

CONGRESSES AND OTHER EVENTS **JUNE 2014**

Name of Event	Code	Club	Points	Mth/Yr
ACT Senior Butler Pairs	1SB	1-801	Red	May/14
ACT Men/Women Pairs	1UP	1-801	Red	May/14
NSW Singles	2SG	2-001	Red	Jun/14
NSW Teams Of Three	2T3	2-001	Red	Jun/14
Victorian Master Teams	3MT	3-301	Red	Apr/14
Victorian Open Pairs	3OP	3-301	Gold	Apr/14
Victorian Senior Selection Trials	3SS	3-301	Gold	May/14
Victorian Swiss Pairs	3SW	3-301	Red	Jun/14
Women Team Select	3WS	3-301	Gold	Apr/14
Qld Masters Teams	4MT	4-501	Red	Jun/14
SA Swiss Pairs	5SW	5-700	Red	Jun/14
GNOT BAWA Trials	6GN	6-751	Gold	Jun/14
WA Open Pairs	6OP	6-751	Gold	Jun/14
NT Open Pairs	8OP	8-901	Red	May/14
Barrier Reef Restricted Pairs	9BM	9-945	Gold	Jun/14
Barrier Reef Restricted Teams	9BN	9-945	Gold	Jun/14
Barrier Reef Pairs	9BP	9-945	Gold	Jun/14
Barrier Reef Teams	9BT	9-945	Gold	Jun/14
Barrier Reef Red	9BW	9-945	Red	Jun/14
Australia Wide Novice Pairs	9EN	9-912	Red	Jun/14
Australia Wide Pairs	9EW	9-912	Red	Jun/13
Brain Research	9FB	9-915	Red	Jun/14
Nationwide Pairs	9JP	9-933	Red	Jun/14
VCC Red Point Events	9VB	9-918	Red	Jun/14
VCC Open Teams	9VC	9-918	Gold	Jun/14
VCC Senior Pairs	9VM	9-918	Gold	Jun/14
VCC Open Swiss Pairs	9VP	9-918	Gold	Jun/14
VCC Restricted Pairs	9VR	9-918	Gold	Jun/14
VCC Restricted Teams	9VS	9-918	Gold	Jun/14
VCC Women Pairs	9VW	9-918	Gold	Jun/14
Arana Congress	ACC	4-503	Red	Jun/14
Rotary Morialta Congress	AD1	5-704	Red	Jun/14
GNOT BBC Heat	BBH	4-528	Gold	Jun/14
BBC Novice Pairs	BBN	4-528	Red	Jun/14
Bendigo Congress	BNC	3-315	Red	May/14
Berwick Congress	BPC	3-317	Red	Jun/14
Darling Downs Novice Pairs	DDN	4-530	Red	Jun/14
GNOT Devonport Heat	DVA	7-809	Gold	Jun/14
Fremantle Congress	FCC	6-764	Red	Jun/14
Gold Coast Congress	GCC	4-620	Red	Jun/14
Geraldton Congress	GDB	6-766	Red	Jun/14
Holiday Bridge Murray & Kangaroo Holiday	HOR	2-011	Red	May/14
GNOT Kalamunda Heat	KAG	6-772	Gold	Jun/14
Kings and Queens Winter Swiss Pairs	KQW	2-112	Red	Jun/14
Moonee Valley Congress	MLC	3-348	Red	Jun/14
GNOT Mackay Heat	MYH	4-640	Gold	Jun/14
Mackay Pairs	MYP	4-640	Red	May/14
Nambucca Valley Congress	NAC	2-170	Red	Jun/14
North Shore Super Congress	NDU	2-120	Red	Jun/14
Noosa Butler Pairs	NOB	4-657	Red	Jun/14
GNOT Darwin Heat	NTD	8-901	Gold	May/14
GNOT NTBA Heat	NTN	8-901	Gold	Jun/14
GNOT Palmerston Heat	NTP	8-901	Gold	Apr/14
PMHBA Congress	PAC	2-227	Red	Jun/14
QCBC 'Jun/14e Congress	RQJ	4-555	Red	Jun/14
Sunshine Coast Congress	SUC	4-680	Red	Jun/14
GNOT Toowoomba Heat	TAG	4-688	Gold	Jun/14
Toowong Pairs	TGP	4-572	Red	Jun/14
GNOT Theodor Herzl Heat	THG	3-475	Gold	May/14
Theodor Herzl Pairs	THP	3-475	Red	Jun/14
Twin Towns Teams	TIT	2-263	Red	May/14
Townsville Novice Pairs	TNN	4-690	Red	May/14
GNOT ACT KO Teams	UUG	1-801	Gold	Jun/14
WABC Winter Congress	WAF	6-795	Red	Jun/14
Wollstonecraft Teams	WTT	2-280	Red	Jun/14

TOTAL: 65 Club Membership Total=35,017 (corresponding total last year: 34,198)
 By State: ACT=895; NSW=14168; VIC=5302; QLD=7668; SA=1834; WA=4148; TAS=828; NT=174



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NEW EMERALD MASTER **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

In the May update, we had the latest addition to the slowly growing list of Emerald Grand Masters. Congratulations to **Ron Klinger** on becoming the newest Emerald Grand Master with a total of 10,006.93 masterpoints!

He is our fifth ever Emerald Master. Together with Bob Richman (deceased), Pauline Gumby, Paul Lavings and Margaret Bourke. A very elite group of bridge players.

I wonder if Ron, Pauline, Paul and Margaret have ever played together in a team? Maybe they might consider forming a team in one of the major ABF events, and taking on all comers. That would be very special!!

DUPLICATES

Unfortunately clubs still do not seem to be checking whether a player already exists prior to registering them as a 'new' player in the system.

In June there were another 12 players registered as new to the system, when in reality they already existed in the database. Slight improvement over last month, when there were 16 such duplicates created, and a lot better than this time last year, when 25 duplicates were created.

Please, always check to see if a member already exists prior to going and registering them as a new member. If you are unsure, please ask the Centre to assist you.

The normal three month grace period has now ended for the 2014 membership year. That period was the three months from the 1st April (the start of the membership year) to the 30th June, where you were able to renew an existing member without incurring any costs besides the annual capitation fee.

I say 'normal' as the ABF Management Committee abolished re-activation fees last year. So, it does not matter if your members renew their membership on time in the March 31st update, or do so sometime later, they will only be charged the annual capitation fee at the time they renew their membership.

Of course, if they do not renew, and become inactive, they will be unable to play in any ABF events, until they do renew their membership.

EFT PAYMENTS

Just another reminder to clubs that make their payments electronically to include your **club number** with every payment you make to the Centre. The invoice number is a very poor substitute, and only slows down the accounting process. Of course including no identifier at all makes it extremely difficult to know who to credit the payment to.

AUSTRALIA WIDE EVENTS

This month we not only processed the Australia Wide Pairs event from 2013, run by Australian Bridge, but also for the first time, the Australia Wide Novice Pairs as well.

