



HCL 23rd INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Leela Ambience Convention Hotel, Delhi

DAILY BULLETIN

OCTOBER 02 - 11, 2026

Bulletin 5, 6th October 2026

Chief Editor: Mark Horton Coordinator: T. C. Pant Layout Editor: Bholanath Das



Mrs. Kiran Nadar

Visionary Patron of Indian Bridge



The HCL International Bridge Championship is proudly sponsored by HCL under the inspiring leadership and constant support of Mrs. Kiran Nadar, whose commitment to the game has been instrumental in elevating bridge in India.



GIFT BAGS

Captains of all Teams participating in the Team of Four – Gold & Silver events are requested to collect the gift bags for their Team Members today.



TODAY
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM



REGISTRATION AREA
(Near Plumeria Hall)
– adjacent to the Vu-graph Theatre

THE GOLD RACE TIGHT AT THE TOP

The **HCL Gold Teams** began with an impressive display from many eminent bridge personalities, with **55 teams** in the field. The qualifying stage comprises **10 rounds**, with five completed yesterday and five more to be played today.

TOP 10 AFTER 5 ROUNDS

RANK	TEAM	VPs
1	Gromov	71.27
2	Hemant Jalan	69.72
3	WHAM	68.99
4	Ash Gupta	68.47
5	Monica Jajoo	66.39
6	EA Bridge	65.78
7	Shri Radhey	64.19
8	Vinita Gupta	64.03
9	Indian Chain	63.53
10	Young Comrades	62.75

Team Gromov leads the Gold pack with 71.27 VPs, showing consistent and strong performance across the first five rounds.

Hemant Jalan is close behind on 69.72 VPs, followed by **WHAM** (68.99 VPs) and **Ash Gupta** (68.47 VPs). The top four teams are separated by just 2.80 VPs, making the race for the lead very close.

Monica Jajoo (66.39 VPs), **EA Bridge** (65.78 VPs), **Shri Radhey** (64.19 VPs), **Vinita Gupta** (64.03 VPs) and **Indian Chain** (63.53 VPs) remain firmly in contention, with **Young Comrades** (62.75 VPs) completing the top ten.

With five more rounds to be played, the Gold Teams competition promises an exciting finish.

WINNING MINDS INDIA'S YOUNG BRIGADE LEADS THE SILVER CHARGE

Winning Minds, a talented young Indian squad of Vidhya Patel, Kalpana Gurjar, Sayantan Konar, Mathew Chandy and Soham Sarkar, several of whom have represented India, have emerged as one of the most promising contenders for the Silver title, supported by their keen patron M. Vasanth Pai.

TOP 10 AFTER 5 ROUNDS

RANK	TEAM	VPs
1	Winning Minds	82.41
2	Ekdalia	73.53
3	NCR Greens	72.01
4	Gladiators	70.70
5	Kal Aaj Aur Kal	68.90
6	Trick N Trump	67.60
7	Ace of Spade	65.72
8	Aspire	65.01
9	Conquerors	64.94
10	Sahyadri	64.07

After five rounds, **Winning Minds** lead the field with 82.41 VPs, followed by **Ekdalia** (73.53 VPs), **NCR Greens** (72.01 VPs), **Gladiators** (70.70 VPs), **Kal Aaj Aur Kal** (68.90 VPs), **Trick N Trump** (67.60 VPs), **Ace of Spade** (65.72 VPs), **Aspire** (65.01 VPs), **Conquerors** (64.94 VPs) and **Sahyadri** (64.07 VPs).

The race for the top positions remains closely contested, and the remaining five rounds are expected to be keenly fought.

GOLD TEAMS
ROUND 6 DRAW

[CLICK HERE](#)

SILVER TEAMS
ROUND 6 DRAW

[CLICK HERE](#)

CAPTAINS' MEET GOLD AND SILVER TEAMS

The Captains' Meet for **Gold and Silver Teams** will be held in the closed room of your respective category.

Teams ranked **1 to 7** at the end of the qualifying stage will have the right to choose from teams **9 to 16**.

HCL GOLD TEAMS RESULTS

[VIEW HCL GOLD TEAMS RESULTS](#)

HCL SILVER TEAMS RESULTS

[VIEW HCL SILVER TEAMS RESULTS](#)

BBO MATCHES

MATCH 1		
WHAM	VS	Monica Jajoo
MATCH 2		
Deep Finesse	VS	Phoenix Ruia

HCL GOLD TEAMS

ROUND-WISE SCORES

ROUND 1

#	Home Team	VP	Away Team	VP
1	Pragmatic	14.28	Monica Jajoo	5.72
2	Deep Finesse	15.29	Nagpur VI	4.71
3	Baikunth	14.00	Mavericks Gold	6.00
4	Fathe Maidan Club	18.00	Tricolor Titans	2.00
5	Pravaha	8.50	Vedic	11.50
6	Gower	5.20	Dhampur Sugar Mills	14.80
7	Narviram Power	10.77	Phoenix Ruia	9.23
8	Liberty BD	4.95	Shri Radhey	15.05
9	Kalinga Gp	7.17	Kosmos	12.83
10	Young Comrades	11.14	Juthika	8.86
11	Tornatae	12.18	S D Associates	7.82
12	Bangur Cement	15.29	Fenesta	4.71
13	Marigold	2.32	Mavericks Platinum	17.68
14	Ash Gupta	20.00	Kings	0.00
15	Mohota	13.14	Sarlafibers	6.86
16	7As	11.50	Yarboro	8.50
17	Formidables	7.49	Avagaard	12.51
18	Gromov	15.97	EHAA	4.03
19	Amanora	10.77	Rampage	9.23
20	I Doctors	3.03	Delhi Blues	16.97
21	WHAM	17.16	Deepadhaar	2.84
22	Bianchi	7.82	Indian Chain	12.18
23	Vinita Gupta	6.86	Cacophonix	13.14
24	Latvia	17.84	Bangladesh D	2.16
25	The Tenacious 6	14.00	Chefs Table	6.00
26	Lake My Love	4.48	Poddar Aces	15.52
27	EA Bridge	12.00	Hemant Jalan	8.00
28	Adventures	12.00	Bye	0.00

ROUND 2

#	Home Team	VP	Away Team	VP
1	Ash Gupta	17.51	Fathe Maidan Club	2.49
2	Latvia	4.25	Mavericks Platinum	15.75
3	WHAM	18.84	Delhi Blues	1.16
4	Gromov	18.58	Poddar Aces	1.42
5	Deep Finesse	16.78	Bangur Cement	3.22
6	Shri Radhey	11.85	Dhampur Sugar Mills	8.15
7	Pragmatic	1.56	Baikunth	18.44
8	The Tenacious 6	6.28	Mohota	13.72
9	Cacophonix	8.86	Phoenix Ruia	11.14
10	Kosmos	5.46	Avagaard	14.54
11	Tornatae	10.77	Indian Chain	9.23
12	EA Bridge	14.28	Adventures	5.72
13	Vedic	10.00	7As	10.00
14	Young Comrades	17.84	Amanora	2.16
15	Rampage	14.80	Juthika	5.20
16	Pravaha	8.50	Yarboro	11.50
17	Hemant Jalan	18.15	S D Associates	1.85
18	Bianchi	3.41	Formidables	16.59
19	Narviram Power	15.75	Kalinga Gp	4.25
20	Sarlafibers	6.28	Vinita Gupta	13.72
21	Mavericks Gold	4.03	Chefs Table	15.97
22	Monica Jajoo	9.61	Gower	10.39
23	Liberty BD	5.46	Nagpur VI	14.54
24	Fenesta	7.17	Lake My Love	12.83
25	EHAA	4.48	I Doctors	15.52
26	Deepadhaar	20.00	Marigold	0.00
27	Bangladesh D	18.84	Tricolor Titans	1.16
28	Kings	12.00	Bye	0.00

ROUND 3

#	Home Team	VP	Away Team	VP
1	Ash Gupta	8.86	WHAM	11.14
2	Gromov	16.39	Mavericks Platinum	3.61
3	Baikunth	6.00	Deep Finesse	14.00
4	Young Comrades	11.50	Avagaard	8.50
5	Shri Radhey	9.61	Mohota	10.39
6	Narviram Power	8.50	EA Bridge	11.50
7	Hemant Jalan	19.55	Formidables	0.45
8	Rampage	9.61	Dhampur Sugar Mills	10.39
9	Tornatae	15.97	Deepadhaar	4.03
10	Latvia	4.48	Cacophonix	15.52
11	Chefs Table	6.00	Vedic	14.00
12	7As	1.70	Indian Chain	18.30
13	Bangladesh D	7.82	Vinita Gupta	12.18
14	Fathe Maidan Club	6.28	Phoenix Ruia	13.72
15	The Tenacious 6	8.15	Yarboro	11.85
16	Nagpur VI	4.71	Bangur Cement	15.29
17	Kosmos	5.46	Delhi Blues	14.54
18	Adventures	16.97	Lake My Love	3.03
19	Gower	2.32	I Doctors	17.68
20	Pravaha	10.00	Poddar Aces	10.00
21	Pragmatic	3.82	Juthika	16.18
22	Monica Jajoo	15.75	Sarlafibers	4.25
23	Amanora	10.00	Kings	10.00
24	Fenesta	12.51	Kalinga Gp	7.49
25	Bianchi	4.71	Liberty BD	15.29
26	Mavericks Gold	6.57	EHAA	13.43
27	S D Associates	6.28	Tricolor Titans	13.72
28	Marigold	12.00	Bye	0.00

