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Australia and China Lead On Day One In The 3rd Asia Cup



All the four Australian teams dominated the first day of these Championships, leading in both the Men and Women Teams while occupying the second and third spot in the Mixed Teams and Seniors respectively. Good On Ya Mates!

Ditto for the four Chinese teams in the fray, with China leading in the Seniors and occupying the second and third spot in the Men's Teams, as also lying second in the Women Teams.

India didn't have too much to write home about, the saving grace being their B Team leading in the Super Mixed Teams. They are third in the Mixed (A Team) and Super Mixed (the A Team), and a shade lower, sitting on the fourth spot in the Womens (India B) and the Seniors (India B). Their best bet, the Mens Teams are lying at the fifth and sixth spots.

It's still early days in the Asia Cup, but getting off the blocks with a dashing start can't hurt.

Well done Australia and China!

The top three at the end of Day One:

Rank	MEN	WOMEN	MIXED	SUPER MIXED	SENIORS
1	Australia	Australia	Thailand	India B	China
2	China Training	China	Australia	Japan	Chinese Taipei A
3	China	Chinese Taipei	India A	India A	Australia

















SCHEDULED MATCHES : 06-06-2018

Men Teams

Section: M















Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 5 09:30 - 11:30

Table		Home		Visiting	
1	1		India A	10	 Australia
2	2		China Training	11	 Invitational Men
3	3		Thailand B	12	 Chinese Taipei
4	4		Japan	13	 Indonesia
VG1	5		China Hong Kong	14	 India B
6	6		Singapore	8	 China A
7	7		Bangladesh	9	 Thailand A

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 6 12:00 - 14:00

Table		Home		Visiting	
1	1		India A	9	 Thailand A
2	2		China Training	3	 Thailand B
3	4		Japan	5	 China Hong Kong
4	6		Singapore	7	 Bangladesh
5	8		China A	14	 India B
6	10		Australia	11	 Invitational Men
VG1	12		Chinese Taipei	13	 Indonesia

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 7 15:00 - 17:00

Table		Home		Visiting	
VG1	1		India A	8	 China A
2	2		China Training	9	 Thailand A
3	3		Thailand B	10	 Australia
4	4		Japan	11	 Invitational Men
5	5		China Hong Kong	12	 Chinese Taipei
6	6		Singapore	13	 Indonesia
7	7		Bangladesh	14	 India B












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Women Teams

Section: L

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 4 09:30 - 11:30

Table	Home		Visiting	
31	1	 Pakistan	7	 Korea
32	2	 India B	3	 Chinese Taipei
33	4	 Australia	5	 Japan
VG3	8	 China Hong Kong	9	 China
Bye	6	 India A		

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 5 12:00 - 14:00

Table	Home		Visiting	
31	1	 Pakistan	6	 India A
VG3	2	 India B	7	 Korea
33	3	 Chinese Taipei	8	 China Hong Kong
34	4	 Australia	9	 China
Bye	5	 Japan		

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 3 15:00 - 17:00

Table	Home		Visiting	
31	1	 Pakistan	5	 Japan
32	2	 India B	4	 Australia
VG3	3	 Chinese Taipei	9	 China
34	6	 India A	7	 Korea
Bye	8	 China Hong Kong		



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Senior Teams

Section: S

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 4 09:30 - 11:30

Table	Home		Visiting	
11	1	India A	9	China
12	2	Invitational Senior 1	8	Japan
VG2	3	Chinese Taipei B	7	Australia
14	4	Korea	12	India B
15	5	Indonesia	11	Invitational Senior 2
16	6	China Hong Kong	10	Chinese Taipei

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 5 12:00 - 14:00

Table	Home		Visiting	
11	1	India A	8	Japan
12	2	Invitational Senior 1	7	Australia
13	3	Chinese Taipei B	12	India B
14	4	Korea	11	Invitational Senior 2
15	5	Indonesia	10	Chinese Taipei
16	6	China Hong Kong	9	China

