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NATIONAL SENIORS TEAMS

VENUE

Qualifying:

Rydges Lakeside Canberra Wednesday-Friday 18-20 January Wednesday 18 Rounds 1, 2 & 3 11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm Thursday 19 Rounds 4, 5 & 6 11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm Friday 20 Rounds 7, 8 & 9 10.00am, 1.30pm & 5.00pm

NST Final Series

Rydges Lakeside Canberra Saturday –Sunday 21-22 January

Round Robin

Saturday 21 Session, Stanza Times 10.00am; 12.00 noon, 3.00pm, 5.00pm; 7.00pm.

Final:

Sunday 22 Session, Stanza Times 10.00am; 1.00pm, 3.30pm, 6.00pm

Times may be altered by mutual arrangement between the NST & NWT captains and the Director.

ELIGIBILITY

All players must have been born before 1st January 1950.

SYSTEMS GREEN, BLUE, RED and BROWN STICKER systems are permitted.

FORM

Qualifying:

The NST is a single-field Swiss event consisting of 9 rounds of 20 boards.

The six leading teams after 9 rounds qualify for final series.

NST Final Series

The NST Final Series consists of a round robin of 6 teams playing 5 matches of 14 boards, each completed in one stanza, to qualify the two leading teams into the final.

Team numbers are the finishing position in the Swiss qualifying. The AWAY team, shown second in the draw, sits first; NS at the table with the red numbers, EW at the table with the blue numbers.

The **DRAW** is:

Table 1	Table 2	Table 3
6v1	4v2	5v3
5v1	2v3	4v6
1v4	2v5	6v3
3v1	6v2	4v5
1v2	3v4	5v6

Final:

The final is played in four stanzas each of 16 boards.

Seating rights in the final are determined by toss of a coin. The team winning the toss has the right to sit first or last for the first stanza and thereafter the order of seating reverses each stanza.

CARRYOVER

Teams carry over 100% of their VP score from the Swiss qualifying into the round robin.

The carryover to the final from the IMP margin of the head-to-head match in the round robin (excluding boards played to break ties) is 50% if the team with the higher IMP score finishes first, or 33%, if the team with the higher IMP score finishes second. The carryover maximum is 16 IMP.

TROPHIES Electronic Bridge Accessories Bowl Winners

> Trophies are awarded for the best women's, mixed, veteran and country Restricted categories

teams.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUES

Qualifying:

 National Convention Centre
 Wednesday - Friday 18-20 January

 Wednesday 18
 Rounds 1, 2 & 3
 11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm

 Thursday 19
 Rounds 4, 5 & 6
 11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm

 Friday 20
 Rounds 7, 8 & 9
 10.00am, 1.30pm & 5.00pm

NWT Final Series

Rydges Lakeside Canberra Saturday – Sunday 21-22 January

Semifinal

Saturday 21 Session, Stanza Times 10.00am; 12.15pm, 3.00pm, 5.15pm Final:
Sunday 22 Session, Stanza Times 10.00am; 1.00pm, 3.30pm, 6.00pm

Times may be altered by mutual arrangement between the NST & NWT captains and the Director.

SYSTEMS During the first three rounds YELLOW systems are permitted only when a match involves two teams seeded in the top 20% of the field (or in other matches where both captains agree to them being played and the STD concurs). Thereafter YELLOW systems are only permitted at tables 1 to N where N is calculated as 10% of the original entry (or at other tables where both captains agree to them being played and the STD concurs). Decimals are rounded up to the nearest integer.

FORM

Qualifying: The NWT is a single-field Swiss event consisting of 9 rounds of 20 boards.

The four leading teams after 9 rounds qualify for a knock-out semifinal followed by a final.

Final Series:

The semi-finals and final are played in four stanzas each of 16 boards.

The draw for the semi-finals is 1v4, 2v3.

SEATING

Seating rights in the final series are determined by toss of a coin. The team winning the toss has the right to sit first or last for the first stanza and thereafter the order of seating reverses each stanza.

Seating rights are available in the final series to a team registering a YELLOW system that declares its line-up as follows

first to sit 15 minutes prior to the stanza

second to sit later of 15 min prior to the stanza and opponent's line-up

CARRYOVER There is no carryover from the Swiss to the Final Series

TROPHIES Winners ABF Award

1st Swiss Dorothy Jesner Trophy

Restricted categories Trophies are awarded for the best senior, veteran and country teams.

