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## NAUMAN BUTT WINS THE INDIVIDUAL PAIRS EVENT

On the last day of the 1<sup>st</sup> Mind Sports National Championship, organised by the "Mindsports Association of Pakistan" at the Southend Club, Karachi, the Individual Pairs event was played. A total of 72 pairs participated and they were divided in 6 groups of 3 tables each. Every individual had to play against the other 11 individuals within their group. Each round constituted of 3 boards. 6 Rounds were played before lunch and 5 after lunch.

At the conclusion of 11 rounds, it was Nauman Butt, of LUMS team, which is going to represent Pakistan in the World Mind Sports Olympiad at Beijing, who emerged first with a score of 353.50 MPs. Ghufan Ashraf came with 345 MPs came 2<sup>nd</sup> and Pervez Mirza was 3<sup>rd</sup> with 341 MPs.

*See detailed results on page 2.*

*Heartiest Congratulations to the Winners.*

The results of Chess events are detailed on Page 5.

There will be a Prize Distribution Ceremony after the game is over followed by a high tea. Please do attend and encourage the winners.

**We have come to the end of a fabulous Championship and we do hope that you all must have enjoyed the experience thoroughly.**



### FINAL SCORE - Individual Pairs Event

Rank	Score	Sec	Pair #	Player's Name	Rank	Score	Sec	Pair #	Player's Name
1	353.50	A	12	Nauman Butt	37	276.00	D	5	Azhar Abbas
2	345.00	C	4	Ghufrah Ashraf	38/39	275.50	D	6	Nadeem Khalid
3	341.00	D	12	Pervez Mirza	38/39	275.50	F	6	Mushahid Siddiqu
4	336.50	B	1	Kemal Shoab	40	274.00	C	10	Dr. A. Hasan
5	331.00	F	3	Farrukh Liaquat	41	272.50	D	3	Tabraz Dada
6	330.00	E	6	Dr. Sarfaraz	42/43	272.00	A	11	Nishat Chishti
7	326.00	E	5	Ahsan Qureshi	42/43	272.00	B	9	Khurrum
8	321.00	D	8	Abid Mumtaz	44	270.00	A	9	Maqbool Ahmed
9	320.50	C	9	Tariq Rasheed Kh	45	269.00	B	11	Dinaz Irani
10	318.00	E	7	Zeenat Azwer	46	268.00	C	6	Fiza Adamjee
11	317.50	C	3	Khaled Mohiuddin	47/49	265.50	D	7	Faisal Ahsan
12	317.00	D	9	Sultan Anwar	47/49	265.50	E	2	Mazhar Ali Khan
13	317.00	D	11	Najm Abid	47/49	265.50	F	11	Waqar Hussain
14	311.00	F	1	Mohd. Naseem	50	264.50	D	2	Jawad Abedi
15	308.50	A	5	Tahir Masood	51	263.50	F	12	Naseem Azro
16	303.50	A	7	Mahmood Naqvi	52	262.50	D	1	Rubina Agha
17	303.00	B	4	Faraz Hyder	53/55	259.00	C	8	H. Jaffar
18/19	302.50	A	6	Shahab Saeed	53/55	259.00	E	4	Ghias Udin Ahmed
18/19	302.50	A	8	Ghaffar Qureshi	53/55	259.00	E	9	Anisur Rehman
20	300.50	B	7	Sarim Hamza	56	258.50	B	12	Siraj Salaam
21/22	298.50	B	10	Lutfullah Siddiq	57	257.00	F	5	Hamid Mohiuddin
21/22	298.50	E	12	Ziaullah Baig	58	253.50	B	5	Sikander Ghulam
23/24	297.50	B	3	Azhar Karim	59	252.50	F	8	Yusuf Ul Islam
23/24	297.50	B	6	Rubina Hai	60	252.00	E	8	Shoab Ali Khan
25/26	297.00	A	3	Laila Hashwani	61	250.00	F	7	Farhat Khan
25/26	297.00	F	2	Abdul Khaliq	62/64	248.50	B	2	Shahina Leghari
27	293.50	C	5	Ehsan Abbasi	62/64	248.50	D	10	Tahir Saya
28	292.50	C	11	M. Ibrahim Baig	62/64	248.50	E	1	Ehsan Rashid
29	292.00	F	10	Abdul Muqeet	65	237.00	E	10	Dinaz Dubash
30	291.50	C	2	Khurshid Hadi	66	236.00	A	2	Dr. Hashim
31/32	291.00	A	1	Anwar Kazal Bash	67	232.00	C	7	Jalal Khan
31/32	291.00	F	4	Zia Hyder Naqi	68	231.00	B	8	Mr. Akbar
33	288.00	E	3	Atiq Ur Rehman	69	220.00	A	10	Fazle Ahmed
34	284.50	E	11	Yasser Rahim	70	209.50	A	4	Atiya Siddiqui
35	281.00	C	12	Mazhar Jafri	71	205.00	D	4	Adnan Dada
36	280.00	F	9	A. K. Bhurgari	72	191.50	C	1	Sarosh Dubash