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 6 15:00 - 17:00

Table	Home		Visiting	
11	1	India A	7	Australia
12	2	Invitational Senior 1	12	India B
13	3	Chinese Taipei B	11	Invitational Senior 2
14	4	Korea	10	Chinese Taipei
VG2	5	Indonesia	9	China
16	6	China Hong Kong	8	Japan






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Mixed Teams

Section: X










Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 4 09:30 - 11:30

Table	Home		Visiting	
VG4	2	 Korea	6	 Chinese Taipei B
42	3	 India B	7	 Chinese Taipei A
43	4	 China Hong Kong	8	 Australia
44	5	 Thailand	9	 Singapore
Bye	1	 India A		

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 5 12:00 - 14:00

Table	Home		Visiting	
VG4	1	 Korea	9	 India A
42	3	 India B	6	 Chinese Taipei B
43	4	 Chinese Taipei A	7	 Thailand
44	5	 China Hong Kong	8	 Singapore
Bye	2	 Australia		

Round Robin: 1 Round Number: 6 15:00 - 17:00

Table	Home		Visiting	
41	1	 Korea	8	 Australia
42	2	 India B	9	 China Hong Kong
43	4	 Chinese Taipei A	6	 Singapore
VG4	5	 India A	7	 Chinese Taipei B
Bye	3	 Thailand		



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Super Mixed Teams

Section: P

Round Robin: 1

Round Number: 5


09:30 - 11:30

Table

Home

Visiting

21 1  India A

6  Japan

22 2  Korea

4  Indonesia

23 3  Thailand

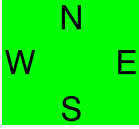
5  India B

An Automatic Squeeze

- Sukrit Vijaykar

This board was one with immense potential for errors in both bidding and play.

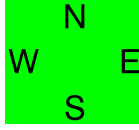
Board:21 Dealer:N Vul:NS Round:2

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

In the Womens Match between India and Chinese Taipei, the Taipei team managed to reach 4 hearts and make 6. The Indian women gamely tried and reached one level higher. However, they managed to make only 5 hearts and so were wise to stay out of the slam.

In the Super Mixed match between India A and Thailand, both pairs bid and reached 6 Hearts. At both tables, East opened with her singleton heart. Both declarers won in dummy and played a diamond to their king. After East won with the ace, the play differed. The Thai East, S Vallape returned a daring small club. Declarer had no choice but to risk the club finesse which was on and he ended up with 12 tricks after a spade finesse.

The Indian East Marianne Karmarkar returned a less risky (for the defence) spade. The Thai declarer took the marked spade finesse, cashed the spade Ace, pitching a club. He then ruffed out the diamonds in dummy, and started drawing trumps. This was the scenario with the last trump to be cashed.

	NORTH ♠ 10 ♥ 10 ♦ Q 8 ♣ Q 8	
WEST ♠ 8 4 ♥ 7 6 3 ♦ 10 8 5 2 ♣ J 10 7		EAST ♠ K ♥ 5 ♦ A J 6 ♣ K 6
	SOUTH ♠ 10 ♥ 10 ♦ A 2 ♣ A 2	

Poor East was helpless and had to surrender.

East's 1 Spade overcall is the only way that this 27 HCP card slam can be bid. And once bid, the black suit squeeze is pretty much automatic.

That being said, it was difficult to bid this hand which can be gauged from the fact that only 17 tables out of 50 playing actually bid the slam. Of these 17, only two pairs were unfortunate not to visualize the squeeze and went down. India B (Supermixed) and Thailand (Men) were the fortunate recipients of this gift.



Meet The Asia-Pacific Bridge Federation President



Khunying Chodchoy Sophonphanich (Esther).

Probably the participant with the longest name in these Championships, please welcome Khunying Chodchoy Sophonphanich also known as Esther. She has been the President of the APBF since 16 years, including its current avatar since 2010.

Esther is a lady who wears many hats. She was elected as Senator for 6 years to the Thai Parliament and was the first to bring the magic of plastic money into Thailand. She was responsible for the first Credit Card, (Diners Club), being introduced in Thailand.

