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It is "ARUN JAIN" Vs. "FORMIDABLES" in the Team of Four Finals

Yesterday, on the third day of the 8th **Mohan Lal Bhartia Memorial Grand Prix Bridge Championship,** the 3rd to 5th stages of the knock-out rounds of Team of Four event were played.

In the 3rd stage of the KO matches (2 sessions of 10 boards), the 3 losers of the matches on Table 2 to 4 got eliminated. On table-1, **ARUN JAIN (ARUN JAIN, S SARKAR, P BARDHAN, B DAS, A SADHU, P S MUKHERJEE)** beat RAMPAGE by **65-32** IMPs and as per the condition of contest, on winning the 3rd stage, they directly qualified to the finals of the team of four event. They get a carryover of 8 IMPs in the finals to be played today.

On table-2, FORMIDABLES defeated PODDAR HOUSING by 37-25 IMPs. On table-3, DR. SANGHI created an upset by defeating a fancied DHAMPUR SUGAR MILLS by 34-21. On table 4, KAMLESH GUPTA also created another setback by defeating SHRI RADHEY by 49-36..

In the 4th stage of the knock-out matches (2 sessions of 10 board each), RAMPAGE played against KAMLESH GUPTA whereas DR. SANGHI played against FORMIDABLES.

On table-1, RAMPAGE defeated KAMLESH GUPTA by 64-54 & On table-2, FORMIDABLES defeated DR. SANGHI by 45-29. The losers KAMLESH GUPTA & DR. SANGHI took the joint 4^{th} & 5^{th} place.

In the 5th and last stage of the knock-out stage, FORMIDABLES defeated RAMPAGE by 53-26 to go through to the finals. RAMPAGE took the 3rd prize of the team of four event.

Today the 4-session (of 12 boards each) team of four final will be played between **ARUN JAIN** & **FORMIDABLES** teams. The match will be live on BBO today from 0900 Hrs.

Best of Luck to both the finalist teams.

The Match Point Open Pair event was also played yesterday. The 3 Session (of 18 board matches) event attracted 130 pairs. The pairs were divided in 5 sections of 13 tables each and the TOP 37 pairs qualified for today's Pairs final. The non-qualifiers can play in the IMP Pairs event starting from 1030 Hrs.

The detailed scores of the MP Pair event is given on Page 5.

The qualifiers will be joined by another 11 pairs (from the losing teams of team of four event, who played from stage-4 & stage-5 of the knock-out and sponsored pair) and the 48 pairs will be divided in 2 sections of 12 tables each. They will play 23 rounds of 2 boards each in 2 sessions today with barometer scoring.

TEAM OF FOUR - RESULTS OF KNOCK OUT MATCHES

	KNOCK-OUT STAGE-3						
Tbl	Home Team	Away Team	C-O	1	2	IMP	
1	ARUN JAIN	RAMPAGE	0- 1	44-10	21-21	65-32	
2	PODDAR HOUSING	FORMIDABLES		11-16	14-21	25-37	
3	DR SANGHI	DHAMPUR SUGAR MILLS		10-12	24- 9	34-21	
4	KAMLESH GUPTA	SHRI RADHEY	4- 0	18-30	27- 6	49-36	

	KNOCK-OUT STAGE-4						
Tbl	Home Team	Away Team	C-O	1	2	IMP	
1	RAMPAGE	KAMLESH GUPTA	4-0	33-24	27-30	64-54	
2	FORMIDABLES	DR SANGHI		13-20	32-9	45-29	

KNOCK-OUT STAGE-5						
Tbl	Home Team	Away Team	C-O	1	2	IMP
1	RAMPAGE	FORMIDABLES	3-0	7-25	16-28	26-53

Team of Four - Final Rankings

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Interesting Deals of the Day

Few of the interesting deals played in the Match Point Pairs event are presented below:

Sess-1, Board 4, Dealer: West, Vul: All **♥**AK865 ♦AK532 **.**75 AK76 **▲**T98532 vΤ **9**432 W E **♦**74 **9** S ♣AQ9864 **♣**T3 ♠QJ ♥QJ7 QJT86 .KJ2

West	North	East	South
2C(1)	2H	Pass	3D
DBL	4D	Pass	4H
All Pass			

After a 2C Precision opening, N-S reached the 4H contract. East led the C10 and West won with Queen, cashed SK and CA in that order and played another club. North is helpless as he has to waste a top trump to ruff this, allowing H9 of East as a winner to defeat the contract. If West, after cashing clubs tries to cash top spades, declarer is through as now there is no uppercut of H9 now.

