

## HOTEL, TRANSPORT AND CAR PARKING INFORMATION

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 just \$8.00 during the event. You must present a discount voucher available from the ABF's officials for this special rate. (Parking in the Bondi Beach area is hard to find, most of it is metered and restricted to two hours).

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, but is permitted in the ground floor bar area.

The club has a restaurant on the ground floor, open for both lunch and dinner.

Hotel "specials" and restaurant offers can be found on ABF Web site at [www.abf.com.au](http://www.abf.com.au)

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## ***SYDNEY SPRING NATIONALS***

To Be Held At

### **Hakoah Club**

61 Hall Street, BONDI (Ph 02 9130 3344)

#### **Womens Tournament**

**Thursday – Saturday, 11-13 November 2004**

**Final Sunday 14 November 2004**

**Total Point Pairs Sunday 14 November 2004**

#### **Open Tournament**

**Monday – Wednesday, 15–17 November 2004**

**Final - Thursday 18 November 2004**

Chief Tournament Director:  
Tournament Committee/Unit:  
Computers and Scoring:  
Appeals Chair:  
Spring Nationals Conveners:

Matthew McManus  
Eric Ramshaw  
Edward Barnes  
Ivy Dahler  
Frank Budai  
John Mottram

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## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The Sponsoring Organisations reserve the right to refuse admission to any entry which includes a player who does not qualify under the Conditions of Contest or who is in bad standing with any registered club or association.

No entry to any event at the Spring Nationals Festival will be regarded as complete unless an entry form has been submitted before the closing date, Wednesday November 10<sup>th</sup> 2004, with

- ♦ all members of the team financial playing members of the ABF and
- ♦ all ABF numbers supplied and
- ♦ full entry fees paid for all members of the team

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.

## MASTERPOINTS

Gold Points for position are awarded to teams finishing in the top third of the field. In addition, sessional awards for each match won are:

Open Teams	Level A	1.28 Gold Points per player
Womens Teams	Level A x 0.75	1.20 Gold Points per player
Total Points Pairs	Level B3	0.24 Red Points per player

## PLAYOFF QUALIFYING POINTS

SNWT Winner	36;	Runner-up	18;	Third	9;
SNOT Winner	36;	Runner-up	18;	Third	9;

To receive Playoff Qualifying Points:

- at least 2 members of the team must be eligible to represent Australia
- eligible members must comply with the board rule in the qualifying (SNWT, 4 rounds; SNOT, 6 rounds) and finals (2 stanzas each match)

Some Playoff information is published in the ABF Newsletter but detailed information about PQP and the mode of entry to the Playoff for Australian team selection is published only on the ABF website at [www.abf.com.au](http://www.abf.com.au). Playoff information is mailed only on receipt of a written request.

## Spring National Total Point Pairs

This comprises 7 rounds of 8 boards with a lunch break between rounds 3 and 4. Round 1 will be a random draw. Then the 32 highest scoring pairs of round 1 will proceed to round 2. The remaining pairs will play in the repechage field. Rounds 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6 will be knockout. Winners will proceed and losers enter the repechage field. In round 7 the undefeated pair in the knockout field will play the leading pair in the repechage field. The winning pair will receive a trophy.

### SPRING NATIONAL TOTAL POINT PAIRS

14 November 2004 7 rounds of 8 boards

Player 1		ABF No.
Player 2		ABF No.

Entry fee: \$40.00 per pair including GST. Fee must accompany entry.

### ENTRY FEES

All fees inclusive of GST.

