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BBO VuGraph Matches

Round 7	Avia Financial	vs	Dragonite
	CRE8IVE	vs	Bridge Buddies
Round 8	Philippines Manila	vs	Nangang Power
		TBC	
Round 9	Geely Automobile	vs	SYSYT
		TBC	

♠ ♥ ♣ ♦ Today's Programme ♠ ♥ ♣ ♦

Time 時間	Event 項目	
10:00 - 12:00	Qualifying Round 7 初賽第七輪	Ella Graca Open Teams Ella Graca 公開組
		Inter-City Ladies Teams 城市女子組
		President's Cup Youth Teams 會長盃青年組
13:15 - 15:15	Qualifying Round 8 初賽第八輪	Ella Graca Open Teams Ella Graca 公開組
		Inter-City Ladies Teams 城市女子組
		President's Cup Youth Teams 會長盃青年組
15:30 - 17:30	Qualifying Round 9 初賽第九輪	Ella Graca Open Teams Ella Graca 公開組
		Inter-City Ladies Teams 城市女子組
		President's Cup Youth Teams 會長盃青年組
19:45 - 23:30	San Miguel "Happy Hour" Continuous Pairs 生力啤 "歡樂時光" 連續式雙人賽 Walk-in registration closes at 19 July 19:15	

♠ ♥ ♣ ♦ **Equipment and Souvenir Items for Sale** ♠ ♥ ♣ ♦

	Item	Description	Selling price per unit
1	Bidding Boxes	Set of 4	HK\$ 80
2	Bidding Box Inserts	Set of 4	HK\$ 60
3	Boards	Set of 1-32	HK\$ 400
4	Polo Shirt	With Inter-City logo	HK\$ 60
5	Ballpens	With HKCBA logo	HK\$ 5
6	Scorebooks	With Inter-City logo	HK\$ 5
7	FujiX 13.3" Ultrabook (FX13UG - 01) Pickup Time: 21 July (21:00-22:00) (Used)	Core M7- 6Y75 1.2GHz 8GB RAM 256GB SSD	SOLD OUT
8	Fujitsu 13.3" Notebook (U536K13B) Pickup Time: 21 July (21:00-22:00) (Used)	Core i3 6006U 2.0GHz 4GB RAM 128 SSD + 500GB HDD	HK\$2, 700
9	Playing Cards		HK\$ 10

Please order at the Secretariats (Diamond 6)
and collect on or before the afternoon of 21 July 2018

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Section A Results

Open A Round 4 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Xiamen Xiashun	 Geely Automobile	31:37	8.24:11.76
2	 Skewl	 Mountain 高山隊	15:24	7.45:12.55
3	 A team of BLU~Best Like You!	 SYSYT 沈阳圣雨田	8:74	0.00:20.00
4	 Mistral	 Besties	38:46	7.71:12.29
5	 SX Club - Lion	 New combination	18:77	0.07:19.93

Open A Round 5 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Geely Automobile	 Mountain 高山隊	26:10	14.18:5.82
2	 SYSYT 沈阳圣雨田	 Besties	34:29	11.48:8.52
3	 Xiamen Xiashun	 A team of BLU~Best Like You!	69:12	19.77:0.23
4	 New combination	 Mistral	25:35	7.20:12.80
5	 Skewl	 SX Club - Lion	37:17	15.00:5.00

Open A Round 6 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Besties	 Geely Automobile	33:73	1.91:18.09
2	 Xiamen Xiashun	 SYSYT 沈阳圣雨田	21:52	3.12:16.88
3	 Skewl	 A team of BLU~Best Like You!	61:25	17.59:2.41
4	 Mistral	 New combination	37:39	9.39:10.61
5	 SX Club - Lion	 Mountain 高山隊	54:72	5.4:14.60

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Section B Results

Open B Round 4 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Shenha Qiaoyou	 Nangang Power	11:54	1.56:18.44
2	 Philippines Manila	 Vincent Li	24:35	6.96:13.04
3	 Fukien	 Charlie Lee	12:64	0.66:19.34
4	 NAKANISHI	 Haoran 浩然	24:64	1.91:18.09
5	 SX Club - Starlord	 Dark Chocolate	59:8	19.25:0.75

Open B Round 5 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Nangang Power	 Charlie Lee	19:34	6.03:13.97
2	 Vincent Li	 Haoran 浩然	32:6	16.09:3.91
3	 Shenha Qiaoyou	 Fukien	30:35	8.52:11.48
4	 Dark Chocolate	 NAKANISHI	40:27	13.52:6.48
5	 Philippines Manila	 SX Club - Starlord	44:24	15.00:5.00

Open B Round 6 Results











Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Haoran 浩然	 Nangang Power	32:56	4.26:15.74
2	 Shenha Qiaoyou	 Vincent Li	28:58	3.27:16.73
3	 NAKANISHI	 Fukien	25:27	9.39:10.61
4	 Philippines Manila	 Dark Chocolate	63:38	15.92:4.08
5	 SX Club - Starlord	 Charlie Lee	60:24	17.59:2.41

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Section C Results











Open C Round 4 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Guangzhou Pearl River	 Avia Financial	45:19	16.09:3.91
2	 Philippines A	 HK ZEN	22:29	7.97:12.03
3	 Happy Bridge	 Windflower	9:51	1.67:18.33
4	 Dangoon	 KOSING	57:60	9.09:10.91
5	 SX Club - Spark	 Dragonite	43:73	3.27:16.73

Open C Round 5 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Avia Financial	 Windflower	40:33	12.03:7.97
2	 HK ZEN	 KOSING	2:50	1.03:18.97
3	 Guangzhou Pearl River	 Happy Bridge	23:52	3.42:16.58
4	 Dragonite	 Dangoon	60:6	19.52:0.48
5	 Philippines A	 SX Club - Spark	62:13	19.07:0.93

Open C Round 6 Results











Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 KOSING	 Avia Financial	32:59	3.74:16.26
2	 Guangzhou Pearl River	 HK ZEN	39:50	6.96:13.04
3	 Dangoon	 Happy Bridge	55:22	17.17:2.83
4	 Philippines A	 Dragonite	21:44	4.44:15.56
5	 SX Club - Spark	 Windflower	80:22	19.85:0.15

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Section D Results




Open D Round 4 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 HeyYo!!	 Oly-Star 奧達	31:19	13.28:6.72
2	 Magic Eyes	 CRE8IVE	41:55	6.25:13.75
3	 Bridge Buddies	 Ghost of Red	56:21	17.45:2.55
4	 Seoul	 CCH Power	44:37	12.03:7.97
5	 Rose Bowl Gold- DBS	 BridgeMate III	11:106	0.00:20.00

Open D Round 5 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Oly-Star 奧達	 Ghost of Red	11:24	6.48:13.52
2	 CRE8IVE	 CCH Power	20:36	5.82:14.18
3	 HeyYo!!	 Bridge Buddies	2:37	2.55:17.45
4	 BridgeMate III	 Seoul	5:34	3.42:16.58
5	 Magic Eyes	 Rose Bowl Gold- DBS	56:18	17.85:2.15

Open D Round 6 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 CCH Power	 Oly-Star 奧達	35:17	14.60:5.40
2	 HeyYo!!	 CRE8IVE	42:37	11.48:8.52
3	 Seoul	 Bridge Buddies	72:72	10.00:10.00
4	 Magic Eyes	 BridgeMate III	29:45	5.82:14.18
5	 Rose Bowl Gold- DBS	 Ghost of Red	43:63	5.00:15.00

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Inter-City Ladies Teams Championships

Ladies Results

Section L Round 4 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Indian Summer	 Oly-Star 奧達女隊	9:45	2.41:17.59
2	 The Mighty Miseres	 China x HK Ladies Team	1:22	4.81:15.19
3	 SX Club - Fenghuang	 SX Club - Honghu	57:24	17.17:2.83
4	 Singapore - HK	 Shanghai Stonehill	27:17	12.80:7.20
5	 MINERVA	 SX Club - Qingluan	42:6	17.59:2.41

Section L Round 5 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Oly-Star 奧達女隊	 SX Club - Honghu	24:27	9.09:10.91
2	 China x HK Ladies Team	 Shanghai Stonehill	43:17	16.09:3.91
3	 Indian Summer	 SX Club - Fenghuang	11:45	2.69:17.31
4	 SX Club - Qingluan	 Singapore - HK	33:19	13.75:6.25
5	 The Mighty Miseres	 MINERVA	38:17	15.19:4.81

Section L Round 6 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Shanghai Stonehill	 Oly-Star 奧達女隊	20:57	2.28:17.72
2	 Indian Summer	 China x HK Ladies Team	19:67	1.03:18.97
3	 Singapore - HK	 SX Club - Fenghuang	31:35	8.80:11.20
4	 The Mighty Miseres	 SX Club - Qingluan	79:12	20.00:0.00
5	 MINERVA	 SX Club - Honghu	61:27	17.31:2.69

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President's Cup Youth Teams Championships

Section X Results

Section X Round 4 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 HKU	 Not Appropriate	13:46	2.83:17.17
2	 HKU SKY Lee Hall	 Shanghai Youth	53:27	16.09:3.91
3	 SX Club - Venus	 SX Club - Mars	36:54	5.40:14.60
4	 Liaoning Jinpu	 Bad Beat	2:92	0.00:20.00
5	 SX Club - Ziwei	 lol	29:44	6.03:13.97

