

# Sydney Spring Nationals



**22 - 30 OCTOBER 2008**

## Spring National Open Teams

### Dick Cummings Open Pairs

**\*\* Swiss Matchpoint Pairs Event \*\***

### MANZONI Women's Teams

### Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams

## Gold Masterpoints & Playoff Qualifying Points

**Major Prizes:** Entry to 2009 Gold Coast Congress  
Sponsored by the Queensland Bridge Association

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**Hakoah Club, 61 Hall Street, Bondi**

**Chief Tournament Director:** Matthew McManus

**Tournament Organiser:** Kim Neale (02 9411 4398)

Held under the auspices of:

**The Australian Bridge Federation Incorporated**

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**The NSW Bridge Association Ltd**

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## Spring National Open Teams

Qualifying: A nine round Swiss teams event (20 boards each round)  
Wednesday 22 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Thursday 23 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Friday 24 October 10.00am and 1.30pm

Semi-Final: Top four qualifying teams play 64 board semi-finals  
Saturday 25 October from 9.00am

Final: The two winning semi-finalists play a 64 board final  
Sunday 26 October from 9.00am

Entry Fee: \$500 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 Players

PQP: 1<sup>st</sup> = 48; 2<sup>nd</sup> = 24; 3<sup>rd</sup> = 6; 4<sup>th</sup> = 6

The **Open Teams** has no evening sessions – play will finish around 7pm each day.

All systems and conventions, including those categorised as YELLOW, are permitted in the Open Teams in all rounds and at all levels.

Participants are invited to join us for a light supper at the conclusion of play on Friday 24 October.

## Dick Cummings Open Pairs

Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 October 10.00am to 6.00pm

Entry Fee: \$160 per Pair

PQP: 1<sup>st</sup> = 24; 2<sup>nd</sup> = 18; 3<sup>rd</sup> = 12; 4<sup>th</sup> = 6

A **Swiss Matchpoint Pairs** event consisting of 12 rounds of 10 boards; 6 rounds to be played each day. Matchpoints will convert to a Victory Point scale. No evening sessions.

Systems classified as YELLOW are not permitted in the Open Pairs.

Participants are invited to join us for a light supper at the conclusion of play on Sunday 26 October.

## Manzoni Women's Teams

Qualifying: A 9 round Swiss teams event (20 boards each round)  
Monday 27 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Tuesday 28 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Wednesday 29 October 10.00am and 1.30pm

Final: Top two qualifying teams play a 64 board final  
Thursday 30 October from 9.30am  
(The Final only will be held at the NSWBA Clubrooms)

Entry Fee: \$500 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 Players

PQP: 1<sup>st</sup> = 36; 2<sup>nd</sup> = 18; 3<sup>rd</sup> = 9

The **Women's Teams** has no evening sessions – play will finish around 7pm each day. All systems and conventions, including those categorised as YELLOW, are permitted in the Women's Teams in all rounds and at all levels.

Participants are invited to join us for a light supper at the conclusion of play on Wednesday 29 October.

## Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams

Qualifying: A 9 round Swiss teams event (20 boards each round)  
Monday 27 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Tuesday 28 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Wednesday 29 October 10.00am and 1.30pm

Final: Top two qualifying teams play a 64 board final  
Thursday 30 October from 9.30am  
(The Final only will be held at the NSWBA Clubrooms)

Entry Fee: \$500 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 Players

PQP: 1<sup>st</sup> = 36; 2<sup>nd</sup> = 18; 3<sup>rd</sup> = 9

The **Seniors' Teams** has no evening sessions – play will finish around 7pm each day. All players must be born before 1/1/1951.

Systems classified as YELLOW are not permitted in the BEST.

Participants are invited to join us for a light supper at the conclusion of play on Wednesday 29 October.

## REGULATIONS

System and Alerting Regulations for ABF Events apply to the Sydney Spring Nationals and can be found on the ABF Website [www.abf.com.au](http://www.abf.com.au). Supplementary regulations for the Sydney Spring Nationals will be posted on the ABF Website.

All pairs must supply their opponents with two (2) ABF Standard system cards completed legibly and adequately to disclose their system.

All systems and conventions, including those categorised as YELLOW, are permitted in the Open and Women's Teams in all rounds and at all levels. Pairs in any doubt about the classification of their system should submit a concise summary to the Tournament Organiser.

Teams containing a pair registering a YELLOW system lose seating rights in the qualifying rounds.

