

Sydney Spring Nationals



19 - 28 OCTOBER 2022

**TBIB OPEN TEAMS
BRIDGEAR INTERMEDIATE TEAMS**

**DICK CUMMINGS OPEN PAIRS
TED CHADWICK RESTRICTED PAIRS
SPRING NATIONAL NOVICE PAIRS**

**SPRING NATIONAL MIXED TEAMS
TWO MEN AND A TRUCK RESTRICTED, NOVICE & ROOKIE TEAMS
PENLINE SWISS PAIRS**

**LINDA STERN WOMEN'S TEAMS
BOBBY EVANS SENIORS' TEAMS**

Gold Masterpoints & Playoff Qualifying Points

**Venue: Level 2, Canterbury Park Racecourse
96 King St, Ashbury**

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OPEN EVENTS

YELLOW systems are only allowed in the TBIB Open Teams and the Linda Stern Women's Teams, as per the supplementary regulations.

BROWN sticker conventions and **RED** systems are allowed in all Open events.

All partnerships in every match in the Mixed Teams must consist of one male and one female player.

All players in the Seniors' Teams must have been born before 1/1/1961.

TBIB Open Teams

Qualifying: Wednesday 19th - Friday 21st October
Nine round, 20 board Swiss Teams event
Session times: 10:30am (1 round) and 1:30pm (2 rounds)

Semi-Final: The top four teams qualify to play 56 board semi-finals on Saturday 22nd October, 9.30am

Final: A 56 board final on Sunday 23rd October, 9.30am

Entry Fee: \$680 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players
(\$640 if paid in full by 1st October 2022)

Open PQPs awarded as advised on the ABF website.

Play will finish around 6:30pm each day.

Dick Cummings Open Pairs

Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd October
Session times: 10:00am and 2:15pm

A **Swiss Matchpoint Pairs** event comprising 12 rounds of 10 boards; 6 rounds to be played each day. Matchpoints are converted to VPs.

Losing Open Teams semi-finalists may join the field on day 2.

Entry Fee: \$230 per pair

Open PQPs awarded as advised on the ABF website.

Play will finish around 6:15pm each day.

Spring Nationals Mixed Teams

Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th October

Eight round, 14 board Swiss Teams event

Session times: 10:30am (2 rounds) and 2:30pm (2 rounds)

Entry Fee: \$480 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players
(\$440 if paid in full by 1st October, 2022)

All partnerships must consist of one male and one female player.

Mixed PQPs awarded as advised on the ABF website.

Play will finish around 6:00 pm each day.

Penline Swiss Pairs

Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th October

Eight round 14 board Butler Swiss Pairs event

Session times: 10:30am (2 rounds) and 2:30pm (2 rounds)

Entry Fee: \$230 per pair

Play will finish around 6:00 pm each day.

Linda Stern Women's Teams Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams

Qualifying: Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th October

Eight round, 14 board Swiss Teams events ******

Session times: 10:30am (2 rounds) and 2:30pm (2 rounds)

Finals: Top two teams from each event qualify to play a 56-board final on Friday 28th October **at the NSWBA at 10.00am.**

Entry Fee: \$480 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players
(\$440 if paid in full by 1st October, 2022)

****** If the number of entries for either event is too low to support the movement above, its format may be modified or the fields combined.

Play will finish around 6:00pm each day.

EVENTS WITH MASTERPOINT LIMITS

Limits as of 30/06/2022 for the masterpoint categories in the Spring Nationals

Category	MP limit	Allowed Systems
Rookie	50	Green only*
Novice	100	Green and blue*
Restricted	300	Green and blue*
Intermediate	750	Green, blue and red

* No **brown sticker conventions** are allowed. In addition, a pair may be further restricted from playing any method the CTD judges may not be readily understood by a significant proportion of the players in any of the above fields.

Bridgegear Intermediate Teams

Qualifying: Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th October
Eight round 14 board Swiss Teams event
Session times: 10:30am (2 rounds) and 2:30pm (2 rounds)

Final: The top two teams qualify to play a 56 board final on
Friday 21st October, 9.30am

Entry Fee: \$480 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players
(\$440 if paid in full by 1st October 2022)

Play will finish around 6:00pm each day.

Spring Nationals Novice Pairs

Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd October
Session times: 10:00am and 2:15pm

A **Swiss Matchpoint Pairs** event comprising 12 rounds of 10 boards;
6 rounds to be played each day. Matchpoints are converted to VPs.

Entry Fee: \$230 per pair

Trophy sponsored by **Central Coast Bridge Club**

Play will finish around 6:15pm each day.

Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs

Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd October

Session times: 10:00am and 2:15pm

A **Swiss Matchpoint Pairs** event comprising 12 rounds of 10 boards; 6 rounds to be played each day. Matchpoints are converted to VPs.

Entry Fee: \$230 per pair

Play will finish around 6:15pm each day.

Two Men and a Truck Restricted, Novice and Rookie Teams

Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th October

Eight round, 14 board Swiss Teams events

Session times: 10:30am (2 rounds) and 2:30pm (2 rounds)

Entry Fee: \$480 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players

(\$440 if paid in full by 1st October 2022)

Play will finish around 6:00pm each day.



