, King and Ace. Declarer ruffed a low heart in dummy and played the CK, getting the news of bad trump break. He now played Diamond Ace, ruffed a diamond in hand, ruffed a heart in dummy and again ruffed a diamond in hand. Now SK and 2 more rounds of top spades were played. When a low diamond was now played from dummy, East was forced to ruff. He ruffed with Jack and declarer ducked this. Poor East was forced to give the last 2 tricks to the CAT.

Well Played.

CARNAGE

Round 5 – SURBHI Vs. NAVNEET

Board 20, Dealer: West, Vul: NS

	♠K ♥KQJ74 ♦KQJ65 ♣95		
♠AJ6432 ♥A96 ♦3 ♣AQJ	N W E S	♠9 ♥T32 ♦AT9742 ♣832	
	♠QT875 ♥85 ♦8 ♣KT764		

West	North	East	South
<i>R Shetty</i>	<i>Chakraborty</i>	<i>Buddy</i>	<i>B. Bhattacharya</i>
1S	2S	Pass	2NT(1)
DBL	3D	DBL	3H
DBL	All Pass		

North's 2S was Michaels and South's 2NT was for checking the minor. West's double showed a good hand and after East doubled the 3D and South ran to 3H, West doubled again for penalty. The defence was precise and went as follows:

The singleton diamond was led to King and Ace. Club 2 was backed to CQ. CA and SA ere cashed and SJ was backed requesting for a diamond return. Declarer discarded a diamond from dummy, East ruffed and returned a diamond, declarer ruffing by 8 west overruffing with 9. Spade was returned and declarer ruffed with HK, east discarding a diamond. When declarer played HQ, West won with Ace and played another spade, thus forcing declarer to give the H10 to partner. The contract went 5 down for -1400.

No doubt Surbhi team is on top of the leaderboard after 6 rounds.

IMPORTANT

Four Teams aspired to ensure a berth in the Indian Team selection trials.

1. **Formidables**
2. **Texan Aces**
3. **Dhampur Sugar Mills**
4. **Manyawar**

Any of the above team **winning the All India HCL Bridge Championship 2011 will qualify to play Indian Team Selection Trials** to be held in April 2012.

However such a **team will not have a double benefit** (weightage), if the same team **wins any of the other selection berth** event approved by the federation.

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FORTHCOMING TOURNAMENTS

4th ALL INDIA Chandigarh Open Bridge Championship 2011 from 11th to 13th Nov 2011 at Sports Complex, Sector – 4, Chandigarh

ALL INDIA SHREE CEMENT KOLKATA BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIP 2011 from 11th to 13th Nov 2011 @ Bengal Rowing Club, Kolkata.

DELHI GYMKHANA CLUB Tournament at New Delhi from 25th to 27th Nov 2011.

ALL INDIA MOHANLAL BHARTIA BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIP 2012 from 9th to 12th Feb 2012 at Hotel Surya Palace, New Friends Colony, New Delhi.

The 9th International **HCL** Bridge Tournament

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Tournament Schedule

Sep 09	0900 – 1015 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 7 (10 Boards) – Actual draw
	1035 – 1150 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 8 (10 Boards) – Actual draw
	1210 – 1325 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 9 (10 Boards) – Actual draw
	1325 – 1415 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1415 – 1530 Hrs.	T-4, Round – 10 (10 Boards) – Actual Draw
	1600 – 1630 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1615 – 1800 Hrs.	Quarter-Final (Boards 1-12) - Session-1
	1815 – 2000 Hrs.	Quarter-Final (Boards 13-24) - Session-2
	1700 – 1945 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – I, Session I
	2000 Hrs.	Dinner & Cocktails
Sep 10	0915 – 1100 Hrs.	Quarter-Final (Boards 25-36) – Session-3
	0945 – 1230 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – I, Session II
	1130 – 1340 Hrs.	Semi-Final (Boards 1-15) - Session-1
	1300 – 1415 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1430 – 1640 Hrs.	Semi-Final (Boards 16-30) - Session-2
	1400 – 1645 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – II, Session I
	1645 – 1715 Hrs.	Tea Break
	1715 – 1925 Hrs.	Semi-Final (Boards 31-45) - Session-3
1715 – 2000 Hrs.	Pair Elimination – II, Session II	
Sep 11	0900 – 1110 Hrs.	T-4 Finals (Boards 1-15) – Session-1
	0900 – 1330 Hrs.	Pair Finals (Boards 1-32) - Session-I
	1130 – 1340 Hrs.	T-4 Finals (Boards 16-30) - Session-2
	1330 – 1430 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1430 – 1640 Hrs.	T-4 Finals (Boards 31-45) - Session-3
	1430 – 1900 Hrs.	Pair Finals (Boards 33-62) - Session-II
	1700 – 1910 Hrs.	T-4 Finals (Boards 46-60) - Session-4
1945 Hrs.	Prize Distribution & Closing Ceremony	

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www.bfi.net.in

Vu-Graph on BBO

Live Vu-graph of the Tournament will be available on BBO as per the following Schedule:

9th September 2011: Quarter-Finals: 1615 Hrs. (S1), 1815 Hrs. (S2)

10th September 2011: QF: 0915 Hrs. (S3), SF: 1130 Hrs. (S1), 1430 Hrs. (S2), 1715 Hrs. (S3)

11th September 2011: Finals: 0900 Hrs (S1), 1130 Hrs. (S2), 1430 Hrs. (S3), 1700 Hrs (S4)