

What's On



A group photo from the event.

TEF Kuwait – marching towards being a globally recognized engineering forum

Tamil Nadu Engineers Forum (TEF, Kuwait) is the first and the only non-profit association registered with Indian Embassy certified to ISO 9001 Standards and the only association for Tamil alumni engineers from all engineering colleges from Tamil Nadu who are working in Kuwait. TEF has initiated various unique Technical and Community Support Events in Kuwait including the Technological Innovation Conference (TICE), Engineering Excellence Awards (EEA), Monthly Technical Seminars, Women of Wisdom (WOW), Health Fitness activities and events related to its native Culture and Tradition which are highly recognized and patronized by various business communities in Kuwait and internationally.

Marching in the 21st year of its operations in Kuwait, the new organizing committee for this year 2020 includes Engr Jayekumar (President), Engr Ramesh Kumar (Vice-President), Engr Amuthan Ilakkuvan (General Secretary), Engr Kishore Kumar (Joint Secretary), Engr Raghuraman (Secretary Finance), Engr Raja Rathinam (Joint Secretary Finance), Engr Shahul

Hameed (Secretary – IT) and Committee Members including Engr Segu Yussuf, Dr Balathandayutham, Engr Suresh Ramanathan, Engr Ramanan, Engr Tamilarasan, Engr Velmurugan, Engr Rajkumar, Engr Murugesan, Engr Kapil Duraisamy, Engr Pirmuthu Magesh, Engr Mansoor Allaji, Engr Ari Haran, Engr Hyder Ali.

TEF 2020 Team initiated its first event in a most unique manner — a strategy workshop, first of its kind workshop and training executed in the entire Middle East with the aim of strategy development of association and was successfully conducted as a two days event on Jan 23 and Jan 24.

The purpose of the workshop was to train and groom all its members to familiarize and develop methods of strategy development for non-profit and community support groups and utilizing such knowledge to elevate the TEF Forum to become a globally recognized non-profitable organization. Members attended in large numbers and shared their innovative thoughts and suggestions to develop socially responsible activities within the forum

towards the betterment of its members and wellness to the society.

Lots of learning, exercises, team-work, discussions, objectives, framed by the participants made the session to be highly effective. All the participants overwhelmingly expressed the views on transforming the Forum to 'Become a Global Organization Working Towards the Sustainable Development of the Society and Communities' by contributing the Professional Expertise of its members inherited with their traditional culture.

The event was mentored by International Strategy Experts from ToolBox India Foundation with Presenters Mrs Vijaya Balaji and Ms Shreya Khedia conducting the interactive session.

TEF is aspiring to make more meaningful contribution to the Society in the coming days by involving more engineering communities together and any Tamil engineers working in Kuwait who wish to join this forum as a member can visit its web page www.tefkuwait.com, download the application form and reach the organizing team members for enrollment.

contract bridge

By Steve Becker

Putting the pieces together

East dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH		EAST	
♠	9 8 5 2	♠	—
♥	K 7 6 3	♥	A 10 9 4
♦	Q 6	♦	A 3
♣	J 4 2	♣	A K 10 9 8 6 3
WEST		SOUTH	
♠	10 7 6 4 3	♠	A K Q J
♥	Q J 8 5 2	♥	—
♦	8	♦	K J 10 9 7 5 4 2
♣	Q 7	♣	5

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
1 ♣	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♥
3 ♣	4 ♦	Pass	5 ♦

Dble

Opening lead — queen of clubs.

This freak deal from a pairs tournament produced a wide variety of results, ranging from six hearts doubled by East-West (making with an overtrick after a diamond lead by North) to a diamond partscore for North-South.

The hand was played at dozens of tables, and the most common contract was five diamonds doubled. Some of those who reached this contract did so following a sequence such as the one shown, while other Souths simply bid five diamonds directly over one club.

At these tables, the opening lead was invariably the queen of clubs, and the outcome now hinged on what East played to this trick. Some Easts, taking it for granted that the contract was sure to be defeated, didn't give the matter much thought. They played the nine or ten of clubs on the queen, requesting a club continuation. West obliged, whereupon declarer ruffed, drove out the ace of diamonds and took the rest of the tricks for a score of plus 750.

Other Easts wisely attempted to discourage a club continuation by depositing the three of clubs on the first trick. However, all but one West then shifted to the queen of hearts, and again the contract was made.

At the one table where five diamonds was defeated, West thought over his play at trick two very carefully. Clearly, his partner's three of clubs demanded a shift to another suit, but which one?

West reasoned that if the defense had any heart tricks coming, they could not get away, since dummy had no suits that could provide discards. He reasoned further that his partner could hardly be void in hearts, since South hadn't supported North's hearts during the bidding.