**The Winners of the SWISS TEAMS - The ALLANA Team with the Chief Guest**

## INTERESTING DEALS FROM INDIVIDUAL PAIR EVENT

There were plenty of interesting deals in the Individual Pairs event. Some of them are detailed below:

Board 1, Dir: North, Vul: None

♠J2 ♥A6 ♦KJ8753 ♣A93  ♠K63 ♥Q742 ♦2 ♣JT762	N W E S	♠Q875 ♥KJT83 ♦T4 ♣KQ  ♠AT84 ♥95 ♦AQ96 ♣854	
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West	North	East	South
2H	1D 3D	1H Pass	DBL ?

As the cards lie there were 6 diamonds along with the 3 Aces for 9 tricks in 3NT. The table, on which the editor was kibitzing passed for a poor score. With partner confirming 6 diamonds, South should have taken a 3H as he is ready to even play till 4D with his good diamonds.

Board 3, Dir: South, Vul: EW

♠JT7653 ♥8752 ♦96 ♣T  ♠8 ♥J ♦AJ8432 ♣AKQ52	N W E S	♠Q ♥KQT643 ♦T5 ♣9863	
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West	North	East	South
Pass	1S	Pass	1D 2C
Pass	2H(1)	DBL	3C
Pass	4NT	Pass	5C(2)
Pass	6D	All Pass	

(1) – 4<sup>th</sup> suit forcing, (2) – 0 or 3 Keycards

Once North took the control of the hand, it was very difficult for South to bid the cold grand slam. After the forcing 2H, North should bid 3D setting up the suit. Now when South asks for the RKC, he will no the situation better and will atleast bid 7D, if not 7NT.

It looks attractive to be in 3NT on the board 5 but the contract is doomed. 3D was an optimum contract making 10 tricks for +130. The extra trick was made when defense faltered a bit. East led a heart and West correctly ducked the first trick. North now played the ♦A and a low diamond and eager for a ruff, East hopped up with the ♦K felling his partner's queen. The ruff vanished, as North could ruff with a high card and take out the trumps.

Board 5, Dir: North, Vul: NS

♠K42 ♥AT9873 ♦Q9 ♣43	N W E S	♠A ♥Q5 ♦AT843 ♣KQ872  ♠QJ863 ♥62 ♦K65 ♣A65  ♠T975 ♥KJ4 ♦J72 ♣JT9	
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West	North	East	South
2H All Pass	1D 3C	Pass Pass	1S 3D

The next deal was quite interesting, as 3NT was cold, whereas 4S was always down.

Board 6, Dir: East, Vul: EW

♠KQ8652 ♥72 ♦Q98 ♣Q8	N W E S	♠9 ♥AKJ654 ♦632 ♣A93  ♠A3 ♥QT83 ♦AK4 ♣KJ65  ♠JT74 ♥9 ♦JT75 ♣T742	
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West	North	East	South
2D(1)	2H	1NT 3NT	Pass All Pass

The lead was heart but there was no problem in making 3NT on any lead. However those players who play transfers would have bid 2H with West hand and North would have doubled this. Not sure, whether West's 2H transfer is weak or strong, East would have passed with his doubleton or would have bid 2S. In any case, chances now are high that the final contract becomes 4S, which is down as defense will get 2 hearts, a club and a trump.