Few East noting partner's double of 3D, were sure that partner had black suits and bid 4S over 4H. This got doubled or N-S overboard to 5H. 4S was doubled was ice cold, giving nearly all the match points to E-W.

Sess-1, Boa	: N, Vul: EW	
	♦ KQ9642	
	♥ J7	
	• 3	
	 ₽T875	
▲ T7	N	 AJ83
♥ 5	w E	∨ Q643
◆AQJT9862	_	♦K54
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	▼AKT982	
	♦ 7	
	. AQ632	

West	North	East	South
	2S	Pass	Pass (?)
3D	Pass	3NT	All Pass

2S was weak 6-carder suit and those South's who thought that their 3H bid may prompt further 3S from partner with maximum doubleton hearts were in trouble here. West overcalled 3D and East who was itching to bid, banged 3NT. South now tried defeating the contract with HA lead and then shifting to spades, but declarer always had his 9 tricks for an excellent score on the board.

Sess-1, Board	17, Dealer:	North, Vul: Al
	▲ J8	
	♥ A9543	
	♦AJ53	
	. 84	
♠QT5	M	 ♦K972
∨ KT87		♥ QJ62
♦KT94		♦ 72
. 63	S	. AQT
	▲ A643	
	v	
	♦Q86	
	. KJ9752	

West	North	East	South
	Pass	1C	Pass
1H	Pass	2H	DBL
All Pass			

South could not bid over standard 1C but made a nice takeout for Hearts in his next turn. North joined the party by passing this and led his C8. Declarer won with Ace and tried to play diamond, hoping for DA to be on his right. This lost to Ace. Another club was won by South and played his top club ruffed and over-ruffed. Diamond went to DQ and another diamond returned and ruffed in dummy. But declarer had lost control of the hand now and went 2 down for a juicy +300 to EW for an excellent Match point score.

Se	ss-2, Board 1	1, Dealer: S	outh, Vul: Nor
		▲ J753	
		♥ 943	
		•Q6	
		. AK32	
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	∨ AKT876		♥ QJ52
	• 83		♦AKJ5
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		◆T9742	
		. •QT865	

West	North	East	South
			Pass
1H	Pass	3C(1)	Pass
3D	Pass	4H	Pass
4NT	Pass	5C(2)	Pass
5D(3)	Pass	6D(4)	Pass
6H	All Pass		

(1) – Bergen raise (2) – 1 or 4 (3) – Queen ask (4) – HQ + DK or the 2 other Kings

3C was Bergen raise and 3D from West was help asking. East bid the game with good diamonds. Now West asked for key cards and East showed 1 or 4 with his 5C bid. 5D was queen ask. 5H would have shown no queen but once East bid 6D (showing queen + DK), it was a cake walk to bid the nice slam.

Sess-3, Board	d 4, Dealer:	West, Vul: All
	 AQJT3	
	♥ 8542	
	• 8	
	. •QT2	
٨	М	 8642
∀ AKJT	w E	∨ Q97
AKQ9752		◆JT6
. 93	S	. AK7
	 ♦K975	
	v 63	
	♦ 43	
	. 39654	

Playing Precision, the bidding went as follows:

West	North	East	South
1C(1) 4D 5S(3)	1S 4S Pass	2S(2) DBL 7D	3S Pass Pass
All Pass			

(1) – 16+ HCPs (2) - >9 HCPs forcing to game (3) – EKC

It was a good hand for "hand evaluation". After opponents have tried to jam the bidding, east took a nice view of partner's hand. 5S was EKC but rather than answering he bid 7D with all good values in hearts & clubs. 6D in any case was bid at many tables.

Sess-3, Board 21, Dealer: North, Vul: NS

,	AQ82 ♥9843 ♦J4 ♣642	Totally value
▲T✓K5◆KT6532&AQ83	N W E S	▲J54 ▼AJ ◆AQ98 &K975
	★K9763♥QT762◆7♣JT	

The bidding went as follows in different tables:

West	North	East	South	
3D (1)	Pass 4S - Landy	1NT 5D	2C(1) All Pass	

West	North	East	South
	Pass	1NT	2D(1)
Pass	2H	Pass	Pass
2S(2)	Pass	2NT	Pass
3H(2)	Pass	3S	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
(1)	- Landy		

The Landy here created problems for opponents. In $1^{\rm st}$ case, North jumped to 4S and though West's 3D was forcing, East with his soft values could only bid 5D.