Section X Round 5 Results

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Not Appropriate	 SX Club - Mars	35:54	5.30:14.80
2	 Shanghai Youth	 Bad Beat	35:76	1.79:18.21
3	 HKU	 SX Club - Venus	16:43	3.74:16.26
4	 lol	 Liaoning Jinpu	91:20	20.00:0.00
5	 HKU SKY Lee Hall	 SX Club - Ziwei	43:25	14.60:5.40











Section X Round 6 Results











Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Bad Beat	 Not Appropriate	81:37	18.55:1.45
2	 HKU	 Shanghai Youth	45:45	10.00:10.00
3	 Liaoning Jinpu	 SX Club - Venus	10:123	0.00:20:00
4	 HKU SKY Lee Hall	 lol	52:35	14.39:5.61
5	 SX Club - Ziwei	 SX Club - Mars	35:85	0.84:19.16






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Section Y Results

Section Y Round 4 Results				
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Alfred Lam	 F & B	34:53	5.20:14.80
2	 HKUST	 Shanghai Chenyi	30:46	5.82:14.18
3	 SX Club - Saturn	 SX Club - Jupiter	32:58	3.91:16.09
4	 Dalian Youth	 Queen Catcher	16:107	0.00:20.00
5	 SX Club - Chrysanthemum	 SX Club - Mercury	28:89	0.00:20.00

Section Y Round 5 Results				
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 F & B	 SX Club - Jupiter	40:39	10.31:9.69
2	 Shanghai Chenyi	 Queen Catcher	48:6	18.33:1.67
3	 Alfred Lam	 SX Club - Saturn	119:3	20.00:0.00
4	 SX Club - Mercury	 Dalian Youth	93:11	20.00:0.00
5	 HKUST	 SX Club - Chrysanthemum	58:14	18.55:1.45










Section Y Round 6 Results				
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMP	VP
1	 Queen Catcher	 F & B	47:51	8.80:11.20
2	 Alfred Lam	 Shanghai Chenyi	34:22	13.28:6.72
3	 Dalian Youth	 SX Club - Saturn	2:128	0.00:20.00
4	 HKUST	 SX Club - Mercury	39:55	5.82:14.18
5	 SX Club - Chrysanthemum	 SX Club - Jupiter	39:58	5.20:14.80

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Rankings

Section A Rankings after R6

Rank	Team	VPs
1	 SYSYT 沈阳圣雨田	75.99
2	 Geely Automobile	74.99
3	 Xiamen Xiashun	74.57
4	 Mistral	68.10
5	 Mountain 高山隊	65.30
6	 Skewl	59.77
7	 Besties	59.57
8	 New combination	56.10
9	 SX Club - Lion	34.57
10	 A team of BLU-Best Like You!	31.04











Section B Rankings after R6

Rank	Team	VPs
1	 Nangang Power	95.20
2	 Vincent Li	91.39
3	 Philippines Manila	71.92
4	 Charlie Lee	66.95
5	 SX Club - Starlord	64.37
6	 Haoran 浩然	62.08
7	 Dark Chocolate	46.46
8	 Shenha Qiaoyou	36.86
9	 NAKANISHI	34.27
10	 Fukien	30.50

Section C Rankings after R6

Rank	Team	VPs
1	 Avia Financial	88.83
2	 Dragonite	84.10
3	 KOSING	74.04
4	 HK ZEN	72.75
5	 Philippines A	62.58
6	 Guangzhou Pearl River	53.58
7	 Windflower	52.81
8	 Dangoon	43.54
9	 SX Club - Spark	35.05
10	 Happy Bridge	32.72

Section D Rankings after R6











Rank	Team	VPs
1	 CRE8IVE	81.35
2	 Bridge Buddies	81.35
3	 CCH Power	80.82
4	 Seoul!	71.58
5	 HeyYo!	65.58
6	 Oly-Star 奧達	58.24
7	 Ghost of Red	54.35
8	 BridgeMate III	53.43
9	 Magic Eyes	44.21
10	 Rose Bowl Gold- DBS	7.99

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Inter-City Ladies Teams Championships President's Cup Youth Teams Championships

Rankings











Section L Rankings after R6

Rank	Team	VPs
1	 SX Club - Fenghuang	96.77
2	 China x HK Ladies Team	93.05
3	 Oly-Star 奧達女隊	80.30
4	 SX Club - Honghu	63.74
5	 The Mighty Miseres	61.69
6	 Shanghai Stonehill	58.84
7	 MINERVA	56.31
8	 Singapore - HK	51.92
9	 Indian Summer	19.34
10	 SX Club - Qingluan	18.04

Section X Rankings after R6

Rank	Team	VPs
1	 Bad Beat	108.89
2	 SX Club - Venus	91.12
3	 SX Club - Mars	81.08
4	 Not Appropriate	69.42
5	 HKU SKY Lee Hall	67.36
6	 lol	57.21
7	 Shanghai Youth	52.98
8	 SX Club - Ziwei	41.56
9	 HKU	27.59
10	 Liaoning Jinpu	2.79











Section Y Rankings after R6

Rank	Team	VPs
1	 F & B	91.54
2	 SX Club - Mercury	82.37
3	 HKUST	81.44
4	 Shanghai Chenyi	81.38
5	 Alfred Lam	75.93
6	 SX Club - Jupiter	75.92
7	 SX Club - Saturn	49.11
8	 Queen Catcher	41.35
9	 SX Club - Chrysanthemum	20.96
10	 Dalian Youth	0.00











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Ella Graca Open Teams Championships

Scheduled Matches

Open A		
Round 7 2018- 07- 19 10: 00 - 12: 00		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Geely Automobile	 New combination
2	 SYSYT 沈阳圣雨田	 A team of BLU-Best Like You!
3	 Xiamen Xiashun	 Skewl
4	 Mountain 高山隊	 Mistral
5	 Besties	 SX Club - Lion




Open A		
Round 8 2018- 07- 19 13: 15 - 15: 15		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Skewl	 Geely Automobile
2	 New combination	 SYSYT 沈阳圣雨田
3	 Mistral	 Xiamen Xiashun
4	 Besties	 Mountain 高山隊
5	 SX Club - Lion	 A team of BLU-Best Like You!

Open A		
Round 9 2018- 07- 19 15: 30 - 17: 30		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Geely Automobile	 SYSYT 沈阳圣雨田
2	 Xiamen Xiashun	 New combination
3	 Skewl	 Mountain 高山隊
4	 Besties	 A team of BLU-Best Like You!
5	 Mistral	 SX Club - Lion

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Scheduled Matches

Open B		
Round 7 2018- 07- 19 10: 00 - 12: 00		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Nangang Power	 Dark Chocolate
2	 Vincent Li	 Fukien
3	 Shenha Qiaoyou	 Philippines Manila
4	 Charlie Lee	 NAKANISHI
5	 Haoran 浩然	 SX Club - Starlord

Open B		
Round 8 2018- 07- 19 13: 15 - 15: 15		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Philippines Manila	 Nangang Power
2	 Dark Chocolate	 Vincent Li
3	 NAKANISHI	 Shenha Qiaoyou
4	 Haoran 浩然	 Charlie Lee
5	 SX Club - Starlord	 Fukien

Open B		
Round 9 2018- 07- 19 15: 30 - 17: 30		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Nangang Power	 Vincent Li
2	 Shenha Qiaoyou	 Dark Chocolate
3	 Philippines Manila	 Charlie Lee
4	 Haoran 浩然	 Fukien
5	 NAKANISHI	 SX Club - Starlord

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Scheduled Matches

Open C		
Round 7 2018- 07- 19 10: 00 - 12: 00		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Avia Financial	 Dragonite
2	 HK ZEN	 Happy Bridge
3	 Guangzhou Pearl River	 Philippines A
4	 Windflower	 Dangoon
5	 KOSING	 SX Club - Spark











Open C		
Round 8 2018- 07- 19 13: 15 - 15: 15		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Philippines A	 Avia Financial
2	 Dragonite	 HK ZEN
3	 Dangoon	 Guangzhou Pearl River
4	 KOSING	 Windflower
5	 SX Club - Spark	 Happy Bridge

Open C		
Round 9 2018- 07- 19 15: 30 - 17: 30		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Avia Financial	 HK ZEN
2	 Guangzhou Pearl River	 Dragonite
3	 Philippines A	 Windflower
4	 KOSING	 Happy Bridge
5	 Dangoon	 SX Club - Spark



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Scheduled Matches

Open D		
Round 7 2018- 07- 19 10: 00 - 12: 00		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Oly-Star 奧達	 CRE8IVE
2	 HeyYo!!	 BridgeMate III
3	 Magic Eyes	 Ghost of Red
4	 CCH Power	 Seoul
5	 Bridge Buddies	 Rose Bowl Gold- DBS

Open D		
Round 8 2018- 07- 19 13: 15 - 15: 15		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Magic Eyes	 Oly-Star 奧達
2	 BridgeMate III	 CRE8IVE
3	 Seoul	 HeyYo!!
4	 CCH Power	 Ghost of Red
5	 Rose Bowl Gold- DBS	 Bridge Buddies

Open D		
Round 9 2018- 07- 19 15: 30 - 17: 30		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Oly-Star 奧達	 CRE8IVE
2	 HeyYo!!	 BridgeMate III
3	 Magic Eyes	 Ghost of Red
4	 CCH Power	 Bridge Buddies
5	 Seoul	 Rose Bowl Gold- DBS