Board 8, Dir: West, Vul: None

♠T8 ♥QJ753 ♦K32 ♣K95	N W E S	♠Q53 ♥AK4 ♦QT987 ♣A7  ♠AJ97 ♥96 ♦AJ6 ♣J432  ♠K642 ♥T82 ♦54 ♣QT86	
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Nearly all North's opened a NT, which was passed out to become the final contract. On the 4<sup>th</sup> best spade lead, declarer won the trick with Queen in hand and played the ♦7. When east played low, West won the trick with the king and played back a spade. Declarer gave 2 spades, 3 diamonds and a club to make the contract. Those who preferred not leading the spade from Ajxx, won on the board, when they led the ♥9. Now there was no way of making the contract.

Board 14, Dir: East, Vul: None

♠Q7643 ♥J ♦QT4 ♣JT93	N W   E S	♠5 ♥K632 ♦8652 ♣AK65
♠KT ♥AQT974 ♦J93 ♣Q7	N W   E S	♠AJ982 ♥85 ♦AK5 ♣842

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
2H	4S	Pass 5H	1S All Pass

It was not clear, who was pre-empting and whom. East should know that North have many ways to make game forcing bids to 4S. So a direct bid is more or less pre-emptive. With 10 HCPs, the 5H bid was not correct. He should double and if partner takes this out, it is his problem. If partner bids another suit, he can always correct to 5H. 4S was going 2 down and 5H also went 2 down for a bad score of +100 to NS.

Board 16, Dir: West, Vul: EW

♠83 ♥64 ♦J96543 ♣985	N W   E S	♠J9542 ♥53 ♦AKQ ♣KJ3
♠AKQ ♥AQJT ♦T ♣AQT74	N W   E S	♠T76 ♥K9872 ♦872 ♣62

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
2C	Pass	2S	Pass
3C	Pass	3D	Pass
3S	Pass	4NT	Pass
5D	Pass	5H	Pass
6S	Pass	7NT	All Pass

2C was strong artificial and 5D showed 0-3 keycards with spade as trump suit. 5H asked for the queen and 6S confirmed the trump queen with no side kings. East did well to bid the ice cold grand in NT.

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#### Programme

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Mar: 0930 Hrs: 1<sup>st</sup> Session Pairs  
1400 Hrs: Lunch at Hosts Residence  
1630 Hrs: 2<sup>nd</sup> Session Pairs

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Mar: 1000 Hrs: 3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Session Pairs  
1500 Hrs: Swiss Teams (RND 1 & 2)

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar: 1000 Hrs: T-4 (Rounds 3 & 4)  
1500 Hrs: Swiss Teams (RND 5 to 7)

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar: 1100 Hrs: T-4 (Round 8)  
1345 Hrs: SWISS (Rounds 9 & 10)



