Federation of Affiliated Bridge Clubs

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Dear Organiser,

Enclosed are the results of the 2007 State Wide Pairs.

You will find a printout showing the results by session and in total of all the participating pairs from your club.

Note that, when the event is matchpointed across the state, percentages and order of rank can vary quite considerably from those obtained when matchpointing involves only those players within the club. The State Wide Pairs is genuinely scored as a single event with 411 pairs from 32 clubs competing this year.

Any pair who failed to play a session was assigned 48% for the missed session.

You will also find a copy of the first 50 place-getters across the state.

Should participants be interested in final statewide results which are not among the first 50 this information is available on the NSWBA Website: <u>http://www.nswba.com.au/fabc/</u>

This year's winners were **Ronald Dobson & Phil Hardy** from the Penrith Bridge Club with an average score of 65.4 %. Congratulations for a great effort.

Second place went to **Peter Lameks & David Priol** with 65.00 % from Springwood Bridge Club and third to **Fran Weily & Anthony Wells** from Canobolas Bridge Club with 63.3 %.

Cash prizes have been awarded down to fifth place. Barbara Goulding & Joan Starkey finished fourth and Helen Britton & Enid Dawes fifth.

2007 Statewide Pairs Session Winners:

Session 1 1 st Kathleen Hewlett & Mary Smith 2 nd Norma Byrne & Anne Hele	78.9 % 73.7 %	Nyngan Bridge Club Cessnock Bridge Club
Session 2 1 st Peter Lameks & David Priol 2 nd Stephen Bell & Judith Johnstone	73 % 71.8%	Springwood Bridge Club Cowra Bridge Club
Session 3 1 st Lloyd Cleaver & Rosemary Hummelshoj 2 nd John Kable & John Paynter	71.7 % 69.4%	Bathurst Bridge Club Ballina Bridge Club

Winning pairs for each session receive a \$60 prize voucher from the Bridge Shop, while the runners-up receive \$40 prize vouchers.

Certificates have been enclosed for the top placed partnerships in each club.

Do not forget to remind your members that they may well see themselves listed on the Roll of Honour at <u>http://www.nswba.com.au/fabc/</u>

18 pairs managed to make 12 tricks in 4S on Board 3 of the 3rd session becoming eligible for the brilliancy prize of one year's subscription to Australian Bridge to be awarded to their club. I was obliged to resort to a hat draw from these 18 for our winning pair who are **P. Carruther** and **J. Southwood** from Wagga Wagga Bridge Club. Thank you to Paul Marston for the contribution of this prize and well done to the winning pair. All the pairs can be found listed at <u>http://www.nswba.com.au/fabc/</u>

Winners in the restricted masterpoint categories were:

Below 15 Masterpoints: Andre & Barbara Czajkowski from Cowra Bridge Club (47th) Below 50 Masterpoints: Hazel & Matt Manning of Manly Warringah Bridge Club (18th) Below 100 Masterpoints: Chris & Elizabeth Maxted of Bega Valley Bridge Club (24th)

These pairs will be receiving a gift voucher from the Bridge Shop to the value of \$30.

If any of your members have won prizes, they are enclosed with these results.

Masterpoints were awarded for each session and for overall finishing position.

You will notice that, in an effort to discourage the increasing number of pairs who are happy to play, but not to pay for the privileges that accrue to entry, we have not included scores for casuals in these results. Casuals were necessarily scored in order to make the results valid but this year, and from now on, those pairs will have to enter to see how well they did.

Do please participate again next year when the event will be held again in the first three weeks of August.

If you have any improvements or suggestions you'd like to see, please pass them on.

Thanks for being involved and see you again next year.

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