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Inter-City Ladies Teams Championships

Scheduled Matches

Ladies		
Round 7 2018- 07- 19 10: 00 - 12: 00		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Oly-Star 奧達女隊	 SX Club - Qingluan
2	 China x HK Ladies Team	 SX Club - Fenghuang
3	 Indian Summer	 The Mighty Miseres
4	 SX Club - Honghu	 Singapore - HK
5	 Shanghai Stonehill	 MINERVA

Ladies		
Round 8 2018- 07- 19 13: 15 - 15: 15		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 The Mighty Miseres	 Oly-Star 奧達女隊
2	 SX Club - Qingluan	 China x HK Ladies Team
3	 Singapore - HK	 Indian Summer
4	 Shanghai Stonehill	 SX Club - Honghu
5	 MINERVA	 SX Club - Fenghuang










Ladies		
Round 9 2018- 07- 19 15: 30 - 17: 30		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Oly-Star 奧達女隊	 China x HK Ladies Team
2	 Indian Summer	 SX Club - Qingluan
3	 The Mighty Miseres	 SX Club - Honghu
4	 Shanghai Stonehill	 SX Club - Fenghuang
5	 Singapore - HK	 MINERVA

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President's Cup Youth Teams Championships

Scheduled Matches

Section X		
Round 7 2018- 07- 19 10: 00 - 12: 00		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Not Appropriate	 lol
2	 Shanghai Youth	 SX Club - Venus
3	 HKU	 HKU SKY Lee Hall
4	 SX Club - Mars	 Liaoning Jinpu
5	 Bad Beat	 SX Club - Ziwei

Section X		
Round 8 2018- 07- 19 13: 15 - 15: 15		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 HKU SKY Lee Hall	 Not Appropriate
2	 lol	 Shanghai Youth
3	 Liaoning Jinpu	 HKU
4	 Bad Beat	 SX Club - Mars
5	 SX Club - Ziwei	 SX Club - Venus









Section X		
Round 9 2018- 07- 19 15: 30 - 17: 30		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 Not Appropriate	 Shanghai Youth
2	 HKU	 lol
3	 HKU SKY Lee Hall	 SX Club - Mars
4	 Bad Beat	 SX Club - Venus
5	 Liaoning Jinpu	 SX Club - Ziwei

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President's Cup Youth Teams Championships

Scheduled Matches

Section Y		
Round 7 2018- 07- 19 10: 00 - 12: 00		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 F & B	 SX Club - Mercury
2	 Shanghai Chenyi	 SX Club - Saturn
3	 Alfred Lam	 HKUST
4	 SX Club - Jupiter	 Dalian Youth
5	 Queen Catcher	 SX Club - Chrysanthemum

Section Y		
Round 8 2018- 07- 19 13: 15 - 15: 15		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 HKUST	 F & B
2	 SX Club - Mercury	 Shanghai Chenyi
3	 Dalian Youth	 Alfred Lam
4	 Queen Catcher	 SX Club - Jupiter
5	 SX Club - Chrysanthemum	 SX Club - Saturn

Section Y		
Round 9 2018- 07- 19 15: 30 - 17: 30		
Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 F & B	 Shanghai Chenyi
2	 Alfred Lam	 SX Club - Mercury
3	 HKUST	 SX Club - Jupiter
4	 Queen Catcher	 SX Club - Saturn
5	 Dalian Youth	 SX Club - Chrysanthemum

Geely Automobile v Xiamen Xiashun (Open Round 4)

Round 4 in the Open Group A featured a match-up of two Chinese teams, Xiamen Xiashun and Geely Auto. The latter team was the winner last year and has four of the same team-members once again.

After an overtrick IMP to Xiamen on Board 1, Geely took the lead by bidding and making a cold game missed by Xiamen.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

West Chen	North Lin	East Gao	South Huang
-	-	INT	Pass
Pass	2♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

West Zhang	North Sun	East Lin	South Kang
-	-	INT	Dble
2♣	4♠	All Pass	

Both Easts opened INT. For Xiamen, Shixian Huang passed with the South cards and Bowen Lin balanced with 2♠ when INT came round to him. Huang tried for game but, when Lin simply repeated his spades, settled for partscore. Jian Gao led the king of clubs and, when Lin ducked, continued with the ♣8. Lin put in the jack so had a discard for his heart losers and, with the diamond onside, had 12 tricks for a somewhat inadequate +230.

At the other table Meng Kang found a double of INT and Guoming Zhang ran to 2♣ with the West cards. Shaolin Sun simply jumped to 4♠. The lead was again the king of clubs. Sun won the ace and played king of spades then overtook the queen and cashed the jack to draw the last trump. Next he led a club up and Gao won the queen and exited passively with his remaining club. Again the heart losers went away but this time 12 tricks was worth +680 and 10 IMPs to Geely.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

West Chen Zhang	North Lin Sun	East Gao Lin	South Huang Kang
-	-	-	1♠
Pass	INT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♠	All Pass	

Identical auctions saw the two Souths declare a spade partscore, against which both Wests led a low heart and both declarers won and cashed the second heart for a diamond discard then led the ten of clubs.

Gao did not cover the club so Huang ran it and was no doubt charmed when it held the trick. He continued with a second club to the jack and queen then ducked a spade, the eight losing to the jack. Back came the queen of hearts, on which Huang pitched his remaining diamond loser. He ruffed Gao's diamond switch then made the curious play of the ten of spades, losing to the king. Forced again by another diamond lead, Huang cashed then cashed the ace of spades but was now out of trumps and Yun Long Chen had a trump and two winning hearts left to defeat the contract by one; -50.

At the other table, Yalong Lin covered the ten of clubs with the jack so Kang won the queen. With no entry to dummy to allow him to repeat the finesse, Kang continued with ace and a third club to Lin's king. Lin returned a diamond, Zhang winning the king and switching to a heart. Kang ruffed and played a winning club, ruffing low in dummy and being over-ruffed with the jack. Lin returned a diamond and Kang ruffed with the nine. Zhang, who had discarded the ace of diamonds on the previous trick, over-ruffed with the queen but had no effective defence. In practice he returned a low spade to the king and ace, but Kang could cash the ♠10 then lead his last club and had to make the six of spades at trick 13; eight tricks for +110 and 4 IMPs to Geely.

Kang's superior technique of not touching the trump suit meant that he made his contract despite losing a club trick, while Huang, who did not lose a club, was defeated.

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Chen	Lin	Gao	Huang
-	INT	2♥	3♥
4♥	4♠	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Zhang	Sun	Lin	Kang
-	INT	2♥	Dble
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Presumably having no clue from the auction about a possible bad diamond split, Sun attempted to cross to the ace of diamonds to take the finesse against the ten of spades. When Zhang ruffed the contract was one down for -50.

Having been warned that East had a minor suit along with his hearts, Lin crossed to the queen of clubs, knowing that Gao would have got out with a second club had he been able to do so rather than open up diamonds. That, of course, passed off peacefully, and Lin could draw trumps and cash out for 10 tricks, +420 and 10 IMPs to Xiamen.

It is surprising that Sun did not also take the inference that East would not have led a diamond when in with the ♠K if he had a safe alternative available to him.

Both Easts overcalled 2♥. If we can believe the alert/non-alert on BBO, Gao showed hearts plus a minor, while Lin's bid merely showed hearts. Huang then cuebid and Chen'd raise to 4♥ did nothing to prevent Lin from bidding the spade game, where he played. Kang preferred to make a take-out double and Zhang did not bother with a heart raise. Sun's jump response to the double saw Kang raise him to the same game.

Both Easts cashed the top hearts then switched to their singleton club. Both declarers won that in dummy with the king to run the queen of spades, losing to the bare king. That was a case of good news/bad news for the respective Easts, who now found themselves to be endplayed so that, in one way or another, declarer's diamond loser would disappear. Both Easts thought for a good while before leading a diamond rather than give a ruff and discard and both declarers ran the diamond to win the trick cheaply in their hand, as they had to do, and cashed the ace of spades, discovering the trump position. Now came the crucial parting of the ways.

Board 28. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

<p>♠ J 4 ♥ 9 ♦ Q J 10 8 6 5 3 ♣ Q 10 8</p> <p>♠ A 9 6 5 2 ♥ J 6 ♦ 7 ♣ A K J 7 4</p>	<p>♠ 10 8 7 3 ♥ A 10 8 3 ♦ 4 2 ♣ 6 5 2</p> <p>♠ K Q ♥ K Q 7 5 4 2 ♦ A K 9 ♣ 9 3</p>
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West	North	East	South
Chen	Lin	Gao	Huang
1♠	Pass	3♠	4♥
4♣	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
Zhang	Sun	Lin	Kang
1♠	Pass	2♠	Dble
3♣	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♦	All Pass	

Lin's simple spade raise allowed Kang the space to start the South hand off with a take-out double, and Zhang's decision to introduce his second suit also made it convenient for Sun to show his modest values and long diamonds at a convenient level. When Kang now showed his extra values and long hearts, Sun was pretty sure that diamonds would play better and corrected to 4♦, over which Kang made a disciplined pass. There were four top losers, of course, and no problem in the defence taking them, but one down for -100 was probably the best that N/S could hope for on the deal.

