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STATE OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP 2004

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1. The FABC, on behalf of the Tournament Committee of the New South Wales Bridge Association, invites all affiliated Metropolitan clubs to conduct a qualifying section for the State Open Teams Championship in order to qualify one or more teams to play in the Metropolitan Final.
2. This Championship is a section of the State Open Teams Championship. The Metropolitan Final will be held on Sunday 19 September 2004. The winner and runner-up will both be eligible to play in the Quarter Finals of the State Teams played at the NSWBA on the weekend starting Friday 26 November 2004.
3. Clubs not wishing to run a qualifying competition may nominate one team per 50 home club members or part thereof with a limit of three teams. Each nominated player must be a financial member of the nominating club.
4. The Metropolitan Final will be held at the Lindfield Bridge Club (same as last year) on Sunday 19 September 2004, starting at 9.30am. Table money will be \$120 per team (see "Masterpoints and Results regarding payment). Please advise finalists that lunch will be provided.
5. Player entry fees will be \$1 per player per session in the qualifying rounds. If a club nominates a team or teams in accordance with section 3, there will be a nomination fee of \$75 per team.
6. The Tournament Regulations are attached. Please read them carefully. It is your responsibility to adhere to these regulations. A copy of the regulations should be given to each team that qualifies to the Metropolitan Final. If any problem arises over the interpretation of the regulations, please consult the convenor.
7. Timetable. Clubs should carefully note the following dates:

Completion of qualifying rounds at club level:
Club results to be received by the convenor by
Metropolitan Final (Lindfield Bridge Club)

Monday, 6 September 2004
Monday, 13 September 2004
Sunday, 19 September 2004, 9.30am

State Open Teams Finals to be held at the NSWBA:

Quarter Finals (32 Boards)
Semi Finals (48 boards)
Finals (48 boards)

Friday, 26 November 2004, 7:30 pm
Saturday, 27 November 2004, 10.00 am
Sunday, 28 November 2004, 10:00 am

8. All correspondence regarding this Championship must be addressed to the convenor:

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