**The winners of the Scrabble event**

# 1st MSA Chess Championship (A)

## Final Ranking after round 8

No.	Name	Score	WP	SB	PS	rat.	TPR	W-We
1.	Mehmood Lodhi	8.0	43.0	43.00	36.0	2379	2794	+0.36
2.	Amir Karim	6.0	43.5	29.75	30.5	2265	1981	-0.74
3.	Haseeb Ahmed	6.0	43.5	29.50	30.5	1969	2129	+0.28
4.	Asadullah Khan Rampuri	6.0	37.5	23.75	28.0	0000	2194	0
5.	Aziz Farooqui	6.0	38.0	24.50	26.0	0000	1702	0
6.	Shahzad Mirza	5.5	32.0	19.75	20.5	2282	-	+0.00
7.	Ahmed Awais	5.5	30.0	18.75	22.0	0000	2912	0
8.	Fahim Anwar Malghani	5.5	36.5	22.50	25.0	0000	2282	0
9.	Raes Ahmed Ansari	5.5	40.5	24.00	28.5	0000	2159	0
10.	Shahzad Ahmed	5.5	38.0	23.25	25.5	0000	1292	0
11.	Syed Noman Mustafa	5.5	42.0	25.00	29.0	0000	1931	0
12.	Muhammad Waqar	5.0	35.0	20.50	23.0	2207	2912	+0.54
13.	Shahzad Alam	5.0	29.5	14.75	20.0	2158	1558	-0.39
14.	Akhtar Hussain	5.0	33.0	18.50	20.0	0000	-	0
15.	Jahangir Ahmed	5.0	34.5	19.00	22.0	0000	2245	0
16.	Muhammad Nawaz Khan	5.0	32.0	13.75	20.0	0000	1530	0
17.	Muhammad Ramzam	5.0	32.0	18.00	24.5	0000	2066	0
18.	Niaz Ahmed	5.0	35.0	19.50	22.0	0000	2088	0
19.	Riasat Ali Nazim	5.0	38.5	20.50	25.0	0000	1440	0
20.	Tafseer Ahmed	5.0	29.0	16.00	21.0	0000	2912	0
21.	Asifur Rehman	4.5	36.0	17.75	24.0	0000	-	0
22.	Dr. Haroon Chohan	4.5	34.5	13.25	21.5	0000	-	0
23.	Gulraiz Nazeer	4.5	33.5	15.75	21.5	0000	2212	0
24.	Imtiaz ul Haq	4.5	40.5	21.25	25.0	0000	2360	0
25.	Irfan Ahmed	4.5	29.0	12.25	19.5	0000	1588	0
26.	Muhammad Javed	4.5	27.5	10.25	13.0	0000	-	0
27.	Al-Haj Mehmood Islam	4.0	34.5	16.00	21.5	0000	-	0
28.	Asif Abbasi	4.0	36.0	15.50	20.0	0000	-	0
29.	Feroz Khan	4.0	36.5	16.00	19.0	0000	1616	0
30.	Imtiaz Ahmed	4.0	38.5	15.00	22.0	0000	2064	2064
31.	Israr Hussain	4.0	29.0	8.25	13.0	0000	1582	0
32.	M. Salahuddin	4.0	26.5	15.50	13.5	0000	-	0
33.	Muhammad Ismail	4.0	28.5	8.25	15.0	0000	1543	0
34.	Muhammad Younas	4.0	27.0	9.50	15.0	0000	-	0
35.	Shafiq Junior	4.0	28.5	10.50	18.0	0000	-	0
36.	ZZ Gazala Bashir	4.0	31.5	8.50	19.0	0000	-	0
37.	Anwar Qureshi	3.5	36.5	12.50	22.0	2235	2183	-0.14
38.	Babar Butt	3.5	32.0	10.75	18.5	0000	1530	0
39.	Nazeer Multani	3.5	31.5	11.50	18.0	0000	-	0
40.	Abdul Qadir	3.0	35.0	11.25	15.5	0000	-	0
41.	Azhar Javed	3.0	31.0	8.25	13.5	0000	-	0
42.	Dara Bashir	3.0	27.5	8.75	12.0	0000	-	0
43.	Dr. S. Ibrahim Ishaq	3.0	26.0	6.50	14.0	0000	-	0
44.	Junaid Latif	3.0	26.5	6.25	11.0	0000	1481	0
45.	M. Azam Bodla	3.0	28.0	6.75	14.0	0000	1387	0
46.	Qamaruz Zaman Khan	3.0	29.0	6.75	14.0	0000	-	0
47.	Raheel	3.0	27.0	6.25	12.0	0000	-	0
48.	Syed Mushahid Ali	3.0	23.5	4.00	10.0	0000	-	0
49.	Tasneem Haqqi	3.0	30.5	8.50	13.0	0000	-	0
50.	Zainur Raza Shah	3.0	23.0	3.00	11.0	0000	-	0
51.	Aftab Alam	2.0	25.5	7.50	11.0	0000	-	0
52.	Asher Saeed	2.0	22.0	4.50	9.0	0000	-	0
53.	Imran Khan	2.0	28.5	4.00	9.0	0000	1558	0
54.	Nadeem Malik	2.0	25.5	1.00	8.0	0000	1605	0
55.	Shakeel Iqbal	2.0	24.5	5.75	11.0	0000	-	0
56.	Nadeem Aziz	1.5	32.0	15.00	11.0	0000	-	0
57.	Abdul Qayyum Khan	1.0	27.0	12.25	3.0	0000	-	0
58.	Akhtar Saeed	1.0	25.5	9.00	2.0	0000	-	0
59.	Dr. Ahmed Ali Shah	1.0	30.0	12.25	4.0	0000	-	0



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