At the other table, Gao's pre-emptive spade raise put his opponents in a much less comfortable position. Huang was pretty much forced into the 4♥ overcall and that contract would have been down three had he been left to play there. Fortunately for Huang, Chen had a highly offensive hand and could hope that 4♣ would either make or be a cheap save against a making 4♥. He duly bid 4♣ as a two-way shot and Huang doubled it on the way out. Lin led the singleton heart against 4♣ doubled, Chen rising with the ace and playing ace and another trump. Huang won the second trump and cashed the king of diamonds, asking for count. Had he cashed a heart now the hand would have been over, with as club still to come for the defence, but he instead tried the ace of diamonds. Chen ruffed and laid down the ace of clubs. Now what - king and a third club, or cross to dummy to take the club finesse?

Chen eventually chose the latter play and Lin won the queen of clubs and exited with a club. At the end, Chen had to concede a heart to South for down one and another -100; 5 IMPs to Xiamen. But suppose that declarer plays king and a third club instead of taking the finesse. North wins the club but is down to nothing but diamonds so must give a ruff and discard and away goes declarer's heart loser so the doubled game is home. Should declarer get this right? Well, hearts are very likely to be 6-1 for the 4♥ overcall, and if declarer watches North's diamond plays he probably knows that an odd number have been shown. Once we add in the known even spade split, the actual distribution is the most likely.

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

<p>♠ 10 4 3 ♥ A J 6 3 ♦ A Q 9 8 2 ♣ 2</p> <p>♠ Q 8 7 6 ♥ Q 10 7 5 4 ♦ 4 ♣ K Q 7</p>	<p>♠ K J 9 5 2 ♥ 9 2 ♦ K 7 ♣ 8 6 5 3</p> <p>♠ A ♥ K 8 ♦ J 10 6 5 3 ♣ A J 10 9 4</p>
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West	North	East	South
Chen	Lin	Gao	Huang
-	1♦	1♠	Dble
2♦	2♥	2♠	3♦
3♠	Pass	Pass	5♣
Dble	5♦	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Zhang	Sun	Lin	Kang
-	1♦	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♠	Pass	6♦
All Pass			

Given a free run, Sun and Kang had a smooth auction to the small slam via an inverted diamond raise. Eventually, Kang asked for key cards and bid 6♦. Sun won the club lead and took the trump finesse. He ruffed the club return and had no difficulty in coming to 12 tricks for +1370. Gao's overcall in the other room led to a very different situation for the Xiamen N/S pair, particularly when Chen could make a constructive raise cuebid with the West hand. Huang showed his good values and minor two-suiter, but slam was never really in the picture and they reached only 5♦. Again, 12 tricks were easy, but +620 meant 13 IMPs to Geely.

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

West Chen	North Lin	East Gao	South Huang
-	-	1♣	Pass
1♠	2♥	Dble	3♥
All Pass			

West Zhang	North Sun	East Lin	South Kang
-	-	2♣	Pass
Pass	2♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Gao opened a standard 1♣ and Chen responded in his weak four-card spade suit. With his better suit bid against him, Lin could only show the other one, which he did with a simple 2♥ overcall. Gao made a support double to show three-card spade support, and now Huang underbid the South hand by quite a lot in my view when he made only a weak raise to 3♥ – surely the hand is worth at least a 2♠ cuebid, if not more? Three Hearts ended the auction and Gao led the king of clubs. Lin won dummy's ace and led a spade to the ace then a club up, Gao winning the queen and returning a low spade. This did declarer no harm at all. Lin won cheaply, ruffed a spade and tried to cash the jack of clubs, ruffed and over-ruffed. There was just one trick in each red suit to be lost from here, however, so Lin had 10 tricks for +170.

In the other room, the opening bid was a Precision 2♣. That went round to Sun, who presumably didn't like to cuebid to show his two-suiter as that might take the partnership too high. Instead, he overcalled a simple 2♠ but, when Kang responded 2NT to that, a good effort on a misfitting eight-count, jumped to game in his second suit. Again the lead was the king of clubs to the ace followed by a spade to hand and the second club. Lin won the queen of clubs and returned a diamond to his partner's ace. Zhang switched to a trump, Sun rising with the ace and playing on spades. He just had to lose a trump now so had 10 tricks for +420 and 6 IMPs to Geely, which proved to be the eventual margin of their victory, by 37-31 IMPs, 11.76-8.24 VPs.

SYSYT v Besties (Open Round 5)

For Round 5 we will take a look at the Chinese team SYSYT and Chinese Taipei's Besties, in Group A of the Open championship.

We have one Chen on each team playing at the same table so they will be known by their other names, Qinggang for SYSYT and Yinshou for Besties.

SYSYT led by 2-0 IMPs after three deals, then came a potential swing board.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West Yu	North Wu	East Li	South Tsai
Pass	1♥	1♠	2NT
Pass	3♥	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

West Lin	North Qinggang	East YinShou	South Jin
Pass	1♥	1♠	2NT
All Pass			

There was no alert and no further bidding after Jing Jin's jump to 2NT so we must assume that he intended his bid to be natural and invitational despite the four-card heart support. Yinyu Lin led the queen of clubs. Jin won in dummy and led the ten of spades, going up with the king when Yinshou Chen played low. He ran for home now, of course, making exactly for +120.

At the other table Wenchuan Tsai's jump to 2NT was alerted and Yvonne Wu signed off in 3♥. However, Tsai judged to drive to game, offering 3NT as an alternative to 4♥, and Wu left him to play the no-trump game. With 4♥ basically on the spade guess so favourite to succeed on the actual layout, 3NT was not the place to be.

The lead was the same as in the other room and once again declarer won the ace of clubs to lead dummy's ♠10. Here, however, rising with the king would not give a chance to make the contract as Tsai needed two extra tricks from somewhere. He therefore ran the ten, losing to the queen, and Xiang Yu continued the club attack. Tsai won the king of clubs and cashed all the hearts. Jun Li came down to the two top diamonds plus spades, so Tsai came to a spade trick but was down one for -100 and 6 IMPs to SYSYT.

Seven IMPs went the other way on the next deal when the SYSYT N/S pair bid up to 3♠ under their own steam and drifted two down for -200 while Besties stopped a level lower and got the crucial guess right to emerge with eight tricks for +110.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Yu	Wu	Li	Tsai
-	-	-	1♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Lin	Qinggang	YinShou	Jin
-	-	-	1♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Both Souths opened 1♥. Wu raised directly to game while Qinggang went via a forcing raise. Both Souths were soon in the heart game.

The defence made no mistake at either table. Both Wests led a low spade and East won the ace and switched to ace and another club. They collected their ruff and that was a flat board at down one for -100. I wonder how many Souths were allowed home in their game?

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Yu	Wu	Li	Tsai
-	1♦	Pass	1♥
1♠	Dble	Rdbl	2♣
Pass	3♣	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Lin	Qinggang	YinShou	Jin
-	INT	All Pass	

Where Qinggang opened INT the board was very quick and simple. One No Trump became the final contract and Yinshou led a heart round to the queen. Qinggang took four clubs and two of each red suit for a straightforward +120.

Wu had to open 1♦ and Tsai responded 1♥. When Yu now overcalled 1♠, Wu doubled to show three-card heart support and Li redoubled to show a top honour doubleton in spades. Not fancying a 4-3 fit with his fragile heart holding, Tsai offered an alternative trump suit. Wu seems to have had doubts about just how strong 2♣ would be as otherwise it would seem clear to pass. Her raise to 3♣ put Tsai at an uncomfortable level. The bidding had given Yu the information required to find a low spade lead from the ace-king. Li won the jack and continued with the queen, which Yu overtook to play a third spade. Tsai ruffed that as Li discarded a diamond. A heart to the queen lost to the king and now a diamond return was won by dummy's king. Tsai continued by cashing the red aces before playing dummy's last spade. Li thought this might be the time to try to promote a trump trick for his partner so ruffed in with the queen and was over-ruffed. Tsai exited with a diamond but the trump return left him with an inescapable heart loser so the contract was down one for -50 and 5 IMPs to SYSYT.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West Yu	North Wu	East Li	South Tsai
-	-	-	1♣
3♣	Pass	4♣	4♥
4♣	Dble	5♣	5♦
6♣	6♥	Pass	Pass
7♣	Dble	All Pass	

West Lin	North Qinggang	East YinShou	South Jin
-	-	-	1♥
Dble	3♥	Pass	4♥
5♣	Pass	Pass	5♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

Jin opened a natural 1♥ and Qinggang made a pre-emptive raise over the take-out double. Jin contented himself with a raise to game but, when Lin now introduced his long club suit, was willing to be pushed to the five level, where he was doubled by Yinshou. Lin led out two top clubs but Jin ruffed the second and had little difficulty in getting the trumps right after this auction. With diamonds ruffing out that just left one spade to be lost; 11 tricks for +650.

Tsai's strong club opening meant things were rather different at the other table, where Yu overcalled 3♣ on a pretty huge hand for the bid. Yu collected a raise from his partner and when Tsai now bid his long heart suit Yu offered spades, just in case there was a double fit in the black suits. No, Wu was doubling those so Li gave preference back to clubs and Tsai introduced his second suit. Yu could see very little defence against a red two-suiter so saved in 6♣, and now Wu misjudged by going on with 6♥ - after all, she had good four-card support and had not shown even tolerance for hearts up to now, and maybe this was one of those deals where both side could make a lot of tricks? Now E/W had a chance to go plus because, of course, they have two aces to cash against 6♥, but Yu wasn't so sure about that and took out insurance by bidding a seventh club, and finally the merry-go-round came to a stop when Wu doubled. There were three losers but despite the misjudgement that was only -500 and SYSYT actually gained 4 IMPs.

