



# Spring Nationals Information Pamphlet for 2013

## NEW for 2013

### Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs



The Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs has been introduced. This, and the Two Men & a Truck Restricted Teams are for those players who have <300 Masterpoints at 30/6/2013.

**Everyone who plays in both these Restricted Events in 2013 will receive a \$20 Voucher, redeemable at Paul Lavings Bridge Books and Supplies.**

### The Spring Nationals eBulletin


This year sees the introduction of an electronic Bulletin. We invite contributions from any player who finds a hand of interest for whatever reason. Our Esteemed eBulletin Editors are David Beauchamp & Louis Koolen.

I know that some of the participants in the Spring Nationals are well published bridge writers, e.g. Ron Klingler. Some are occasional bridge writers, e.g. Rakesh Kumar, while some have never written an article, but may well be latent authors. Contributions from everyone are welcome.

The features of the eBulletin are:

1. Access will be via the Spring Nationals Website through [eBulletins](#)
2. Publication is on an article by article basis.
3. Writing up an article is easy.



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4. The Esteemed Editors will publish your finished article on the eBulletin page. All articles remain on view throughout the Spring Nationals with the most recent at the top of the list.
  5. If you are not computer literate, your article on paper can be submitted for you by someone at the reception desk.
  6. No trees will be sacrificed for the eBulletin - there will be no paper version

## Transport

### Comfort Inn Patrons

For those who are staying at the Comfort Inn & Suites, Burwood, there will be a bus to bring you to the venue each morning leaving 30 minutes before the start of play, and another to take you back to the Comfort Inn each evening at 6:40 (weekdays) and 6:30 (weekend). Book at Hotel Reception.



### Shuttle to the Airport

This year we will provide a shuttle to take you to Sydney Airport after play on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October, Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October. You will be able to purchase a ticket to use a shuttle at the Reception Desk for \$15 per person.



## Hallowe'en Pairs

On Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am you are invited to play in the Hallowe'en Pairs, sponsored by the Sydney Bridge Centre. Fancy dress is welcome. For details [click here](#). Entry facility is on the website.



## Announcements at the Spring Nationals

As of August 1st 2013 there will be a significant change to the current alerting procedures which will have an impact on all players.

When you open 1♣ or a natural 1NT, there will be no need to alert the bid. Instead opener's partner must automatically "announce", without waiting to be asked, the essential meaning of the bid.

For a natural 1NT opening, this announcement is the strength range. So partner says: "15 to 17" or "12 to 14" or whatever the range is.

For a 1♣ opening, it depends on the system. For natural systems, partner announces the minimum club length guaranteed, saying "4 plus clubs" or "3 plus clubs", etc.

For strong club systems, you announce the point range. In Precision you would say "strong at least 16 points".

For other systems, for example Polish Club, which has multiple means for the 1♣ opening, partner simply announces "unusual".

After any announcement, the opponents will still be able to ask supplementary questions, however the basic information already conveyed will avoid much of that need. A side benefit of this new approach is that many of the problems currently created due to inopportune (and sometimes pointed) enquiries will now disappear. And opponents will no longer be at risk of confusion caused by variable 1NT ranges and the like.

## Penalties for Inaccurate or Missing Scores

Players must record the score on their Bridgемate for each board after it is played and before the commencement of the next board.

It is an offence to leave the table at the conclusion of a match without first confirming the completeness and validity of the data entered into the scoring unit. Every player present at the table is equally responsible for the accuracy of the scores. Offences will incur penalties.

# 2012 Winners

## Spring National Open Teams

Ron Klinger - Matt Mullamphy -  
Bob Richman - Hugh Grosvenor

## Two Men & a Truck Restricted Teams

Carol Sheldrake - Kathie De Palo -  
Michael Bush - Philip Moroney

## Linda Stern Women's Teams

Lynn Kalmin - Lorna Ichilcik -  
Avril Zets - Judy Osie

## Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams

Peter Buchen - Henry Christie -  
Blaine Howe - Chris Hughes

## Dick Cummings Open Pairs

Andrew Peake - Michael Whibley

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