In 2nd case, the 2D Landy created problems as West kept his partner in doubt with his bids and finally chose 3NT, which goes down on spade lead.

Hand Re-Visited

I had written this hand yesterday as well and the partnerships had played in 6S, 6NT as well as 7S. Those who played in 7S took the right club finesse to score their contract but after analysis it was found to be full proof.

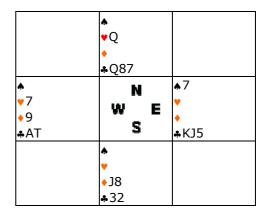
Round 8, Board 14, Dealer: East, Vul: None

	♦9 ♥QT865 ◆T65 ♣Q876	
▲Q2✔AK73◆974♣AT94	N W E S	AKJ743 ♥92 •AK &KJ5
	♣T865 ♥J4 •QJ832 ♣32	

West	North	East	South	
		1C(1)	Pass	
1NT	Pass	2S	Pass	
3C	Pass	3S	Pass	
4NT(2)	Pass	5C(3)	Pass	
5NT(4)	Pass	6H(5)	Pass	
6NT or 7S All Pass				

- !1) Precision; (2) RKC (3) 0 or 3 Keycards
- (4) King ask; (5) Either HK or CK & DK

In 7S by East, the most probable lead though immaterial will be DQ. East wins the trick, plays 4 rounds of trumps, cashes top hearts, ruffs a heart and cashes his DK. In the last 4-carder ending, the cards are:



When the last trump is played, both North & South can not keep more than 2 clubs as they will have to guard the Diamond & Hearts. South threw a diamond and declarer discarded the diamond from dummy. Now North was forced to throw a club for retaining the heart. Decaler played to club Ace and won his last 2 tricks with clubs.