ROUND 4

#	Home Team	VP	Away Team	VP
1	Gromov	8.15	WHAM	11.85
2	Ash Gupta	14.28	Deep Finesse	5.72
3	Hemant Jalan	8.50	Young Comrades	11.50
4	Indian Chain	10.39	Baikunth	9.61
5	Tornatae	2.00	EA Bridge	18.00
6	Cacophonix	15.05	Mohota	4.95
7	Mavericks Platinum	5.46	Shri Radhey	14.54
8	I Doctors	14.54	Avagaard	5.46
9	Vedic	5.72	Narviram Power	14.28
10	Adventures	6.00	Phoenix Ruia	14.00
11	Bangur Cement	17.51	Rampage	2.49
12	Dhampur Sugar Mills	1.56	Vinita Gupta	18.44
13	Delhi Blues	0.78	Yarboro	19.22
14	Monica Jajoo	18.15	Juthika	1.85
15	Bangladesh D	17.34	The Tenacious 6	2.66
16	Chefs Table	4.03	Pravaha	15.97
17	Poddar Aces	11.14	Deepadhaar	8.86
18	Fathe Maidan Club	13.43	Latvia	6.57
19	Liberty BD	15.29	Formidables	4.71
20	Fenesta	10.77	Nagpur VI	9.23
21	Kosmos	10.00	7As	10.00
22	Amanora	4.48	EHAA	15.52
23	Kings	6.86	Lake My Love	13.14
24	Pragmatic	15.52	Kalinga Gp	4.48
25	Gower	17.51	Sarlafibers	2.49
26	Tricolor Titans	1.03	Mavericks Gold	18.97
27	S D Associates	5.20	Marigold	14.80
28	Bianchi	12.00	Bye	0.00

ROUND 5

#	Home Team	VP	Away Team	VP	#	Home Team	VP	Away Team	VP
1	Ash Gupta	7.82	Gromov	12.18	15	Poddar Aces	18.97	EHAA	1.03
2	WHAM	10.00	EA Bridge	10.00	16	Rampage	10.39	Deepadhaar	9.61
3	Hemant Jalan	15.52	Cacophonix	4.48	17	Mavericks Gold	14.28	Gower	5.72
4	Young Comrades	10.77	Deep Finesse	9.23	18	Pragmatic	7.17	Fenesta	12.83
5	Bangur Cement	7.17	Vinita Gupta	12.83	19	Dhampur Sugar Mills	14.28	Kosmos	5.72
6	Yarboro	6.86	Shri Radhey	13.14	20	Lake My Love	13.72	Delhi Blues	6.28
7	I Doctors	6.57	Indian Chain	13.43	21	7As	5.20	Nagpur VI	14.80
8	Narviram Power	2.84	Monica Jajoo	17.16	22	Latvia	13.72	Juthika	6.28
9	Phoenix Ruia	11.50	Baikunth	8.50	23	Chefs Table	6.00	Formidables	14.00
10	Bangladesh D	6.57	Pravaha	13.43	24	The Tenacious 6	14.80	Marigold	5.20
11	Mavericks Platinum	14.80	Mohota	5.20	25	Kings	4.25	Bianchi	15.75
12	Vedic	15.29	Avagaard	4.71	26	Amanora	14.54	Kalinga Gp	5.46
13	Liberty BD	16.59	Tornatae	3.41	27	S D Associates	4.95	Sarlafibers	15.05
14	Adventures	12.83	Fathe Maidan Club	7.17	28	Tricolor Titans	12.00	Bye	0.00

HCL SILVER TEAMS

ROUND-WISE SCORES

ROUND 1

TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP	TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP
1	Ekdalia	16.97	Invincible	3.03	22	Blooming Bidders	6.00	Conquerors	14.00
2	Ba Radhe Krishna	5.72	Shaptarathi	14.28	23	Sonapur Bridge Club	8.50	Aspire	11.50
3	The Squad	16.18	Milky Way Galaxy	3.82	24	Playwell	14.80	Five Heart Patna	5.20
4	Dehradun	10.39	Ranjan	9.61	25	Bridgepremi	4.95	Team Vibrant	15.05
5	Gladiators	13.14	Andromeda	6.86	26	MangalMurti	4.25	Karpag	15.75
6	Maitri	16.39	Usha Kiran	3.61	27	Jhontu	7.49	Team Kabra	12.51
7	Contract Killers	14.54	Ace Royale	5.46	28	Pelican	2.84	Dr SSM	17.16
8	Dharma Yodhya	1.85	Borivali Sports Club	18.15	29	Surprise	13.14	ARBI	6.86
9	Zenith	14.80	Dhanu	5.20	30	Shivalik	4.71	Ace of Spade	15.29
10	Trick N Trump	17.51	Tasher Desh	2.49	31	Shiva	17.84	Inspiration	2.16
11	Him	2.16	Swen	17.84	32	Checkback	3.22	Ganaraya	16.78
12	Unique	1.85	Winning Minds	18.15	33	BOND	2.32	Shiv Ganga	17.68
13	PKRS	11.14	Quest	8.86	34	Alfa Aces	2.00	Divakar Lohit	18.00
14	Lal Mati	18.58	Rising Stars	1.42	35	EA Bridge B	4.71	Super Lucky	15.29
15	Ninjas	4.03	CAPA	15.97	36	Sweta Goenka Vi	4.95	Assassins	15.05
16	Hakuna Matata	7.82	Sahyadri	12.18	37	Tarams	6.86	Team Anil	13.14
17	Savvy Acers	15.29	Enris	4.71	38	Now or Never	7.49	S 4	12.51
18	Five Diamonds	17.51	Zenith Elevator Co.	2.49	39	NCR Greens	11.14	Tax Free	8.86
19	Tapoban	17.84	Neelachakra	2.16	40	Miracle	17.51	Bid And Made	2.49
20	TRECKers	9.61	Affinity	10.39	41	Kal Aaj Aur Kal	12.51	United	7.49
21	RCBC	4.71	Guha And Friends	15.29	42	Nuts And Bolts	4.03	RSCS8P	15.97

ROUND 2

TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP	TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP
1	Borivali Sports Club	7.17	Lal Mati	12.83	22	Ranjan	17.16	TRECKers	2.84
2	Winning Minds	20.00	Divakar Lohit	0.00	23	Quest	0.04	Tax Free	19.96
3	Swen	16.18	Tapoban	3.82	24	Sonapur Bridge Club	1.85	Hakuna Matata	18.15
4	Shiv Ganga	9.61	Shiva	10.39	25	Jhontu	18.30	Now or Never	1.70
5	Trick N Trump	11.50	Five Diamonds	8.50	26	United	8.86	Andromeda	11.14
6	Dr SSM	7.17	Miracle	12.83	27	ARBI	2.84	Tarams	17.16
7	Ganaraya	11.14	Ekdalia	8.86	28	Blooming Bidders	11.50	Ba Radhe Krishna	8.50
8	Maitri	16.97	The Squad	3.03	29	Ace Royale	13.29	Dhanu	4.71
9	CAPA	8.86	RSCS8P	11.14	30	Five Heart Patna	2.84	Bridgepremi	17.16
10	Karpag	5.46	Savvy Acers	14.54	31	Enris	19.44	Sweta Goenka Vi	0.56
11	Guha And Friends	3.03	Ace of Spade	16.97	32	RCBC	3.03	Shivalik	16.97
12	Super Lucky	0.03	Team Vibrant	15.97	33	EA Bridge B	15.85	MangalMurti	4.95
13	Assassins	5.72	Zenith	14.28	34	Ninjas	10.39	Nuts And Bolts	9.61
14	Playwell	16.39	Contract Killers	3.61	35	Milky Way Galaxy	17.51	Usha Kiran	2.49
15	Shaptarathi	6.57	Conquerors	13.43	36	Invincible	8.86	Checkback	11.14
16	Gladiators	17.84	Surprise	2.16	37	Tasher Desh	10.00	Pelican	10.00
17	Team Anil	4.03	Team Kabra	15.97	38	Zenith Elevator Co.	10.00	Bid And Made	10.00
18	S 4	5.20	Kal Aaj Aur Kal	14.80	39	BOND	9.23	Him	17.16
19	Sahyadri	11.14	Aspire	8.86	40	Neelachakra	16.18	Inspiration	3.82
20	PKRS	3.03	NCR Greens	16.97	41	Alfa Aces	7.17	Dharma Yodhya	12.83
21	Affinity	10.00	Dehradun	10.00	42	Rising Stars	4.95	Unique	15.05

ROUND 3

TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP	TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP
1	Winning Minds	14.54	Swen	5.46	22	Affinity	7.49	EA Bridge B	12.51
2	Ace of Spade	7.49	Maitri	12.51	23	Super Lucky	9.23	The Squad	10.77
3	Lal Mati	1.85	Playwell	18.15	24	Neelachakra	17.84	Guha And Friends	2.16
4	Team Vibrant	3.03	Gladiators	16.97	25	Andromeda	8.50	Contract Killers	11.50
5	Miracle	12.83	Savvy Acers	7.17	26	Divakar Lohit	8.15	S 4	11.85
6	Zenith	10.77	Trick N Trump	9.23	27	Team Anil	0.67	Blooming Bidders	19.33
7	Tax Free	17.16	Team Kabra	2.84	28	Unique	9.61	United	10.39
8	Shiva	7.82	NCR Greens	12.18	29	Surprise	7.82	Dharma Yodhya	12.18
9	Conquerors	16.18	Ganaraya	3.82	30	Checkback	4.48	Ninjas	15.52
10	Kal Aaj Aur Kal	14.80	Shiv Ganga	5.20	31	Ba Radhe Krishna	3.82	PKRS	16.18
11	RSCS8P	5.46	Ranjan	14.54	32	Nuts And Bolts	5.46	Him	14.54
12	Five Diamonds	11.50	Hakuna Matata	8.50	33	Pelican	7.82	Zenith Elevator Co.	15.97
13	Ekdalia	12.18	Jhontu	7.82	34	Bid And Made	7.82	Tasher Desh	12.18
14	Borivali Sports Club	7.82	CAPA	12.18	35	TRECKers	7.82	Invincible	12.18
15	Dr SSM	11.50	Enris	8.50	36	BOND	0.78	Sonapur Bridge Club	19.22
16	Tarams	14.54	Sahyadri	5.46	37	Dhanu	4.03	ARBI	15.97
17	Bridgepremi	12.83	Shivalik	7.17	38	MangalMurti	9.61	Now or Never	10.39
18	Tapoban	14.54	Milky Way Galaxy	5.46	39	Quest	2.32	Alfa Aces	17.68
19	Karpag	8.86	Shaptarathi	11.14	40	Five Heart Patna	0.56	RCBC	19.44
20	Assassins	2.49	Ace Royale	17.51	41	Usha Kiran	12.83	Rising Stars	7.17
21	Aspire	15.75	Dehradun	4.25	42	Inspiration	2.66	Sweta Goenka Vi	17.34