We spoke to her briefly.

Q. How did you take to bridge?

I took to bridge after my first child was born, 47 years ago, even though I grew up in a bridge playing family and my gynecologist husband too played bridge. I took a break from a successful business career and I guess it became a case of filling in the vacant spots. So I went to a bridge teacher. He introduced me to duplicate bridge and straight into the deep end. I never played rubber bridge.

Q: What is your take on the Asia Cup?

This being the 3rd edition, I am very happy that the Asia Cup has come to Zone 4. For bridge to be included in the Asian Games the entire Asian continent has to be represented, including Zone 4, as per the guidelines of the OCA, the Olympic Council of Asia.

Q: Tell us something about the Asia Pacific Bridge Federation.

The APBF started out as the Far East Bridge Federation before coming to be in its current form as APBF in 2010

Q: What is being done in Thailand to promote bridge?

We have an agreement with universities in Thailand that any person who represents Thailand at the international level should be given a direct admission into the university. This acts as a great incentive not only for the kids but also the parents and teachers, to allow the children to play bridge.

Also in the last 3 years we have incorporate bridge into schools with the help of the ACBL Mini Bridge system, all over Thailand.

Q. Your hat has too many feathers, a whole plumage, care to share with us.

I run a organisation called Magic Eyes- which is dedicated to protecting the environment and ecology. We promote anti-litter, recycling and green philosophies. I was awarded the Honour Roll of 500 by the United Nation Environment Programme (UNEP). Our name suggests - Be Careful . Magic Eyes are watching you

I also run the Thai School of Excellence, where we train teachers to teach children in a child centred way along with the Bangkok Metropolitan Authority. We already have 4000 such teachers.

Esther is here not only as the President of the APBF, but also as a member of the Thailand Mixed Teams. At the young age of 74, this impeccably attired mother of 4 kids and 6 grandchildren is going great guns. Way to go Khunying Chodchoy Sophonphanich (Esther).

May You Stay Forever Young!

Sa-Wat-Dee





Indian A Vs India B (Men) - Anil Padhye



ROUND 1

The 3rd Asia Cup started of with hosts India playing among themselves in the main streams. It was the quite start to the tournament in which a very few boards had something of substances to offer.

DOUBLE BENIFIT SCHEME

Board No. 1 Dlr. N Vul. None

Board 1 - none

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

OPEN ROOM: N-S India A

North	East	South	West
<i>DMajumder</i>	<i>AAnklesiar</i>	<i>SMukherjee</i>	<i>SChoksi</i>
1NT	Pass	Pass	Dbl (strength)
Pass	Pass	2C	2H
Pass	3H	All Pass	

After North opening strong NT it was not easy for EW to reach 4H

CLOSED ROOM: N-S India B

North	East	South	West
<i>RTolani</i>	<i>SSundaram</i>	<i>AKhare</i>	<i>SSridhar</i>
1NT	Pass	Pass	Dbl (strength)
2S	All Pass		

India B played in a partial in both rooms. Both making a double benefit. 7 imps to India B.



Raju Tolani of India B

Board 3 Dlr. S Vul. E-S

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

OPEN ROOM : N-S India A

North	East	South	West
<i>DMajumder</i>	<i>AAnklesiar</i>	<i>SMukherjee</i>	<i>SChoksi</i>
		1NT	Pass
2D	2S	Pass	3S
Dbl	Pass	4H	All Pass

After a NT opening and opponents competing well in spades, over heart transfer, N-S preferred to play in a heart game than finding a diamond fit and scored 11 tricks.

CLOSED ROOM: N-S India B

North	East	South	West
<i>RTolani</i>	<i>SSundaram</i>	<i>AKhare</i>	<i>SSridhar</i>
		1D	Pass
1H	1S	2C	3S
5D	All Pass		

Ajay opened a Diamond and subsequently showed Clubs, Raju could have shown Spade control however chose to jump to 5D and lost an opportunity to reach a good Slam.



S Sundararam of India A



Indian A Vs India B (Men)

Contd.