Cheques payable to **Australian Bridge Federation**

Open Teams	\$480 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 players
Womens Teams	\$440 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 players
Total Point Pairs	\$40 per Pair
Charity Swiss Pairs	\$50 per Pair

### ENTRIES AND SYSTEM NOTIFICATION

Entry Forms for the Teams events are on pages 5, 6 and 7. These, and system notification, must be returned to the Convener:

**Frank Budai PO Box 108 Cammeray 2062**  
**by Wednesday November 10<sup>th</sup>**

If you prefer you can make an electronic transfer direct to our bankers: BSB: 032085, Account: 132251, and then send an email or fax

Email to [budai@unwired.com.au](mailto:budai@unwired.com.au),

**Fax to (before 10pm please) (02) 9958 4281**

## FORMAT OF EVENTS

- The **Womens** event has no evening sessions. The qualifying is 9 Swiss rounds of 20 boards, followed by a final of 64 boards.
- The **Open** event has afternoon/evening sessions on the first day followed by morning/afternoon sessions on the second and third days. The qualifying Swiss of 12 rounds of 16 boards is followed by a final of 64 boards.
- The **Total Point Pairs** event comprises 7 rounds of 8 boards with a lunch break between rounds 3 and 4.
- Provisional **playing times** are set out in the schedules below.

## Mission Australia Charity IMP Pairs

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am Start.**

48 Boards in 3 stanzas of 16.

Boards for this event will be the same as the boards played by the Spring National Finalists. Each Pair will choose one of the finalist teams as "team mates". The score of the team mates opponents will be used to calculate the IMP's won or lost on each board.

Enter as a Pair

Entry Fee \$50 per pair

The winning Pair (highest net IMPs) will be presented with a receipt for a donation to the Sydney City Mission for \$500 in their name and the top three place getters will receive book vouchers from Post Free Bridge Books.

### SPRING NATIONAL CHARITY PAIRS ENTRY FORM

18 November 2004 48 Boards in 3 Stanzas

Player 1		ABF No.
Player 2		ABF No.
Entries closing date – 18 November 2004		

## ALERTING REGULATIONS, SYSTEMS AND CONVENTIONS

Opponents must be alerted in accordance with the ABF Alerting Regulation, as amended to August 2004.

Pairs must classify their system(s) as GREEN, BLUE, RED, BROWN STICKER or YELLOW using the revised ABF System Regulations, 1 January 2004, as published on the ABF website at [www.abf.com.au](http://www.abf.com.au).

Pairs in any doubt about the classification of their system should submit a concise summary to the Convener.

All pairs must supply their opponents with 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.

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

YELLOW systems are not permitted in the Total Point Pairs.

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

Pairs intending to use a YELLOW system must lodge with the Convener by November 12, 2004

- ◆ 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

**Times given in this brochure are advisory only: 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.**

## Spring National Womens Teams, Qualifying

Thursday November 11 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm  
 Friday November 12 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm  
 Saturday November 13 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm  
 SNWT Final Sunday November 14 from 9.00am

A live Vu Graph of the final will be featured at  
[www.bridgebase.com/online](http://www.bridgebase.com/online)

## Spring National Total Point Pairs

7 rounds Sunday November 14 10.00am - 6.00pm

## Spring Nationals Open Teams, Qualifying

Monday November 15 1.15pm, 3.30pm, 7.15pm, 9.30pm  
 Tuesday November 16 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.15pm, 5.30pm  
 Wednesday November 17 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.15pm, 5.30pm  
 SNOT Final Thursday November 18 from 9.00am

A live Vu Graph of the final will be featured at  
[www.bridgebase.com/online](http://www.bridgebase.com/online)

## Charity Swiss Pairs

Thursday November 18 10.00am

## SPRING NATIONAL WOMENS TEAMS – ENTRY FORM

11 – 13 November 2004 9 Qualifying Rounds + 4 final stanzas

	Captain's Address	Phone No.
Captain		ABF No.
Player 2		ABF No.
Player 3		ABF No.
Player 4		ABF No.
Player 5		ABF No.
Player 6		ABF No.

Entry Fee: \$440.00 per team including GST. Fee must accompany entry

## SPRING NATIONAL OPEN TEAMS – ENTRY FORM

15 – 17 November 2004 12 Qualifying Rounds + 4 final stanzas

	Captain's Address	Phone No.
Captain		ABF No.
Player 2		ABF No.
Player 3		ABF No.
Player 4		ABF No.
Player 5		ABF No.
Player 6		ABF No.

Entry Fee: \$480.00 per team including GST. Fee must accompany entry