ROUND 4

TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP	TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP
1	Winning Minds	11.14	Playwell	8.86	22	Contract Killers	4.95	Ninjas	15.05
2	Tax Free	13.43	Gladiators	6.57	23	S 4	0.00	Sonapur Bridge Club	20.00
3	Conquerors	15.05	Maitri	4.95	24	Shivalik	0.00	Sahyadri	20.00
4	Miracle	7.49	Kal Aaj Aur Kal	12.51	25	Zenith Elevator Co.	18.30	Super Lucky	1.70
5	Ranjan	2.00	NCR Greens	18.00	26	Him	4.95	Affinity	15.05
6	Ace of Spade	12.83	Zenith	7.17	27	Dharma Yodhya	17.51	RCBC	2.49
7	Swen	6.28	Tarams	13.72	28	Milky Way Galaxy	19.55	Alfa Aces	0.45
8	Ace Royale	8.15	Trick N Trump	11.85	29	United	4.03	Divakar Lohit	15.97
9	Ekdalia	20.00	Five Diamonds	0.00	30	Andromeda	13.43	Unique	6.57
10	CAPA	19.66	Savvy Acers	0.34	31	ARBI	13.72	Tasher Desh	6.28
11	Blooming Bidders	7.82	Tapoban	12.18	32	Dehradun	7.17	Invincible	12.83
12	Aspire	12.51	Neelachakra	7.49	33	Assassins	2.49	Surprise	17.51
13	Shiva	1.85	Dr SSM	18.15	34	Sweta Goenka Vi	0.00	Guha And Friends	20.00
14	Hakuna Matata	14.54	Bridgepremi	5.46	35	Bid And Made	19.55	TRECKers	0.45
15	Team Vibrant	19.44	Jhontu	0.56	36	Now or Never	20.00	Nuts And Bolts	0.00
16	Enris	18.97	Lal Mati	1.03	37	Usha Kiran	0.00	Checkback	20.00
17	RSCS8P	13.72	Borivali Sports Club	6.28	38	MangalMurti	18.71	Ba Radhe Krishna	1.29
18	Shiv Ganga	5.72	EA Bridge B	14.28	39	Team Anil	19.44	Pelican	0.56
19	Shaptarathi	18.44	Ganaraya	1.56	40	Dhanu	13.72	Rising Stars	6.28
20	Team Kabra	12.51	PKRS	7.49	41	Quest	10.00	BOND	10.00
21	The Squad	10.39	Karpag	9.61	42	Inspiration	5.72	Five Heart Patna	14.28

ROUND 5

TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP	TBL	HOME TEAM	VP	AWAY TEAM	VP
1	Tax Free	1.42	Winning Minds	18.58	22	Andromeda	7.82	Bid And Made	12.18
2	NCR Greens	13.72	Conquerors	6.28	23	Karpag	17.16	Now or Never	2.84
3	Playwell	4.48	Ekdalia	15.52	24	Borivali Sports Club	5.72	ARBI	14.28
4	CAPA	5.72	Kal Aaj Aur Kal	14.28	25	Checkback	8.86	Shiv Ganga	11.14
5	Gladiators	16.18	Dr SSM	3.82	26	PKRS	16.97	Shiva	3.03
6	Team Vibrant	6.86	Ace of Spade	13.14	27	Five Diamonds	4.48	MangalMurti	15.52
7	Tarams	8.86	Enris	11.14	28	Savvy Acers	6.86	Team Anil	13.14
8	Maitri	6.86	Miracle	13.14	29	Invincible	15.29	Contract Killers	4.71
9	Shaptarathi	2.49	Trick N Trump	17.51	30	Lal Mati	8.50	Jhontu	11.50
10	Sahyadri	15.29	Sonapur Bridge Club	4.71	31	Ganaraya	4.03	Unique	15.97
11	Hakuna Matata	3.61	Aspire	16.39	32	Him	0.00	Dehradun	20.00
12	Tapoban	7.17	Zenith	12.83	33	Tasher Desh	0.00	United	20.00
13	Zenith Elevator Co.	6.28	EA Bridge B	13.72	34	Super Lucky	3.61	RCBC	16.39
14	Ace Royale	17.34	Milky Way Galaxy	2.66	35	S 4	16.59	Shivalik	3.41
15	RSCS8P	10.00	Swen	10.00	36	Dhanu	7.49	Alfa Aces	12.51
16	Ninjas	2.32	Blooming Bidders	17.68	37	Five Heart Patna	14.54	Assassins	5.46
17	Team Kabra	11.14	Dharma Yodhya	8.86	38	Sweta Goenka Vi	14.28	BOND	5.72
18	Neelachakra	6.28	Ranjan	13.72	39	TRECKers	19.10	Quest	0.90
19	Divakar Lohit	16.18	Affinity	3.82	40	Rising Stars	0.14	Ba Radhe Krishna	19.86
20	Guha And Friends	11.50	Surprise	8.50	41	Nuts And Bolts	4.48	Usha Kiran	15.52
21	Bridgepremi	6.28	The Squad	13.72	42	Pelican	14.80	Inspiration	5.20

