

**CONGRESSES AND OTHER EVENTS** **JUNE 2012**

Name of Event	Code	Club	Points	Mth/Yr
NSW Board-A-Match	2BM	2-001	Red	Jun/12
NSW Singles	2SG	2-001	Red	Jun/12
NSW Teams Of Three	2TG	2-001	Red	Jun/12
NSW Mixed Pairs	2XP	2-001	Red	May/12
Vic Board-A-Match	3BM	3-301	Red	Jun/12
Victorian Master Pairs	3MP	3-301	Red	Jun/12
SA Swiss Pairs	5SW	5-700	Red	Jun/12
BAWA Open Pairs	6OP	6-751	Red	May/12
Open Teams Daytime	7OT	7-801	Red	May/12
GNP TBA Heat	7GP	7-901	Gold	May/12
Barrier Rest Pairs	98M	9-945	Gold	Jun/12
Barrier Rest Teams	98N	9-945	Gold	Jun/12
Barrier Reef Pairs	98P	9-945	Gold	Jun/12
Barrier Reef Teams	98T	9-945	Gold	???
Barrier Reef Red	98W	9-945	Red	Jun/12
Brain Research	9FB	9-915	Red	Jun/12
Nationwide Pairs	9JP	9-933	Red	Jun/12
VCC Open Teams	9VC	9-918	Gold	Jun/12
VCC Senior Pairs	9VM	9-918	Gold	Jun/12
VCC Open Swiss Pairs	9VP	9-918	Gold	Jun/12
VCC Under 50 MPs Pairs	9VQ	9-918	Gold	Jun/12
VCC Restricted Pairs	9VR	9-918	Gold	Jun/12
VCC Restricted Teams	9VS	9-918	Gold	???
VCC Women Pairs	9VW	9-918	Gold	Jun/12
Arana Congress	ACC	4-503	Red	Jun/12
BBC Butler Pairs	BBB	4-528	Red	May/12
GNP BBC Heat	BBG	4-528	Gold	May/12
BBC Novice Pairs	BBN	4-528	Red	Jun/12
GNP Coolumb Heat	C2G	4-523	Gold	Jun/12
Bridge In The City Clare Valley Tour	CAH	5-710	Red	May/12
GNP Bridge In The City Heat	CAP	5-710	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT Melville Heat	CMG	6-758	Gold	Mar/12
GNP Caboolture Heat	CZP	4-515	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT Darling Downs Heat (duplication reversed)	DDG	4-530	Gold	Jun/12
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Eastern Shore Congress	ECS	7-914	Red	Jun/12
Fremantle Congress	FCC	6-764	Red	Jun/12
Finesse Batemans Bay Holiday	FEY	2-067	Red	Apr/12
Geraldton Congress	GDB	6-766	Red	Jun/12
Illawarra Congress	I3C	2-105	Red	Jun/12
GNOT Kalamunda Heat	KAG	6-772	Gold	Jun/12
Kiama Restricted Pairs	KNM	2-086	Red	Mar/12
GNP Launceston Heat	LEG	7-924	Gold	Apr/12
Lorton Congress	LEC	2-116	Red	May/12
Lockyer Pairs	LQP	4-637	Red	Jun/12
GNP Mandurah Heat	MP	6-778	Gold	May/12
Moonee Valley Congress	MLC	3-348	Red	Jun/12
GNP Moreton-Bribie Heat	MRG	4-650	Gold	Jun/12
GNP MCBC Heat	MVP	3-408	Gold	Jun/12
GNP Mackay Heat	MYG	4-640	Gold	Jun/12
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GNP Nelson Bay Heat	NBX	2-163	Gold	???
GNP Nelson Bay Heat	NBX	2-163	Gold	???
Newcastle Congress	NCC	2-160	Red	Jun/12
North Shore Super Congress	NDU	2-120	Red	Jun/12
GNP NSBC Heat	NSG	4-545	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT NTBA Heat	NTN	8-901	Gold	Jun/12
GNP Ovens and Murray	OVG	3-433	Gold	Mar/12
GNP Port Macquarie-Hastings Heat	PAN	2-227	Gold	May/12
GNOT Far North Regional Final	QDN	4-501	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT Wide Bay Regional Final	QDY	4-501	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT Redcliffe Heat	REG	4-560	Gold	Jun/12
GNP Redcliffe Heat	REG	4-560	Gold	Jun/12
GNP QCBC Heat	RQG	4-555	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT QCBC Heat	RQH	4-555	Gold	Jun/12
QCBC June Congress	RQJ	4-555	Red	Jun/12
GNP Sunnybank Heat	SKG	4-566	Gold	Jun/12
GNP Stanthorpe Heat	SQG	4-679	Gold	Jun/12
Sunshine Coast Congress	SUC	4-630	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT Swan District Heat	SWA	6-789	Gold	Jun/12
GNP Toowong Heat	TGE	4-572	Gold	Jun/12
GNP Toowong Heat	TGE	4-572	Gold	Jun/12
GNOT Toowong Heat	TGG	4-572	Gold	Jun/12
Toowong Pairs	TGP	4-572	Red	Jun/12
Theodor Herzl Pairs	THP	3-475	Red	Jun/12
Twin Towns Teams	TIT	2-263	Red	May/12
Tamworth Swiss Pairs	TMS	2-255	Red	Jun/12
GNP Townsville Heat	TNG	4-690	Gold	Jun/12
Tweed Swiss Teams	TWS	2-260	Red	Jun/12
WABC Foundation Congress	WAF	6-795	Red	Jun/12
Wollstonecraft Teams	WTF	2-280	Red	Jun/12

