

Sydney Spring Nationals



29 OCTOBER – 6 NOVEMBER 2014

**SPRING NATIONAL OPEN TEAMS
TWO MEN & A TRUCK RESTRICTED TEAMS**

**DICK CUMMINGS OPEN PAIRS
TED CHADWICK RESTRICTED PAIRS
SPRING NATIONAL NOVICE PAIRS**

NEW



**LINDA STERN WOMEN'S TEAMS
BOBBY EVANS SENIORS' TEAMS**

**Gold Masterpoints & Playoff Qualifying Points
Venue: Level 2, Canterbury Park Racecourse
96 King St, Ashbury**



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<http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/spnot/2014/>

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Held under the auspices of:



**The Australian Bridge Federation
Incorporated**

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VENUE

SKY HIGH & GALAXIES ROOMS, LEVEL 2 (Lift access) CANTERBURY PARK RACECOURSE



PUBLIC TRANSPORT Canterbury Railway Station is about 1 km from the venue. The 413 Bus runs from Wynyard, Town Hall, Railway Square or Lewisham railway station. The 491 bus runs between Ashfield and Canterbury railway stations. Consult www.131500.com.au for details.

PARKING Free parking is available at the venue's front door.

CATERING A free self serve tea and coffee facility will be available in the playing area. Lunch may be ordered, with three menu options rotating daily. In addition a cafeteria will be open to allow purchase of pies, sausage rolls, cakes and espresso coffee. A cash bar will be open for about an hour at the conclusion of play each day.

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 24 October 2014, 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 1/1/1989 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 be aware of the starting times of the sessions and rounds as 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 (see ABF Tournament Regulations, Section 19.1).
7. Players reaching the semi-finals or finals of the Open, Women's or Seniors' Teams must lodge their mobile phones (or other electronic communication devices) with the Tournament Director (or Tournament Organiser) who will secure them, along with the owner's name for safe keeping during each session.
8. Systems permitted in the various events are determined in accordance with the ABF Tournament Regulations.

REGULATIONS

The System and Alerting Regulations for ABF Events apply to the Sydney Spring Nationals and can be found at http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/tourmregs/ABFTournRegs012_updated.pdf

Supplementary regulations for the Sydney Spring Nationals will be posted at <http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/spnot/2014/>

YELLOW systems are permitted only in the Open and Women's Teams. Pairs in any doubt about the classification of their system should submit a concise summary to the Tournament Organiser.

YELLOW System Notifications must be lodged by Friday 24 October 2014 at:

Sydney Spring Nationals
Level 1, 162 Goulburn Street
East Sydney NSW 2010

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.

OPEN EVENTS

Spring National Open Teams Linda Stern Women's Teams Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams

Qualifying: Nine 20 board round Swiss teams events
3 rounds per day 10:30 (1 round), 1:30 (2 rounds)

Open Women's/Seniors' Wed 29 – Fri 31 October
Mon 3 - Wed 5 November (times on Tue 4 will be adjusted to allow viewing of the Melbourne Cup)

Open Semi-Final: Top four teams qualify to play 56 board semi-finals on Sat 1 November, 9.30am

Open Final: A 56 board final on Sun 2 November, 9.30am

Women's/Seniors' Final: Top two teams from each event qualify to play a 56 board final on Thurs 6 November, 10am

Entry Fee: \$620 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players
(\$580 if paid in full by 16 October, 2014)

Open PQP: 1st 48; 2nd 24; 3rd 12; 4th 6
Women's/Seniors PQP: 1st 36, 2nd 18; 3rd 9

Open and Women's Teams: All systems and conventions, including those categorised as YELLOW, are permitted.

Seniors' Teams: all players must have been born before 1/1/1956. All systems and conventions, except those categorised as YELLOW, are permitted.

Play will finish around 6:30 pm each day.

Dick Cummings Open Pairs

Sat 1 – Sun 2 November 10:00 and 2:15

Entry Fee: \$200 per pair

PQP: 1st 32; 2nd 24; 3rd 16; 4th 8

A **Swiss Matchpoint Pairs** event comprising 12 rounds each of 10 boards; 6 rounds to be played each day. Matchpoints are converted to Victory Points.

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

Play will finish around 6:15 pm each day.

RESTRICTED EVENTS

Each player must have fewer than 300 Masterpoints as at 1/7/2014. Only systems classified as Green or Blue are permitted in the Restricted Events; no BROWN sticker conventions may be used.

