

# 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 in October 2005.

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 Womens 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 Convener.

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

Pairs intending to use a YELLOW system must lodge with the Convener by November 7, 2005:

- ◆ 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 with the Chief Tournament Director before the start of the first round of the event in which they wish to use it:

- ◆ 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

System Notifications must be returned to the Convener by 7<sup>th</sup> November 2005:

Sydney Spring Nationals  
Attn: Kim Neale  
20 Shepherd Road  
Artarmon NSW 2064

**MASTERPOINTS:** Gold Points are available for the Womens Teams, Australian Open Pairs and Open Teams Events.

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

**PRIZES:** Winners and second place in all Gold Point Events will receive ABF Medallions. Datum Medals will be awarded to eligible Pairs running 1<sup>st</sup> in the Datum competition for the Womens Teams and Open Teams.

## SYDNEY SPRING NATIONALS

### WOMENS TEAMS

Wednesday – Friday, 9-11 November 2005  
Final: Saturday 12 November 2005

### AUSTRALIAN OPEN PAIRS

Saturday -Sunday, 12-13 November 2005

### OPEN TEAMS

Monday – Wednesday, 14–16 November 2005  
Final: Thursday 17 November 2005

### HAKOAH CLUB

61 Hall Street, BONDI (Ph 02 9130 3344)

Chief Tournament Director: Matthew McManus  
Tournament Committee/Unit: Eric Ramshaw  
Appeals Chair: Ivy Dahler  
Spring Nationals Convener: Kim Neale

Web Address: <http://www.abf.com.au/events/spnot/>

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## Spring National Womens Teams

Wednesday November 9 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm  
Thursday November 10 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm  
Friday November 11 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm

SNWT Final: Saturday November 12 from 9.00am

Entry Fee: \$440 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 **Womens Teams** has no evening sessions – play will finish around 7pm each day. The qualifying consists of 9 Swiss rounds of 20 boards, followed by a final of 64 boards.

## Australian Open Pairs

Qualifying: Saturday November 12 10.00am – 6.00pm

Final & Consolations\*: Sunday November 13 10.00am – 6.00pm

Entry Fee: \$160 per Pair

Winners of the Final receive the Elizabeth Sawicki Trophy.

A 2 session Qualifying event followed by a 2 session Barometer Final (plus Consolation Finals). \*Players may elect not to play in the Consolation Finals, but no refunds will be given.

## Spring Nationals Open Teams

Monday November 14 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.15pm, 5.30pm

Tuesday November 15 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.15pm, 5.30pm

Wednesday November 16 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.15pm, 5.30pm

SNOT Final: Thursday November 17 from 9.00am

Entry Fee: \$480 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 **Open Teams** has morning/afternoon sessions on each day play will finish around 8pm each day. The qualifying consists of 12 Swiss rounds of 16 boards, followed by a final of 64 boards.

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

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

1. The Sponsoring Organisation (The Australian Bridge Federation) reserves the right to refuse admission to any entry which includes a player who does not qualify under the Conditions of Contest or who is not in good standing with any registered bridge club, bridge association or the Sponsoring Organisation.
2. No entry will be regarded as complete unless an entry form has been submitted before the closing date, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2005, with (a) full entry fees paid, and ABF numbers supplied, and (b) All players resident in Australia must be current financial members of the ABF Masterpoint Scheme.
3. Players born after 31/12/1980 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.
4. 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.
5. Mobile phones and other means of electronic communication must be switched off whilst in the playing area.

## HAKOAH CLUB

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

Lunch menus will be provided during morning sessions for collection before 12.30 pm. 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 at 61 Hall St, Bondi. Parking is available at Secure Parking under the Swiss Grand Hotel, corner of Curlewis St and Campbell Pde. The ABF has negotiated a special daily rate of \$10.00 during the event. You must purchase a discount voucher available from the ABF's officials for this special rate.