Board 12 was a cold 4♠ for E/W but Lin had an aberration and failed to cash out his 10 top tricks so was down one for a 10-IMP gift to SYSYT.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

West Yu	North Wu	East Li	South Tsai
-	1♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♣	All Pass

West Lin	North Qinggang	East YinShou	South Jin
-	1♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Both Wests valued their hand too highly to do other than double at their first turn but at his second turn Yu was content to rebid 2♦ while Lin jumped to 3♦ (perhaps 2♦ for him would have merely shown four hearts and longer diamonds without all the extra values?). Li took the opportunity to repeat his clubs over 2♦ and Yu respected the fact that his partner had just shown a long suit and not necessarily any high cards so passed. Over Lin's jump to 3♦, however, Yinshou looked at 7 HCP and felt justified in asking for further information. Lin had a spade stopper so bid 3NT and that was that.

Tsai led a spade against 3♣, Wu winning the ace and switching to the ten of hearts to dummy's queen - ducked. Yu played ace and another club so Wu won the king and exited with a spade. Yu won the king, led a diamond to the jack and drew the missing trump before knocking out the ace of diamonds and claiming 10 tricks for a solid +130.

Qinggang led a spade against 3NT, the ten losing to the queen. Lin played on diamonds, Qinggang holding up until the third round in hope of getting a helpful signal from partner. That signal proved to be the discard of a discouraging six of clubs on the third diamond. On the basis that it would be abnormal to void yourself in partner's suit before being forced to do so, what might have helped would have been a spade discard, implying that South had started with three cards in the suit. Had Jin thrown a spade and Qinggang read it that way, he would have been able to lay down the ace of spades and cash five tricks in the suit for down two, and perhaps that is what he should have done anyway, but in practice he played the ten of hearts. Lin won dummy's queen and led the queen of clubs, going up with the ace as he had always planned to do. He could cash out for nine tricks now and +600 was worth 10 badly-needed IMPs to Besties.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ K 6 3 ♥ 2 ♦ A K 4 3 ♣ Q J 9 8 2	♠ A J 9 7 ♥ K 7 3 ♦ Q J 8 ♣ A 10 3	♠ Q 10 8 5 4 2 ♥ Q J 10 8 ♦ 5 2 ♣ 4	♠ – ♥ A 9 6 5 4 ♦ 10 9 7 6 ♣ K 7 6 5
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West Yu	North Wu	East Li	South Tsai
–	–	2♠	Pass
4♣	All Pass		

West Lin	North Qinggang	East YinShou	South Jin
–	–	2♦	Pass
2♥	Dble	2♠	Dble
All Pass			

Li opened with a natural weak two bid and was raised to game. Tsai led the ten of diamonds, Li winning dummy's ace and leading a heart to the jack and ace. Back came a second diamond to the king and now Li led dummy's queen of clubs. Wu won the ace and returned a club for Li to ruff. He now crossruffed hearts and clubs until Wu over-ruffed the fourth heart with the ace at trick ten. She had to return a trump now and Li finessed the eight but had to concede a trick to the ♠J at the end so was down one for -50. It was a case of close, but no cigar, as Li had simply been unable to shorten his trumps sufficiently to get the timing right to restrict North to only one trump trick.

The play was much easier for declarer in the other room. Yinshou opened a multi 2♦ and Lin responded 2♥, pass or correct. Wu doubled, which is normally played as take-out of hearts, and Yinshou corrected to 2♠. Now Jin doubled for take-out, a dangerous move with a spade void and an expensive decision on the actual deal as Qinggang had a reasonable enough pass. Jin led the ten of diamonds to dummy's ace and Yinshou played a heart to the queen and ace. Back came a second diamond to the king and Yinshou played the queen of clubs. Qinggang won the ace and played ace and another spade. Yinshou won the king, led a third round to the ten and cashed the queen. Next he cashed one extra trump and followed that with the jack of hearts. That extra round of trumps had done its work as the nine of hearts was now coming down and that was worth an overtrick and +570 to Yinshou. Besties picked up another 12 IMPs and, albeit briefly, held a narrow lead in the match.

On the next deal Besties were down two in 4♣ while SYSYT made 2♠+1 for 6 IMPs and that was just enough to swing the match back in favour of SYSYT. They sneaked the win by 34-29 IMPs, converting to 11.48-8.52 VPs. SYSYT lay second and Besties third in a tough-looking Group A after five matches.

Avia Financial v Kosing (Open Round 6)

For the last match of Day Two, we go into Group C for a match between the top two in the rankings going into the match, two multinational teams, Avia Financial and Kosing.

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ 6 5 ♥ A 5 ♦ A K 6 ♣ A 10 7 6 5	♠ K 7 2 ♥ 10 6 4 ♦ 9 2 ♣ K 9 8 4 2	♠ Q J 10 9 3 ♥ Q J ♦ Q 10 7 3 ♣ J 3	♠ A 4 ♥ K 9 8 7 3 2 ♦ J 8 5 4 ♣ Q
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West Poon	North Ng	East Yang	South Sia
–	–	Pass	1♥
Dble	2♥	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	All Pass

West Cheng	North Jinzhou	East Lee	South Kwon
–	–	Pass	Pass
INT	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

For Avia Financial, Alan Sia made a very light 1♥ opening on the South hand and Hua Poon doubled. Kelvin Ng's simple heart raise was not sufficient to cut out Jiahong Yang, who introduced his spades. Now Poon took over, bidding a forcing 3♣ then showing three-card spade support, and Yang went on to the spade game. Sia led his singleton club, Yang taking dummy's ace and playing a spade to the ten and ace. Sia got off play with a trump so Ng won that and returned a heart but it didn't matter what he did. Yang could win, draw the last trump and set up a club for a discard of his fourth diamond; +620.

Haeryung Kwon did not open 1♥, nor did he fancy 2♥ on such a weak suit, so passed. Chuan Cheng opened INT and was soon declaring 4♠ after a transfer sequence. Jinzhou led the nine of diamonds to the ten, jack and ace. Cheng led a spade up but Jinzhou went in with the king and played a second diamond so that, when Kwon won the next trump, he could lead a third round for a ruff. There was a slow club to be lost also so the nicely defended hand was down one for -100 and 12 IMPs to Kosing.

The lead did not survive a single deal.

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ 9 2 ♥ 8 4 3 ♦ A 6 3 ♣ K Q 9 6 2	♠ K J 6 4 ♥ A J 9 6 ♦ K Q J 9 4 ♣ –	♠ 10 7 5 ♥ 7 5 2 ♦ – ♣ A J 10 8 7 4 3	♠ A Q 8 3 ♥ K Q 10 ♦ 10 8 7 5 2 ♣ 5
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West	North	East	South
Poon	Ng	Yang	Sia
–	–	–	1♦
Pass	1♥	3♣	Pass
5♣	6♦	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Cheng	Jinzhou	Lee	Kwon
–	–	–	Pass
Pass	1♦	3♣	Dble
5♣	Dble	All Pass	

Sia opened 1♦ as dealer and Ng responded 1♥. When his opponents took away all his bidding space, Ng just jumped to 6♦, figuring this could hardly be far wrong if his partner could open the bidding and the opposition had such a big club fit. And right he was – there was just the trump ace to be lost so Sia quickly chalked up +920.

In the other room, Kwon did not open the South hand. When Jim Lee made a weak jump overcall of Jinzhou's 1♦ opener, Kwon doubled and Cheng raised to 5♣. Jinzhou doubled, intended as for take-out but left in with a small singleton club, suggesting that the partnership was not on firm ground. Kwon led the king of hearts and continued with the queen. Jinzhou overtook that and switched to the king of diamonds so the third heart went away and there were just two spades to be lost. Two down cost only –300 so 12 IMPs straight back to Avia.

Should not the opening leader continue with a low heart at trick two if he started with four cards? If so, his actual play marks him with only three and North should have cashed the third heart before trying anything else. Avia took the lead on the next deal when they played and made partscores at both tables to gain 6 IMPs. Then the boards got lively again.

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ A Q 10 ♥ A Q 7 6 4 ♦ 9 7 ♣ K 8 2	♠ 8 7 6 5 4 3 ♥ 10 5 2 ♦ 3 ♣ 9 7 4	♠ 9 2 ♥ 9 8 ♦ A K Q J 10 6 2 ♣ A 5	♠ K J ♥ K J 3 ♦ 8 5 4 ♣ Q J 10 6 3
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West	North	East	South
Poon	Ng	Yang	Sia
–	Pass	Pass	3NT
Dble	4♣	Dble	4♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

West	North	East	South
Cheng	Jinzhou	Lee	Kwon
–	Pass	Pass	1♦
Dble	Pass	3♣	3♦
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

I'm not a great fan of the gambling 3NT opening. As often as not if 3NT is a sensible contract it gets played the wrong way up, while there are alternative uses for the bid – gaining popularity, for example, is to play 3NT as a good four of either major opening, something similar to NAMYATS but leaving the natural four of a minor pre-empts available. And in the modern game everyone wants to pre-empt at every possible opportunity. Anyway, Sia opened 3NT, and with eight sure tricks it was a pretty sound action to take and earned his side a modest swing. This time his partner had a real bust and the best they could do was wriggle their way into 4♦ doubled. There was nothing to the play, with two losers in each major, plus a club, for down two and –500.

