

# The 43rd PABF CHAMPIONSHIPS

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## At the Starting Gate

## **Open Series**

<u>Prediction</u>: None of the so-called experts at the Secretariat pick the defending champion Indonesia as their first choice. They instead predict China and Japan will be slugging it out for the Open title while Australia is expected to sneak in third place.

<u>Day One Summing Up</u>: Indonesia is the clear leader at 48VPs having won both their matches. Both pre-tournament favourites are slow out of the gate with China doing slightly the better having undergoing a losing tie to Chinese Taipei and a win over their potential biggest threat, Japan (20-10).

#### **Ladies Series**

<u>Prediction</u>: For a successive seventh time, China is expected to successfully defend their title and again with much aplomb in the Ladies series. Japan will create some waves but in the final reckoning they have to content themselves with the silver. A test of endurance between Indonesia and Australia will decide the bronze.

<u>Day One Summing Up</u>: The New Zealand ladies shot out of the gates and scored two convincing wins yesterday to enjoy a 4VP margin over China and Japan. Japan suffered a surprising loss to China Hong Kong while China managed two small wins against strong opponents, Australia (17-13) and Indonesia (20-10).

#### **Youth Series**

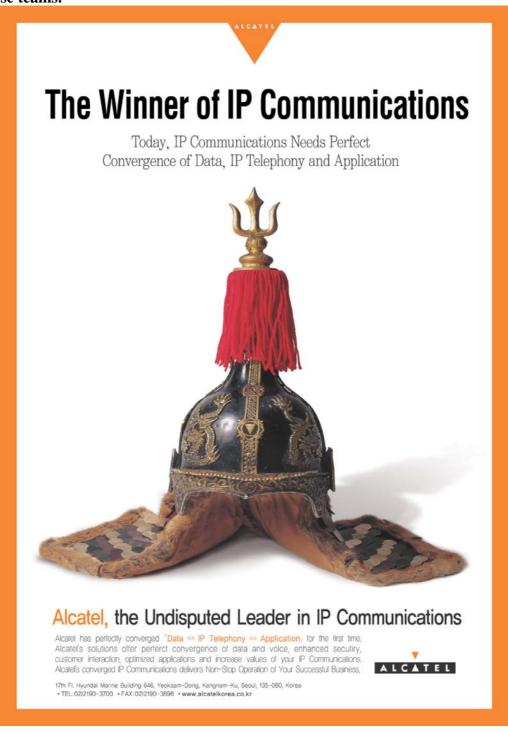
<u>Prediction</u>: The Indonesian youths too should successfully defend their title but it will take some doing this time; battle for the minor placings will come from Australia, Chinese Taipei and Japan.

<u>Day One Summing Up</u>: Indonesia managed to stay a short-head clear of a surprising Singapore by just 1VP. By virtue of their bye, Japan is tied with Singapore having scored 22-8 against Australia.

## **Senior Series**

<u>Prediction</u>: With the majority of teams in the Senior Series (5 out of 14) stemming from Japan, it is odds-on Japan will retain her crown.

<u>Day One Summing Up</u>: Even with its impressive entourage, Japan best position after Day One is only sixth by the Yamada team. Even without the likes of Sacul, Lasut, and the late arriving Ferdie Waluyan, Indonesia has jumped to a fairly comfortable lead over Australia (4 VPs). Meanwhile Australia took their two wins at the expense of two Japanese teams.



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## **Schedule for tomorrow (June 25)**

Round									Open S	Series								
Kouliu		1 2 3 4 5 6																
3	CMA	-	KOR	CHT	-	IND	JPN	-	SIN	NZL	-	CHI	AUS	-	CHK	PHI	-	THA
4	THA	ı	CMA	KOR	ı	CHT	IND	1	JPN	SIN	1	NZL	CHI	1	AUS	CHK	-	PHI
5	CMA	-	CHK	CHT	-	THA	JPN	-	KOR	NZL	-	IND	AUS	-	SIN	PHI	-	CHI

Round							Ladie	es S	Series						
Kouliu		1			2			3			4			5	
3	CHK	-	KOR	NZL	-	JPN	CHT	1	IND	THA	-	CHI	SIN	ı	AUS
4	AUS	-	СНК	IND	-	NZL	SIN	1	CHT	JPN	-	THA	KOR	1	CHI
5	СНК	-	SIN	NZL	-	CHI	CHT	-	JPN	THA	-	KOR	AUS	-	IND