The QBA has generously donated free entry to the 2023 Gold Coast Teams for the winners of the Intermediate and Restricted Teams. The datum winners (outside the winning teams) in these events win free entry to the Gold Coast Pairs.

Australian Bridge

Winners of all Novice and Rookie events win a year's subscription to Australian Bridge magazine (Online version).



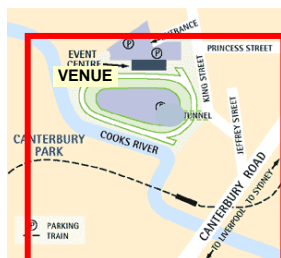
The TBA has generously donated free entry to the 2023 Tasmanian Festival of Bridge Restricted Pairs Championship for the winners and runners-up of the Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs.



Winners and runners-up in the Bridgegear Intermediate teams receive book vouchers that can be redeemed at The **Paul Lavings** Bridge stall at the venue.

VENUE

SKY HIGH & GALAXIES ROOMS, LEVEL 2 (Lift access) CANTERBURY PARK RACECOURSE



PUBLIC TRANSPORT Canterbury Railway Station is about 1 km from the venue. The 413 Bus runs from Wynyard, Town Hall, Railway Square or Lewisham railway station. The 491 bus runs between Ashfield and Canterbury railway stations. Consult www.transportnsw.info for details.

PARKING Free parking is available at the venue's front door.

CATERING A free self-serve tea and coffee facility will be available in the playing area. Lunch may be ordered, with three menu options rotating daily. In addition, a cafeteria will be open to allow purchase of pies, sausage rolls, cakes and espresso coffee. A cash bar will be open for about an hour at the conclusion of play each day.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Persons applying to enter the Sydney Spring Nationals should be aware of the following:

1. The Regulating Authority (The Australian Bridge Federation) reserves the right to refuse admission to any player who is not in good standing with any registered bridge club, bridge association or the Regulating Authority.
2. No entry will be regarded as complete unless an entry has been submitted before the closing date, Friday 14th October 2022, with full entry fees paid and ABF numbers supplied. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser.
3. All players resident in Australia must be current financial members of the ABF Masterpoint Scheme.
4. Players born on or after 1/1/1997 receive a 50% rebate on their entry fees to all events at the Sydney Spring Nationals.
5. All session times in this brochure are provisional and may be altered by the organisers as necessary to ensure the smooth running of the event. It is the responsibility of players to be aware of the starting times of the sessions and rounds as announced by the Director and posted on the notice board.
6. Mobile phones and other means of electronic communication must be switched off whilst in the playing area. Penalties will apply for non-compliance (see ABF Tournament Regulations, Section 21).
7. Players reaching the semi-finals or finals of the Open, Women's, Seniors' or Intermediate Teams must lodge their mobile phones (or other electronic communication devices) with the Tournament Director (or Tournament Organiser) who will secure them during each session.
8. Systems permitted in the various events are determined in accordance with the ABF Tournament Regulations.

REGULATIONS

The System and Alerting Regulations for ABF Events apply to the Sydney Spring Nationals and can be found at www.abfevents.com.au/events/tournregs/ABFTournamentRegs2021.pdf

Supplementary regulations for the Sydney Spring Nationals will be posted at

www.abfevents.com.au/events/results/2022/sn/docs/Supplementary%20Regulations.pdf

YELLOW systems are permitted only in the Open and Women's Teams. Pairs in any doubt about the classification of their system should submit a concise summary to the Tournament Organiser.

YELLOW System Notifications, including an adequately completed ABF System card and a bona fide defence, must be lodged by Friday 14th October 2022 at sn@abf.com.au.

PLAYOFF QUALIFYING POINTS

PQPs are awarded according to ABF regulations to players who are eligible. Detailed information about PQP and entry to the Australian Team Playoffs is published only on the ABF website.

Trophies

TBIB Open Teams:	TBIB Open Teams Trophy
Dick Cummings Open Pairs:	The Herald Trophy
Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs:	Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs Trophy
Novice Pairs:	Spring National Novice Pairs Trophy
Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams:	Robert Evans Seniors' Teams Trophy
Linda Stern Women's Teams:	Linda Stern Women's Teams Trophy
Restricted Teams:	Two Men and a Truck Restricted Teams Trophy

Medallions

Winners and runners-up in all events will receive ABF Medallions.
The top pairs in the datums in the Open, Intermediate, Mixed, Two Men and a Truck, Women's and Seniors' Teams also receive Medallions.

Entry and Payment Methods

Note; that an early bird discount applies for team events if full payment is received by 1st October 2022.

All entry fees include GST.

Online: Go to www.myabf.com.au/events/congress/view/39 and follow the link to Online Entries. There you can enter the player names, ABF numbers and contact email. You will be sent an email confirming receipt of your entry and giving you a reference number. Quote this number when paying by one of the options presented in the email.

Please Note: All information is correct at the time of printing however; changes may be made at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser.

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