NATIONAL NOVICE TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE

National Convention Centre		Wednesday-Friday 18-20 January	
Wednesday 18	Rounds 1, 2 & 3	11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm	
Thursday 19	Rounds 4, 5 & 6	11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm	
Friday 20	Rounds 7 & 8	10.00am & 1.30pm	

ELIGIBILITY

Teams are classified by the team member with the highest masterpoint total as at 30th September 2005. All team members must be Australian residents with a ranking below 150 masterponts. For categories 0-49, 0-99, 0-149 players all players must have a Grand Slam ranking of less than 58%.

FORM

The three categories of the National Novice Teams Championship play in one field as a Swiss event consisting of 8 rounds of 20 boards.

SYSTEMS

GREEN, BLUE, RED and BROWN STICKER systems are permitted subject to PROTECTION.

TROPHIES

Trophies are awarded for the best teams in restricted categories. Eligibility, determined as at 30th September 2005 is:

Trumps Trophy	0-149	All team members have less than 150 masterpoints
Perpetual Salver	0-99	All team members have less than 100 masterpoints
Perpetual Salver	0-49	All team members have less than 50 masterpoints

Teams are eligible to win only the trophy ranked highest on the above list.

NATIONAL NON-LIFE MASTERS TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE

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National Convention Centre		Wednesday-Friday 18-20 January
Wednesday 18	Rounds 1, 2 & 3	11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm
Thursday 19	Rounds 4, 5 & 6	11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm
Friday 20	Rounds 7 & 8	10.00am & 1.30pm

ELIGIBILITY

Teams are classified by the team member with the highest masterpoint total as at 30th September 2005. All team members must be Australian residents with a ranking below Life Master.

FORM

The National Non-Life Masters Teams Championship is played in one field as a Swiss event consisting of 8 rounds of 20 boards.

SYSTEMS

GREEN, BLUE, RED and BROWN STICKER systems are permitted subject to PROTECTION.

TROPHIES

Non-Life Masters Perpetual Salver

All team members ranked below Life Master

AUSTRALIAN MULTI-PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE

National Convention Centre Saturday 21 January Saturday 21 Session Times 11.00am, 3.00pm & 7.30pm

ELIGIBILITY

Womens	two females	Senior	both born before 1 st January 1950
Mens	two males	Novice	Both have less than 150 masterpoints at 30/09/05
		Mixed	one male and one female

FORM The five events of the Australian Multi-Pairs are match-pointed pairs events played concurrently but scored separately (i.e. not across the field).

SYSTEMS

GREEN, BLUE, RED and BROWN STICKER systems are permitted subject to PROTECTION.

NATIONAL SWISS PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE

National Convention Centre Sunday 22 January

Sunday 22 Session Times 11.00am, 2.00pm & 7.30pm

FORM The National Swiss Pairs Championship is an IMP-Pairs event in a Swiss format consisting of 8 rounds of 8 boards with rounds 1 & 2 drawn randomly. Boards not commenced 5 minutes before the time scheduled for the finish of the round are cancelled and a score of the datum assigned.

TROPHY Winners G. D. Jesner Trophy

GRADED PAIRS

VENUE

Rydges Lakeside Canberra Friday 27 January

Friday 27 Session Time 8.00pm

FORM The Graded Pairs is a 1-session walk-in event with fields for different categories, dependant on entry...

TROPHIES Trophies and cash prizes, which are dependent on entry, are awarded to Grand & Life Masters, National Masters, State Masters and Restricted Pairs. Categories are determined by the player with the higher MP ranking at 30th September 2005.

AUSTRALIAN MIXED TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE

Rydges Lakeside Canberra Saturday-Sunday 28-29 January

Saturday 28 Session Times 10.00am, 2.00 & 8.00pm Sunday 29 Session Times 10.00am & 2.00pm

FORM The Australian Mixed Teams is a Swiss event consisting of 10 rounds of 12 boards. At least one male and one female must play in every round. Boards not commenced 5 minutes before the time scheduled for the finish of the round are cancelled and a score of 0 IMP assigned.

SUBSTITUTES A team may not augment after the commencement of the second round but may be permitted a substitute for a maximum of two rounds.

SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUES

Rydges Lakeside Canberra	Monday - Friday 23-27 January
National Convention Centre	Monday - Friday 23-27 January

Monday 23	Rounds 1, 2 & 3	11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm
Tuesday 24	Rounds 4, 5 & 6	11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm
Wednesday 25	Rounds 7, 8 & 9	10.00am, 1.30pm, & 5.00pm
Thursday 26	Rounds 10, 11 & 12	11.00am, 3.00pm & 8.00pm
Friday 27	Rounds 13 & 14	10.00am & 1.30pm

FORM

The SWPT is a Swiss event played in two fields (Rydges Lakeside Canberra, National Convention Centre) consisting of 14 rounds of 20 boards to qualify six teams into the NOT (Final Series).

SYSTEMS

During the first three rounds YELLOW systems are permitted only when a match involves two teams seeded in the top 24% of the field (or in other matches where both captains agree to them being played and the STD concurs). Thereafter YELLOW systems are only permitted at tables 1 to N where N is calculated as 12½% of the original entry at the venue (or at other tables where both captains agree to them being played and the STD concurs). Decimals are rounded up to the nearest integer.

TROPHIES

Grand Slam Trophy
Restricted categories
highest VP total in either field after round 14
Trophies are awarded for the best women's, mixed, senior, veteran,

country, novice and youth teams that do not qualify for the NOT.

There are no Playoffs for any category; the trophies are awarded to the team with the highest VP score in the qualifying Swiss in either field.

NATIONAL OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE

Rydges Lakeside Canberra Friday - Monday 27-30 January

Friday 27 **Captains' Meeting, Rydges Room 1320** 6.00pm Friday 27 Round robin 8.00pm

Saturday 28 Round robin 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.30pm, 6.00pm

Sunday 29 Semi-finals Session, *Stanza* Times 10.00am, 1.00pm, *3.30pm*, *6.00pm* Monday 30 Final Session, *Stanza* Times 10.00am, 1.00pm, *3.30pm*, *6.00pm*

The (semi-)final times may be altered by mutual arrangement between the two captains and the STD.

FORM AND DRAW

The NOT Final Series consists of two round robins followed by semifinals and a final Round Robins.

Six teams from the Rydges Lakeside Canberra field play a round robin of 5 matches of 16 boards, each completed in one stanza, to qualify the two leading teams into the semifinals.

Six teams from the National Convention Centre field play a round robin of 5 matches of 16 boards, each completed in one stanza, to qualify the two leading teams into the semifinals.

The **DRAW** is:

Round	Table 1	Table 2	Table 3
1	6v1	4v2	5v3
2	5v1	2v3	4v6
3	1v4	2v5	6v3
4	3v1	6v2	4v5
5	1v2	3v4	5v6

Team numbers are the finishing position in the Swiss qualifying. The AWAY team, shown second in the draw, sits first; NS at the table with the red numbers, EW at the table with the blue numbers.

<u>Semifinals</u> The semifinal is played in four stanzas each of 16 boards.

First in the round robin of one field plays second in the round robin of the other field.

Final The final is played in four stanzas each of 16 boards.

CARRYOVER

Teams carry over 100% of their VP score from the Swiss qualifying into the round robin. There is no carryover into the final.

SYSTEMS All systems are permitted.

SEATING Seating rights are available to a team registering a YELLOW that declares its line-up as follows

1. first to sit for round robin 1 captains' meeting

2. first to sit for other stanzas 20 minutes prior to the stanza

3. second to sit for round robin 1 immediately, if opponents declare line-up at captains' meeting, else (4)

4. second to sit for other stanzas later of 20 min prior to the stanza or the opponent's line-up

Seating rights in the round robin are determined by the draw as above

Seating rights in the semifinal and final are determined by toss of a coin. The team winning the toss has the right to sit first or last for the first stanza and thereafter the order of seating reverses each stanza.

TROPHIES Winners Sitmar Trophy Runners-up ABF Trophy

Restricted categories Trophies for the best result by teams representing Zone 7 and ACT.

The trophies for restricted categories are awarded to the team with the highest VP score in the round robin if the remaining eligible teams are eliminated in the semfinal of the NOT or to the team with the highest VP score in the SWPT if there is no eligible team in the NOT.