Downd						Yo	outh						Drvo
Round		1			2			3			4		Bye
3	PHI	-	CHT	THA	-	СНК	KOR	-	JPN	IND	-	AUS	SIN
4	AUS	-	PHI	IND	-	SIN	СНК	-	KOR	CHT	-	JPN	THA
5	PHI	-	IND	THA	-	JPN	SIN	-	СНК	KOR	_	CHT	AUS



**Opening Lunch: Performing Traditional Korean Musicians** 

O	pen Series						Aga	inst						A J:	Total	Rank
	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Adj	Total	Kank
1	Ch Macau											6	17		23	11
2	Ch Taipei							16					15		31	4
3	Japan							10	17						27	9
4	NZ								14	17					31	4
5	Australia									13	19				32	3
6	Philippines										15	6			21	12
7	China		14	20											34	2
8	China HK			13	16										29	7
9	Thailand				13	17									30	6
10	Korea					11	15								26	10
11	Indonesia	24					24								48	1
12	Singapore	13	15												28	8

	Open Series						Aga	inst						IMP
	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Quotient
1	China Macau											19	51	0.6667
2	Ch Taipei							38					55	1.0568
3	Japan							39	33					0.8675
4	New Zealand								45	47				1.0698
5	Australia									44	37			1.0800
6	Philippines										34	36		0.6034
7	China		34	61										1.2338
8	Ch HK			22	51									0.9359
9	Thailand				35	55								0.9890
10	Korea					20	34							0.7606
11	Indonesia	66					82							2.6909
12	Singapore	39	54											0.8774

7	Women's Series					Aga	inst					Adi	Total	Rank
	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Adj	Total	Kank
1	Ch Hong Kong									17	10		27	7
2	New Zealand			25	16								41	1
3	Chinese Taipei		2						9				11	10
4	Thailand		14					10					24	8
5	China							17			20		37	2
6	Singapore								15	9			24	8
7	Australia				20	13							33	5
8	Korea			21			15						36	4
9	Japan	13					24						37	2
10	Indonesia	20				10							30	6

	Women's Series					Aga	inst					IMP
	Team	_1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Quotient
1	China Hong Kong									51	24	0.8427
2	New Zealand			76	50							2.2909
3	Chinese Taipei		10						32			0.3088
4	Thailand		45					21				0.6875
5	China							47			46	1.6316
6	Singapore								31	45		0.6387
7	Australia				46	36						1.2059
8	Korea			60			32					1.4603
9	Japan	39					87					1.3125
10	Indonesia	50				21						1.0143

	Youth Series				Aş	gair	ıst				Dyro	Adi	Total	Rank
	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Bye	Adj	Total	Kank
1	Philippines									6	18		24	8
2	Thailand			5	22								27	7
3	Singapore		25						15				40	2
4	Korea		8					8					16	9
5	Japan					_		22			18		40	2
6	Indonesia								16	25			41	1
7	Australia				22	8							30	4
8	Chinese Taipei			15			14						29	5
9	China Hong Kong	24					4						28	6

	Youth Series				A	gain	st				IMP
	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Quotient
1	Philippines									46	0.5169
2	Thailand			31	67						0.8376
3	Singapore		84						47		1.6582
4	Korea		33					40			0.5252
5	Japan							71			2.0286
6	Indonesia								45	83	1.8028
7	Australia				72	35					0.9640
8	Chinese Taipei			48			42				0.9783
9	China Hong Kong	89					29				0.9147

Se	nior Series						A	\gair	st						A	dj	Total	Rank
	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
1	Ch Taipei													25	13		38	3
2	Thailand			25	4												29	8
3	Korea – JC		5				11										16	13
4	Australia		25			16											41	2
5	Japan –Y'a				14				18								32	6
6	Korea – IL			19				11									30	7
7	Japan - PSJ						19				6						25	11
8	NZ					12				16							28	9
9	Japan Yok								14				13				27	10
10	Indonesia							24				21					45	1
11	Japan QK										9				9		18	12
12	China HK									17				19			36	5
13	Japan Wak	4											11				15	14
14	China	17							·			21					38	3

