

Mini Bridge Tournament 2015



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 organised four mini bridge tournaments in 2015 to be held on a quarterly basis, in addition to the annual CPA bridge tournament. The first tournament of the season has been scheduled for **Saturday, 14 March 2015** as below:

1st Mini Bridge Tournament

Date	Saturday, 14 March 2015
Time	2:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Venue	Hong Kong Institute of CPAs 27/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong.
Eligible participants	HKICPA members only. Priority is given to Bridge Interest Group members.
No. of players:	Min. 16 and max. 40 players
Entry fee	\$200 per pair / \$100 per individual

About the tournament

- ◆ Different ranking point systems are adopted in different tournaments: **International Match Point (IMP) in 1st and 3rd tournament while Match Points (MP) in 2nd and 4th tournament.**
- ◆ The mini tournament adopts the same rules and regulations as in the annual CPA Bridge Tournament will be adopted, namely, the 2007 Laws of Duplicate Bridge.
- ◆ The decision of the tournament director is regarded as final and no appeal will be entertained.
- ◆ Both individual and pair entry are welcome. In the former case, the Institute will arrange another player to form a pair for participation.
- ◆ The Institute reserves the right to change the format of the game as and when required.
- ◆ The date of tournament is subject to change due to insufficient enrolments or venue unavailability.
- ◆ For the purpose of awarding the Bridge Interest Group Trophy, a tournament season means 4 matches held consecutively within a year. The season may be extended up to 2 years when rescheduling of matches is unavoidable.

Awards

Trophies 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 top three BrIG members who score the highest accumulative BrIG points in any one tournament season. In the event that there is a tie in the results, the tournament director will decide the final winner.

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

No Show penalty

Bridge is a partnership game. We expect every player to turn up at the tournament after confirmation of their registration. However if any player cannot attend the tournament because of whatever reason, he/she should notify the Institute in writing well in advance unless the circumstance is beyond the control of the relevant player. In the notice, he/she should specify if his/her partner wishes to continue and if so, whether he/she will find his/her partner or that he will leave the matter to the management.

In the event of last minute no-show without reasonable excuse, the Institute will impose a penalty to the defaulter who will not be allowed to enroll in the **next match** of the Mini Bridge Tournament 2015 to discourage such irresponsible behavior.

Bridge Interest Group Trophy

Only members of the Bridge Interest Group (BrIG) are eligible to be awarded the **Bridge Interest Group Trophy**. They must have participated three out of four mini tournaments in any one tournament season. Trophies will be awarded to the top three players who have 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.
4. Any BrIG member who has participated in all four matches in a tournament season will be given 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. The added points are intended to recognize the added challenge of playing with a new partner.
6. Each champion player has to pair up a different partner in the immediate next match within the same tournament season.
7. No BrIG points will be carried forward to the next tournament season. The fourth match of each season concludes the tournament season. Points obtained in any mini tournaments may be used for reference when a handicap system is introduced 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 **3 March 2015**.

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Notes:

1. Priority for enrolment will first be offered to BrIG members and then to non-BrIG HKICPA members in the case of over subscription. Non-members' applications will only be processed after registration deadline if the event is not yet full. We only consider non-member's enrolment when it is enrolled with a member.
2. Full payment must be made before your enrolment will be processed. No telephone reservation will be accepted.
3. The closing date for enrolment is **3 March 2015**. However, the Institute has the discretion to accept late applications as it sees fit.
4. Application by fax will **ONLY** be accepted when payment is made by credit card or cheque, Cash is strictly NOT accepted.
5. Successful enrollees will receive confirmation by email or by telephone, whereas unsuccessful applicants will receive full refund by mail. If you do not hear from us two working days after the closing date, please contact Ms. Peggy Kwan at 2287 7058 / Ms. Karen Wong at 2287 7262.
6. Unless the activity is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, bad weather or low enrolment, no refund for withdrawal will be entertained after your enrolment has been processed.
7. Bad weather arrangement: The activity will be cancelled if typhoon signal no. 3 or above / Black rainstorm warning is hoisted 2 hours prior to the commencement of the activity. Your enrolment fee will be refunded in full in the event of cancellation due to bad weather, or subject to separate arrangement with the venue provider.
8. The Institute reserves the right to change the venue and date of the activity due to unforeseen circumstances.

Personal Data: Your personal data collected from the enrolment process and administration of courses/events/activities will be used for the purpose of the administration of the course/event/activity on which you are enrolled ("Event"). Such data collected may be accessible by the Institute's officers, persons or committees processing the application and related matters. In addition, the Institute may use the collected data for statistical research and analysis. By submitting this Enrolment Form, you understand and agree that the Institute may provide your personal data above to co-organisers/service providers in or outside Hong Kong for the purpose relating to the Event. The Institute intends to use the personal data of your name, email address and correspondence address to inform you, where relevant, of members' benefits, goods, services, facilities and events organized or provided by the Institute or other organizations. Members and registered students may opt out of receiving such materials at any time by logging in via the following link <https://www.hkicpa.org.hk/en/members-area/comm-preference/>. Non-members may opt out of receiving such materials at any time by sending an email to the Institute at privacyofficer@hkicpa.org.hk or a letter to the Institute's privacy officer. For more information about the privacy policy of the Institute, please go to <http://www.hkicpa.org.hk/en/service-tools/privacy-policy/>.

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