There was, however, a possibility that East might be void in spades. So West shifted to a spade at trick two, and East happily ruffed to sink the contract.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

Feb 14

IAK 'Kulirkalam 2020': Idukki Association Kuwait's much-awaited picnic program named 'Kulirkalam 2020' shall be conducted in Abdlay Dar Al Sama Shalet on Feb 14. The organizers informed that the program has been planned in a unique way since the beginning including the

journey towards the picnic spot.

An extensive picnic committee which consists of senior members has been set up to coordinate the activities. For further details, please contact Picnic General Convener Baiju Paul and IAK General Secretary Jobins Joseph. Mobile 67759495/66992538.

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"Eat with enjoyment and fulfilment" is written in SQUARE KUFIC on this bread stamp. **Want your child to learn to write like this?**



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A flyer of the event.

GKPA annual meeting: Kuwait Chapter of the Global Kerala Pravasi Association (GKPA), a global expatriate group, will hold its 4th Annual Area Public Meeting in February. The organization, which was launched in Kuwait in 2016 with the aim of mobilizing expatriates under a non-political, non-communal and non-regional unity, is now a strong presence in Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Oman, Qatar and the UAE, as well as in 14 countries, including the Maldives, Malaysia

and Mozambique. The GKPA Kuwait Chapter is planning a wide range of annual events in April, completing the area's general meetings in February-March 2020. Salmiya, Mahaboola, Mangaf-Fahaheel, Farwaniya, Abbasiya and Hawally area meetings will be held on consecutive Fridays from the second week of February.

Along with subjective Pravasi conferences, membership card issuance and renewal and NORKA/expatriate pension online registration support will be provided at area meetings.

Feb 25

KKIC to hold Islamic seminar: Kuwait Kerala Islahi Center (KKIC) has organised a publicity event in Abbasiya for the upcoming 5th Islamic seminar titled 'Religion, Nationalism and Humanity' near Farwaniya Garden from Feb 25-28.

KKIC Central Committee President P.N. Abdul Latheef Madani released the seminar campaign poster at the conference organised at Masjid Abdurrahman uBinu Ouf Auditorium. The event also saw the launch of the seminar coupon, which was presented to Khalid Kanhangad.

President of Wisdom Youth Wing (Malappuram District) Harris Kayakodi, who has arrived in Kuwait for a short visit, delivered the keynote address.

Representatives of various organisations attended the event including Mushtaq Tirur, KMCC, M.A. Nissam, OICC, Nissar Kannamveli, Kerala Arts Lovers Association, Siddique Hassan, KIG, Majeed Rawabi, KKMA, K.A. Saker, KKIC and Aslam Kappad, KKIC. Hafil Muhammad Aslam and Haroon Abdul Aziz spoke at the event.

Azam Alappuzha, President of Zonal Committee presided over the function, while Zonal General Secretary Salih Zubair delivered the welcome address and Jishad V.V. rendered the vote of thanks.

General

AWL registration: If you were interested in joining the American Women's League (AWL) please check out their website, www.awlkuwait.org, or email them at awl@awlkuwait.org. American women over the age of 17 or wives of Americans are able to join. All other nationalities are welcome as associate members.

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Q8BBall Season 13: Q8BBall is beginning our 13th season with Boys U13 (ages 10-13) and U17 (ages 14-17). We train three times a week and play regular games throughout the year with schools and clubs. Contact Coach T 97128884 for information.

Conceptis Sudoku

The grid must be so completed that every row, column and 3x3 box has every digit from 1 to 9 inclusive

By Dave Green

			1		5			
6		7		4	9			
1		9		2			3	
		3				8		
	2			8		7		5
9								
			3	5		1		7
		2			6			

Difficulty Level ★★★

Answer to yesterday's puzzle

6	1	2	3	9	8	4	7	5
9	8	4	5	2	7	1	6	3
7	3	5	1	6	4	9	8	2
3	7	6	2	4	1	5	9	8
4	2	8	9	5	3	7	1	6
5	9	1	8	7	6	3	2	4
1	5	9	4	8	2	6	3	7
2	4	7	6	3	9	8	5	1
8	6	3	7	1	5	2	4	9

Difficulty Level ★★★

11/13

Challenger

DIRECTIONS:

Fill each square with a number, one through nine.

■ Horizontal squares should add to totals on right.

■ Vertical squares should add to totals on bottom.

■ Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE SOLUTION.

Today's Challenge

Time 6 Minutes

10 Seconds

Your Working

Time __ Minutes

__ Seconds

By Louis MURKIN

			3		12
					13
		4			25
				2	11
1					17
22	15	13	16	20	

Yesterday's solution

				19
9	3	1	5	18
1	6	4	8	19
5	7	2	3	17
3	4	9	7	23
18	20	16	23	24

Word by Word

Deeds (أَعْمَالٌ) **Amalan**

Deeds, not words.
Amalan la aqwalan.

Numbers أَعْمَالًا لَا أَقْوَالَ.

8390 Eight thousand three hundred ninety

٨٣٩٠ Thamaniyat alaa wa thalath maah wa tesoun



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