GOLD TEAMS ROSTER

55 TEAMS

#	TEAM	TEAM MEMBERS	#	TEAM	TEAM MEMBERS
1	7As	Prafulla Kumar Das, Aroon Birla, Ashok Kumar, Tapas Kumar Chaudhuri, Netai Pada Kabiraj, R M Parmer	29	KOSMOS	Asha Sharma, Namit Sharma, Rajesh K Jain, Ambrish Wadera, Daleep Mutreja, Rohit Gupta
2	ADVENTURES	Baneet Kumar Malhotra, Jenish Shah, Navneet Swaika, Subhasish Sarkar	30	Lake my Love	Pinaki Prasad Khan, Paban Agarwal, Ramkrishna Majumder, Kajal Chandra Das, Kalindi Mewar, Suren Mewar
3	AMANORA	P D Joshi, Sudhir S Chaudhari, Amol Deshmukh, V Chandrasekhar, U V Athavale, V Ravichandran	31	Latvia	Karlis Rubins, Adrians Imsa, Edgars Olla, Druvis Jansons, Jaggy B Shivdasani
4	Ash Gupta	Gopika Tandan, Ashwini Gupta, Eldad Ginossar, Hemant Lall, Joyjit Sensarma, Arun Jain	32	Liberty BD	Md Zahid Hossain, B M Mahmud Hossain, Md Moshir Rahman, Md Rashedul Ahsan Nayem, Md. Rashedul Hasan Ripon, Sk. Aminur Rahman
5	Avagaard	Jitesh Agrawal, Pankaj Agrawal, Chainraj Nahar, Prashant Sinhal, Anil Vijaywargiya, Andrey Purushottam	33	Marigold	Bindiya Naidoo, Vasanti Shah, Jashith Narang, Kingshuk Bhattacharya, Chanchal Dass, Kedar Nath Shaw
6	BAIKUNTH	Rana Iqbal Jolly, Tanmoy Majumder, Sukanta Das, Biswadip Roy, Rajendra Sirohia, Sukalyan Sarkar	34	Mavericks Gold	Subodh Maskara, Dominik Filipowicz, Ami Zamir, Oren Toledano, Mikael Rimstedt, Ola Rimstedt
7	Bangladesh D	Md. Shahidul Islam, Muhammed Faroque Hossain Patwary, Shathi Rangan Dey, Md Rezaul Karim, Taymur Reza Hossain	35	Mavericks Platinum	Boye Brogeland, Keyzad Anklesaria, Jakub Patreuha, Patryk Patreuha, Nicolai Heiberg-Evenstad, Christian Lahrmann
8	Bangur Cement	Debasish Ray, Hasibul Hasan, Sukamal Das, Partho Sarathi Mukherjee, Aloke Kumar Sadhu	36	Mohota	Anurag Mohota, Basant K Mohota, Biswajit Poddar, Shambhu Nath Ghosh, Ravi Goenka, Ajay Kumar Bagadia
9	Bianchi	Sergio Bianchi, Koren Retter, Daniel Msika, Ido Moskovitz	37	Monica Jajoo	Monica Jajoo, Somesh Bhattacharya, Kaustabh Nandi, Sagnik Roy, Binod Kumar Shaw, Sanjit Dey
10	Cacophonix	Prakash Easwaran, Anirudh Prakash, Arvind Srinivasan, Priya Ranjan Sinha, Koushik Mukherjee, Ramaratnam Venkatesh	38	NAGPUR VI	Arun J Puranik, Mahesh Mor, Sameer Roy, R P Deshpande, Anil Kumar Mohota
11	Chefs Table	Meenu Dugal, Swapan Sardar, Sumit Saha, Ramprosadd Das, Subrata Chakraborty, Anindra Kumar Sarkar	39	Narviram Power	Rana Chakraborty, Indranath Chatterjee, Arnab Ghosh, Siddhartha Ghosh, Shyama Prasad Chatterjee
12	Deep Finesse	Janak Shah, Ivan Alphonso, R G Bhiwandkar, Subhash A Dhakras	40	Phoenix Ruia	Anal B Shah, Animesh Raj, Milind P. Athavale, Sandeep N Karmarkar, Jitendra J Solani, Marianne Karmarkar
13	Deepadhaar	Deepa Jacob, Badal Das, Pranab Bardhan, Shibnath De Sarkar, Prosenjit Manna, Joyrup Mullick	41	PODDAR ACES	Dipak K Poddar, Rajesh Somani, Anant Vikram Somani, Rahul Shetty, N Rajmohan, S Vijayraghavan
14	Delhi Blues	J B Sengupta, D K Tewari, Shankar Acharya, Tushar Moghe, Raghunath P Tripathi	42	Pragmatic	Ranga Khadloya, Ajit B Chakradeo, Sukumaran Rajeev, Asok Jose Lean, Ajit Saldanha, Satyabrata Lahiri
15	Dhampur Sugar Mills	Ashok Kumar Goel, K R Venkataraman, Arun M Bapat, Ajay P Khare, S Sundarram, Vijay Devadass	43	Pravaha	S K Iyengar, Rajendra Gokhale, Peiyush Jain, R Venkatesh, Arun Bahulkar
16	EA Bridge	Kavita Singhanian, Gopinath Manna, Buras Krzysztof, Girish R Bjoor, Uttam Swarup Gupta	44	Rampage	Maneesh Bahuguna, Subhash Gupta, Sandeep Thakral, Bhaskar Sarkar, Vikrant Mehta
17	EHAA	Ranjan Bhattacharya, Wrik Chakraborty, Pradip Dey, Souvik Kar, Tilakraj Chowdhury	45	S D Associates	Vijay R Phatarphekar, T V Ramani, R Sridharan, Keshav Saktharam Samant, Mukund Jaganathan, Vivek Bhand
18	FATHE MAIDAN CLUB	T Devendranath, K Divakara Reddy, Mohan Gurunath S, Prabhat Kumar Gupta, Ajay B Yadnik, Subhajit Choudhury	46	SARLAFIBERS	Rajeev Khandelwal, Himani Khandelwal, Vrinda Jhunjhunwala, Vijay Deshpande, Samir Basak, Sandip Datta
19	Fenesta	Shubham Acharya, Richa Shriram, D P Acharya, Prasun Kumar Mukhopadhyaya, Raju Tolani, Vinay Desai	47	SHRI RADHEY	Vinay Mohan Lal, Avijit Sarkar, Prakash G Hegde, Subhash Bhavnani, Ram Avatar Agrawal, Gautam Biswas
20	Formidables	Kiran Nadar, Bachiraju Satyanarayana, Rajeshwar Tewari, Sumit Mukherjee, Sayantan Kushari, Kaustubh Milind Bendre	48	The Tenacious 6	Sudhir K Agrawal, Ravi Kaul, J Pratihari, Sudhir Kumar Tripathy, D N Lenka, Pramod Kumar Mishra
21	GOWER	Craig Gower, Diana Rosslee, Amab Basu Roy, Abhirup Ghosh	49	Tornatae	Prasad V Keni, Pijus Kanti Baroi, Debabrata Majumder, Surajit Bar, Sapan Desai
22	Gromov	Andrey Gromov, Anna Gulevich, Yury Khyupnenen, Vadim Kholomeev, Sergey Orlov, Evgeny Rudakov	50	Tricolor Titans	Mukesh Shivdasani, Sunil Bhatia, K K Sabherwal, Anukul Mandal, Amarjit Wadhawan, Nikita Kamal
23	Hemant Jalan	Hemant K Jalan, Ashis Malhotra, Mukund Thapa, Padmanabhan Sridharan, Rajesh A Dalal, Anil P Padhye	51	Vedic	Bhabesh Saha, Satyabrata Mukherjee, Rana Roy, Subir Majumdar, Krishna Kumar Malani, Arun Kumar Sinha
24	I Doctors	Rajul R Dalal, Deven Doshi, Yogesh B Shah, Shrikant B Tembey, Raithani, Thakur Hingorani	52	Vinita Gupta	Vinita Gupta, Morten Bilde, Soren Gilleborg Bilde, Emil Jepsen, Simon Cope, Simon Ekenberg
25	INDIAN CHAIN	N K Chitlangia, Sujit Kumar Bhattacharjee, Joy Narayan Roy, Swapan Some, Sourendra Coomer Dutt, Sekhar K Bhandopadhyay	53	WHAM	Sartaj Hans, Andy Pei-en Hung, Matthew Brown, Michael Whibley
26	JUTHIKA	Amitava Mukherjee, Krishna Das Chakraborty, Swetadri Saha, Amar Kumar Bose, Tamal Dasgupta, Prasanta Bera	54	Yarboro	Sanat Kumar Saha, Asit Baran Chakraborty, Sudeep Saha, Vibhas Todi, V Ravindran, Arabinda Kumar Mishra
27	Kalinga Gp	R K Pradhan, Sankarsan Behera, Maheswar Pradhan, Basant Kumar Panda	55	Young Comrades	Pankaj B Doshi, Mithun Mukherjee, Soumya Das, Pritam Das, Prahalad Rajkumar
28	Kings	Kunal Chander, Ignatius Bezzam, Ashish Kumar Vishwakarma, Gabriele Zanasi, Sreekumar S			

