

All India HCL Bridge Tournament 2004
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Pankaj Kapadia's IV & Dhampur Sugar Mills
Lead after 6 Rounds in Team of Four

The Tournament started yesterday with the Team of Four event for the "**Naresh Tandan Trophy**". Total 46 teams are participating in the tournament, comprising players from all over India. Agsar Paints, Formidables, Well Knit, Tolani Shipping, DSM & MONOTONA are some of the top teams participating.

At the end of first day (after 6 rounds), **Pankaj Kapadia's team** comprising of Pankaj Kapadia, Dipak Santra, Tapan Roy, Jagdish Biswas & Sankar Acharya and **Dhampur Sugar Mills** comprising of Ashok Goel, Kamal Mukherjee, Sumit Mukherjee, Badal Das, Sibnath Dey Sarkar & Pranab Bardhan lead the event with **123 VPs**. The teams from Chennai - **WELLKNIT** comprising of C.R. Badrinath, R. Krishnan, A.S. Vishwanathan, Krishna Kumar, R. Venkatesh & J.M. Shah with **120 VPs** and **AGSAR PAINTS** comprising of N.R. Kirubakara Murthy, B. Prabhakar, P. Sridharan, Anil Padhey, S. Sunderram & N. Nagappan with **115 VPs** are in 3rd & 4th place respectively.

Today it is going to be far more competitive as teams lagging behind will try to catch up for the Quarter Final berths. Today, there are going to be 4 more rounds before the Quarter Finalists are identified.

The PAIRS event also starts today evening.

Today's Schedule

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| 0900 – 1500 Hrs. - | Registration for Pair Tournament |
| 0900 – 1015 Hrs. - | T-4 (Round 7 of 10 boards – Actual draw) |
| 1035 – 1150 Hrs. - | T-4 (Round 8 of 10 boards – Actual draw) |
| 1210 – 1325 Hrs. - | T-4 (Round 9 of 10 boards – Actual draw) |
| 1325 – 1415 Hrs. - | Lunch |
| 1415 – 1530 Hrs. - | T-4 (Round 10 of 10 boards – Actual draw) |
| 1615 – 1815 Hrs. - | T-4 (Quarter Finals – Session 1 – 14 Boards) |
| 1830 – 2030 Hrs. - | T-4 (Quarter Finals – Session 2 – 14 Boards) |
| 1700 – 1930 Hrs. - | Pair Elimination 1 – Session 1 – 20 Boards |
| 2000 Hrs. - | Cocktails & Snacks |

THE PARTICIPANTS - TEAM OF FOUR

| Team No. | Team Name | Team No. | Team Name |
|----------|---------------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| 1 | MONOTONA, MUMBAI | 24 | B.N. SARAF BANKULA CLUB |
| 2 | JAIN's, MERRUT | 25 | PANKAJ KAPADIA'S IV |
| 3 | AB'S | 26 | GUN, BANGALORE |
| 4 | SONCHEL, DELHI | 27 | THE BEAGLES |
| 5 | FORMIDABLES | 28 | FIVE STARS |
| 6 | PANKAJ MEHTA | 29 | RADHEY, Mumbai |
| 7 | ROYAL INDIA | 30 | JHUNJHUNWALA'S |
| 8 | MAYA-MIRA "A" | 31 | EIL |
| 9 | TOLANI SHIPPING, MUMBAI | 32 | AZURE |
| 10 | ZEECO | 33 | MAYA-MIRA "B" |
| 11 | COSMOS, DELHI | 34 | LUCKNOW BLUE |
| 12 | CALCUTTA BRIDGE CLUB | 35 | M. SAHA's IV |
| 13 | WELLKNIT, CHENNAI | 36 | PURI'S TEAM, DELHI |
| 14 | BOAT HOUSE CLUB, NAINITAL | 37 | DHAMPUR SUGAR MILLS |
| 15 | GUPTA'S, BANGALORE | 38 | FRIENDS |
| 16 | EXPLORER | 39 | GROUP ANICALE BBO |
| 17 | ALOK DAGA | 40 | SUNIL MACHHAR, MUMBAI |
| 18 | PROF. D.P. BANERJEE'S IV | 41 | J.P. GOENKA |
| 19 | MADHYAVRAT | 42 | JAIPURIA, VARANASI |
| 20 | VETERANS | 43 | ACLA, ASANSOL |
| 21 | AGSAR PAINTS | 44 | RADHEYSHYAM GUPTA |
| 22 | SARAF'S, DELHI | 45 | PHOENIX |
| 23 | DK, DELHI | 46 | ADVENTURE 4 |

GAZZILLI

Playing Standard system, you open one of a Major and partner responds one No trump. Now if you have a single suiter major GF hand, there is no convenient bid. You might jump to 3 of a minor to force the bidding that means responder will not know whether the new suit is of 3 or 4 or 5 cards. Also when you jump to three level with 5-4-3-1 GF hands, it becomes difficult to find the fit in your 3-card suit if the responder has that suit in a weak hand. The jump has taken away the space, which is of paramount importance for exploring and finding the right contract.

Similarly another problem area for Standard Bidders is balanced hand of 15-17 HCP with a 5-card major. If you open one of a major, there is re-bid problem with these hands. Many of the players today open 1NT with 5-card major to solve this problem. However this creates a further problem as you miss out on 5-4 or 5-3 major suit fits on borderline hands.

To solve all these difficulties and also to allow jumps to three level with lower HCP (15-17), Italians (as far as I know), play what is called Gazzilli.