S	Senior Series							Aga	inst							IMP
	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Quotient
1	Ch Taipei													73	20	1.7885
2	Thailand			64	17											0.9529
3	Korea – JC		21				31									0.4685
4	Australia		64			30										2.3500
5	Japan – Yam				23				24							1.2051
6	Korea – IL			47				19								0.9851
7	Japan - PSJ J						36				19					0.6962
8	New Zealand					9				48						0.8636
9	Japan – Yoko								42				4			0.7667
10	Indonesia							60				38				2.9697
11	Japan – QK										14				20	0.4096
12	China HK									12				43		1.8333
13	Japan - Wak	22											26			0.4138
14	China	30										45				1.8750

## **Members of Appeals Committee**

Hong-sup Hahn (Chairman)

David Chu (Chinese Taipei) Room 816

Richard Solomon (New Zealand) Room 1616

Handojo Susanto (Indonesia) Room 818

Nakatani Tadayoshi (Japan) Room 1801

### **Extracts from Delegates Meeting**

- 1. Confirmation of venues from 2006 onwards:
  - 44<sup>th</sup> PABF Championships Shanghai, China mid-April 2006.
  - 45<sup>th</sup> PABF Championships Indonesia (2007)
  - 6<sup>th</sup> PABF Congress Queensland, Australia (2008)
- 2. Reports and Feedback from NBOs in Zone 6

All NBOs are reminded to submit individual reports, suggestions and feedbacks on the following items to the PABF Secretariat by emailing <a href="mailto:nakatani">nakatani</a>@jcbl.or.jp

- a. Updating activities and achievements in promoting Women's Bridge
- b. Evaluations of the PABF website
- c. Ways to improve the PABF Simultaneous Pairs
- 3. Appointment of Chief Tournament Director for the PABF.

Mr. Anthony Ching has been appointed as the first CTD for the PABF by a unanimous decision by the Committee. One Deputy CTDs will be chosen from China and the other from Indonesia.

Responsibilities of the CTD:

- a. Forwarding plan for PABF Championships and Congress which are held within the zone, ensuring a minimum standard and reducing the repetitive time and efforts in organizing.
- b. Develop a standard for organizing major events within the zone, with assistance from the WBF Director of Operations.
- c. Co-ordination and advising other major events within the zone to ensure that the operations will be up to the established standards.
- d. Set up and conduct training courses for TDs in conjunction with major events within the zone. Set up standards for qualifying TD for the zone. (Tournaments Directors should be appointed at this time from those who are already up to the standard).
- e. Produce and quarterly TD bulletin for publication. This bulletin should consist of law commentary, appeal cases and comments, operations and technical advice on organizing major events, Q & A, etc. The production of this bulletin will require cooperation from the NBOs and qualify TDs for reporting the cases.
- 4. The President of the WBF, Mr Jose Damiani has been appointed as the President of the newly established World Mind Sports Association. In support of this cause the PABF is planning to run a bridge, chess and GO tournament to coincide with the 2007 Asian Games in China Macau.

## Announcement

Due to people congestion in the breakout area after the matches, the operation manager has declared from today onwards, all results and line=up sheets will be moved outside the secretariat on second floor. However, only captains and working staff are allowed in that area.

#### PAUL LAVINGS BRIDGE BOOKS

Paul Lavings runs a mail order business from Sydney, Australia, that caters for collectors of bridge books, new and second hand, world championship books & back-issues of magazines.

Also there is a Bridge Museum on Paul's website (www.postfree.cc)where a great variety of bridge and whist memorabilia are on display. Paul has some of these antiques with him, plus recent software:

Jack Version 3 CD
2004 Olympiad Turkey Dble DVD set
My Favorite 52 by Larry Cohen
Conventions at a Glance-expanded edition booklet by the Granovetters

Please ask Paul if you are interested in buying a new item, or having a look at the bridge memorabilia he has with him.

CC: Paul Lavings is one of the star players here. He has played for Australia for 30 odd years with more partners than I have fingers. That is just a guess, but it would be about right. He was editor of Australian Bridge for years and has been a mentor to young players for longer than I have been playing bridge. I will be surprised if I am not featuring a hand of his at some stage during the event. He is in the Australian Seniors team this year.