SILVER TEAMS ROSTER

84 TEAMS

No.	Team Name	Members	No.	Team Name	Members
1	Ace of Spade	Sowmik Das, Aloke Kumar Sardar, Jishu Banerjee, Tutun Banerjee, Arijit Chattaraj, Mehedi Hassan	43	MIRACLE	Ramendra Chowdhury, Asit Ranjan Ghosh, Arup Dutta, Pradyut Bhattacharjee, Gourav Biswas, Pulak Panji
2	Ace Royale	Deepak Kothiwala, Sanjay Amist, S M Moin, Naveen Kumar, Pabitra Majumder, Saswata Ballav	44	NCR GREENS	Raminder Singh Gujral, R K Garg, Shiv Shankar Gupta, Anil Bharihoke, M R Goyal
3	AFFINITY	Anand W Golwalkar, Abhay Todankar, Deoki Nandan Sinha, Kirit Modi, Shailendra Kumar	45	NEELACHAKRA	Surendra Nath Kar, Aviram Rout, Dinabandhu Sahu, Prakash Chandra Das
4	Alfa Aces	Rajendran Ramesh, Srinivasan A, R Anbazhagan, Subramanian Karuppannan, Sheetal Bansal, Sarika Mittal	46	Ninjas	Vinod Kumar Mutreja, Rohit Rai Tandon, Aakash Sharma, Sham Sharma
5	ANDROMEDA	Ashish Patel, Alok Kumar, Girish Hirode, Darshan Patel, Vikrant Joseph, R V Dharvarkar	47	NOW OR NEVER	Amal Kumar Sarkar, Sudipta Mukherjee, Kiran Shankar Pal, Asit Kumar Bandopadhyaya, Gautam Kumar Chanda, Arup Lodh
6	ARBI	Santanu Das, Ashim Chandra Karmakar, Bikas Dutta, Tamal Kumar Bhattacharyya, P K Bandhu	48	Nuts and Bolts	Samina Esmail, Tapas Das, Bidyut Goswami, A K Sinha, Vikram Jain, Anushree Jalan
7	ASPIRE	Asim Saha, Smita Govilkar, Biswajit Mahata, Animesh Majumder, Arup Kumar Hudati, Subhas Mahata	49	Pelican	Ashim Kumar Ghosh, R P Gautam, Vijay Singh
8	assassins	Girish Kumar, Ashok Girdhar, Amit Pal, Bijan Kumar Bandopadhyay	50	PKRS	Parimal Vaikuntal Vahalia, Kamleshwar Rai, Ravi Prakash, Sadhana Gupta, Nayana P Vahalia
9	Bid and Made	Saptarshi Chanda, Bikramjit Das, Sanjay Kundu, Sagar Bhuiya, Protap Bandyopadhyay, Bapi Das	51	PLAYWELL	Amit Rewatkar, Shailendra Chhajed, Neeraj Kumra, Sanjeev Kumra
10	Blooming Bidders	C M Vasudev, Manju Bhasin, Rita Bhagwati, Siddhartha Behura, Rohit Kumar Gupta, Tarun Bakshi	52	Quest	Lalit Mendiratta, Bidyut Kanti Thakur, Sandeep Narang, Devangshu Datta, Alka Jain, Devi Muthu Bhattacharya
11	BOND	Bhalender Singh Nayyar, Bubbles Bawa, Rakesh Kr Govil, Yogendra Deva, Kalpna Varshney, Vilas Namjoshi	53	RANJAN	Avijit Dutta, Dilip Kumar Mudi, Kedar Nath Samaddar, Saswata Bhattacharya, Pranay Majumder
12	Borivali Sports Club	Kausar Hasan Syed, Sriram Bhikaji Khanolkar, Sumita Dasgupta, Debraj Chowdhury, Asvin Ganger, Stanley Nazareth	54	RCBC	Vasudeo G Gujrathi, Jayant Prabhakar Pingale, Neela C Deshpande, Pradeep R Rathi
13	Bridgepremi	V D Agarkar, R B Ketkar, Vijay G Bhagwat, S G Surve, Madhav Ramachandra Joshi	55	Rising Stars	M Venkatesan, M Elumalai, Viswanathan M, Ramkumar H
14	CAPA	Sanjay Bagaria, Anirban Mitra, Aniruddh Ghosh, Pallab Roy, Biplob Dawn, Shantanu Roy	56	RSCSBP	Ranjit Ghosh, Bidyut Maji, Chandan Chowdhury, Sourav Mukherjee, Partha Pratim Pal, Sukrit M Vijayakar
15	CHECKBACK	Sankar Narayan Ghosh, Prakash Mondal, Ashis Pan, Shakti Dhar Chowdhury, Sandip Gharai, Rajendra Prasad Misra	57	S 4	Sharad Kumar, Sanjay Shrivastava, Monu Kumar Ranchhad, Munesh Sharma
16	CONQUERORS	Goutam Pore, Rashmi Bhansali, Sunil Dutta, Raj Kumar Mukherjee, Vivekananda Ghosh	58	Sahyadri	Sampath Srinivasan, Ajoy Sonak, Gaurav Rajwade, Nitin I Shirole, Parag Joshi, Ajit Rajaram Padalkar
17	Contract Killers	Ekta Chadha, Priyanka Gulati, Mini Agarwal, Reena Pal, Deepak Ramnani, K P Baskaran	59	Savvy Acers	Subashish Gope, Suchet Dhar, Makrand M Luley, Gautam Dutta, Ramesh C Khanna, Suman Khanna
18	Dehradun	R V S Chauhan, Tapas Kumar Mandal, Rahul Agarwal, Yashpal Singh	60	SHAPTARRATHI	Ashis Das, Hemanta Kumar Sarmah, Ranjan Bose, S M Patnaik, Surajit Dutta, Shibashish Barik
19	DHANU	Kinjal Desai, Aman Tyagi, Deval Mehta, Ravindra Amritkar, V K Manglik, Pares J Gandhi	61	Shiv Ganga	Gautam Chattopadhyay, Gautam Aich, Dheeraj Kumar, Sudhir Kumar, Sanjeev Tomar
20	Dharma yodhya	Suresh Senapaty, H. Anjaneya Swamy, Prakash Achar, Amol Athawale	62	SHIVA	S Srinivasan, C Sathish Kumar, Gautam Chatterjee, Sujana Chowdhury, Satya Ranjan Chakraborty, Soumitra Chakraborty
21	Divakar Lohit	Nantu Bhattacharjee, Gautam Roy, Jaydeep Bhattacharjee	63	SHIVALIK	Nareish Jain, Arvind Gupta, Madhu Sudan Sharma
22	Dr SSM	Somnath Mitra, Asis Tosh, Hiromnoy Banerjee, Sumanta Roy, D Dutta Gupta, Anjan Chatterjee	64	Sonarpur Bridge Club	Shyama Prasad Ghatak, Subir Dey, Soumen Chakraborty, Debasish Dey
23	EA bridgeB	P Narayan Iyer, Aparajitha Iyer, P Varalakshmi, R N Subramaniam, Asokan Pitchai	65	Super Lucky	Kunal Jaiswal, Sujata Puranik Rakhra, N Rajachandra, Gurudev Shyamundar, T J Alexander, Saila Ranjan Das
24	EA Radhe Krishna	Sumathi Iyer, D V Ravi, Guru Shankar Sundaram, Subrata Sadhukhan, Nirmal Raja	66	SURPRISE	Madhav A Kshirsagar, Kailash Agarwal, Sunil Desai, Yogeshwar Banavali, Kamna Sharma, Abhijit Pal
25	Ekdalia	Prabir Kumar Paul, Kishore Kumar Ganguly, Manas Kumar Das, Saurendranath Chakraborty	67	SWEN	K S R V Challam, Ajay Kumar Singh, Jaiswar Kumar, Rabindra Kumar Singh, Nag Bhusan Rao, A N Sahai
26	ERNIS	Santanu Chakraborty, Sisir Kumar Banerjee, Arun Kumar Majhi, Chandan Kumar Mitra, Jibak Tewari	68	Sweta Goenka VI	Sanjay Raha, Subir Das, Tinku Das, Manoj Das
27	Five diamonds	Satchidananda Nayak, Sudhakar Nayak, Bholanath Dash, Asim Das, A Acharya, Prithvi Raj	69	TAPOBAN	Provati Roy, Samir Kumar Datta, Partha Sarkar, Jiten Chakraborty, Subir Kumar Chaudhuri, Sanjib Ganguly
28	FIVE HEART PATNA	S K Verma, J P Singh, Umesh Ram, Raman Kumar	70	Tarams	Ramesh Srinivas, Deepak Pramanik, Vijay Ramchandran, Sundar Shekar Polavaram, Kumar Venkataraman, Pradeep Deshpande
29	ganaraya	Ajit Mahadar, Mahavir Bhupal Savadatti, Bhalchandra Shridhar Musale, Mangesh Shridhar Musale	71	Tasher Desh	Saumitra Basu, Manju Dhall, Sujoy Kumar Dey, Manjoocha Bairathi, Dilip Kumar Bropuzari
30	Gladiators	Tarun Singhal, Rakesh Chandra Sharma, Umesh Kumar Singh, Anurag Pandey, Pankaj P Chaudhari, Pintu Sao	72	TAX FREE	N Sudhakar Babu, Prashanth Kandulakunta, R Sreekrishnan, Kannan S
31	Guha and Friends	A K Guha, Saurav Sil, Goutam Majumder, Rajendra Ray, Amitava Banerjee, Jayanta Dutta	73	TEAM ANIL	Rajendra V Mekal, Parimal N Shah, Rathindra Nath Kundu, Soumen Sardar
32	Hakuna Matata	Bijal Shah, Sejal Shah, Bhanumati Shah, Ramola Shah, Kumar Shah, Naina Shah	74	Team Kabra	Kamal Kabra, Indranil Chakraborty, Sanjib Naskar, Samar Kumar Maity, Mithun Biswas
33	Him	Hatinder Panwar, Anil Sud, Mithileshwar Jha, Dheeraj Sood	75	TEAM VIBRANT	M K Halder, Biswajit Ghosh, Sanat Roy, Goutam Banerjee
34	INSPIRATION	Jyotirmoy Dey, Dharma Narayan Bordoloi, Ravi Shankar Muthuswami, Jatin Baruah, Kishor Dutta, Dhruva Dey	76	The Squad	Savleen Thadani, Sailaja Tahiliani, Sunil Kumar Sinha, Pradip Ghosh, Sarveswar Bhattacharya, Sajal Banerjee
35	Invincible	Vijayanand Singh, Jitendra Pandey, Anil Kumar Bansal, Sunil Misra	77	TRECKers	Kannan Krishnamurthy, Sajiv K Menon, Srikanth Palem, Uma Rajesh, Rajib Roy, Sudipta Adhikary
36	Jhontu	Arnab Guha, Tapan Kumar Roy, Bijon Kumar Mondal, Swarup Ghosh, Pranab Prasad, Sankha Goswami	78	Trick n Trump	Rakesh Bagga, Shankar Chatterjee, Atanu Ganguly, Sumit Bhattacharjee, Bipul Kumar Roy
37	Kal aaj aur kal	Pradeep Anand Singh, C P Agarwal, Pullak Garga, Mukul Goel, Puneet Goyal, Daljit Marwah	79	UNIQUE	Salil Kumar Mondal, Debabrata Mondal, Kishore Das, Bimalendu Das, Bholu Nath Ghosh
38	KARPAG	Goutam Mukherjee, Kalyan Kumar Roy, Ashok Dey, Priyotosh Sarkar, Amit Chakraborty, Rajesh Jain	80	United	Rinku Singh, Anup Kumar Mahajan, Hemkanti Talukdar, Dilip Mistry, Raju Santra
39	Lal Mati	Ansu Prasad Biswas, Ajit Mukherjee, Sanjay Kumar Dasgupta, Sibo Ram Basak, Deepak Gangajaliya, Mitresh Manu	81	USHA KIRAN	Birendra Kumar, Usha Joshi, Neeta Banga, U N Panjiyar, Pradip Gupta, Hari Narayan
40	MAITRI	Ashwin Tolani, Mrinal Kanti Mukherjee, Tirthankar Sengupta, Amit Palit, Jesal Dabirwala, Ananda Roy	82	WINNING MINDS	Vidhya Patel, Kalpana Gurjar, Sayantan Konar, Mathew Chandy, Soham Sarkar, M Vasantha Pal
41	Mangalmurti	Hemant Purkar, Bhalchandra G Ogale, Chandrashekhar K Damle, Nitin M Dharmadhikari, Rakesh Nanda, B S Gupta	83	Zenith	Pujah S Jhurinunwala, Partha (Bulu) Saha, Anirban Sasmal, Souvik Saha, Soumitra Das, Pradip Mondal
42	Milky way Galaxy	Tapan Kumar Roy, Sunil Das, Tarun Manna, Braja Gopal Dey, Aman Kumar Sahani	84	Zenith Elevator Co. Pvt. Ltd.	Borhan Ali Molla, Sujit Kumar Sur, Tapan Choudhury, Subhas Basu, Dipak Kumar Paul, Prakash Gupta

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES

Mark Horton

The opening round of the Gold Teams was a journalistic nightmare, as the BBO connection was repeatedly lost. This results in a loss of data, which was not always restored.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ 83		♠ 942
♥ AKQ7		♥ J105
♦ KQ1073		♦ J9
♣ 72		♣ J9643
♠ KQ1065		♠ AJ7
♥ 9		♥ 86432
♦ A652		♦ 84
♣ A108		♣ KQ5



Wham v Deepadhar

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bardhan	Hung	De Sarkar	Hans
—	INT	Pass	2♦*
2♠	4♦*	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

2♦ Transfer
4♦ Fit jump

West led the ♠Q and declarer won, cashed dummy's ♥AK and played the ♦K, West winning and playing two rounds of clubs which allowed declarer to claim, +420.

Andy Pei-en Hung



Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Mullick	Whibley	Manna
—	1♦	Pass	1♥
1♠	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

West led the ♠K and declarer won, drew trumps, played a club for the king and ace, won the club return and played a diamond to the ten. East won and returned a spade, West winning and forcing dummy with a spade. That was two down, -100 and 11 IMPs to **Wham**.

On Board 2 EW held ♠Q765 ♥A974 ♦J ♣A1097 facing ♠AJ1093 ♥K ♦A10432 ♣85. The layout was such that you could take all the tricks (singleton ♠K onside and diamonds 4-3) but in our featured matches, no one went past game. After 1♠-4♦*-4♥* West signed off in 4♠.



Joyrup Mullick

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ AQ10632		♠ K974
♥ 6		♥ KQ107
♦ A109		♦ KJ742
♣ 754		♣ —
♠ 85		♠ J
♥ AJ94		♥ 8532
♦ Q3		♦ 865
♣ AQJ83		♣ K10962



Wham v Deepadhar

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bardhan	Hung	De Sarkar	Hans
—	—	—	Pass
1♣	3♠	3NT	All Pass

South led the ♠J and declarer ducked and played the ♣Q on the next trick, followed by the ♦Q, easily securing 10 tricks for +630.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Mullick	Whibley	Manna
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♠	Dble	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

North led the ♣4 for the king and ace and declarer played a heart to the king and a diamond for the queen and ace. North played the ace then queen of spades and declarer discarded a diamond, won the diamond switch with dummy's ♦K, drew trumps and claimed, +620.

