

CONGRESSES AND OTHER EVENTS **APR 2020**

Name of Event	Code	Club	Points	Mth/Yr
ACT Senior Team Selections	1SS	1-801	Red	Apr/20
ACT Open Teams Selections	1TS	1-801	Red	Apr/20
Bushfire Appeal (1 event)	91B	9-937	Red	Feb/20
Bridge Today Autumn Cruise Holiday	BTC	2-228	Red	Mar/20

TOTAL: 4 Club Membership Total=32,572 (corresponding total last year: 34,144)
 By State: ACT=858; NSW=12814; VIC=4741; QLD=7131; SA=2074; WA=3959; TAS=867; NT=128



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COVID-19 IMPACT

This virus has had a devastating impact on all our lives, as well as our ability to play the game we all love. Follow your governments recommendations and stay home and stay safe. Hoping you are all still healthy and safe and will remain so.

But just because we are home does not mean we cannot still play bridge. The ABF have been in discussions with Bridge Base Online (BBO) and are just finalizing an arrangement where you can play online for a small fee and earn club green masterpoints for the games you do well in. Just like your normal club games. The majority (a small portion will be kept by BBO) of the fees charged will be passed onto the host club for the event, and thus a source of some revenue for your club. Contact your local club to see if they are planning on hosting these online games.

Obviously with clubs unable to hold their normal club games and congresses and national events not being held, the ABF revenue stream has rapidly shrunk to a trickle. So even more important for clubs to ensure they pay their Q1/20 invoices which would include the annual capitation fees. These fees are simply a 'pass through' cost, which the clubs collect on behalf of the ABF, usually in late December or early January, as the vast majority of clubs use a calendar year for their membership year. So they would have the funds already when we send out the invoices at the end of March. Thank you to all those clubs that have already paid, and hope to see the outstanding invoices paid as soon as possible.

To reduce the expenses incurred by the Centre we will be implementing the following initiatives in an attempt to minimize our costs at this terrible time:

- We will only mail out registration cards to clubs at the end of the June update. So once a quarter.
- Similarly for promotion certificates. Once a quarter.

- The ABF will be reducing my hours. The exact amount is still to be determined, so I will notify you next Newsletter, and will place a News item on the website, once that decision is made.

Not for cost saving reasons, but another impact of Covid is the cancelling of the McCutcheon awards for 2020. Without all the normal events being held, the ABF Management Committee have decided to cancel this event for 2020. The McCutcheon links on our website will soon be disabled.

CLUB MEMBERS

Listed inside the Newsletter this month is a table of all clubs and their home club membership as at 30th April this year compared, with last year. Clubs that do not have any home club members in either year will not appear in the list.

Of the clubs listed, 31.0% are up, and 59.3% are down, and 9.7% had no change on their year on year figures. Not surprisingly, nationally the majority of states and territories had an overall decrease in numbers (ACT, NSW, VIC, QLD, SA & WA), whilst one state (TAS) had an increase and the other one (NT) remained unchanged. Overall nationally, we showed a decrease in membership from last year with our total membership down by 1,572 members, or -4.60% from the same time last year.

TAS had the only increase this year, up 3.96% or 33 members, whilst NT remained unchanged with 128 members.

The other 6 states and territories all had various decreases in members. For ACT (-6.13% or down 56 members), NSW (-4.23% or down 566 members), VIC (-11.91% or down 641 members), QLD (-1.49% or down 108 members), SA (-5.86% or down 129 members), and WA (-2.58% or down 105 members).

Good to see an increase in the membership for the ABF Youth club this year. Up by 42 members, or +21.11%, to 241 members.