A) What is Gazzilli

Gazzilli is an artificial bid of 2C by opener after Opening bid of 1H/1S and response of 1S or 1NT. The 2C response is forcing and you can no longer play there. The 2C bid is used for various kinds of hands:

- 5-3-3-2 hands of 12 -14, 15-17 and 18-20 HCP.
- 5 Major and 4+ Club with 11-16 HCP.
- Generally all other hands of 17+ HCP (single suiter, two suiter etc.)

B) Opener's rebids after 1H Opening

Since Gazzilli covers most of the 17+ HCP hands, it allows us a great deal of flexibility with Precision like jumps. The jumps are no longer forcing and simple bids at two level are narrower in HCP. The following are opener's rebids after 1H opening and 1S or 1NT response:

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| 1H – 1S – ? . Opener's rebids are: 1N – shows a balanced hand of 12-14 HCP. 2C – Gazzilli. 2D – Natural 4+ cards, 11-16 HCP. 2H – Natural 6 cards, 11-14 HCP. 2S – 3 or 4 card support, with 4S, 11-14 HCP. 2N – Can be played as splinter, 4 card support or 6 hearts and 3S, 14-16 HCP 3C/D – Natural 5+H and 5C/D, 14-16 HCP. 3H – Natural 6-cards, 14-16 HCP without 3S. 3S – 4 card Spade support, 14-16 HCP, 4-5-2-2. 4C/D – 6 hearts and 4 spades, singleton C/D. | 1H – 1N – ? . Opener rebids: 2C – Gazzilli. 2D – Natural 4+ cards, 11-16 HCP. 2H – Natural 6 cards, 11-14 HCP. 2S – 5+ heart and 4+ Spade, 17+ HCP. 2N – Can be played as 6+ heart and any 4-card suit, 17+ HCP (3C=GF relay) 3C/D – Natural 5+H and 5C/D, 14-16 HCP. 3H – Natural 6-cards, 14-16 HCP. 3S – 6 Heart and 5 Spades. 4C/D – 6-5 distribution, 14-16 HCP. |
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C) Opener's rebids after 1S Opening

The rebids after 1S opening and 1NT response are on similar lines as after 1H Opening.

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| 1S – 1N – ? . Opener rebids: 2C – Gazzilli. 2D/H – Natural 4+ cards, 11-16 HCP. 2S – 6+ cards, 11-14 HCP. 2N – 6+ spade and any 4-card suit, 17+ HCP 3C/D/H – Natural 5+S and 5 C/D/H, 14-16 HCP. 3S – Natural 6+ cards, 14-16 HCP. 4C/D/H – 6-5 distribution, 14-16 HCP. | 1S – 1N – 2N – ? Responder's rebids are: 3C – Relay, GF. 3D – 4 cards diamonds. 3H – 4 cards clubs. 3S – 4 cards spade. 3D/H/S – to play. |
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We will continue our discussion on Gazzilli in tomorrow's bulletin, where we will discuss developments after opener re-bids 2C.

(Contributed by Sudhir Aggarwal)

INVITATION

All participants are cordially invited for Cocktails today at 2000 Hrs.

REQUEST TO PLAYERS

We sincerely request all the participants to co-operate and adhere to the scheduled timings.

**** CHEER UP, DO WELL & ENJOY ****

IMPORTANT

Please keep your cell phones off or in SILENT mode, while the play is in progress. Director will impose penalties on players, whose cell is found ringing during play hours.

Submit your "BEST BID", "BEST PLAYED" or "BEST DEFENDED" hand of the day and win an attractive prize of Rs. 500.

Entries should be submitted to Mr. Subhash Gupta, Mr. T.C. Pant or Mr. Sudhir Aggarwal

Entries For Pair Event

You are requested to give entries for "Open Pairs" today latest by 1500 Hrs.

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

The Top Teams

(After 6 Rounds)

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| 1. | Pankaj Kapadia | - | 123 VPs |
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| 3. | WELLKNIT | - | 120 VPs |
| 4. | AGSAR PAINTS | - | 115 VPs |
| 5. | MONOTONA | - | 107 VPs |
| 6. | GUNS, B'lore | - | 106 VPs |
| 7. | Calcutta Bridge Club- | 105 VPs | |
| 8. | Tolani Shipping | - | 102 VPs |
| 9. | RADHEY, Mumbai- | 102 VPs | |
| 10. | FORMIDABLES | - | 101 VPs |
| 11. | SARAF's, DELHI | - | 101 VPs |
| 12. | ACLA, Asansol | - | 101 VPs |
| 13. | SONCHEL, Delhi | - | 100 VPs |
| 14. | B.N. Saraf Bankura Cl.- | 100 VPs | |
| 15. | J.P. GOENKA | - | 100 VPs |
| 16. | ALOK DAGA | - | 99 VPs |

Tomorrow's Schedule (Saturday 14th Aug 2004)

0900 - 1100 Hrs. - T-4, Quarter Finals, 3rd Session of 14 boards

1000 - 1230 Hrs. - Pairs Elimination I - Session 2 (20 Boards)

1120 - 1330 Hrs. - T-4, Semi Finals, 1st Session of 16 boards

1300 - 1415 Hrs. - Lunch

1400 - 1630 Hrs. - Pairs Elimination II - Session 1 (20 Boards)

1430 - 1640 Hrs. - T-4, Semi Finals, 2nd Session of 16 boards

1645 - 1915 Hrs. - Pairs Elimination II - Session 2 (20 Boards)

1700 - 1910 Hrs. - T-4, Semi Finals, 3rd Session of 16 boards