Formidables v Avagaard

Open Room

West	North	East	South
P Agrawal	Tewari	Vijaywargiya	Mukherjee
—	—	—	Pass
2♣*	3♠	3NT	All Pass

When the ♠J held the first trick South switched to the ♣2. Declarer took dummy's ♣A and played a diamond to the jack followed by a diamond to the queen, finishing with nine tricks, +600.



Rajeshwar Tewari

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bendre	Purushottam	Kushari	JAgrawal
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♣*	Dble	Pass
2♥	2♠	4♣*	Pass
4♦	Pass	6♥	All Pass

North led the ♦A and then played two rounds of spades, South ruffing for two down, -200 and 13 IMPs to Avagaard.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ J73	♠ AQ10962
♥ QJ62	♥ 54
♦ 92	♦ QJ6
♣ AJ54	♣ 109

♠ K5	♠ 84
♥ K9873	♥ A10
♦ 43	♦ AK10875
♣ KQ32	♣ 876



Wham v Deepadhar

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bardhan	Hung	De Sarkar	Hans
—	—	2♠	Pass
3♠	All Pass		



Sartaj Hans

South led the ♣A and switched to the ♠8 declarer winning with the ♠10, playing a heart to the king and a heart, South winning and playing a second spade, +140.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Mullick	Whibley	Manna
—	—	—	—

The bidding record was lost, but the final contract was 2♠x, declarer securing nine tricks for +570 and 10 IMPs to Wham.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ 1064	♠ AK98
♥ K108742	♥ J
♦ Q52	♦ KJ10986
♣ Q	♣ J2

♠ QJ753	♠ 2
♥ Q5	♥ A963
♦ 7	♦ A43
♣ K7543	♣ A10986



Wham v Deepadhar

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bardhan	Hung	De Sarkar	Hans
—	—	1♦	Pass
1♠	2♥	4♠	5♥
5♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

North led the ♣Q and South took the ♣A, cashed the ♥A and then went back to clubs, North ruffing and continuing with the ♥K. Declarer ruffed in dummy and had to lose to the ♦A for two down, -500.



Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Mullick	Whibley	Manna
—	—	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	4♠	Dble
Pass	5♥	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

East led the ♠K and switched to the ♦K, declarer winning with dummy's ♦A, drawing trumps, playing the ♣Q to the ace, ruffing a club, ruffing a spade and running the ♣8 for 12 tricks, +750 and 6 IMPs to Deepadhar.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ 103	♠ KQ87	♠ A94
♥ AK94	♥ J8	♥ 10762
♦ Q8652	♦ J	♦ K1093
♣ QJ	♣ AK7532	♣ 109
	♠ J652	
	♥ Q53	
	♦ A74	
	♣ 864	

Wham v Deepadhar

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bardhan	Hung	De Sarkar	Hans
1♦	2♣	Dble	3♣
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Declarer won the diamond lead with dummy's ♦A and played on spades, easily securing ten tricks, +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Mullick	Whibley	Manna
1♦	2♣	Dble	3♣
Pass	Pass	3♦	Pass
Pass	3♠	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

West led the ♥A and switched to the ♦2 which resulted in two down, -100 and 11 IMPs to Wham.

They had won 33-6, 17.16-2.84 VP.

Meanwhile Avagaard defeated Formidables 12.51-7.49 VP.



Teach bridge online.

See all four hands, talk to your students on camera, and undo any card.



The screenshot displays the Bridge Champ online interface. At the top, a compass indicates North (N) is at the top. The interface shows four players' video feeds: Sophia (top left), Christopher (bottom left), EmilyBC (bottom center), and Fran (bottom right). The central area displays the card hands for all four players. The top hand (North) is: J 4 3 2 J 7 4 2 A Q 4 9 6. The bottom hand (South) is: 10 5 3 J 10 5 2 A K 10 8 5 4. The left hand (West) is: A Q 9 7, Q 9 5, K 6 3, Q 7 2. The right hand (East) is: K 8 6, A K 10 8 6, 9 8 7, J 3. A central bidding table shows the following bids:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	PASS	1♥	PASS
1♠	PASS	2♣	PASS
2♠	PASS	3♥	PASS
4♥			

At the top right, a score table for Board 1 shows N-S: 0.00, IMPs: 0.00, E-W: 0.00. The bottom left corner has a 'Learn' button.



Scan to
see how.

bridgechamp.com

Visit our booth, in front of the medical desk.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES 2

Mark Horton

Gromov and Poddar Aces had both made a winning start in the opening round.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

♠ AKJ3	♠ Q942	♠ 10876
♥ 2	♥ 4	♥ Q876
♦ AJ743	♦ KQ652	♦ 10
♣ A54	♣ 962	♣ QJ103
	♠ 5	
	♥ AKJ10953	
	♦ 98	
	♣ K87	

Gromov v Poddar Aces

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Vijayraghavan	Gromov	Rajmohan	Gulevich
1♦	Pass	1♥*	2♥
2♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass
1♥	Transfer		



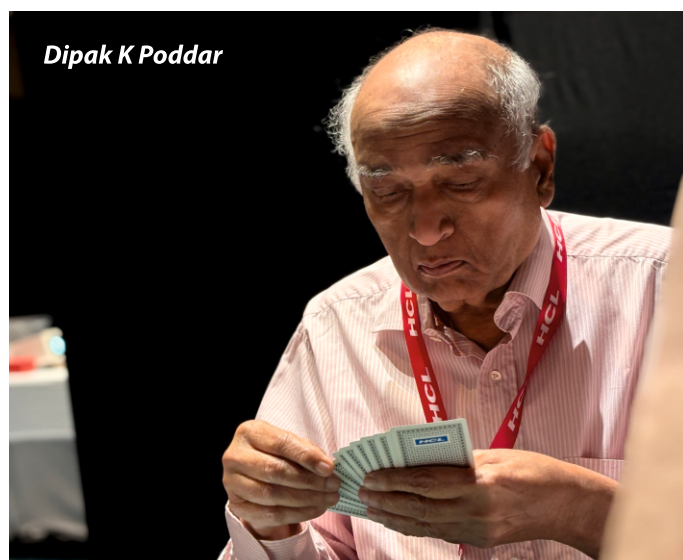
Andrey Gromov

North led the ♥4 and South won with the ♥9 and continued with the ♥K, ruffed by the ♠3 and overruffed by the ♠4, North returning the ♣6 to dummy's ♣Q. Two rounds of diamonds, ruffing in dummy were followed by the ♣J and when it held declarer ruffed a heart with the ♠K, ruffed a diamond, ruffed a heart with the ♠A and ruffed a diamond. That was eight tricks, but the defenders now took the remainder for two down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Poddar	Rudakov	Somani
1♣	Pass	1♦	1♥
Dble	Pass	2♠	3♥
4♠	All Pass		

South led the ♥A and switched to the ♣7, declarer winning with the ♣Q, playing the ♣J for the king and ace, cashing the ♠A and playing a club to the ten. A heart, ruffed low and overruffed saw North exit with the ♦K and declarer won in dummy, cashed the ♠K and ruffed a diamond (playing the ♦J is best, pinning South's remaining ♦9). North had unwisely played the ♦Q on this trick, so now declarer could play the ♣3 pitching a diamond and North's ♠Q was the last defensive trick, +420 and 10 Imps to **Gromov**.



Dipak K Poddar

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ A4	♠ 973
♥ K6	♥ QJ5
♦ 1098765	♦ AK432
♣ 843	♣ AK
♠ K6	
♥ 1092	
♦ J	
♣ QJ109762	
♠ QJ10852	
♥ A8743	
♦ Q	
♣ 5	

Gromov v Poddar Aces

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Vijayraghavan	Gromov	Rajmohan	Gulevich
—	—	—	2♠*
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
5♣	All Pass		
2♠	8-11(12) 6-7♠		

North led the ♠A and when South followed with the ♠Q, switched to the ♥K, three rounds of the suit resulting in two down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Poddar	Rudakov	Somani
—	—	—	1♠
4♣	All Pass		

Here too North led the ♠A but when South followed with the ♠2 a second spade allowed declarer to win, unblock the ♣AK, cash two diamonds, pitching a heart and claim ten tricks, +130 and 6 IMPs to **Gromov**.



Rajesh Somani

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ A J 10 8 2		
♥ Q 9 8 3		
♦ 9 5		
♣ 9 5		
♠ 6		♠ K 9 5
♥ 6 5		♥ 4 2
♦ 10 7 2		♦ A K Q J 8 6 4
♣ Q J 10 8 6 4 2		♣ A
	♠ Q 7 4 3	
	♥ A K J 10 7	
	♦ 3	
	♣ K 7 3	

Gromov v Poddar Aces

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Vijayraghavan	Gromov	Rajmohan	Gulevich
—	—	1♦	1♥
Pass	2NT*	3♥*	Dble
4♣	4♥	5♦	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

2NT Support
3♥ Looking for a stopper

South led the ♥K, cashed the ♥A and exited with the ♦3, declarer taking North's ♦9, unblocking the ♣A and exiting with the ♠K. North won and returned the ♦5, declarer winning with dummy's ♦7 and pitching a spade on the ♣Q, South's ♠K giving the defenders a fourth trick, -300. 4♥ can be defeated if East cashes the ♣A and underleads the diamonds to secure a club ruff.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Poddar	Rudakov	Somani
—	—	1♣	1♥
Pass	2♥	Dble	3♥
4♣	4♥	5♦	All Pass

South cashed two hearts and switched to the ♠4 so declarer took ten tricks, -50 but 6 IMPs to **Gromov**.

Although the deals had not been exciting, **Gromov** had won 37-2, and moved into third place.