Mr Hahn speaking at the Opening Ceremony

## Rounds one and two Cathy Chua

Round one Featuring Indonesia-Philippines 24VPs – 6 VPs

I think it should be said right at the start that if a Bulletin Editor is watching, the players have certain responsibilities. We want blood, gore, we want auctions that you wouldn't want to show your grandmother. We do not want 1 ◆ all pass.

So, really, I think the minds of the players in this match in the Open were elsewhere when the first auction went: 1 ◆ all pass.

Not to worry. We had a junior at the table. Well, he may not really be a junior, but he is a Chua, I discovered, and he is certainly younger than I. So, I'm going to refer to Chua Jehran Ng Lee as Junior for the duration.

Bd 18	<b>♠</b> Q	J954	
Dlr E	♥ K	84	
Vul NS	♦ Q	8	
	♣ Q	-	
<b>♠</b> A			<b>♦</b> K1072
<b>♥</b> 6			<b>♥</b> QJ1053
♦ J543			<b>♦</b> 9
♣ KJ10964	2		♣ A85
	<b>♦</b> 8	63	
	<b>♥</b> A	.972	
	<b>♦</b> A.	K10762	
	<b>.</b>		
west	north	east	south
		Panelewen	~
ixai w ui	Jamoi	Pass	1 <b>♦</b>
3 <b>.</b>	Dble	<b>4</b> ♣	4♥

I am amazed that doing such quiet things with the EW cards could get such a good result...It is true several pairs in both the Open and Ladies made 54, sometimes doubled but +600 after Santje Panelewen

All Pass

left NS to quietly suffer was still the best EW score.

So, Junior Chua, as I believe I am entitled to call you: should you have passed 4♥?

Somehow I think it is a course of action largely taken by youngsters. As you get older you will appreciate the value of trump fits. On this occasion getting tapped in the 'long' trump hand does not appeal, so maybe there was a good case for correcting.

Curiously the only pair to find spades in the Open got all the way to six, making the same 10 tricks as two pairs in the Ladies. In the Youth, on the other hand, five out of eight pairs played in spades, generally at game level, once part-score and none of them made.

In the other room 5♣ doubled made for +550, so only 2 IMPs away.

Bd 6 Dlr E Vul EW	<ul><li>★ KJ</li><li>▼ AJ</li><li>◆ A6</li></ul>	655	
07.60	<b>♣</b> KJ	_	. 0 1 0 1 0
<b>♦</b> 9762		•	AQ1043
<b>♥</b> Q1083		•	K42
<b>♦</b> 92		•	KQ3
<b>4</b> 765		4	93
	<b>^</b>		
	<b>♥</b> 97:	5	
♦J10874			
♣AQ1084			
west	north	east	south
Karwur	Junior	Panelewen	Ceferino
		1 <b>^</b>	2NT*
Pass	3♠	Pass	<b>4♣</b>
Pass	5 <b>.</b>	All Pass	

I'm guessing Junior made the 3♠ bid in case a slam was in the offing – it wouldn't be the biggest surprise in the world, though his cards look like they are sitting badly. Partner bid 4♣ as partners do and I guess then he wished he'd stuck with 3NT like most of the field.

Still, 3NT mostly failed and meanwhile, after Frankey failed to lead partner's suit I was sitting across the table thinking maybe it would be a bit of a shot. Santje won the

♥K and tried the ♠A which was knocked off. Now eliminating hearts before playing a round of diamonds gets declarer up to ten tricks, but the eleventh isn't there...

In the other room EW reached 3♠, doubled by Indonesia for a smart +500 and 12 IMPs.

Bd 15	<b>♦</b> J6	
Dlr S	<b>♥</b> A9	
Vul NS	<b>♦</b> 53	
	<b>♣</b> J875432	
<b>▲</b> 10532		<b>♦</b> KQ87
<b>♥</b> K1075		<b>♥</b> Q8
<b>♦</b> 94		♦ KQJ762
♣ A109		<b>♣</b> K
	<b>♦</b> A94	
	<b>♥</b> J6432	
	♦A108	
	<b>♣</b> Q6	

west	north	east	south
Karwur	Junior	Panelewen	Ceferino
			Pass
Pass	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	<b>1</b> ♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	<b>4</b> ♠	All Pass

Opening lead: \*Q

It is one of those hands where the cross-road is right there at trick one. I couldn't see further than **A**K next playing for short jack or sneaking a heart to the king. Trouble with a heart to the king is if it fails the defence has the timing even with a favourable trump layout. Still, the defence has to be precise and wasn't, so East got home by spades from the top after he wasn't threatened by the diamond ruff.