Two Men & a Truck Restricted Teams

A **Swiss Teams** event comprising of 6 rounds each of 20 boards

Wed 29 – Thurs 30 October 10:30 (1 round), 1:30 (2 rounds)

Entry Fee: \$420 per team of 4, 5 or 6 players
(\$380 if paid in full by 16 October, 2014)

Prizes donated by Queensland Bridge Association

The winning team will be awarded free entry to the
2015 Gold Coast Teams Championship

The two leading pairs in the Datums, outside the winning team, will be
awarded free entry to the **2015 Gold Coast Pairs Championship**

Play will finish around 6:30 pm each day.

Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs

A **Swiss Matchpoint Pairs** event comprising 12 rounds each of 10 boards;
6 rounds to be played each day. Matchpoints are converted to Victory
Points.

Sat 1 – Sun 2 November 10.00 and 2.15

Entry Fee: \$200 per pair

Prizes donated by Tasmanian Bridge Association

The two top pairs will win free entry to the
2015 Tasmanian Festival of Bridge Restricted Pairs Championship

Play will finish around 6:15 pm each day.



NOVICE EVENT

Each player must have fewer than 100 Masterpoints as at 1/7/2014. Only systems classified as Green or Blue are permitted in the Restricted Events; no BROWN sticker conventions may be used. If fewer than 24 pairs enter the Spring National Novice Pairs, the event will be combined with the Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs with the best novice pair winning the title.

Spring National Novice Pairs

A **Swiss Matchpoint Pairs** event comprising 12 rounds each of 10 boards; 6 rounds to be played each day. Matchpoints are converted to Victory Points.

Sat 1 – Sun 2 November 10:00 and 2:15

Entry Fee: \$200 per pair

Prizes donated by Paul Lavings Bridge Books and Supplies

Play will finish around 6:15 pm each day.

And an event for everyone

Oaks Day Super Congress Pairs

A two session **Matchpoint Pairs** event hosted by William Jenner-O'Shea, and sponsored by the Sydney Bridge Centre



Come along in your finest raceday clothes, play bridge and support the finalists in the Women's & Seniors' Teams

Thu 6 November 10:00 and 2:15

Entry Fee: \$60 per pair

Cash Prizes courtesy of the Sydney Bridge Centre

1st: \$200, 2nd: \$100

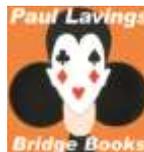
1st Restricted (<300 Masterpoints): \$100

1st Super Novice (<50 Masterpoints): \$100

Red Masterpoints at B3 level

Play will finish around 5:30 pm.

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Trophies

Open Teams:	Spring National Teams Trophy
Restricted Teams:	Two Men & a Truck Restricted Teams Trophy
Dick Cummings Open Pairs:	The Herald Trophy
Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs:	Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs Trophy
Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams:	Robert Evans Seniors' Teams Trophy
Linda Stern Women's Teams:	Linda Stern Women's Teams Trophy

Medallions

Winners and runners-up in all events (except the Oaks Day Pairs) will receive ABF Medallions.

The top pairs in the Datums in the Open, Restricted, Women's and Seniors' Teams also receive Medallions.

Entry and Payment methods

Note that an early bird discount applies if full payment for teams events is received by 16 October 2014.

All entry fees include GST.

By mail: Complete the attached entry form, including your method of payment (Direct Credit, Cheque or Credit Card) and mail entry form with payment to:

NSWBA - Sydney Spring Nationals
Level 1, 162 Goulburn Street
East Sydney NSW 2010

Please make cheques payable to the NSW Bridge Association.

Online: Go to <http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/spnot/2014/> and follow the link to Online Entries. There you can enter the player names, ABF numbers and contact email. You will be sent an email confirming receipt of your entry and giving you a reference number. Quote this number when paying by one of the options presented in the email.

DICK CUMMINGS OPEN OR TED CHADWICK RESTRICTED PAIRS OR SPRING NATIONAL NOVICE PAIRS

(Please circle one option above)

1 – 2 November

\$200 per pair

NAME

ABF NO.

	NAME	ABF NO.
Player 1		
Player 2		

OAKS DAY PAIRS

6 November

\$60 per pair

NAME

ABF NO.

	NAME	ABF NO.
Player 1		
Player 2		

LINDA STERN WOMEN'S OR BOBBY EVANS SENIORS' TEAMS

(Please circle one option above)

3 – 5 November (Qualifying); 6 November (Final) \$620 per team

(Each player in a Seniors' Team must have been born before 1/1/1956)

NAME

ABF NO.

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



TOTAL:	
LESS EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT: (\$40 per Team Entry fully paid by 16 October, 2014)	
TOTAL ENCLOSED	

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