Kwon opened only 1♦ at the other table and his opponents got together and bid to their impregnable 4♥. After a diamond lead, Kwon won and cashed a second diamond then tried ace and another club, and Cheng had the rest for +620 and 3 IMPs to Avia.

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Poon	Ng	Yang	Sia
–	–	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♦	Pass	6♦	All Pass

West	North	East	South
Cheng	Jinzhou	Lee	Kwon
–	–	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

After identical starts, Yang judged to go on over 3NT while Lee did not. If West has shown six diamonds, as would seem normal, the East hand is one of immense potential, and I am convinced that it is correct for East to bid on in theory as well as practice. Once Yang did go on, Poon was willing to make one co-operative noise before signing off in game, and that was all Yang needed to hear to convince him to go on to the small slam.

Three No Trump made 11 tricks after a heart lead when the defence didn't come down to exactly the right cards to hold it to ten; +460. No big deal.

The lead against 6♦ was the king of hearts. Poon won the ace, cashed all the side winners and started on a crossruff. On the third round of clubs Ng discarded his last heart so, with an over-ruff looming, Poon simply cashed the ace of diamonds, having already taken the two club ruffs he required, ruffed a spade back to hand and cashed the ♦KQ, giving up a club at the end. Plus 920 meant 10 IMPs to Kosing.

You hold:

♠ K 10
 ♥ K 10 9 6 3
 ♦ A J
 ♣ A 9 6 3

You are vulnerable against not and open 1♥ after two passes. If partner makes a simple raise to 2♥ and RHO doubles, do you try for game, and if partner instead makes a pre-emptive jump raise to 3♥ do you raise yourself to game? That was East's decision on Board 32.

In our match, Lee did not go on to game facing the pre-emptive raise, while Yang did try for game and partner accepted after the simple raise. There were 10 tricks so long as declarer got the spades right facing jack to three. As the lead against game was a low spade round to the strong hand, that was not a guess. Kosing picked up another 10 IMPs for +620 against +170 and led by 32-21 at the midpoint in the match.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ K 8 4 3 2
♥ J 6
♦ 9 4 2
♣ 10 9 4

♠ 10
♥ Q 10 4 3 2
♦ K Q 5
♣ A 8 5 2

♠ A Q J 7
♥ K 9 5
♦ A 8 3
♣ K Q 7

♠ 9 6 5
♥ A 8 7
♦ J 10 7 6
♣ J 6 3

West	North	East	South
Poon	Ng	Yang	Sia
–	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

West	North	East	South
Cheng	Jinzhou	Lee	Kwon
–	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

Both Wests used checkback to find the 5-3 heart fit and both cuebid twice. Poon then decided that he had done enough and signed off in 4♥, trusting Yang to go on with a suitable hand. By contrast, Cheng used Key-card and bid the small slam.

Ng led a spade against game, Poon rising with dummy's ace and crossing to hand with a diamond to play a heart to the king. That lost to the ace and Sia returned the eight of hearts. Poon finessed so had a second loser; +450.

Jinzhou led the nine of clubs. Cheng did very well here. He too won the opening lead in dummy and crossed to hand with a diamond to lead a heart up. However, when Jinzhou followed with the six, Cheng put in the nine and, when that was allowed to hold the trick, continued with the king. Maybe the opening lead looked to be short, or maybe it looked like an attempt to make a safe lead, which might suggest holding a heart honour? Whatever his reasoning, Cheng had just done something very good for his team. Plus 980 was worth 11 IMPs to Avia and the match was level.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ A 9 4 2
♥ A 4 3
♦ Q 6 4
♣ K 9 8

♠ Q 8
♥ K Q 5
♦ J 10 9 3 2
♣ 7 5 4

♠ K J 7 5
♥ J 9 8 2
♦ 7 5
♣ Q J 2

♠ 10 6 3
♥ 10 7 6
♦ A K 8
♣ A 10 6 3

West	North	East	South
Poon	Ng	Yang	Sia
–	–	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Cheng	Jinzhou	Lee	Kwon
–	–	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♣	Pass	2NT
All Pass			

Is that South hand a vulnerable opening bid? Yes, said Sia, who opened 1♣ and rebid 1NT so found himself in a pretty bad game when Ng turned up with a 13-count. No, said Kwon, who passed then made a natural and invitational response of 2NT at his next turn and, as he would have opened most 12-point hands, was left to play in 2NT.

Two No Trump proved to be straightforward enough because Kwon won the diamond lead in hand and ducked a club to the East hand at trick two. That meant that he had set up his eighth trick right away and, while the defence attacked the majors and set up winners for themselves, when he finally decided to win a trick, Kwon had eight tricks to cash for +120.

The lead against 3NT was also a diamond. Sia won in dummy to lead a low spade towards the concealed hand and Yang misjudged by going in with the king and returning a diamond. Sia could win that in hand and lead his remaining low spade and the appearance of the queen, meant that his nine and ten were equals against the jack so he could set up a second spade trick. Yang continued with the passive defence and that proved to be fatal. A heart switch would have caused problems for declarer, but his actual spade return meant that Sia had time to set up a third club trick as well and that was his ninth; +600 and 10 IMPs to Avia, who were now ahead by 42-32.

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Poon	Ng	Yang	Sia
–	Pass	1♥	2♠
3♦	3♠	Pass	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

West	North	East	South
Cheng	Jinzhou	Lee	Kwon
–	Pass	1♥	1♠
Dble	2♠	Pass	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♣	Pass	5♣	All Pass

Sia made a 2♠ jump overcall and Poon started to show his suits. When Ng could raise the spades, that shut out Yang's extra heart length and 3♠ came round to Poon who introduced his second suit. Now Yang could rebid the hearts without suggesting more strength than he actually held but Poon was convinced that his hand should be declaring the final contract and that, if partner could not support clubs, the far more robust diamond suit was the answer. Actually, on this lie of the cards both 4♥ and 5♣ are possible, while 5♦ cannot be made without some help.

Ng led ace and another spade to the ten, jack and ruff. Poon basically played for the actual diamond position plus the ♣K onside. He led his heart to the ace and, ignoring the fall of the jack, took the diamond finesse. Diamonds were just as required so Poon drew trumps and led a low club. When Ng played low without a flicker he gave some thought to what he should do but eventually put up the queen, losing to the king. Sia returned his low club so Poon ducked and lost to the jack but had the rest; down one for –50.

Kwon made only a simple overcall and Cheng began to describe the West hand via a double. Jinzhou raised to 2♠ and that silenced Lee, for now. However, when Cheng now bid his diamonds, Lee showed the sixth heart. When Cheng was not interested in hearts and introduced a new suit at the four level, surely he held five of them, so Lee raised to 5♣.

The club game is a little more attractive than diamonds, but it still rates to be a struggle. However, the cards were very friendly. Jinzhou led a low spade away from the ace and Cheng played low from dummy. Kwon won the nine and returned a low spade, ruffed by Cheng, who led a low club from his hand. When Jinzhou played the seven, Cheng called for the eight, setting up the intrafinesse and hoping to pin a doubleton jack or ten on his left on the next round of the suit. Kwon won the ten of clubs and returned a third spade, forcing Cheng to ruff for a second time. He led a heart to the ace and an honour appeared. When he cashed the king of hearts a second honour appeared, and suddenly the hopeless contract was very much alive. Away went a diamond and now Cheng continued with another winning heart. In practice, Kwon ruffed low so Cheng could over-ruff, cash the ace of clubs and get to dummy with a diamond ruff to cash the rest of the hearts; 11 tricks for +400 and 10 IMPs to Avia.

But what if Kwon had discarded on the third heart and also on the fourth round? Well, a fifth heart would be no good as North would be ruffing, but Cheng would have been able to play a diamond to the ace and ruff a diamond then lead the now bare queen of clubs, and what could Kwon have done? If he covered declarer would win the ace, cash the ♣9 and have a winning diamond to cash, while if Kwon did not cover the ♣Q declarer would simply lead a winning heart to trap his ♣K anyway.

The next boards saw the Avia N/S pair bid to a very thin and rather fortunate 3NT which rolled in while their counterparts stopped sensibly in partscore. Those 6 IMPs were the last in the match and completed a 59-32 IMP, 16.26-3.74 VPs for Avia Financial. They moved to the top of the rankings, with Kosing in third, still very much in the hunt for the two qualifying spots in the knock-outs.



