



# THE SYDNEY SPRING NATIONALS BULLETIN



**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2005 Ed: Anne Bates**

## **Event 2: The Australian Open Pairs**

### **THE SPRING NATIONAL WOMENS TEAMS**

The Womens Teams Qualifying finished on Friday the top 10 teams at the end of Match 9 were:

<b>INGHAM</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>BOURKE</b>	<b>177</b>
<b>MILL</b>	<b>162</b>
<b>EVANS</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>MACE</b>	<b>149</b>
<b>MOSES</b>	<b>147</b>
<b>ASHTON</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>SHARP</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>WATTS</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>YUILL</b>	<b>144</b>

The leaders INGHAM (S. Ingham, L. Stern, J. Wyer & J. Douglass) will play the second placed team BOURKE (M. Bourke, P. McCartney, L. Havas, C. Feitelson, J. Cormack & D Neumann) in a 64 Board Final starting Saturday at 9am. Congratulations to all the Finalists.

**Congratulations also go to the winners of the Womens DATUM Medal Competition:**

**Jane Douglass & Julie Wyer**

Welcome to the Australian Open Pairs, now part of the 2005 Sydney Spring Nationals.

The AOP was previously part of the Summer Festival of Bridge in Canberra. The Open Teams will start as usual on Monday.

For all players not qualifying to the final of the Open Teams, on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we are planning a Supporters Pairs event, which will run simultaneously with the Final. Come along and try your luck with an expert pair as your teammates.

2006 will see more changes: the Sydney Spring Nationals will merge with the Sydney Festival of Bridge. Final details of the program will be announced in the next few days and will also be placed on the web.

For the past few years the Spring Nationals has been convened by Frank Budai, with help from John Mottram. They did a wonderful job and made some popular changes. I would like to thank Frank for his help with planning this year's competition.

I wish all participants in the Pairs a successful and friendly event.

Kim Neale, Convenor.

### **Parking**

During the competition, parking is available at Secure Parking at a special daily rate of \$8.00 at the Swiss Grand Hotel, on the corner of Curlewis Street and Campbell Parade, about 250 metres from the Hakoah Club. *For this special rate you must present a discount voucher available from tournament officials.*

### **Women's Final**

The two leading teams in the Spring Nationals Women's Teams are playing a 64-board final today.

### **Signing In**

It is essential to sign in each time you arrive at the Club.

### **Smoking**

The smoking area is on the ground floor, in the gaming area. Any player found smoking in any other area, in particular the stairwells, will be suspended for either the rest of the current session, and/or for the following sessions.

**There will be no warnings: smoking in the stairwells is against the law.**

### **Mobile Phones**

Mobile phones must be switched off in the playing area. A procedural penalty of 3 VP's (or 9 IMPs) will apply to any player whose mobile is switched on, unless the director determines there is a valid (e.g. medical) reason.

### **The People Running the Event**

Convenor: Kim Neale  
Chief Tournament Director: Matthew McManus  
Tournament Committee: Eric Ramshaw  
Appeals Committee: Ivy Dahler  
Director: Chris Diment  
Scoring: Nye Griffiths

### **SESSIONS - OPEN PAIRS**

#### **Qualifying: (2 Sessions)**

Sat. Nov 12th – Session 1: 10:00 am  
Session 2: 2:15pm

#### **Final & Consolation: (2 Session Barometer.)**

Sun Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – Session 1: 10:00 am  
Session 2: 2:15pm

Players may elect not to play in the consolation final but no refunds will be given.

**Don't forget to watch the live Vu Graph of the Open Final at...**  
**[www.bridgebase.com/online](http://www.bridgebase.com/online)**

*This week why not play in a new event?*

### **THE SUPPORTERS' IMPED PAIRS**

(to be played in parallel with the Open Teams' Final)

### **Kings and Queens Bridge Club**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November

10.00am until 2.00pm

Entry Fee \$12

Ring 9327 2546 or Walk-in

Special prizes

Red Masterpoints