



Circular No. 1 **(1 November 2012)**

The Hong Kong Contract Bridge Association cordially invites all APBF member NBOs from Zones 4, 6 and 7 to participate in the 49th Asia Pacific Bridge Federation Championships.

Date

7 - 16 June 2013.

Venue

Regal Hongkong Hotel, 88 Yee Wo Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

Championship Events

1. Rebullida Cup Open Team.
2. President's Cup Ladies Team.
3. PABF Senior Cup Senior Team.
4. APBF Open Pairs.

Each NBO can send 1 team each to (1) and (2) above, and up to 3 teams to (3). The 2nd and 3rd team of the Seniors can be transnational. The APBF Open Pairs is open to all.

Side Events

In addition to the main events, there will be a number of side events, including the Worldwide Bridge Contest in the evening of 7 June and the San Miguel "Happy Hour" Continuous Pairs in the evening of 14 June.

Registration

A registration form is enclosed for your reference. Please return the form, indicating the number of teams for each category, to the organising committee on or before 31 March 2013 by email to flora@hkcba.org or by fax to +852 2314 8101. We may not be able to entertain late entries.



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Hotel Rates

The APBF room rates at Regal Hongkong Hotel are:

Superior room	HK\$1,100	(breakfast not included)
Deluxe room	HK\$1,400	(includes 2 daily buffet breakfasts)
Executive Club room	HK\$1,800	(includes 2 daily buffet breakfasts, club privileges)

(+10% service charge, single or double occupancy)

Free scheduled shuttle service between the hotel and Hong Kong International Airport provided.
A hotel reservation form is attached for your reference.

Entry Fees

1. Rebullida Cup Open Team US\$1,000 (or HK\$7,800) per team
2. President's Cup Ladies Team US\$1,000 (or HK\$7,800) per team
3. PABF Senior Cup Senior Team US\$600 (or HK\$4,680) per team
4. APBF Open Pairs HK\$800 per pair (free for participants and NPC)

Please remit all team entry fees, on or before 10 April 2013, to:

Name of Beneficiary Bank: The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited
Address of Beneficiary Bank: No. 1, Queen's Road, Central, Hong Kong
Name of Beneficiary: Hong Kong Contract Bridge Association Limited
Beneficiary Account No: 817-168602-838
Beneficiary Address: G P O Box 1445
Swift Code No: HSBCHKHCHK
Country: Hong Kong

With remarks of team name. Please also email your bank TT receipt copy to Christopher Leung - christleung@netvigator.com. Stating which team entry fees you have paid.

Entry fee for the APBF Open Pairs (if necessary) will be collected at registration on site.
Entry fees for side events, generally HK\$200 per pair per session, will be collected at registration.



ID and Password

Once your registration is received, we will send to your NBO's contact person the ID and Password for the on-line submission of official and player names and photos, and system and supplementary notes.

Championship Website

The championship website containing detailed information will be ready for on-line submission in November 2012. The website address is:

www.hkcba.org/apbf/2013/index.php

Deadlines to be Observed

31 March 2013	Registration
10 April 2013	Remittance of Entry Fees
15 April 2013	Submission of names and photos of all officials and players (To be completed on-line)
7 May 2013	Submission of all systems and supplementary notes (To be completed on-line)

Please note that there will be a mandatory fine for late system submission. If there are any extraneous circumstances that the deadlines cannot be met, please apply for exemption from the APBF Executive Committee through the APBF Secretariat at APBFsecretariat@jcbl.or.jp.

APBF Delegates Meeting and Dinner

The 1st APBF Delegates Meeting will be held at 17:00 on 6 June 2013 at Victoria Room 1, 3/F, Regal Hongkong Hotel.

The APBF Delegates Dinner will be held around 19:30 on 6 June 2013, right after the 1st APBF Delegates Meeting, at Victoria Room 3, 3/F, Regal Hongkong Hotel.

The 2nd APBF Delegates Meeting will be held at 10:30 on 7 June 2013 at Monaco Rooms 2 & 3, B1, Regal Hongkong Hotel.