The CLUBS and their MEMBERS as at APRIL 30th, 2020

ClubName		19	20	ClubName	19	20	ClubName	19	20	ClubName	19	20	ClubName	19	20						
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY																					
1851 Canberra	636	593	2094 Harbord	5	18	2250 Strathfield	60	64	3412 Melton	8	11	4625 Gympie	73	69	6767 Gosnells	17	16				
1855 Capital	67	58	2095 Helane	3	2	2251 Sthn Highlands	101	104	3415 Mornington	67	51	4628 Ingham	32	27	6769 Denmark	38	45				
1858 Cootamundra	65	67	2097 Hunter	21	26	2252 Tenterfield	25	24	3425 Northern	84	122	4632 Kenmore	348	338	6771 Kenndrup	21	22				
1863 Monaro	72	57	2098 Hunters Hill	245	242	2253 Royal Sydney	169	168	3430 Ocean Grove	111	114	4637 Lockyer	27	25	6772 Kalamunda	127	128				
1893 South Canberra	74	83	2099 Hurstville	9	9	2254 Tomaree	154	164	3433 Wangaratta	23	29	4640 Mackay	96	100	6773 Glen Forrest	-	9				
Total:	914	858	2100 Ingleburn	36	35	2255 Tamworth	62	65	3434 Patterson	19	27	4645 Maryborough	59	65	6774 Kalgoorlie	24	23				
NEW SOUTH WALES																					
2004 Berry	20	23	2105 Illawarra	260	263	2256 Taree	59	51	3435 Paynesville	27	19	4650 Moreton	94	88	6775 Kojonup	22	17				
2005 Albury	122	120	2106 Killara	23	19	2257 Toronto	98	96	3437 Peninsula-Vic	73	69	4652 Mudgeeraba	35	36	6776 Maccabi-WA	53	54				
2006 Sydney	744	680	2109 Killara Golf	30	30	2258 Tilligerry	47	44	3440 Phillip Island	49	48	4657 Noosa	333	315	6777 Maylands	73	63				
2009 Bega Valley	52	50	2113 K&Q Sydney	217	213	2259 Trumps	677	618	3442 RACV	143	141	4666 Proserpine	16	16	6778 Mandurah	237	209				
2010 Armidale	167	163	2114 Lennox Head	10	11	2260 Tweed	192	178	3445 Ravens	61	1	4670 Roma	30	32	6783 Joondalup	215	192				
2011 Holiday	5	6	2116 Leeton	52	48	2261 Tumberumba	21	17	3448 RSY Lawn	104	137	4675 Rockhampton	86	105	6784 Rockingham	84	82				
2013 Bowral	95	92	2120 North Shore	119	1099	2262 Tumut	17	17	3451 Rye Beach	106	66	4677 Sanctuary	66	63	6785 Nedlands	162	164				
2015 Bathurst	96	98	2123 Lismore	30	28	2263 Twin Towns	46	27	3455 Sale	66	64	4678 Malanda	31	30	6788 South Perth	366	361				
2016 Ballina	248	237	2125 Long Reef	28	27	2264 ARV Hopetoun	97	102	3460 Shepparton	26	30	4679 Stanthorpe	23	19	6789 Swan	47	43				
2017 Bungendore	27	21	2126 Macarthur	70	64	2266 Turramurra	381	364	3463 OZ Bridge	112	51	4680 Sunshine Coast	336	332	6791 Village	12	9				
2018 Ballina Seniors	20	-	2130 Dubbo	95	103	2267 Wagga Wagga	120	106	3465 S.Gippsland	74	66	4682 Surfers	475	434	6792 Undercroft	363	335				
2019 Batemans	136	128	2133 Maitland	131	130	2268 Wellington	31	27	3470 Sunbury	16	14	4683 Tablelands	27	25	6793 N.Districts	63	61				
2020 Blue Mountains	108	100	2136 Balgowlah	43	42	2269 Urunga	18	18	3471 Nagambie	34	34	4685 Tamborine	85	86	6794 West Coast	247	240				
2021 Brunswick	36	35	2138 Manly Golf	66	65	2270 W.Suburbs-NSW	4	3	3474 Tivoli	3	4	4688 Toowoomba	328	312	6795 West Australian	921	904				
2022 Brisbane Water	171	156	2140 Manly Leagues	24	14	2272 West Wyalong	12	17	3475 Theodor Herzl	30	27	4690 Townsville	153	145	6797 Willetton	36	46				
2023 Byron Bay	45	36	2142 Wests	20	22	2275 Warialda	11	10	3476 Torquay	19	20	4696 Warwick	48	44	Total:	4064	3959				
2024 Camden Haven	65	63	2144 Milton	22	18	2277 Windsor	38	32	3477 Traralgon	66	57	4699 Yeppoon	46	46	TASMANIA						
2025 Central Coast	228	216	2145 Narrabeen	163	164	2279 Watermark	3	5	3478 Warnambool	69	65	Total:	7239	7131	7801 TBA	355	389				
2026 Charlestown	22	23	2146 Mollismook	92	87	2280 Wollstonecraft	80	74	3480 Waverley	770	658				7804 Burnie	32	43				
2028 Coffs Harbour	147	140	2149 Moree	25	24	2283 Brickpit	31	23	3481 Upwey	29	24	SOUTH AUSTRALIA			7809 Devonport	81	86				
2029 Cessnock	41	41	2151 Mosman Park	8	8	2285 Thornleigh	12	12	3482 Whittlesea	45	45	5701 SABA	1096	960	7814 Eastern Shore	36	38				
2030 Coonabarabran	30	26	2152 Orange	147	157	2292 Woolgoolga	44	43	3483 Williamstown	75	77	5704 Adelaide	273	254	7818 Kingborough	48	40				
2031 Concord	5	7	2153 Mudgee	103	103	Total:	38	38	3486 Wodonga	10	8	5705 Blue Lake	31	31	7824 Launceston	128	126				