Interestingly, most in 4 failed, so I guess they couldn't resist the heart play. A game swing to Indonesia when this was the case in the closed room too.

I've always wondered what happens if you cue first and second round controls as equals.

Well, Karwur-Panelewen bid the EW cards to 6♦:

<b>♦</b> AJ97	
<b>v</b> 102	
<b>♦</b> 1098	
♣ Q853	
	♠ K
	<b>♥</b> AKQ97
	♦ J7542
	<b>♣</b> 64
<b>♦</b> 543	
<b>♥</b> J8543	
<b>♦</b> 6	
♣ A1072	
	<ul> <li>102</li> <li>1098</li> <li>Q853</li> <li>4 543</li> <li>✓ J8543</li> <li>✓ 6</li> </ul>

'First or seconds' asked Junior enthusiastically at the end of the auction.
'Both' said Santje – maybe with a sense of foreboding...On the ♣A opening lead Junior alertly played his queen and partner shifted, of course. 5♦ in the other room meant a much needed swing to the Philippines.

Maybe the Youth just isn't want it used to be...

Bd 10	<b>♦</b> 976432	
Dlr E	<b>♥</b> A6	
Vul All	♦ K98	
	<b>4</b> 103	
<b>♦</b> K10		<b>♦</b> AQ8
<b>♥</b> J92		<b>♥</b> 10854
<b>♦</b> 6		♦ J75432
♣ AKQ7654		<b></b>
	<b>♠</b> J5	
	<b>♥</b> KQ73	
	♦AQ10	
	<b>♣</b> J982	

All over the place Open Wests went for 800 (or more!) in 3NT doubled. Not one in the Youth – or the Women's, but of course, that would be unseemly for Ladies.

I really wanted to bid with the East cards, but Panelewen wouldn't let me. He is SO disciplined.

west	north	east	south
Karwur	Junior	Panelewen	Ceferino
		Pass	1♣
Pass	1 🛦	Pass	1NT
Pass	2 <b>^</b>	Pass	Pass
3♣	All Pass		

I wanted to bid in first seat, and then double or diamonds over 1 . I felt a bit 'serves you right' when he then had to decide what to do over 3 . You have to pass, I guess, but it doesn't feel so comfortable.

Philippines carefully cashed out at the start of the hand and picked up when 3. made in the other room.

Round two saw Japan meet China, the latter winning 20-10 VPs

The hand du jour kicked off play in Round 2 when I sat down to watch these two fancied teams.

Bd 7	<b>♦</b> J1092	
Dlr S	<b>♥</b> J7642	
Vul All	<b>♦</b> 97	
	<b>4</b> 106	
<b>♦</b> 874		<b>♦</b> AQ6
<b>♥</b> AKQ10		<b>v</b> 83
♦ AJ		♦ K832
♣ QJ75		♣ AK83
	<b>♦</b> K53	
	<b>♥</b> 95	
	♦Q10654	
	<b>4</b> 942	

west Chen	<i>north</i> Ming	<i>east</i> Furuta	south Yang
			Pass
1NT	Pass	2♠*	Pass
<b>3.</b> *	Pass	4♦*	Pass
5 <b>.</b> *	Pass	5 ♦ *	Pass
7 <b>.</b>	All Pass		

Never has a grand-slam just rolled off the bidding boxes the way this one did. Somebody must have had a word to them: they knew we didn't just want any old partscore. Ming began with a low club to the jack. Declarer played the ace and king of diamonds, drew another round of trumps

and ruffed a diamond. Then a spade to the queen and king. South continued spades and declarer won. Next club and club. Some thought from the defence and declarer put his cards on the table, the defence conceding the rest. Down one.

Australia must have wished they'd never seen this board: in both the Open and the Youth they played 6. failing while 6NT, which has less to the play options, made in the other room. Minus 17 IMPs each time! In the Open 6NT always made while 6. mostly went down.

In 6NT after the diamond finesse succeeds and the spade finesse fails North is squeezed in the majors.



Vice-Mayor of Seoul addressing the Opening Ceremony