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Avia Financial IMP Pairs
輝亞金融國際序分雙人賽
Winners

Rank	Pair	Score	Name
N-S	1 18	2792	Leo Lam - John Tsang
	2 17	2416	Andy Chung - Andy K O Leung
	3 113	2128	Jim Lee - Barney Lui
	4 5	1590	Charlie Lee - Kelvin Chung
	5 64	1519	Junshan Ma - Wenwei Gao
	6 13	1437	Yuk Kin Lam - Benny Lam
	7 110	1344	David Ip - Koan Hsuan Chen
	8 11	1290	Derek Zen - Yi Qian Liu
	9 1	1152	Abby Chiu - Alan Sze
	10 15	958	Jacky So - Vincent Lui
	11 70	950	Mick Yeung - Chad Law
	12 69	808	Joseph Chan - Thomas Yeung
	13 19	706	Chun Yu Lo - Sukon Hung
	14 107	667	Benjamin Yip - Terence Chan
	15 9	573	Alfred Lam - Charmain Ng
16 65	435	Yongchuan Li - Hongbin Song	
17 20	366	Patrick Wu - K W Tam	
18 102	337	Benny Kwok - W K Wong	
19 7	272	K F Mak - Crystal Tang	
20 62	89	Sophia Sin - Antony Au	
21 73	35	Ken Yip - Shirley Kwok	
22 105	-209	Louis Chu - Samson Hung	
23 61	-285	Xiaoguang Yang - Rongguang Mai	
24 66	-287	Felix Lam - Boris Tam	
25 108	-306	Chuen Ho Ko - Edward Ng	
26 104	-322	John Lai - C S Law	
27 71	-344	Roger Ling - Pauline Ling	
28 8	-400	Homer Franz De Vera - George Soo	
29 68	-415	Yin Shou Chen - Chia Fan Chiang	
30 21	-417	Tania Mohan - Bhagwanti Mohan	
31 3	-608	Alan Mok - Samuel Choi	
32 6	-652	Oscar Chan - Arnold Kwan	
33 2	-678	Hok Yan Stephen Tsui - Chi Wut Wong	
34 112	-775	Samuel Yeung - Jackson Tsang	
35 10	-785	Dave Pang - C C Hon	
36 103	-797	Corona Tsuei - F H Chow	
37 106	-825	Roma Chulani - Manu Chulani	
38 101	-918	KB Chan - Stephen Kwok	
39 14	-1081	Benny Chow - Olivia Leung	
40 4	-1096	Abhinav Gorawara - Rajan Gupta	
41 67	-1124	Eugene Chung - Simon Cheung	
42 16	-1171	Kah Loong Chue - Siew Luie Soh	
43 111	-1215	Ben Fung - Marco Chan	
44 72	-1575	Paul So - Bob Ham	
45 63	-1583	Richard Mui - Oscar Hui	
46 12	-1908	Kevin C Catbagan - Brian Refe	
47 109	-2088	Bacon Lam - Jenny To	
E-W	1 124	1955	Cecil Chan - Antony Mok
	2 85	1903	Ruby Hui - Leo Cheung
	3 123	1688	Julian Lui - Yat Chong Tong
	4 131	1440	Eric Moo - Chris T H Chan
	5 89	1430	Justin Tang - Ada Fung
	6 35	1351	Fu Cheung - Jun Cheng
	7 134	1334	Joanna Chu - Billy Szeto
	8 88	1296	William Cheung - Pang Sung
	9 84	1281	Xinyi Li - Gordon Ho
	10 51	1069	David C C Ng - Wing Ho Lo

Rank	Pair	Score	Name
E-W	11 33	965	Edward Cheung - Kingsley Koon
	12 31	873	Tik Lung Wu - Ching Chung Poon
	13 42	810	York Kwan - Sing Leung
	14 133	786	Luke Martin - Ben Lam
	15 132	501	Kelvin Ng - Kinman Leung
	16 40	434	Chris Fung - Wilson Mok
	17 34	281	Mark Ng - Baron Ng
	18 128	265	Sidney Ho - Samuel Fung
	19 90	237	Windsor Chan - Ken To
	20 127	181	York Liao - Y C Fung
	21 87	130	Chalermopol Wongwaiwit - Peeracha Suriya
	22 86	111	Binti Yin - Ying Zhao
	23 41	103	N Sanker - Tim Lam
	24 129	81	Sagari Singh - Simon Chan
	25 81	63	Fung Yeung Edmund Lo - Yuet Man Helen Lo
	26 37	53	Ricky Fung - K T Lin
	27 121	18	David Chung - Billy Tsang
	28 47	17	W H Fok - Ricky Lai
	29 122	-127	Chak Fung Adrian Pang - Kam Fai Lin
	30 50	-380	Anderson Chow - Raju Ramchandani
31 91	-384	W. W. Cho - Choon Hee Lee	
32 32	-425	Rocky Tam - Karen Wu	
33 39	-507	Kwok Man Peter Wong - Joanne Hui	
34 82	-514	Douglas Tsang - Man Law	
35 126	-595	S N Wong - Emma Cheung	
36 93	-634	Wilson Leung - Kongo Kong	
37 125	-667	Tsz Lo Fong - Percy Cheung	
38 48	-701	W K Chung - Samme Lee	
39 49	-805	Barry Chan - Adam Lam	
40 45	-850	James Lam - Jeff Luk	
41 44	-1067	Y K Cham - Bell Tam	
42 83	-1448	Derek Wong - Ivan Loy	
43 43	-1455	John Lau - Maverick Lam	
44 92	-1694	Kit Chan - Javy Choy	
45 130	-2547	Stephen Tseung - Fiona Chan	
46 36	-2759	Bryan Yip - Tin Yau Poon	
47 38	-3097	Jing Yao - Songcheng Dai	

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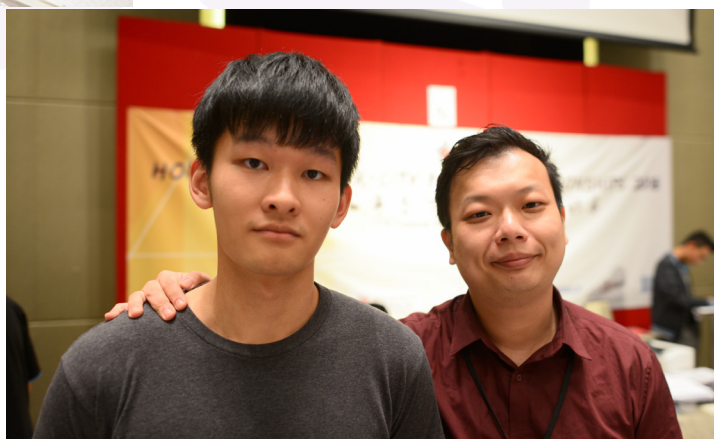
Champion:
John Tsang Leo Lam



1st Runner-up:
Andy K O Leung Andy Chung



2nd Runner-up:
Jim Lee Barney Lui



3rd Runner-up:
Kelvin Chung Charlie Lee



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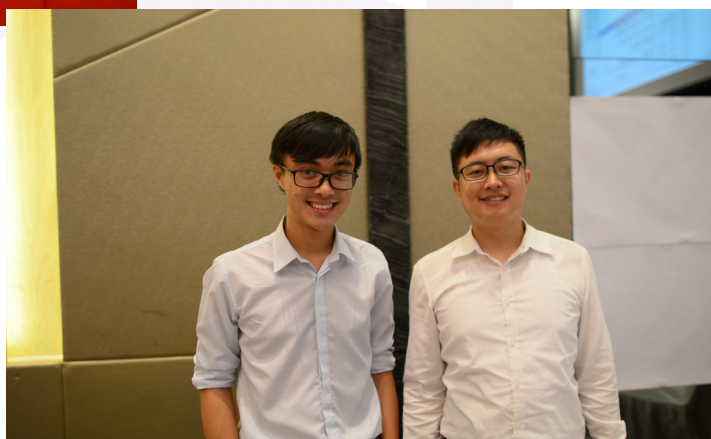
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2nd Runner-up:
Julian Lui Yat Chong Tong

3rd Runner-up:
Chris TH Chan Eric Moo



2018 年香港城市橋牌錦標賽

2018 年 7 月 18 日

预赛第 2 轮
第 29 副
双方有局

♠ 7
♥ Q852
♦ KJ973
♣ Q84

♠ Q
♥ AKJ3
♦ AQ8
♣ AKJ97

	N		♠ 63
		E	♥ 964
W			♦ 106542
	S		♣ 1065

♠AKJ1098542
♥ 107
♦ ---
♣ 32

北	南
马雷	刘悦
1C	1S
2C	2S
6NT	7S
=	

沈阳桥友队的牌手似乎在表演“三声”桥牌赛的节奏，简单粗暴！所幸最终没有错过这个大满贯。

北	南
陈庆刚	金晶
1C	1S
2C	3S
4NT	5NT
7S	=

5NT = 2KC+1 个缺门

沈阳圣雨田队的这个序列明显合理的多。

公开组 40 桌中 30 桌叫到大满贯，75%。
女子组 10 桌中 4 桌叫到大满贯，40%。
青年组 20 桌中 8 桌叫到大满贯，40%。

预赛第 3 轮
第 1 副
双方无局

♠ J42
♥ 10
♦ Q94
♣ KQ8632

♠ Q987
♥ J82
♦ A62
♣ 1095

	N		♠ AK3
		E	♥ AQ75
W			♦ K1053
	S		♣ J4

♠ 1065
♥ K9643
♦ J87
♣ A7

北	南
项煜	静旭
	1NT
2NT	3C
3H	3NT
=	

1NT = 自然，15-17
2NT = 要求转移到 3C
3C = 遵命
3H = 草花套，红心单缺

东家首攻 H4，长四，10-J-Q 吃进。树立草花套，但南家忍让到第 2 轮 CA 吃进，庄家的桥路被切断。
南家继续 HK 攻击红心，北家跟出 H8，庄家忍让了这墩。南家思考后换出黑心，庄家赢进后出方块，南家跟小，静旭用明手 D9 飞过，定约回家。