**TOTAL: 82** Club Membership Total=33,008 (corresponding total last year: 32,495)

By State: ACT=818; NSW=13369; VIC=4910; QLD=7274; SA=1600; WA=4082; TAS=777; NT=178



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**MASTERPOINT CENTRE OFFICE**

The office will be unattended throughout most of July, and probably a couple of days in early August. I will be travelling to and from the Darwin ANC during this time.

I will have the laptop with me, and will respond to any emails as soon as possible. Generally either early morning, or at night, as I will be either driving or playing bridge during the daytime.

All mail, voicemails and faxes will be dealt with upon my return, so do not panic when your cheque is not cashed in a couple of days! It will be deposited upon my return.

[Ed: Refer next article below.]

If I have not returned by the end of July, the end of month update will be done on the road. So make sure you have your July submissions to the Centre by the midnight deadline.

All the website files will be updated, including the download files. But you will have to wait a couple of days, before I can mail out the registration cards and promotion certificates, as I can only print these out upon my return to the office.

**PAYMENT METHODS**

Quite a number of clubs make their payments to the Centre via electronic transfers directly to our bank account. This is a fast, cheap(!), easy and reliable method of paying your bills, and we appreciate this very much. Unfortunately, there are still a lot of clubs making their payments the old fashioned way by cheque.

In comparison, this method is:

**Slow:** Posting your cheques can take up to a week for mail to cross Australia. That is, if you post the cheque, and not carry it around in your bag for a couple weeks before re-membering to mail it.

**Expensive:** Every time you write a cheque, the bank will normally charge you a fee. Then you are also up for the cost of the envelope and postage, and finally, when we deposit your cheque, we are also charged a fee by our bank. Australia Post and the banks seem to be the winners here!

**Time consuming:** A lot of clubs require two signatures on cheques, which means you have to organize to physically get together with the other person, so the cheque can be signed. Then sometimes, you might forget to sign the cheque, or write a different amount in words to the dollar figure, once I even received a blank signed cheque! In each case, I have had to return the cheque to the club, to start the process all over again.

**Unreliable:** Contrary to the old saying, the mail does not always get through. Several clubs have had to chase up unrepresented cheques, which have never arrived. Either because they were mailed to the wrong address, or simply got swallowed up in the bowels of Australia Post!

So I would strongly encourage all clubs still paying by cheque, to at least consider moving to electronic payments. This will save both you and us time and money, and help the environment by cutting down on our paper usage.

Just remember, whenever paying electronically always quote your **club number**. The invoice number is a very poor substitute, and only slows down the accounting process.