Sergey Orlov

Save the Date



World Bridge Federation
4th Online Women's Teams
January 8 - 10, 2027

This is a transnational event



GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES 3

Mark Horton

BBO in Paris has confirmed that VuGraph Transmissions have been unstable for several days and their technicians are investigating. While this is an ongoing issue, I may sometimes report on interesting events at other tables at a later stage.

In round 3 we are following the top-of-the-table clash between Wham and Ash Gupta.

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ 8		
♥ A 10 7 5		
♦ 10 7 3 2		
♣ J 10 6 2		
♠ A J 2		♠ Q 10 3
♥ 9 8 4 2		♥ K Q J 3
♦ K J 9		♦ A Q 8 4
♣ A K Q		♣ 8 5
	♠ K 9 7 6 5 4	
	♥ 6	
	♦ 6 5	
	♣ 9 7 4 3	

Wham v Ash Gupta

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Hung	Gupta	Hans
—	Pass	1♦	1♠
Dble*	Pass	1♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Declarer lost only to the ♥A, +490.



Eldad Ginossar

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Sensarma	Whibley	Lall
—	Pass	1♣*	1♠
Dble*	Pass	2♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♥	All Pass

South led the ♦6 and declarer won in dummy, played a heart to the jack, the ♥K disclosing the break and a club to dummy, claiming 12 tricks, +480.



Hemant Lall

You would certainly like to be in a slam after South's overcall and 15 pairs found a route to 6♥/6NT.

Board 22. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ K Q J 10 9 4		
♥ 9 7		
♦ A K 6 4		
♣ 6		
♠ 7 5 3		♠ 2
♥ K 8 3		♥ J 5
♦ J 10 3		♦ Q 9 8 5
♣ Q 9 8 2		♣ A K J 7 5 4
	♠ A 8 6	
	♥ A Q 10 6 4 2	
	♦ 7 2	
	♣ 10 3	

Wham v Ash Gupta

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Hung	Gupta	Hans
—	—	1♣	1♥
Pass	2♠	3♣	4♠
5♣	Dble	All Pass	

South led the ♠A and switched to the ♦2 (low from a doubleton). That looks like three down: a spade, two diamonds, a diamond ruff and the ♥A, but the score was shown on BBO as -500 and was later posted as the official result.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Sensarma	Whibley	Lall
—	—	—	—

We know the contract was 4♠, declarer taking 11 tricks for +450, but at least 2 IMPs to **Wham**.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ 5		
♥ KJ9842		
♦ 2		
♣ AJ1052		
♠ Q10982		♠ KJ7643
♥ 65		♥ 107
♦ 104		♦ AJ9
♣ Q874		♣ 63
	W S E	
♠ A		
♥ AQ3		
♦ KQ87653		
♣ K9		

Wham v Ash Gupta

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Hung	Gupta	Hans
Pass	1♥	2♠	2NT*
4♠	5♣	Pass	5♠*
Pass	6♦*	Pass	6♥
All Pass			
2NT	Support		
5♠	Control		
6♦	Control		

East led the ♠7 to dummy's ♠A and declarer continued with the ♦3, West winning with the ♦10 and returning the ♠Q. Declarer ruffed in dummy, cashed the ♥A, ruffed a diamond, played a heart to the queen and claimed, +980.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Sensarma	Whibley	Lall
Pass	1♥	1♠	2♠
3♠	4♣	4♠	4NT*
Pass	5♥*	Pass	6♥
All Pass			
4NT	RKCB		
5♥	2 keycards		

East led the ♥10 and declarer won with the ♥J and played a diamond, East taking the ♦A, +980.

Rampage v Dhampur Sugar Mills

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Khare	Mehta	Bapat	Thakral
Pass	1♥	1♠	2♦
4♠	Pass	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♣*	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

Declarer had no problem securing 12 tricks for +980.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sarkar	Venkataraman	Gupta	Goel
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	4♥	4♠	5♥
Pass	Pass	5♠	6♥
Pass	Pass	6♠	Dble
All Pass			

There were six losers, five down, -1100 and 3 IMPs to **Dhampur Sugar Mills**.

A few pairs went overboard on the deal, going on to 7♦/7♥.



Ashok Kumar Goel

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ Q		
♥ J1094		
♦ K8764		
♣ AQJ		
♠ J9653		♠ 108742
♥ 6		♥ Q832
♦ 105		♦ 93
♣ K10963		♣ 42
	W S E	
♠ AK		
♥ AK75		
♦ AQJ2		
♣ 875		

Wham v Ash Gupta

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Hung	Gupta	Hans
—	INT	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♣*	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♠*	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♣*	Pass	5♦*
Pass	5♥*	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

4♠	Splinter
4NT	RKCB
5♣	1 keycard
5♦	♥Q?
5♥	No

The system card I could find did not reveal the meaning of 2NT.

Declarer took all the tricks, +1020.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Sensarma	Whibley	Lall
—	1♦	Pass	2♦*
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3NT	Pass	5NT*
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

2♦	Inverted
5NT	Pick a slam

That was +940 and 2 IMPs to **Wham**.



Board 29. Dealer North. AllVul.

♠ A 4 2		
♥ 10 6 5		
♦ K Q 2		
♣ Q J 4 2		
♠ K 5 3		♠ J 9 7 6
♥ J 4		♥ K Q 9 8 2
♦ A 10 8 5 4		♦ 9 7 6
♣ A K 9		♣ 5
♠ Q 10 8		
♥ A 7 3		
♦ J 3		
♣ 10 8 7 6 3		



Wham v Ash Gupta

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Hung	Gupta	Hans
—	1♦	Pass	INT
All Pass			



West led the ♦5 and declarer won in dummy and played the ♣Q, soon claiming his contract, +90.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brown	Sensarma	Whibley	Lall
—	—	—	—

In this room West became the declarer in 2♦ which made on the nose, +90

That was 5 IMPs to **Wham**, the biggest swing of the match which they won 10-7, 11.14-8.86VP.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES 4

Mark Horton

In the penultimate round of day one we are looking at the match between Tornatae and EA Bridge.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ A 6	♠ 10 5 2	♠ K Q 8 4
♥ A 9 8 3 2	♥ —	♥ K J 7 5 4
♦ Q 10 7 5	♦ K 3 2	♦ J 6 4
♣ A 9	♣ K Q J 10 8 4 2	♣ 3
	W N E S	
	♠ J 9 6 3	
	♥ Q 10 6	
	♦ A 9 8	
	♣ 7 6 5	

Tornatae v EA Bridge

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gupta	Baroi	Manna	Keni
—	3♣	Dble	4♣
6♥	All Pass		

East had the right sort of shape for a takeout double, but was short on values. Declarer could not avoid going two down, -100.



Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Desai	Buras	Majumder	Bijoor
—	3♣	Pass	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣*	Pass
4♥	All Pass		
4♣	Control		

That was worth 11 IMPs for Tornatae.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ K J 3	♠ A Q 10 8 2
♥ J 7 6 4	♥ 5
♦ K Q 10 8 3	♦ 7 5 4
♣ 2	♣ J 10 5 3
♠ 6 4	♠ 9 7 5
♥ A 8 3	♥ K Q 10 9
♦ J	♦ A 9 6 2
♣ A K Q 8 7 4	♣ 9 6
	W N E S

Tornatae v EA Bridge

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gupta	Baroi	Manna	Keni
—	—	2♠	Pass
2NT*	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	All Pass		
2NT	Relay		

South led the ♥K and declarer took dummy's ♥A, played a spade to the ten, a club to dummy and a spade, +480. 13

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Desai	Buras	Majumder	Bijoor
—	—	2♠	All Pass

South led the ♥Q and declarer took dummy's ♥A and played the ♦J. North winning with the ♦Q and switching to the ♠3. When the ♠10 held declarer crossed to dummy with a club and played a spade for the king and ace, cashed the ♠Q and claimed 11 tricks, +200, but 7 IMPs to EA Bridge.



Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ 9 5 4 2	♠ A 3	♠ K Q 8
♥ J 9 6 3	♥ 10 5	♥ A K 8 7 4 2
♦ J 9 6 3	♦ A K Q 5	♦ 10 2
♣ Q	♣ A K 7 5 4	♣ J 9

♠ J 10 7 6	♠ J 10 7 6
♥ Q	♥ Q
♦ 8 7 4	♦ 8 7 4
♣ 10 8 6 3 2	♣ 10 8 6 3 2

Tornatae v EA Bridge

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gupta	Baroi	Manna	Keni
—	2NT	All Pass	

East led the ♥K and continued with the ♥A but West did not unblock the ♥9 so declarer emerged with nine tricks, +150.

It is quite common for the lead of a king against a notrump contract to ask partner to unblock and honour, the ace or queen (from KQ) asking for an attitude signal.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Desai	Buras	Majumder	Bijoor
—	2NT	All Pass	

East led the ♥A and continued with the ♥K, West unblocking the ♥9. The ♥8 saw West win with the ♥J and switch to the ♠9, so there was no swing.

If North opens 1♣, there is at least a chance that 5♣ will be reached and that happened quite a few times.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ K 2	♠ A Q J 7 6	♠ 10 8 5 3
♥ A K Q	♥ J 9 7	♥ 4 2
♦ A Q 6	♦ J 10 9 7	♦ 8 5 4 3 2
♣ A K 6 5 2	♣ 10	♣ 8 3

♠ 9 4	♠ 9 4
♥ 10 8 6 5 3	♥ 10 8 6 5 3
♦ K	♦ K
♣ Q J 9 7 4	♣ Q J 9 7 4

Tornatae v EA Bridge

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gupta	Baroi	Manna	Keni
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♣*	1♥*	Pass	

I saw this much of the auction before the rest (along with the play record) was consigned to oblivion. The final contract was 3NT and it finished two down when North led the ♦J.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Desai	Buras	Majumder	Bijoor
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♣*	1♥*	Pass	1♠
Dble	Pass	2♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

North led the ♠Q and declarer won and cashed the top clubs, North discarding the ♥7. Declarer took the ♥AKQ and exited with the ♠2, North winning, cashing the ♠J and switching to the ♦J for the king and ace. Declarer continued with two rounds of diamonds and North had to surrender the game-going trick to dummy's ♠10, +600 and 13 IMPs to EA Bridge.