大多数的庄家都是在此时出方块上纠结于是出 DQ 还是 D9，出 Q 者时候抱怨自己的运气不好。但静旭说：南家既然换攻黑心，那他一定是没有 DA 的！否则他有 DA 的进手张，不可能不继续攻击红心。

逻辑是对的！同时也该提醒防守人：不要轻易暴露自己的弱点！

预赛第 3 轮 ♠ 7
 第 16 副 ♥ AKQ2
 东西有局 ♦ AKQ743
 ♣ Q5

♠ J53	N	♠ 108642
♥ J87	W	♥ 1064
♦ J1098	E	♦ ---
♣ K107	S	♣ J9432

♠ AKQ9
 ♥ 953
 ♦ 652
 ♣ A86

北	南
陈庆刚	金晶
1C	1NT
2D	2S
3D	4D
4H	4NT
5D	5H
7D	=

5D = 0 或 3KC; 5H = 问将牌 Q
 这是一个成功概率极高的大满贯定约，然而由于东西方块 4-0 分布，7D 宕 1。

桥牌就是这样，在合理和得分之间并没有完全的等同性。小概率事件的发生也正是桥牌的乐趣之所在。

在所有 40 个公开队的桌上，叫大满贯的 16 桌，小满贯也是 16 桌。让人不可思议的是停在局的桌数高达 8 桌。



预赛第 4 轮 ♠ AJ72
 第 25 副 ♥ 94
 东西有局 ♦ KJ8
 ♣ AJ62

♠ 10643	N	♠ K
♥ 10832	W	♥ AKJ75
♦ 4	E	♦ Q109653
♣ 10954	S	♣ 7

♠ Q985
 ♥ Q6
 ♦ A72
 ♣ KQ83

西家首攻红心，东家连续吃到 2 墩 HAK，判断清楚红心的分布很重要，否则会给庄家一吃一垫的机会。东家回出方块，看似帮助了庄家，解决了方块输墩问题。但其实暗藏杀机，如果庄家飞将牌到东家的单张 SK，他就可以再出方块让西家将吃，从而击溃这个定约。

西	北	东	南
张国明	孙少林	林亚龙	康蒙
—	1NT	2H	X
—	3S	—	4S
—	—	=	

吉利汽车队孙少林坐庄，前面首攻一样，防守方也兑现了 2 墩红心。但东家换攻的是 C7。为了飞将牌，少林用明手 CK 吃进，将牌飞到东家单张 K。东家似乎这次被投入了，要么打红心让庄家一吃一垫，要么出方块让庄家免费飞牌。东家选择了出 D10，少林暗手 DJ 吃到。兑现将牌 A，发现 4-1 分布，需要进入到明手去飞西家的将牌 10，但是选择什么花色让明手进手呢？

出什么花色正确取决于西家哪个低花是单张，只要避开西家的短门，完成定约已不是问题。少林能够分析的信息是东家单张 SK，防守时先出的草花，后出的方块，按照正常逻辑，单张将牌 K 不应该寻求短门去将吃，而应该寻求同伴是否有机会将吃。因此，是不是东家应该是草花长于方块呢？少林最终选择用联手 6 张的方块回明手，很不幸...

预赛第 4 轮
第 29 副
双方有局

♠ 1043
♥ AJ63
♦ AQ982
♣ 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ KJ952
♥ 92
♦ K7
♣ 8653

♠ A
♥ K8
♦ J10653
♣ AJ1094

♠ Q876
♥ Q10754
♦ 4
♣ KQ7

西	北	东	南
	孙少林		康蒙
	1D		2D
	3D		3H
	4C		4NT
	5S		6D
	=		

西	北	东	南
陈云龙	林博文	高见	黄淑贤
	1D	1S	X
2D	2H	2S	3D
3S	—	—	5C
X	5D	—	—
=			

吉利汽车队赢得一个满贯分。

北	南
项煜	李军
1D	2D
3D	3H
3NT	4C
4H	4S
4NT	5S
6D	=

1D = 自然体系，保证 4 张
3D = 低限开叫
3H = 扣叫大牌，或者有限实力时短门
3NT = 如果搭档有限实力，愿意打 3NT

预赛第 4 轮
第 31 副
南北有局

♠ 752
♥ K652
♦ A10754
♣ 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A94
♥ ---
♦ J32
♣ AK98762

♠ K863
♥ J10873
♦ Q9
♣ 105

♠ QJ10
♥ AQ94
♦ K86
♣ QJ3

这手牌，在西家开叫 1NT 之后，持东家的牌很容易兴奋：好的控制，有一缺门，赢墩超过 7 墩。但最终定约还是应该和同伴之间沟通商量。

不少桌最终叫到 6C 定约，SK 位置不利，还必须要丢失一墩 DA，定约宕 1 的为多。

在沈阳圣雨田的比赛桌上，对手停在了 5C 定约，这时的防守就需要谨慎小心了。

西	北	东	南
	项煜		李军
1NT	—	2D*	—
2H*	—	2S*	—
2NT*	—	3H*	—
3NT	—	4C*	—
4H*	—	5C	
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东西方是新加坡 Skewl 队，从 2D 到 3H 的一系列接力叫应该是哈代版的二盖一进局体系中的瓦鲁许约定叫，东家显示一手强牌满贯兴趣的草花套，红心为短门。4C 问关键张；4H 一个 KC。

李军选择了 HJ 首攻，好的开始，明手放 Q，北家 K，庄家将吃。清完 2 轮将牌之后飞黑心，李军 SK 赢得后准确的以黑心脱手，防守方坐等两墩方块，击宕定约。

关键在于不能帮助庄家解决问题。

March 30 - April 3, 2019

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Bridge Festival



Prizes : Cups and gifts will be awarded to the first three placings in each event, as well as 6 prizes for the best accumulated scores in all side events

General Information

Smoking :

Smoking is prohibited inside all hotels and restaurants in Bangkok

Shopping :

Many, shops nearby

Restaurants :

Many, many restaurants of all nationalities within walking distance

PROGRAM

Day 1 : Sat. March 30th

09.00 - 12.00 : Registration
13.00 - 18.00 : ATBF Pairs Championships
19.30 - 23.30 : Finals and Consolation

Day 2 : Sun. March 31st

13.00 - 19.00 : ATBF Open Teams Championships
20.30 - 24.00 : ATBF Swiss Pairs

Day 3 : Mon. April 1st

09.30 - 12.30 : Sunshine Pairs
13.30 - 19.30 : ATBF Open Teams Championships
20.30 - 24.00 : ATBF Continuous Pairs

Day 4 : Tue. April 2nd

13.00 - 19.00 : ATBF Open Teams Championships
20.30 - 24.00 : Happy Hours Pairs

Day 5 : Wed. April 3rd

13.00 - 18.30 : ATBF Open Teams Semi Finals and Finals
14.00 - 18.00 : Consolation Swiss Teams
19.30 : Victory Dinner

Bridge Tournament Entry Fees

ATBF Open Teams	US\$ 770	(per team)
ATBF Open Pairs	US\$ 20	(per player)
Sunshine Pairs	US\$ 12	(per player)
Swiss Pairs	US\$ 12	(per player)
Continuous Pairs	US\$ 12	(per player)
Happy Hour Pairs	US\$ 20	(per player)

Cost of Accommodation

- **Double Room** Including breakfast
US\$ 80.00 per room
- **Airport transfer to Hotel :**
- Baht 1,400 per 2 persons
- Baht 1,900 per 4-6 persons

Rooms must be reserved with Open Teams Registration.



The Montien Hotel,



Surawongse Road, Bangkok is a five star hotel, right in the heart of Bangkok's commercial district, easily accessible to any parts of the city - skytrain, shops and restaurants.

REGISTRATION & DEPOSITS of US\$ 400

(room 200, open team 200) to be paid by credit card

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DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS ; MARCH 01, 2019
(Rooms at US\$ 80.00 are limited, please book early)



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PESTA SUKAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

Get your mind active! --- Bridge new friendships --- Enjoy the scenery of downtown

Dates: 3-5 August 2018

Location: Quality Hotel Marlow

Events: Open Pairs, Social Swiss Pairs,
Mixed Pairs, Open Teams

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Pesta Sukan Bridge Championships 2018

Schedule

Day	Time	Event
3 August	1930 - 2300	Open Pairs
4 August	0930 - 1300	Mixed Pairs
	0930 - 1245	Social Swiss Pairs
5 August	1430 - 2230	Open Teams (Qualifying)
	0930 - 1230	Open Teams (Qualifying)
	1400 - 1800	Open Teams (Finals/Consolations)
	1800 - 1830	Prize Giving & Closing

Participation Fees

Event	Open	Mixed	Student	<u>Important Notice</u>
Open Pairs	50	38	25	1. Social Pairs on First Come First Served
Social Pairs	40	30	20	
Mixed Pairs	50	38	25	
Open Teams	450	350*	250	2. *Mixed = At least half students
Early Bird	(400)	(320)*	(220)	
Early Bird - Make payment by 31st July				3. Buffet lunch provided on 5 August

Registration / General Queries

To register a team, drop an e-mail with team and player names to:

clubmanager@scba.org.sg

For general enquiry, please drop an e-mail to:

competition@scba.org.sg



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