Pairs intending to use a YELLOW system must lodge the following with the Tournament Organiser by Friday 17 October 2008:

- ◆ an adequate system statement on a WBF or ABF Standard system card plus a maximum of 2 supplementary A4 sheets
- ◆ a suggested defence to the HUM aspects of the system

Pairs intending to use a YELLOW system only against an opposing pair playing a YELLOW system must lodge system and a suggested defence with the Chief Tournament Director before the start of the first round of the event in which they wish to use it.

YELLOW System Notifications must be lodged with the Tournament Organiser by Friday 17 October 2008: Sydney Spring Nationals  
Attn: Kim Neale  
Level 1, 162 Goulburn Street  
East Sydney NSW 2010

**MASTERPOINTS:** Gold Points are available for all events.

**PLAYOFF QUALIFYING POINTS:** PQPs are awarded according to ABF regulations to players who are eligible. Detailed information about PQPs and entry to the Australian Team Playoff is published only on the ABF website [www.abf.com.au](http://www.abf.com.au).

**PRIZES:** Winners and runners-up in all events will receive ABF Medallions. Pairs Datum Medals will be awarded for the Open, Women's and Seniors' Teams.

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

## 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 form has been submitted before the closing date, Friday 17 October 2008, 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 1/1/1982 receive a 50% rebate on their entry fees to all events at the Sydney Spring Nationals. Send a photocopy of your proof of age document with your entry form and deduct the rebate from the total fee payable.
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 ascertain the starting times of the sessions and rounds from the times 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.

## HAKOAH CLUB

Hakoah Club, 61 Hall Street in Bondi. Phone: 9130 3344.

Players are required to observe dress regulations. In addition, all players, as visitors to the Club, will be required to sign-in each day.

A coffee service will be available (at the players' expense). Bar facilities are available on the ground floor. Smoking is not permitted on the playing floor or in adjacent areas. The club has a restaurant on the ground floor, open for both lunch and dinner.

## PARKING

The Hakoah Club is 200 metres from Bondi Beach. Parking is available at Hakoah for a small fee for those who register with the Tournament Organiser prior to Friday 17 October 2008. Places are limited, so register early.

## Sydney Spring Nationals: Major Prizes

*These prizes are kindly sponsored by the Queensland Bridge Association.*



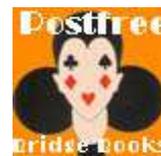
### TEAMS PRIZE (VALUE \$500)

Every time a team wins a match in the qualifying of the Open, Women's or Seniors' teams an entry will be placed into the draw. At the conclusion of the Sydney Spring Nationals, one ticket will be drawn from all eligible entries to win one free entry to the Gold Coast Teams in 2009.

### PAIRS PRIZE (TWO PRIZES VALUE \$210 EACH)

Every time a pair wins a match in the Dick Cummings Open Pairs an entry will be placed into the draw. At the conclusion of the Dick Cummings Open Pairs, two tickets will be drawn from all eligible entries to win free entry to the Gold Coast Pairs in 2009.

Please Note: The winning certificates must be presented with the 2009 Gold Coast entry form to be eligible for free entry to Gold Coast events.



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## 2008 SYDNEY SPRING NATIONALS ENTRY FORM

Mail entry form with payment to: Sydney Spring Nationals  
 Attn: Kim Neale  
 Level 1, 162 Goulburn Street  
 East Sydney NSW 2010

Please make cheques payable to the NSW Bridge Association. If you prefer you can make an electronic transfer direct to our bankers:

BSB: 082-052, Account: 039098420, Reference: <your ABF No.>  
 and then go to [www.abf.com.au/events/spnot](http://www.abf.com.au/events/spnot) to enter the team details online.

**ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER 2008. FEE MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY.** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser.

----- Please complete the contact details for this entry in full -----

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL ADDRESS OR EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

### SPRING NATIONAL OPEN TEAMS

	NAME	ABF NO.
Captain		
Player 2		
Player 3		
Player 4		
Player 5		
Player 6		

**Entry Fee: \$500.00 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players (including GST).**

## 2008 SYDNEY SPRING NATIONALS ENTRY FORM

### DICK CUMMINGS OPEN PAIRS

	NAME	ABF NO.
Player 1		
Player 2		
Player 1		
Player 2		

**Entry fee: \$160.00 per Pair including GST.**

### MANZONI WOMEN'S OR BOBBY EVANS SENIOR TEAMS

This is an entry for the **WOMEN'S OR SENIORS'**  
 (Please circle the correct option.)

	NAME	ABF NO.
Captain		
Player 2		
Player 3		
Player 4		
Player 5		
Player 6		

**Entry Fee: \$500.00 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 players (including GST).**

**TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \_\_\_\_\_