Board 5 Dlr. N Vul. N-S

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

OPEN ROOM: N-S India A

North	East	South	West
<i>DMajumder</i>	<i>AAnklesiar</i>	<i>SMukherjee</i>	<i>SChoksi</i>
1D	2H	2S	3C
3S	Pass	4D	4H
4S	5H	Pass	Pass
Dbl	All Pass		

Kaizad went 2 down giving 300 on a trump lead.

CLOSED ROOM: N-S India B

North	East	South	West
<i>RTolani</i>	<i>SSundaram</i>	<i>AKhare</i>	<i>SSridhar</i>
1D	3H	3S	4C
4S	All Pass		



Ajay Khare of India B

EW expecting a Diamond trick chose to defend the Spade game. Ajay Khare on eliminating the Hearts & Clubs found east to be with 6 Hearts & 4 Diamonds. So he finessed East for the Diamond Queen and scored his 10th trick to pick up 8 imps for his side.

Board 6 Dlr. E Vul. E-W

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

OPEN ROOM: N-S India A

North	East	South	West
<i>DMajumder</i>	<i>AAnklesiar</i>	<i>SMukherjee</i>	<i>SChoksi</i>
	1C	Pass	1H
Pass	2H	Pass	2S
Pass	3H	Pass	4H

Sunit chose to play on a double Finesse in spades and lost 4 tricks.

CLOSED ROOM: N-S India B

North	East	South	West
<i>RTolani</i>	<i>SSundaram</i>	<i>AKhare</i>	<i>SSridhar</i>
	1C	Pass	1H
Pass	2H	2nt	Dbl
3D	3H	Pass	4H
All Pass			

After a Club lead declarer chose to play Spade Ace and Spade towards Queen to make 10 tricks. Surprisingly both declarers missed an opportunity for an elimination since the trumps were 2-2. On winning the club continuation at trick two, declarer can ruff a club, draw trumps (which are 2-2), and play a diamond to queen. He wins the diamond continuation and ruffs a diamond. The elimination is now complete. He simply exits with a low spade to the 10 and North is now endplayed.

India A picked up 12 Imps to narrow the difference to 6 Imps. However, India B managed to add 5 more Imps to win the match 25 – 14 earning 13.23V.Ps.



The Last Board - Mark Horten



USA Junior Selection Trials 2017 for the Patiño Cup

Later this year the world's finest young players - perhaps the stars of the future - will travel to China for the 2018 Junior World Championships. In the main event for the Patiño Cup the USA (as in the Bermuda Bowl etc) is allowed to field two teams. There was a dramatic conclusion to the match to determine who would be USA 2. This was the last deal of the Michael Seamon JUSBC U26 USA2 Final 2017:

Board 120. Dealer East. None Vul.

NORTH			
♠ K972			
♥ J4			
♦ 52			
♣ 87643			
WEST	N	E	EAST
♠ J1084	W	S	♠ AQ3
♥ AK982			♥ 5
♦ Q7			♦ AKJ1084
♣ J2			♣ AKQ
SOUTH			
♠ 65			
♥ Q10763			
♦ 963			
♣ 1095			

When this deal settled on the table Wei (Hongji Wei-Chang Liu, Yewen Fan-Nian Si, Che Shen-Yichen Yin) led Dhir (Arjun Dhir-Will Zhu, Sam Amer-Greg Herman-Burke Snowden)

147-140.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dhir</i>	<i>Yin</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Shen</i>
—	—	2♣*	Pass
2♦*	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
6NT	All Pass		

2♣ Strong

2♦ Waiting

South led the ♠6 and declarer claimed all the tricks, +1020.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Wei</i>	<i>Amer</i>	<i>Liu</i>	<i>Herman</i>
—	—	2♣*	Pass
2♦*	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♦	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♣*	Pass	5♥*	Pass

5NT	Pass	6♠*	Pass
7♦	All Pass		
2♣	Strong		
2♦	Waiting		
4NT	RKCB		
5♣	1 key card		
5♥	Asking for the ♦Q		
5NT	♦Q		
6♠	Grand slam try		

West's 4♦ was a terrific bid - he knew the ♦Q must be a great card. However, when his partner made an excellent bid of his own - 6♠, West decided he had the right cards to advance to 7♦. In this type of situation the player making the grand slam try is usually looking for a solidifying card in the suit bid - generally the king or queen.

