

# Mini Bridge Tournament 2013



With a view to promoting bridge card game to the general membership; providing more opportunities for bridge lovers to participate in tournaments and allowing players of different levels to play together, the Institute's **Bridge Interest Group (BrIG)** has planned to organise four mini bridge tournaments in 2013 on a quarterly basis, in addition to the annual CPA bridge tournament. The first mini bridge tournament has been scheduled for **Saturday, 16 March 2013** with details as follows:

## 1st Mini Bridge Tournament

<b>Date</b>	<b>Saturday, 16 March 2013</b>
<b>Time</b>	2:00 pm – 7:30 pm
<b>Venue</b>	Hong Kong Institute of CPAs, Room M1 -2, 27/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong.
<b>Eligible participants</b>	HKICPA members only. Priority is given to Bridge Interest Group members.
<b>No. of players:</b>	Min. 16 and max. 40 players
<b>Entry fee</b>	\$200 per pair / \$100 per individual

### About the tournament

- ◆ To add challenges to the game, the four mini tournaments will be conducted on different ranking basis, i.e. **the 1st and 3rd tournaments will be on an International Match Point (IMP) basis, while the 2nd and 4th tournaments on a Match Points (MP) basis.**
- ◆ The same rules and regulations as in the annual CPA Bridge Tournament will be adopted.
- ◆ The decision of the tournament director is regarded as final and no appeal will be entertained.
- ◆ Both pair and individual entry are welcome. In the latter case, the Institute will do the pairing-up on a random basis.
- ◆ The Institute reserves the right to change the format of the game as and when required.
- ◆ The mini tournaments are scheduled to be held on a quarterly basis. However, the Institute has the right to reschedule the tournament to a later date due to insufficient enrolments.
- ◆ For the purpose of awarding the Bridge Interest Group Trophy, a tournament season means 4 matches held consecutively within 1 year. The season may be extended up to 2 years when rescheduling of matches is required due to low enrolments.

### Awards

A trophy will be awarded to Champion, 1st and 2nd runner-up in each mini tournament.

In addition, a **Bridge Interest Group Trophy** will be awarded at the end of each tournament season to the BrIG member who scores the highest accumulative BrIG points in any one tournament season.

Please refer to the section headed "Bridge Interest Group Trophy" for information about the computation of BrIG points.

### No show penalty

The tournament is a pair game. Therefore any registered player not showing up at the tournament will jeopardize his/her partner to take part in the tournament. To discourage such happenings, the Institute will impose a penalty to the defaulter in the form of barring him/her from entering into the next Mini Bridge Tournament, unless he/she is able to find a replacement for the tournament.

## Bridge Interest Group Trophy

Only members of the Bridge Interest Group (BrIG) are eligible to be awarded the **Bridge Interest Group Trophy**. This trophy will be awarded to the top three individual players who have participated in at least three out of the four matches in any one tournament season and obtained the highest accumulative BrIG points.

1. The points are awarded as per the following table:

Ranking in each mini tournament	BrIG point awarded to each player
1st	20
2nd	16
3rd	14
4th	12
5th	6
6th	5
7th	4
8th	3
9th	2
10th	1

2. When there is a tie on the ranking, each player will be awarded equal share of the relevant BrIG points. For example, when two pairs tie in the 3rd place in a mini tournament, each player of the relevant pairs will be awarded 13 BrIG points (i.e,  $(14 + 12)/2$ ). All BrIG points will be rounded to one decimal place. The next highest point pair will then rank the 5th, not the 4th as the two pairs tied will deem to have taken the 3rd and the 4th rank each scores the average of the total relevant points.
3. The points listed in the above table are awarded in accordance with the actual number of players. Any points which are not awarded due to low enrolment will be forfeited.
4. Any BrIG member who participates in all four matches in a tournament season will be awarded an additional 4 BrIG points to his/her accumulative points.
5. All players are free to form their own partnership. However, an additional 3 BrIG points will be awarded to any BrIG member who plays with a partner paired up by the Institute, instead of at his/her own choice. The added points are intended to recognize the added challenge of playing with a new partner.
6. In the case of pairing up by the Institute on a random basis, no BrIG members including the convenor or co-convenor will be involved in the process of pairing-up to ensure impartiality and fairness.
7. Each champion player has to pair up a different partner in the immediate next match within the same tournament season.
8. No BrIG points will be carried forward to the next tournament season. The fourth match of each season concludes the tournament season. However such points may be used for reference if BrIG considers introducing a handicap system in the future.

**To enrol** for the 1st mini bridge tournament, please return the completed entry form together with payment to the Institute on or before **1 March 2013**.

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