

3rd HCL BRIDGE TOURNAMENT – 12th to 15th August 2005

The 3rd All India HCL Bridge Tournament was held at Hotel Radisson, NOIDA from 12th to 15th August 2005.

Total 70 Teams & 176 Pairs comprising of players from all over India along with 3 teams from Pakistan participated in the tournament. Agsar Paints, Formidables, Well Knit, Tolani Shipping, DSM, RADHEY, J.P. Goenka, Alok Daga, Dipak Poddar and PAK I were some of the top teams participating.

Team of Four Event:

J.P. GOENKA's Team with **194 VPs**, topped the 10 rounds Round-Robin stage. **Ratanlal Kejriwal M.C.** with **185 VPs** were second.

The quarter finalists were: **J.P. Goenka (194 VPs)**, **Ratanlal Kejriwal M.C. (185)**, **PUSHPAK (184)**, **Dhampur Sugar Mills (182)**, **Manas Saha's IV (179)**, **Pankaj Mehta (174)**, **PAK I (173)** & **PALOOKAS (170)**

In the 4*14 boards Quarter Finals **Dhampur Sugar Mills** beat **Manas Saha's IV 180-56** (35-15, 80-26, 65-15); **PAK 1** beat **PUSHPAK 100-74** (37-10, 41-20, 22-44); **J.P. Goenka** beat **PALOOKAS 133-80** (51-25, 32-34, 50-21) **Ratanlal Kejriwal Memorial Club** beat **Pankaj Mehta 126-83** (29-43, 60-30,37-10).

In the 3*16 boards semi-finals, **J.P. Goenka** beat **Dhampur Sugar Mills** by **107-101 (37-29, 35-25, 35-47)** and **PAK I** beat **Ratanlal Kejriwal M.C.** by **108-69 (c/o 3-0,54-22, 41-24, 10-23)**

J.P. Goenka's Team (J.P. Goenka, Pritish Kushari, Alok Sadhu, Badal Das, Shib Nath Dey Sarkar & Sumit Mukherjee) beat the **PAK I** team (Tahir Masood, Sarfaraz Khan, Munir Atallah, Khurshid Hadi & Abdul Rehman Allana) by 79 IMPs in the 4*16 boards Team of Four Finals. The score was **171-92 (34-27, 37-14, 67-13, 33-38)**.

The winners of the Pairs event were:

1. J. Biswas – T.K. Roy 523.57
2. Rajesh Dalal – Anil P. Padhye 520.50
3. R.A. Aggarwal – Ajit Chakradeo 520.33
4. Sunit Chokshi – K.R. Venkatraman 516.74