South led the ♦2 and declarer played six rounds of the suit, cashed three clubs and then took his top hearts to reach this two card ending:

NORTH			
♠ K9			
♥ -			
♦ -			
♣ -			
WEST	N	E	EAST
♠ J	W	S	♠ AQ
♥ 8			♥ -
♦ -			♦ -
♣ -			♣ -
SOUTH			
♠ 6			
♥ Q			
♦ -			
♣ -			

North had discarded the ♠2 and three clubs on the diamonds and had then parted with the ♥4 on the third round of clubs, so he was known to have been 4-2-2-5. Meanwhile South, forced to guard hearts was known to be down to one spade and the ♥Q.

This would have been a good time for East to have recalled the maxim expounded by Giorgio Belladonna - 'you first set up the squeeze - then you take the finesse'. When declarer overtook dummy's ♠J with the ace it cost the contract, 14 IMPs and a trip to China.

(The final session of this match featured a number of coruscating deals. Replay them at:

http://www.bridgebase.com/tools/handviewer.html?linurl=http://usbf.org/docs/vugraphs/MSJUSBCU26USA22017/lins/MSJUSBCU26USA22017_F_2_s4.lin)



RANKING AT END OF DAY ONE

MEN

	Team	VPs
1	Australia	62.05
2	China Training	60.06
3	China	59.61
4	China Hongkong	52.55
5	India A	50.93
6	India B	49.40
7	Chinese Taipei	46.49
8	Thailand A	45.48
9	Bangladesh	28.11
10	Singapore	24.84
11	Thailand B	24.05
12	Japan	21.90
13	Invitational Men	20.44
14	Indonesia	14.09

3	India A	41.77
4	Singapore	38.10
5	Chinese Taipei A	26.90
6	Chinese Hongkong	26.22
7	India B	22.73
8	Chinese Taipei B	17.34
9	Korea	14.31

SUPER MIXED

	Team	VPs
1	India B	53.98
2	Japan	46.54
3	India A	41.78
4	Korea	36.36
5	Indonesia	34.56
6	Thailand	25.78

WOMEN

	Team	VPs
1	Australia	52.81
2	China	41.43
3	Chinese Taipei	33.85
4	India B	32.95
5	China Hongkong	27.83
6	Japan	25.72
7	Pakistan	23.28
8	India A	21.15
9	Korea	16.98

SENIORS

	Team	VPs
1	China	46.83
2	Chinese Taipei A	42.73
3	Australia	38.84
4	India B	38.03
5	Indonesia	37.75
6	Chinese Hongkong	31.80
7	Chinese Taipei B	31.22
8	Japan	28.25
9	Invitational Seniors A	23.62
10	India A	20.99
11	Invitational Seniors B	11.23
12	Korea	8.71

MIXED

	Team	VPs
1	Thailand	44.93
2	Australia	43.70



Results After 4 Rounds

Men

ROUND-1			ROUND-2		ROUND-3		ROUND-4	
Match	VPs		Match	VPs	Match	VPs	Match	VPs
1 India A	6.77		1 India A	19.65	1 India A	11.28	1 India A	13.23
India B	13.23		Indonesia	0.35	Chinese Taipei	8.72	Invit. Men	6.77
2 China Training	11.28		2 China Training	14.85	2 China Training	15.06	2 China Training	18.87
China	8.72		India B	5.15	Indonesia	4.94	Chinese Taipei	1.13
3 Thailand B	4.54		3 Thailand B	1.71	3 Thailand B	5.36	3 Thailand B	12.44
Thailand A	15.46		China	18.29	India B	14.64	Indonesia	7.56
4 Japan	6.28		4 Japan	9.34	4 Japan	2.66	4 Japan	3.62
Australia	13.72		Thailand A	10.66	China	17.34	India B	16.38
5 China Hongkong	19.65		5 China Hongkong	10.97	5 China Hongkong	17.19	5 China Hongkong	4.74
Invit. Men	0.35		Australia	9.03	Thailand A	2.81	China	15.26
6 Singapore	1.13		6 Singapore	19.91	6 Singapore	0.35	6 Singapore	3.45
Chinese Taipei	18.87		Invit. Men	0.09	Australia	19.65	Thailand A	16.55
7 Bangladesh	18.76		7 Bangladesh	2.23	7 Bangladesh	6.77	7 Bangladesh	0.35
Indonesia	1.24		Chinese Taipei	17.77	Invit. Men	13.23	Australia	19.65

