

QUEENSLAND BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS

THE

39TH

ANA HOTEL GOLD COAST

CONGRESS

at

ANA Hotel Gold Coast

19th February - 26th February 2000

A GOLD POINT CONGRESS

With playoff points

PROGRAMME

Saturday 19th Feb. 7.30 to 8 p.m.	Complimentary Drink and Carinya Walk-in Prs
Sunday 20th Feb. 1.30 p.m. and 8 p.m.	Open Prs and 0-149 Prs Qualifying Rds.
Monday 21st Feb. 1.30 p.m. and 8 p.m.	Open Prs and 0-149 Prs. Finals Rds 1 & 2
Tuesday 22nd Feb. 1.30 p.m.	Open Prs and 0-149 Prs. Finals Rd.3
Tuesday 22nd Feb. 8.00 p.m.	Swiss Teams Championship starts.
Wednesday 23rd Feb. 9.30 a.m.	Walk-in pairs
Wednesday 23rd Feb. 1.30 p.m. & 8 p.m.	Swiss Teams continues
Thursday 24th Feb. 10.30 a.m & 3.30 p.m.	Swiss Teams continues (note times)
Friday 25th Feb. 12.30 p.m.	Swiss Teams continues
Friday 25th Feb. 8 p.m.	Championship final on Viewgraph
Saturday 26th Feb 9 to 9.30 a.m.	ANA Shield Walk-in Pairs (9.30 cutoff)
Saturday 26th Feb.	Congress Dinner/Dance with presentation of prizes at ANA Hotel, Gold Coast

Teams format: 14 board matches, two matches per session. After the Thursday 3.30 p.m. session, the four leading teams will withdraw for the semi-finals. **All other teams will play a further two matches on Friday.** The semi-finals will start on Thursday night and continue on Friday morning. Finalists will start their match on Friday afternoon. The final 20 boards will be on Viewgraph on Friday night.

0 - 149 Pairs: This event will run concurrently with the Pairs Championship. The Pairs Championship will be open to ALL players, whatever their masterpoint status. The 0 - 149 Pairs will be open only to those pairs in which neither partner has a ranking of 150 masterpoints or higher as at September 30th 1999.

SUMMARY OF SYSTEMS REGULATIONS

Pairs: GREEN and BLUE systems only, except that RED systems will be permitted in the Championship, Plate and Consolation 1 finals. **Teams:** All systems permitted except that YELLOW systems will not be permitted in the first two matches of the Swiss and thereafter will be limited to the top quarter of the field. "System regulations" refers to those regulations in force at 31st December 1999.

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MAJOR TITLEHOLDERS 1999

Pairs Championship: S.Browne - R. Brightling
Pairs Plate: R. Richman - I. Del Monte
Teams Championship: A.Reiner(npc), P.Newman, P.Yovich, M.Mullamphy, J.Spooner
ANA Shield: G. Fitzpatrick - P. Larsen
Nancy Penfold Trophy: E. Caplan - R. Szabo - Bencze

PAIRS PRIZES

	C'ship	Plate	Cons 1	0-149s	Others
1st	\$1200	\$500	\$240	\$240	\$200
(plus special ANA Prize)*					
2nd.	\$600	\$240	\$120	\$120	\$100
3rd.	\$360	\$150	\$ 70	\$ 70	\$ 50
4th.	\$250	\$ 60			
5th.	\$160				

* ANA Prize: Each player receives 5 nights accommodation for two at ANA Hotel, Gold Coast plus dinner for two in Hattie's Restaurant.

Best Women's Pair: Nancy Penfold Trophy plus \$100.

TEAMS PRIZES

C'ship: 1st \$2800 2nd \$1400 3rd / 4th (equal) \$600 5th= \$420

Teams sectional prizes: In each pool: \$240 per team (not the top section)

Teams categories: Men, Women, Mixed, Country, Veteran, Restricted, Others. \$240. Best in other pool: \$120.
No team may win more than one prize. Minimum entry 4 teams per category.

ANA Shield (Walk-in Prs) - prizes for all section winners. ANA Shield for top score.

Carinya Walk-in Prs: Restaurant dinner for two or cash prizes for all sectional winners.

Sessional winners: prizes for sessional winners at all events.

2000 ANA GOLD COAST CONGRESS ENTRY FORM

ENTRY FEES: **Pairs:** \$180 per pair **Teams:** \$420 per team
Walk-ins: Carinya: \$7 per player **ANA Shield:** complimentary to congress entrants; otherwise \$7 per player.

Dinner: Complimentary to those who have played in both pairs and teams. Otherwise: \$50 to non-congress players. \$25 to those who played in only one event (pairs or teams). **Dinner tickets are not transferrable.**
Please print clearly.

OPEN PAIRS:

Name	ABF No.	Club
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0-149 PAIRS: Please write your MP total at 30/9/99 beside your name.

Name	ABF No.	Club
Name	ABF No.	Club

Name	ABF No.	Club
Name	ABF No.	Club

Contact name, address and phone number for this entry:

Name	Phone No:
Address	
E-mail address (if any):	

Pairs entry fees paid at \$180 per pair \$

Closing date for entries: Friday Feb.11th. Enquiries: see next page.

FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRIES. WITHDRAWALS NOTIFIED PRIOR TO THE EVENT WILL HAVE ENTRY MONEY REFUNDED. SEND ENTRIES (CHEQUES PAYABLE TO GOLD COAST CONGRESS) TO: **Gold Coast Congress c/- Joan McPheat PO Box 41 Wilston Qld 4051.**

OPEN TEAMS: (Captain's name first please)

Name	ABF No.	Club
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Name	ABF No.	Club

Teams entry fees paid at \$420 per team: \$

Contact name, address and phone number for this entry:

Name:	Phone No.
Address:	
E-mail address (if any):	

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Entry fees: The QBA reserves the right to close entries before the closing date should capacity be reached. If this is necessary, **preference will be given to prepaid entries. Acceptance of entries without entry fee will be provisional only.**

Closing date for entries: Friday Feb 11th.

Enquiries (in order of preference):

Reg Busch Tel/Fax 07 32882446 Email rbusch@ozemail.com.au
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See next page for general conditions of entry.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Entries must be made using an entry form and forwarding full payment of fees. Note the conditions in the entry form regarding entries without payment.
2. The QBA reserves the right to reject entries at its absolute discretion and without assigning a reason. Any rejected entry will be returned as promptly as possible and money refunded. No correspondence or debate will be entered into.
3. A minimum of neat casual dress must be observed at all times in the playing area.
4. No smoking will be permitted in the defined playing area.
5. Entries are open only to ABF registered players and bona fide overseas contestants.
6. The ABF System and Alerting Regulations will apply. Players are responsible for ensuring the accuracy of their system classification. If in doubt, submit your system in advance to the Chief Tournament Director. Copies of these regulations will be posted at the venue, as will supplementary regulations.

Directing Workshop

**Presented by the Gold Coast Congress and the Australian Bridge
Directors' Association (ABDA).**

Wednesday 10 a.m. 4th floor. Contact: Reg Busch or Roger Penny.

Youth Challenge

Peter Gill plans to organise a Youth Challenge match during this congress. Players interested in taking part should contact Peter Gill at: Tel (02) 9560 2704. Postal address: 2/94 Windsor Rd Dulwich Hill NSW 2203. (Email gillp@bigpond.com).

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