- Editor

OPEN PAIRS RESULT - ELIMINATION ROUND (Total 130 Pairs)							
Rank	Pair	Name	Score	Rank	Pair	Name	Score
1	23	SAMIR BASAK - AVIJIT CHAKRABORTY	3069.2	66	31	SUKAMAL DAS - SATYABRATA MUKHERJEE	2412.4
2	28	ALOK DAGA - MRINAL MUKHERJEE	2871.3	67	32	A K SINHA - UTTAM GUPTA	2411.6
3	94	ANAL SHAH - MILIND ATHAVALE	2841.9	68	33	JANAK SHAH - JAYANDER PATEL	2406.6
4	183	S THAKRAL - V BHAND	2834.7	69	151	VIJAY KUMAR - P C GUPTA	2406.1
5	143	SAMBHU NATH GHOSH - BISWAJIT PODDAR	2820.2	70	67	MRS R CHANDRA - C S MAJUMDAR	2402.3
6	52	J M SHAH - R SREEKRISHNAN	2761.7	71	164	DIWANJI - CHOWDHURY	2397.4
7	70	R VENKATESH - A SRINIVASAN	2729.5	72	149	A SARKAR - I J SINGH	2389.3
8	184	RAMAN GIRIDHARDAS - S KRISHNAN	2726.2	73	4	BHARATI DEY - ASHA SHARMA	2376.9
9	112	B GANGULY - B N GHOSH	2696.0	74	81	DIPAK SANTRA - DAYA DHAON	2362.7
10	133	ASHOK GOEL - K R VENKARTAMAN	2692.5	75	7	T C PANT - RAJESH JAIN	2353.3
11	188	RANA ROY - A N BANERJI	2683.2	76	2	SAL TAHILIANI - MADHAV DHAR	2330.8
12	22	DAYANIDHI LENKA - BIREN MITRA BEHERA	2679.6	77	123	H K JALAN - S DATTA	2320.4
13	65	TAPAS KR CHOWDHURI - SOUNAK DUTTA ROY	2678.5	78	66	SARBESWAR DAS - KAMAL NAGURI	2319.4
14	148	SOUMYA DAS - ANINDYA BHATTACHARYA	2678.3	79	147	TAPAS KUMAR ROY - SUKANTA DAS	2317.2
15	146	JAGANNATH PRATIHARI - P K MISHRA	2659.9	80	109	S RAY CHOWDHURY - BISWAJIT GHOSH	2307.1
16	190	DURGADAS K - GIRISH BIJOOR	2646.5	81	124	R M GUPTA - R P MISRA	2291.5
17	141	RATNESH - AJAY SINGH	2631.0	82	72	M K HALDER - P S MUKHERJEE	2287.0
18	145	RAJU TOLANI - AJAY KHARE	2630.6	83	62	GOVINDER SINGH - PARAMJIT SINGH	2285.3
19	49	SANDEEP KARMARKAR - MARRIANNE	2628.8	84	61	AUROBINDA ROY - SAHIPAL GHOSH	2284.1
20	108	GAUTAM KR BASU - MIHIR MAJUMDER	2627.0	85	192	LYN NAZARETH - KHUSHRU KAPADIA	2283.9
21	24	ABHIJIT KR BOSE - SHANTANU GHOSH	2616.5	86	88	PANKAJ MEHTA - PRADIP ANAND SINGH	2266.6
22	170	VINAY DESAI - ANIL PADHEY	2615.6	87	6	JOYJIT - PARESH GUPTA	2265.9
23	125	S R BHATTACHARJEE - S N GHOSH	2606.0	88	107	S ROY - SANKAR ACHARYA	2258.8
24	193	SUMIT MUKEHRJEE - P SRIDHAR	2601.7	89	103	C M KULKARNI - DR VASANTH	2250.1
25	181	K NANDI - K BENDRE	2598.7	90	132	BINDIYA - SATHYAVATHI	2248.7
26	1	AMARJIT - DR NIKITA KAMAL	2591.7	91	169	USHA JOSHI - DR AJAY KUMAR SAHA	2247.0
27	63	S K BANDOPADHYAY - A B CHAKRABORTY	2588.5	92	102	RANGA KHADOLYA - DR VISHWAS JEURKAR	2243.1
28	45	DEBASISH ROY - SWARNENDU BANERJEE	2581.2	93	47	DEVI BHATNAGAR - ANIL BHARIHOKE	2242.1
29	69	SUBIR MAJUMDER - S SENGUPTA	2572.0	94	142	A K GHOSH - U K PAL	2241.9
30	29	SWAPAN SOME - SWAPAN DEY	2570.4	95	187	A K GUHA - J N PANDEY	2224.0
31	13 5	DEVAN DOSHI - FINTON LEWIS	2570.0	96	43	JEROO MANGO - PURIA	2217.7
32	_	PARIMAL VAHALIA - PARESH GANDHI	2561.6	97	182	C L ARORA - R TIWARI	2207.9
33	91 25	DEODHAR K - BAKERI RUPA	2561.2 2558.9	98 99	21	HEMANT PANDEY - DR ATUL DASH PUTRE	2206.8
35	82	VINOD SHAW - A MITRA ARUN DUGGAR - D V MUJUMDAR	2548.5	100	10 126	S K IYENGAR - SANJOY BHATTACHARYA	2201.1
36	191	B G DAXINDAS - ABHAY TODANKAR	2546.6	101	42	B S NAYYAR - M P S CHAUHAN	2189.5
37	173	V M LAL - R SRIDHARAN	2544.3	101	41	K P MATHUR - GAJENDRA SURANA	2183.4
38	162	IAN CONCESSIO - ARD SEQUEIRA	2543.2	103	84	RUSSEL LYALL - MANJU KHAITAN	2183.2