Super Mixed

ROUND-1			ROUND-2		ROUND-3		ROUND-4	
Match	VPs		Match	VPs	Match	VPs	Match	VPs
1 India A	1.83		21 Thailand	1.35	21 India A	7.84	21 Korea	6.04
India B	18.17		India A	18.65	Indonesia	12.16	India A	13.96
22 Japan	18.41		22 Korea	5.81	22 Japan	8.13	22 India B	14.19
Indonesia	1.59		Japan	14.19	Thailand	11.87	Japan	5.81
23 Korea	11.28		23 India B	14.85	23 Korea	13.23	23 Thailand	4.34
Thailand	8.72		Indonesia	5.15	India B	6.77	Indonesia	15.66

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Results After 3 Rounds

Women

ROUND-1			ROUND-2			ROUND-3		
Match	VPs		Match	VPs		Match	VPs	
31 India B	9.67		31 Pakistan	0.00		31 Pakistan	11.28	
India A	10.33		China	20.00		China Hongkong	8.72	
32 Chinese Taipei	8.13		32 Chinese Taipei	13.72		32 India B	11.28	
Korea	11.87		India A	6.28		China	8.72	
33 Australia	19.18		33 Australia	18.17		33 Australia	15.46	
China Hongkong	0.82		Korea	1.83		India A	4.54	
34 Japan	7.29		34 Japan	1.71		34 Japan	16.72	
China	12.71		China Hongkong	18.29		Korea	3.28	
35 Pakistan	12.00		35 India B	12.00		35 Chinese Taipei	12.00	
Bye			Bye			Bye		

Mixed

ROUND-1			ROUND-2			ROUND-3		
Match	VPs		Match	VPs		Match	VPs	
41 India B	5.58		41 Korea	0.72		41 Korea	1.59	
India A	14.42		Singapore	19.28		Thailand	18.41	
42 Chinese Taipei A	11.28		42 Chinese Taipei A	3.62		42 India B	5.15	
Chinese Taipei B	8.72		India A	16.38		Singapore	14.85	
43 China Hongkong	0.00		43 China Hongkong	17.19		43 China Hongkong	9.03	
Thailand	20.00		Chinese Taipei B	2.81		India A	10.97	
44 Australia	16.03		44 Australia	13.48		44 Australia	14.19	
Singapore	3.97		Thailand	6.52		Chinese Taipei B	5.81	
45 Korea	12.00		45 India B	12.00		45 Chinese Taipei A	12.00	
Bye			Bye			Bye		

Seniors

ROUND-1			ROUND-2			ROUND-3		
Match	VPs		Match	VPs		Match	VPs	
11 India_A	0.01		11 India_A	17.19		11 India_A	3.79	
India B	19.99		Invt. B	2.81		ChineseTaipei_A	16.21	
12 Invt. A	20.00		12 Invt. A	0.00		12 Invt. A	3.62	
Invt. B	0.00		Chinese Taipei_A	20.00		China	16.38	
13 Chinese Taipei_B	13.48		13 Chinese Taipei_B	5.58		13 Chinese Taipei_B	12.16	
Chinese Taipei_A	6.52		China	14.42		Japan	7.84	
14 Korea	3.97		14 Korea	4.74		14 Korea	0.00	
China	16.03		Japan	15.26		Australia	20.00	
15 Indonesia	14.85		15 Indonesia	6.52		15 Indonesia	16.38	
Japan	5.15		Australia	13.48		India B	3.62	
16 China Hongkong	14.64		16 Ch.Hongkong	5.58		16 China Hongkong	11.58	
Australia	5.36		India B	14.42				





