

## LEAGUE OPENING CONFERENCE

Team captains, deputy captains and players of 26 teams attended the much awaited League Opening Conference in the early afternoon on 26 March. This was previously called the Captain's Meeting in previous meetings.

It started with a powerpoint presentation by the League Organising Committee (LOC) Chairman, Dr. Wong Choo Wai, followed by an introduction of all the members in the Committee and the respective Captains. A lively discussion ensued between the Captains and the Committee on the proposal to allow Brown Sticker conventions in the First Division.

The rationale of raising the level of competitive Bridge to be on par with other Asian powerhouses like Taiwan, China and Japan was accepted, but there was still much apprehension that players may not be able to adapt to such Conventions at this moment. In view of the concensus, the LOC has mandated to shelf the proposal indefinitely.

It was most heartening to see and feel the passion of the organisers as well as the participants. We thank you for your attendance and constructive feedback.



## QU?Z

This hand was played on 9<sup>th</sup> Oct 1999 during the 13<sup>th</sup> Singapore Inter-Club Bridge League 1999 at SICC (Sime Road).

There were eight tables from the top division playing this hand, with the final contract being 3NT by South.

Let's see the full deal:

♠ 2	♠ KQ7	♠ AJ853
♥ 84	♥ 65	♥ AK732
♦ QJ9432	♦ T76	♦ 8
♣ T873	♣ KQ652	♣ 94
	♠ T964	
	♥ QJT9	
	♦ AK5	
	♣ AJ	

Looking at the 4 hands, it looks like an ordinary hand with nothing special in it for discussion. What do you think?

Having studied the hand carefully, would you like to take this challenge to be a declarer trying to make the contract or prefer to choose as a defender trying to bring down the contract?

If so, What are the solutions that you would give to support your judgement? Share your views with us.

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Call-to-action: Please send your entries to [quiz@bridgeleague.net](mailto:quiz@bridgeleague.net) by 09-April-2005 (Sat).