39	165	KIRUBAKARA MOORTHY - SAPAN DESAI	2539.5	104	73	SHRINIVAS APTE - SUHAS VICHARE	2178.3
40	83	SUBRATA SAHA - ATANU GANGULY	2527.1	105	68	A BHADRA - P GHOSH	2163.3
41	110	INDRANATH CHATTERJEE - C CHOWDHURY	2515.2	106	27	ARUN BAPAT - RAVI GOENKA	2157.9
42	128	RAJEEV KHANDELWAL - HIMANI KHANDELWAL	2507.9	107	168	MOHIT MEHTA - RAMPRASAD DAS	2151.2
43	153	P R BAFNA - ASHOK VAIDYA	2503.9	108	144	S VIJAYARAGHAVAN - SUDHAKARA RAO	2149.2
44	104	KAUSHIK - SRINIVASAN	2493.0	109	166	DILIP ATHA - BASUDEB BHATTACHARYA	2147.9
45	48	R RAJAGOPAL - S R C SEKAR	2486.6	110	121	MANGLAM PUNJ - RICHA SHRIRAM	2143.6
46	122	A K UPADHYAY - AMRISH WADERA	2486.4	111	131	JAYSHREE H PATEL - SHASHIKALA DESAI	2142.7
47	9	RITA CHOKSHI - S R DUTTA	2485.8	112	185	DR K SRINIVAS - R GOKHALE	2140.3
48	163	A S GUPTA - V KRISHNAN	2484.0	113	106	SHANTANU ROY - DULAL DEY	2139.9
49	12	VASANTI SHAH - ALKA KHIRSAGAR	2481.0	114	130	DEEPAK KHANNA - KAMLA MEHRA	2137.7
50	85	S R MALHOTRA - S K SYAL	2478.7	115	71	M J R VASUDEVAN - ARUN BAHULKAR	2129.3
51	127	G K VYAS - D M MEHTA	2476.0	116	11	V K MUTREJA - ASHOK GIRDHAR	2121.9
52	150	SWAPAN GHOSH - SUJIT BASU	2469.5	117	171	ANOOP DHAWAN - KAJAL DAS	2111.4
53	172	STANLEY NAZARETH - S G SURVE	2459.6	118	50	CHAND VIR - S C JAIN	2085.4
54	90	PRAKASH BHANDARI - J B SENGUPTA	2448.8	119	86	B L ANAND - Y P PUNJ	2077.0
55	87	AJAY BAGARIA - V TODI	2432.0	120	101	T P KHARE - SHANTANU RASTOGI	2063.4
56	113	SUBHASH GUPTA - MANAS MUKHERJEE	2431.7	121	161	S R CHANDRA - J MAJUMDAR	1962.1
57	129	RAVI RAMAN - IVAN ALPHANSO	2430.4	122	92	IBRAT KHAN - AMAS ALI	1958.1
58	111	ANDREY PURUSHOTTAM - N K GUPTA	2427.5	123	26	DHEERAJ KUMAR - SUDHIR KUMAR	1853.0
59	64	UMESH ATHAVALE - V RAVICHANDRAN	2425.0	124	3	S NAIMUDDIN - SUNITA GUPTA	1851.6
60	189	NAVNEET SWAIKA - BHABESH SAHA	2425.0	125	51	T K BANERJI - NITA BANERJI	1837.0
61	46	COL K K SABHERWAL - ASIT KUNDU	2423.2	126	89	H S DHARIWAL - HARBANS SINGH	1791.9
62	186	DINESH BISWAS - KAILASH AGARWAL	2423.0	127	105	YASHPAL SINGH - MUNESH SHARMA	1774.4
63	167	BHAWNA NARAINDAS - ALOK KHEMKA	2419.1	128	44	N B SHINDE - R MIRANDA	1768.9
64	30 8	ARVIND VAIDYA - GOPINATH MANNA	2418.2	129	152	BABLU ROYCHOWDHURY - UJJAL GUHA	1761.6
65	ŏ	C P AGARWAL - PULAK GARG	2414.3	130	53	VIKAS TARALEKAR - D D GONDHALEKAR	1748.0

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Today's Schedule

March 28	0900 – 1040 Hrs.	Team of Four Final (Boards 1-12) – Session-1
	0900 - 1230 Hrs.	Open Match Point Pair Final - Session I
	1030 - 1300 Hrs.	IMP Pairs – Session – 1 (For Non-Qualifiers)
	1050 - 1230 Hrs.	Team of Four Final (Boards 13-24) - Session-2
	1230 - 1330 Hrs.	Lunch Break
	1330 - 1510 Hrs.	Team of Four Final (Boards 25-36) - Session-3
	1330 - 1700 Hrs.	Open Match Point Pair Final - Session II
	1400 - 1630 Hrs.	IMP Pairs – Session – 2 (For Non-Qualifiers)
	1520 - 1700 Hrs.	Team of Four Final (Boards 37-48) - Session-4
	1700 Hrs.	Prize Distribution

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Vu-Graph on BBO

The Vu-graph on BBO along with live streaming of Team of Four Final match will be available today (28th March 2017) from 0900 Hrs. onwards