

# Sydney Spring Nationals



21 - 29 OCTOBER 2009

## SPRING NATIONAL OPEN TEAMS

**RESTRICTED TEAMS** \*\* NEW EVENT IN 2009 \*\*

**DICK CUMMINGS OPEN PAIRS**

\*\* SWISS MATCHPOINT PAIRS EVENT \*\*

**MANZONI WOMEN'S TEAMS**

**BOBBY EVANS SENIORS' TEAMS**

**Gold Masterpoints & Playoff Qualifying Points**

**Major Prize: Entry to 2010 Gold Coast Congress**  
Sponsored by the Queensland Bridge Association

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

**Chief Tournament Director:** Matthew McManus

**Tournament Organiser:** Kim Neale (0413 235 399)

Held under the auspices of:

**The Australian Bridge Federation Incorporated**

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## Sydney Spring Nationals: Major Prizes

These prizes are kindly sponsored by the Queensland Bridge Association.



### TEAMS PRIZE (VALUE \$500\*)

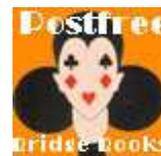
Every time a team wins a match in the qualifying of the Open, Restricted, Women's or Seniors' teams an entry will be placed into the draw. At the conclusion of the Sydney Spring Nationals, one ticket will be drawn from all eligible entries to win one free entry to the Gold Coast Teams in 2010.

### 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 2010.

Please Note: The winning certificates must be presented with the 2010 Gold Coast entry form to be eligible for free entry to Gold Coast events.

\* Gold Coast Entry Fees are subject to change.



## Spring National Open Teams

Qualifying: A nine round Swiss teams event (20 boards each round)  
Wednesday 21 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Thursday 22 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Friday 23 October 10.00am and 1.30pm

Semi-Final: Top four qualifying teams play 64 board semi-finals  
Saturday 24 October from 9.00am

Final: The two winning semi-finalists play a 64 board final  
Sunday 25 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 accordance with the current ABF Tournament Regulations.

Participants are invited to join us for a light supper at the conclusion of play on Friday 23 October.

## Restricted Teams \*\* NEW EVENT IN 2009 \*\*

Qualifying: Swiss teams (format to be decided based on entries)  
Wednesday 21 October 10:00am and 1:30pm  
Thursday 22 October 10:00am and 1:30pm  
Friday 23 October 10:00am and 1:30pm

Entry Fee: \$500 per team

Players must have no more than 300 Masterpoints as at 01/01/09. Red and Yellow systems and Brown Sticker conventions and treatments are not permitted in the Restricted Teams. There will be no evening sessions.

Participants are invited to join us for a light supper at the conclusion of play on Friday 23 October.

## MANZONI Women's Teams

Qualifying: A nine round Swiss teams event (20 boards each round)  
Monday 26 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Tuesday 27 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Wednesday 28 October 10.00am and 1.30pm

Final: Top two qualifying teams play a 64 board final  
Thursday 29 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 accordance with the current ABF Tournament Regulations.

Participants are invited to join us for a light supper at the conclusion of play on Wednesday 28 October.

## Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams

Qualifying: A nine round Swiss teams event (20 boards each round)  
Monday 26 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Tuesday 27 October 10.00am and 1.30pm  
Wednesday 28 October 10.00am and 1.30pm

Final: Top two qualifying teams play a 64 board final  
Thursday 29 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 28 October.

## Dick Cummings Open Pairs

Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 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. There will be 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 25 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 systems and conventions, including those categorised as YELLOW, are permitted in the Open and Women's Teams, subject to the detailed regulations found in the current ABF Tournament Regulations. Pairs in any doubt about the classification of their system should submit a concise summary to the Tournament Organiser. Further details for YELLOW systems can be found in the ABF Tournament regulations.

YELLOW System Notifications must be lodged with the Tournament Organiser by Friday 16 October 2009: Sydney Spring Nationals (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 in the Open, Restricted, Women's and Seniors' Teams.

## 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 16 October 2009, 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 1/1/1983 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 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 the 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 participants – daily rate \$5.00.

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