



## PRESS RELEASE

### *Junior bridge player nominated for British Asian Sports Awards*

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Junior bridge player, Shivam Shah from Whetstone, North London has been nominated for the category of male junior sports personality of the year at the British Asian Sports Awards, after successfully playing bridge since he was four years old.

Shivam is now fifteen and for over ten years has won various competitions and tournaments. At the age of seven he won his local bridge tournament and became the youngest in the world to win an adult bridge tournament; at the age of ten, he won a silver medal at the World Junior Championships; and at the age of eleven he was selected to play for the England U20's team, becoming the youngest player to represent England. In addition he has played all over the world in various major championships and continues to be a successful junior bridge player. These are just a few of his bridge achievements.

The British Asian Sports Awards were created to recognise the achievements of British Asian sporting talent from across the UK. The winners will be announced at a function on 16 February shown live on Sony Entertainment TV.

Shivam currently plays at the Oshwal Bridge Club in Northaw, Hertfordshire ([www.obcuk.com](http://www.obcuk.com)).

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#### **Notes to editors:**

##### ***Press resources***

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##### ***About Bridge***

Bridge is one of the most enduring and popular games in the world; for over 100 years, people of all types and from all walks of life have been fascinated by the game. It is one of the most popular leisure activities in Britain, with around 300,000 people playing on a regular basis. Bridge is a trick-taking card game of skill and chance. It is played by four players who form two partnerships (sides); the partners sit opposite each other at a table. The game consists of the auction (often called bidding) and play, after which the hand is scored. Please click [here](#) for more information on bridge.

##### ***About the English Bridge Union***

The English Bridge Union Limited (EBU) is a membership-funded organisation committed to promoting the game of duplicate bridge. It is also a National Bridge Organisation in its own right affiliated to the European Bridge League and the World Bridge Federation. New players are the lifeblood of the game and the EBU are keen to encourage them. For more information on the English Bridge Union please visit: [www.ebu.co.uk](http://www.ebu.co.uk)