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ROUND 3

Board 2 Dealer : East Vul : N-S

NORTH			
♠	A J 7		
♥	K Q J 7 6 5 2		
♦	10 9		
♣	J		
WEST	N	EAST	
♠	K 6	♠	10 9 3
♥	A	♥	10 9 8 4 3
♦	A Q J 6 3	♦	8 7 4
♣	K 10 8 4 2	♣	9 3
	S		
SOUTH			
♠	Q 8 5 4 2		
♥	-		
♦	K 5 2		
♣	A Q 7 6 5		

Open Room : NS - Chinese Taipei EW - Japan

North	East	South	West
C. P. Chang	Masayuki	Chen Chuan	Yamada
1NT	All Pass		

The contract duly went 4 down -400.

Closed Room : NS - Japan EW - Chinese Taipei

North	East	South	West
Yamada	Y. H. Cheng	Ohno	C. T. Lou
1C	1S	Pass	2S
All Pass			

NS playing a weak NT (12-14) opened 1C and avoiding the disastrous result on the other table. Now it was up to EW to reach their par game contract, which they didn't. 5 imps to Japan.

OPEN ROOM : NS - Chinese Taipei EW - Japan

North	East	South	West
C. P. Chang	Masayuki	Chen Chuan	Yamada
3D	5D	DbI	Pass
5H	Pass	5S	All Pass

Declarer scored 12 tricks on Diamond Ace lead.

CLOSED ROOM : NS - Japan EW - Chinese Taipei

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
Yamada	Y. H. Cheng	Ohno	C. T. Lou
Pass	1S	2NT	
3C	Pass	3NT	DBL
4H	All Pass		

East started with a Club lead giving declarer a hope to score his game on a Heart guess. Declarer played Spade & finessed the Jack, now knowing RHO to have 2 or 3 Spades had limited option. He could have played small heart but started with Jack duly going 1 down. But had East risen with Spade King wonder how declarer would have played. That was 13 imps to Chinese Taipei.

Board 4 Dealer : West Vul : Both

NORTH			
♠	A J		
♥	K 9 8 5		
♦	K 9 4		
♣	A J 9 5		
WEST	N	EAST	
♠	Q 5 4	♠	K 10 8 3 2
♥	A 10 7 2	♥	Q 4
♦	Q 10 8 2	♦	A J 7
♣	Q 8	♣	K 10 7
	S		
SOUTH			
♠	9 7 6		
♥	J 6 3		
♦	6 5 3		
♣	6 4 3 2		

Board No. 5 Dealer : North Vul : NS

NORTH			
♠	9 4 3 2		
♥	10 2		
♦	10 9 7 6 4		
♣	K 2		
WEST	N	EAST	
♠	6	♠	K 10
♥	Q 3	♥	A K J 9 8 5
♦	A Q 5 3	♦	K J 8 2
♣	A Q 10 9 5 4	♣	3
	S		
SOUTH			
♠	A Q J 8 7 5		
♥	7 6 4		
♦			
♣	J 8 7 6		

Open Room : NS - Chinese Taipei EW - Japan

North	East	South	West
C. P. Chang	Masayuki	Chen Chuan	Yamada
PASS	1H	1S	2C
2S	4H	Pass	4NT
Pass	5H	Pass	6H

South looking for a Diamond ruff under led Spade Ace, Declarer gratefully won the king, ruffed a Spade, played Heart queen and played a Diamond, trying to re-enter his hand. 12 tricks.

Closed Room : NS - Japan EW - Chinese Taipei

North	East	South	West
Yamada	Y. H. Cheng	Ohno	C. T. Lou
Pass	1H	2S	3C
4S	DbI	All Pass	

EW sold out cheaply to 4S and could collect only 200 to loose 13 imps.





