

# NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

## STATE MIXED PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP 2007

Valerie Cummings - convener

Dear Club Secretary

The NSBWA invites all affiliated clubs to conduct qualifying events of the State Mixed Pairs. The Championship Final will be held at the NSWBA on the weekend of 26th and 27th May 2007.

Please note the following:

There is now a graduated scale of entry fees to the final – the more pairs you send to the final, the less your club is charged for each pair!

The maximum number of pairs you can nominate directly to the final if you do not hold a qualifying event is increased to five.

Should a qualifying pair miss the final on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May they will be granted free entry to a Swiss Pairs event on that day.

Prize money has been allocated for the final and Swiss Pairs events.

We welcome your club's participation in this event and look forward to receiving as many entries as possible to the State Mixed Pairs finals weekend.

The details are contained below and the Supplementary Tournament Regulations are attached *Please read carefully!*

1. Clubs not wishing to run a qualifying competition may nominate one pair per 50 home club members or part thereof with a limit of 5 pairs.
2. Clubs may send an unlimited number of pairs to the Final.

Costs for pairs attending the Championship final are due as follows:

| Number of pairs sent to the final | Cost per pair | Total charge to the club |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1                                 | \$100         | \$100                    |
| 2                                 | \$90          | \$180                    |
| 3                                 | \$80          | \$240                    |
| 4                                 | \$70          | \$280                    |
| 5                                 | \$60          | \$300                    |
| 6                                 | \$50          | \$300                    |
| 7 and more                        | \$50          | \$350+                   |

3. Clubs located over 200 km. from Sydney *may apply* to the NSWBA for financial assistance for pairs representing their clubs in the Championship Final. Only one subsidy per club will be allowed.
4. Timetable. Clubs should carefully note the following dates and times:

Club qualifying competitions must be completed and results and pair nominations must be sent to the convener by no later than **Friday 27th April 2007**.

Session times for the Championship Final are:

Saturday 26th May 2007            12:00 noon and    4.00 pm (supper provided 3.30pm)  
Sunday 27th May 2007            10.00 am and    2.00 pm (supper provided at end of play)

Those players who do not proceed to the final round on Sunday will be granted free entry to the Swiss Pairs event on the Sunday.

Championship prize money is 1<sup>st</sup> \$300, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$160 & 3<sup>rd</sup> \$80.

The Swiss Pairs event prize money is 1<sup>st</sup> \$200, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100 & 3<sup>rd</sup> \$50.

5. Participating clubs must send the following to the Convener:
  - A *cheque*, made payable to the NSWBA, for the red masterpoints calculated at \$1.10 per masterpoint (GST incl.), plus the Championship Final entry fees calculated according to the table above.
  - The names and ABF numbers of the nominated or qualified pairs.
  - A complete copy of the results of each qualifying session.
  - The *completed Congress Award form or an electronic file with this information*.
6. Clubs should note that **red masterpoints** for the qualifying sessions will be awarded after the Championship Final and **only to those clubs having a representative pair playing in the Championship Final**.

All correspondence and cheques should be sent to the Convener, marked

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