2032 Castle Hill	64	62	2155 Muswellbrook	18	19	13380	12814	12814	3489 Werribee	1	-	5707 Broken Hill	29	22	7844 Tamar	135	132				
2034 Carnarvon	23	-	2158 Murwillumbah	46	41	VICTORIA															
2035 Community Bateau	62	51	2160 Newcastle	290	283	3301 VBA	249	254	3496 Yarra Valley	76	77	5708 In Barossa	61	63	7865 Hobart City	14	13				
2036 C.Coast Leagues	113	104	2168 Narromine	25	19	3308 Bairnsdale	84	66	3497 Yarrowonga	37	31	5709 Alexandrina	30	30	834	867					
2037 Condobolin	23	16	2170 Nambucca	84	71	3309 Ballarat	113	112	QUEENSLAND	252	262	5710 In City	93	86	8910 Alice Springs	31	26				
2038 Cowra	79	74	2178 Bridgefolk	33	29	3311 Bayside	247	246	4503 Arana	90	92	5711 Gawler	73	71	8915 Arafura	23	23				
2040 Cromer	33	23	2190 North Sydney	61	59	3312 Beaumaris	18	22	4505 Hervey Bay	27	36	5713 Mt Gambier	19	19	8930 Darwin	52	56				
2041 Cheltenham	33	34	2195 Oxley	41	37	3313 Benalla	77	78	4506 Beenleigh	27	36	5715 Glenelg	151	166	8940 Palmerston	22	23				
2044 Bayview	33	41	2197 Nyngan	18	17	3315 Bendigo	138	138	4508 Broadwater	67	65	5718 Around Adelaide	34	29	Total:	128	128				
2046 Belmont	24	28	2200 Parramatta	107	106	3317 Berwick	105	92	4510 Redland	253	255	5720 Beaumont	174	167	ABF Total:						
2058 Elanora	27	24	2202 Palm Beach	12	8	3318 Fanatics	7	9	4515 Caboolture	70	76	5725 Port Pirie	8	7	34144	32572					
2060 Inverell	42	37	2205 Parkes	52	47	3320 Gardenvale	178	63	4518 Joanbutts	60	41	5730 Reynella	26	21	ABF Youth						
2061 Double Bay	20	20	2210 Peninsula-NSW	562	482	3322 Blake	5	8	4522 Cleveland	38	42	5733 Riverland	36	37	9995	ABF Youth	199	241			
2063 Dora Creek	22	23	2213 Pennant Hills	65	71	3323 Caulfield	6	8	4528 Brisbane	254	247	5738 Christies	39	41	NOTE						
2065 Easts	176	172	2216 Penrith	15	15	3326 Denny	130	130	4530 Darling Downs	67	61	5740 South Coast	-	1	Of the 339 clubs listed						
2066 Forbes	33	33	2220 Port Hacking	38	32	3328 Deniliquin	29	27	4535 E.Suburbs	40	41	5742 Stepbridge	16	58	● 105 +						
2067 Finesse	74	68	2222 Quick Tricks	40	37	3330 Donald	26	18	4540 Helensvale	43	41	5747 Whyalla	14	11	● 33 no change						
2069 Forestville	77	80	2224 Quirindi	19	16	3335 Dromana	22	22	4545 N.Suburbs	531	524	Total:	2203	2074	● 201 -						
2070 Glen	44	41	2225 Port Macquarie	51	45	3338 Eastern	26	3	4555 Queensland	364	348	WESTERN AUSTRALIA									
2074 NSBC@	384	395	2226 Port Macquarie RSL	22	23	3340 Echuca	24	24	4560 Redcliffe	180	176	6753 Armadale	23	20							
2075 Glenbrook	87	88	2227 Pt Macq. Hastings	186	193	3345 Gardenvale-School	118	16	4566 Sunnybank	221	222	6754 Albany	88	82							
2077 Carlingford	133	124	2228 Bridge Away	8	9	3348 Moonee	298	297	4572 Toowong	667	650	6755 Busselton	124	125							
2078 Grafton	39	52	2230 Randwick	84	84	3356 Frankston	80	75	4578 Airlie	12	15	6756 Canning	15	14							
2079 Grange	52	43	2232 Reef	18	17	3360 Geelong	245	238	4579 Wynnum	47	53	6757 Bunbury	128	133							
2080 Goulburn	57	56	2234 Sapphire Coast	80	80	3361 Knox	30	28	4581 Boonah	15	13	6758 Melville	250	249							
2081 Great Lakes	171	163	2235 Nowra	80	80	3365 U3A Knox	60	71	4584 Bowen	35	34	6759 Community	16	13							
2085 Griffith	61	61	2236 Scone	11	7	3368 Grand Prix	2	2	4587 Bundaberg	101	92	6760 Dianella	13	10							
2086 Kiama	201	207	2237 St Geo.Budapest	74	84	3372 Alphington	9	10	4590 Cairns	216	228	6762 Esperance	31	33							
2087 Gunnedah	49	50	2238 The St George	53	53	3375 Kattery	12	13	4592 Caloundra	218	232	6763 Avon Valley	17	17							
2091 Harbourview	203	194	2240 Springwood	48	37	3376 KLTTC	241	249	4598 Dalby	38	37	6764 Fremantle	86	83							
2092 Hawks Nest	96	100	2241 Moruya	51	49	3379 Lakes Entrance	16	18	4610 Fassifern	24	22	6765 Bayswater	54	67							
2093 Hawkesbury	23	22	2242 Social-Ryde	62	57	3405 Macedon	60	50	4622 Gold Coast	301	315	6766 Geraldton	67	66							
			2243 Lake Macquarie	9	9	3406 MCC	82	78	4622 Goondiwindi	64	56										
			2244 Bridge @ The Bay	36	33	3408 Melbourne	212	89													
			2245 Riverview	46	36																