One pair got all the way to 5♠ on the NS cards, losing -1100 and 14 IMPs.



Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ 7	♠ 7
♥ A Q 9 7 5 4	♥ A Q 9 7 5 4
♦ K J 8 6	♦ K J 8 6
♣ 10 2	♣ 10 2

♠ J 9 8 4	♠ J 9 8 4
♥ J	♥ J
♦ A Q 10 9 4 2	♦ A Q 10 9 4 2
♣ 9 4	♣ 9 4

♠ A K 6 3 2	♠ A K 6 3 2
♥ 10 8 6 3	♥ 10 8 6 3
♦ 5	♦ 5
♣ 8 7 5	♣ 8 7 5

Tornatae v EA Bridge

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gupta	Baroi	Manna	Keni
Pass	1♥	1♠	3NT
4♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

South started with three rounds of clubs and declarer pitched dummy's ♥J, ruffed the switch to the ♥K in dummy and played on cross ruff lines for two down, -300.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Desai	Buras	Majumder	Bijoor
3♦	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

East led the ♠K and continued with the ♠A, declarer ruffing and playing hearts, claiming ten tricks, +420 and 3 IMPs to EA Bridge.



Buras Krzysztof

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ AK94		
♥ 96		
♦ A6		
♣ A10752		
♠ QJ		♠ 10753
♥ J103		♥ 42
♦ QJ10972		♦ K853
♣ 93		♣ J84
	♠ 862	
	♥ AKQ875	
	♦ 4	
	♣ KQ6	

Tornatae v EA Bridge

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gupta	Baroi	Manna	Keni
—	—	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦*
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

3♦ Fourth suit forcing

Declarer took 11 tricks, +650.

This was by no means the only occasion on which NS stopped at game level.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Desai	Buras	Majumder	Bijoor
—	—	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♣*	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♣*
Pass	4♦*	Dble	Pass
Pass	Rdbl*	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♦*	Pass	5NT*
Pass	6♠*	Pass	7♥
All Pass			

4♣	Control
4♦	Control
Rdbl	First round control
4NT	RKCB
5♦	3 keycards
5NT	Kings?
6♠	♠K

That was +2210 and 17 IMPs to EA Bridge who won 43-12, 18-2VP.

All the pairs who bid a grand slam won at least 13 IMPs.



Girish R Bijoor



MEDICAL DESK
OUTSIDE
TURQUOISE HALL

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES 5

Mark Horton

Ash Gupta v Gromov, the top two after four rounds, ends our coverage of day one.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

♠ J2	♠ K73	♠ 986
♥ AJ1032	♥ Q9876	♥ K54
♦ 107	♦ KJ82	♦ AQ94
♣ Q1042	♣ 3	♣ J98
	N W E S	
	♠ AQ1054	
	♥ —	
	♦ 653	
	♣ AK765	

Ash Gupta v Gromov

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Sensarma	Rudakov	Lall
Pass	Pass	1♦	1♠
Dble*	2♣*	Pass	2♦*
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

2♣ Drury
2♦ Sound opening

West led the ♦10 for the jack and queen and East switched to the ♠9 declarer winning in dummy, playing a club to the ace, ruffing a club, ruffing a heart, ruffing a club, ruffing a heart and cashing the ♠AQ and two clubs for +620.



Evgeny Rudakov

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Gromov	Gupta	Gulevich
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣*	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

2♣ Drury

West led the ♣4 for the jack and ace and declarer played a diamond for the ten, jack and queen. Back came the ♣9 and declarer ruffed in dummy, ruffed a heart, ruffed a club, cashed the ♠K, ruffed a heart and drew trumps to flatten the board.



Anna Gulevich

On Board 13 EW held ♠95 ♥A10974 ♦982 ♣1042 facing ♠KJ10 ♥KJ8 ♦AQJ104 ♣AK. The ♠Q and the ♦K were onside and Ash Gupta scored +650 in the Open Room. Alas, the bidding in the other room is a mystery, but South played in 2♠ going three down, -300, but 8 IMPs to **Ash Gupta**.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ 542	♠ 763
♥ Q7	♥ 98543
♦ A42	♦ KJ8
♣ J8765	♣ K10
N W E S	
♠ KJ8	♠ AQ109
♥ 1062	♥ AKJ
♦ 653	♦ Q1097
♣ AQ93	♣ 42

Ash Gupta v Gromov

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Sensarma	Rudakov	Lall
—	—	—	INT
All Pass			

West led the ♥6 and declarer won in dummy and played a spade for the ten and jack. He won the heart return and ran the ♦Q, East winning and clearing the hearts. The ♦10 to the ace and a losing spade finesse saw declarer go three down, -300.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Gromov	Gupta	Gulevich
—	—	—	1♣*
Pass	1♦*	Pass	INT*
All Pass			

1♣	16+ any
1♦	0-7(8)
INT	16-18

West led the ♦6 and East won with the ♦K and returned the ♦J, declarer having time to take two losing spade finesses, but safely emerging with seven tricks, +90 and 9 IMPs that brought the scores level at 9 all.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ K 10		
♥ 7 5		
♦ J 10 7 5 2		
♣ AK 10 8		
♠ QJ 9 8 6 4 2		
♥ A		
♦ Q 4 3		
♣ Q 5		
♠ 7 5		
♥ K Q 9 8 6 2		
♦ 6		
♣ J 7 4 3		
♠ A 3		
♥ J 10 4 3		
♦ AK 9 8		
♣ 9 6 2		

Ash Gupta v Gromov

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Sensarma	Rudakov	Lall
—	—	2♥	Pass
2♠*	All Pass		

2♠ drifted one down, -50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Gromov	Gupta	Gulevich
—	—	2♥	Pass
2♠*	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	3♦	All Pass	

Declarer had no trouble securing nine tricks, +110 giving Gromov 2 IMPs.

NS are not so far away from making 3NT – to be sure of defeating it the defenders must lead spades – and nine tricks were taken a couple of times for 11 IMPs.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ 10 7 6		
♥ 10 6 2		
♦ KJ 7 4		
♣ J 10 9		
♠ AQ 8 3		
♥ AK 9 4 3		
♦ 5		
♣ AK 3		
♠ 5 4 2		
♥ Q 5		
♦ Q 10 6 3 2		
♣ 7 5 2		
♠ KJ 9		
♥ J 8 7		
♦ A 9 8		
♣ Q 8 6 4		

Ash Gupta v Gromov

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Sensarma	Rudakov	Lall
—	—	—	1♣
Dble	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

North led the ♣J and declarer won and ducked a spade, South winning with the ♥9 and returning a club. Declarer won, played two rounds of hearts ending in dummy and a spade for the king and ace. With both major suits 3-3 he had ten tricks, +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Gromov	Gupta	Gulevich
—	—	—	Pass
1♥	Pass	Pass	INT
Dble	2♦	Dble	All Pass

South's decision to keep the bidding alive is hard to understand.

East led the ♥Q and there was nothing to the play, declarer managing four tricks to be -800, 5 IMPs to Ash Grove instead of a big swing the other way.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ K Q 10 8		
♥ A 8		
♦ A J 10 7 5		
♣ J 8		
♠ A 9 7 4 3		
♥ Q 4 3		
♦ 9 8 3		
♣ Q 9		
	♠ 2	
	♥ J 6 5 2	
	♦ K Q 6 4	
	♣ A 7 6 4	
	♠ J 6 5	
	♥ K 10 9 7	
	♦ 2	
	♣ K 10 5 3 2	

Ash Gupta v Gromov

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Orlov	Sensarma	Rudakov	Lall
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	INT
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

West led the ♠4 and declarer won with dummy's ♠K and ran the ♣J, West winning and switching to the ♥3. Declarer took dummy's ♥A and played a club to the king followed by the ♣10, East winning and returning the ♥2. West won with the ♥Q and exited with the ♠9, and declarer was doomed to two down, -200.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ginossar	Gromov	Gupta	Gulevich
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	All Pass	

East led the ♠2 and West took the ♠A and returned the ♠9, declarer winning with the ♠K and running the ♣J. West won and exited with a spade and declarer won with the ♠Q and played a club, East taking the ♣A and exiting with the ♥5 (the ♥J is the card to play). Declarer won with the ♥8, cashed the ♠10 and the ♥A and exited with the ♦J. East won with the ♦Q and played a club, West ruffing and returning the ♦9 but declarer could put in the ♦10 and was assured of seven tricks, +80 and 7 IMPs to **Gromov**, winning 20-14, 12.18-7.82VP.



Bridge Teacher

Find the teacher that will make you progress online or in-person.
Or register as a teacher and gain a worldwide visibility.



Watch Bridge

All bridge videos, live tournaments and podcast are centralized in a single place.
Can't find what you are looking for? Publish your content for free!



Play Bridge

The must play solitary games. From iconic mini games like Just Declare / Just Play Bridge / Bridge 4 / Bridge Master.
Find them all and play for free!



Bridge Clubs

An interactive map on which more than 5,400 clubs are listed throughout the world.
The best way to find the club near you or during your travels.



Bridge News

All latests news and bulletins about what is going on in the bridge world.
You can even publish your articles and see them translated in more than 14 languages.



Bridge Calendar

Don't miss a tournament, championship, festival or travel.
Federations, districts, clubs or travel agencies' accounts can publish their own events if not already listed.



Bridge Social

At last a social media dedicated to bridge. Share your thoughts, hands, or news.
Find partners, discuss topics on our forum, create your public/private group.



Bridge quizzes

Practice your skills by answering quizzes or by reading Barry Rigal and Bobby Wolff's daily column.
Create your own problems and defy the community.



Learn Bridge

A dedicated section to learn the basics of bridge.
Lessons, short introductory videos and a complete glossary await you.



Bridge Books

Every book you need to learn or improve your game.
Browse a curated selections of books and ebooks.
You can even ask to showcase yours.

Create your free account