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Contd.



Board 9 Dealer:North Vul:EW

NORTH			
♠ 10 6 4 3 2			
♥ AK 9 4 3			
♦ 4 2			
♣ 10			
WEST	N	EAST	
♠ AKJ 8 7	W	♠ 9 5	
♥ J 6	S	♥ Q 10 7 5 2	
♦ 3		♦ A 10 6	
♣ AJ 9 7 2		♣ K Q 6	
SOUTH			
♠ Q			
♥ 8			
♦ K Q J 9 8 7 5			
♣ 8 5 4 3			

Open Room : NS - Chinese Taipei EW - Japan

North	East	South	West
C.P.Chang	Masayuki	Chen Chuan	Yamada
Pass	Pass	4D	4S
All Pass			

4S was beaten by 1 trick. +100 to NS

Closed Room : NS - Japan EW - Chinese Taipei

North	East	South	West
Yamada	Y.H.Cheng	Ohno	C.T.Lou
Pass	1H	3D	3S
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Declarer scored 9 tricks for a 12 imps pickup narrowing the difference to 2.

Board 13 Dealer:North Vul:Both

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

Open Room : NS - Chinese Taipei EW - Japan

North	East	South	West
C. P. Chang	Masayuki	Chen Chuan	Yamada
1NT	Pass	2D	Pass
2H	Pass	3D	Pass
4H	All Pass		

South possessing 11 red cards moved further and was rewarded with a Vulnerable game.

Closed Room : NS - Japan EW - Chinese Taipei

North	East	South	West
Yamada	Y.H.Cheng	Ohno	C.T.Lou
1C	Pass	1H	Pass
1NT(15-17)	Pass	2H	All Pass

Here south took a conservative view & signed off opposite a strong NT bid to loose 10 imps.

The match ended with Chinese Taipei 43 - Japan 28 imps 14.19 - 5.81 Vps in favour of Chinese Taipei

Request for giving Pair Entries

All participants of the 3rd Asia Cup International Bridge Championship are requested to give their Pairs entries latest by 1900 Hrs. on 7th June 2018 to assist the organizers in assessing the exact no. of entries in each pair event.

Please note that those players who are playing in the team event can enter the event without any fee. Any pair, who is part of a contingent, can also participate in any one of the pairs event viz. Men, Women or Mixed by paying an entry fee of USD 100 or equivalent amount in Indian Rupees.

Any Indian pair (not part of the contingent) can play in any one of the pair event by paying a fee of Rs. 20,000 per pair.

- Head of Operations

*Tonight's Entertainment at the Waterfront Restaurant :
Sushanto & Deepika Figueredo & Milton - Serenader*



Vu-graph Schedule - 6th June 2018

09:30 – 11:30 Hrs.

	CHINA HONG KONG		INDIA B	Men Teams (BBO1/VG)
	CHINESE TAIPEI B		AUSTRALIA	Senior Teams (BBO2)
	CHINA HONG KONG		CHINA	Women Teams (BBO3)
	THAILAND		SINGAPORE	Mixed Teams (BBO4/VG)

12:00 – 14:00 Hrs.

	CHINESE TAIPEI		INDONESIA	Men Teams (BBO1/VG)
TO BE DECIDED (RR2-R1)			Super Mixed Teams (BBO2)	
	INDIA B		KOREA	Women Teams (BBO3/VG)
	INDIA B		CHINESE TAIPEI B	Mixed Teams (BBO4)

15:00 – 17:00 Hrs.

	INDIA A		CHINA A	Men Teams (BBO1/VG)
	INDONESIA		CHINA	Senior Teams (BBO2/VG)
	CHINESE TAIPEI		CHINA	Women Teams (BBO3)
	CHINESE TAIPEI A		SINGAPORE	Mixed Teams (BBO4)

17:30 – 19:30 Hrs.

TO BE DECIDED (RR2-R3)			Super Mixed Teams (BBO1/VG)
TO BE DECIDED (RR2-R3)			Super Mixed Teams (BBO2/VG)

