

CONGRESSES AND OTHER EVENTS **AUGUST 2020**

Name of Event	Code	Club	Points	Mth/Yr
GNOT Under Grand Qual	5GG	5-700	Gold	Aug/20
SA Open Teams	5OT	5-700	Red	Aug/20
WA Daytime Open Pairs	6DP	6-751	Red	Aug/20
WA Swiss Pairs	6SW	6-751	Red	Aug/20
NT Open Pairs	8OP	8-901	Red	???
ABF Online Nationwide Pairs	94O	9-927	Red	Aug/20
ABF Online Australian Youth Teams	94Y	9-927	Red	Jul/20
GNOT Bundaberg Heat	BGG	4-587	Gold	Mar/20
GNOT Devonport Heat	DVA	7-809	Gold	Aug/20
GNOT Gold Coast Heat	GCG	4-620	Gold	Aug/20
GNOT Launceston Heat	LBA	7-824	Gold	Aug/20
Nedlands Winter Swiss Pairs	NES	6-785	Red	Aug/20
GNOT Sunnybank Heat	SKH	4-566	Gold	Aug/20
GNOT Toowong Heat	TGG	4-572	Gold	Mar/20
Bridge at Beaumont Christmas in July Congress	ZBX	5-720	Red	Jul/20

TOTAL: 15 Club Membership Total=33,527 (corresponding total last year: 35,561)
 By State: ACT=870; NSW=12988; VIC=5135; QLD=7254; SA=2185; WA=4077; TAS=875; NT=143



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STILL AN IMPORTANT DEADLINE
 The monthly update at the end of September is still an **IMPORTANT** deadline.

It is with the end of September update when we calculate your club B4c red masterpoint session allocation for 2021.

Due to COVID-19 this year the calculation will be a little different. We will calculate your allocation in the normal fashion, but then your club will receive either that calculated amount OR your allocation for 2020, whichever is the greater.

Please ensure you have your September awards submitted to the Centre before the monthly deadline of 4pm AEST on the 1st October!

Clubs are entitled to a basic 6 B4c sessions each calendar year. Additionally, clubs are entitled to one extra B4c session for the first full 35 green masterpoints issued by the club in the 12 months to the September deadline of the preceding year, then a further session for each additional full 65 green masterpoints issued.

Refer section 2.6 of the ABF Masterpoint Scheme handbook for full details.

It is definitely in your own best interest to ensure you have submitted all your green masterpoints to the Centre prior to the 4pm deadline.

Once the update is run, no adjustments can be done, and your allocation can only be based on either your 2020 allocation or the awards submitted prior to the deadline, whichever is the greater.

CLUBS IN CREDIT
 The following 3 clubs are currently in credit:

- 2-038 Cowra & District Bridge Club
- 3-368 Grand Prix Bridge Club
- 5-725 Port Pirie Contract Bridge Club

The Centre would much prefer clubs not be in credit, especially at these tough times, when every

dollar helps! Unfortunately one club simply ignores our requests for their bank account details, another club email bounces, which means they have not provided a valid email to us, whilst the third club chooses not to provide their bank details, but to leave their club in credit.

That is fine, providing when we issue their next invoice they include the credit amount when making their payment, unfortunately from past experience, clubs tend to ignore their credit amount and simply pay the full invoiced amount, thereby carrying forward their credit amount.

CAPITATION FEE PAYMENT
 A big thank you to all those clubs that were able to pay their annual capitation fees for all their home club members.

Of our 333 clubs that had home club members, we had 97.6% of clubs having already paid their annual fees, leaving only 8 clubs across Australia still to pay.

There are 2 clubs (2-123 Lismore, 2-151 Mosman Park) in NSW, 4 (3-340 Echuca, 3-365 U3A Knox, 3-372 Alphington, 3-463 Oz) in VIC, and 1 each (5-740 South Coast) in SA and (6-763 Avon Valley) WA still to pay. Hopefully they will be able to settle the outstanding account as soon as possible.

TOP 100 LISTING
 Inside this Newsletter, you will find a list of the Top 100 Total Masterpoint earners of all time. Also listed is the Top 100 Gold Masterpoint earners, and the Top 100 Red Masterpoint earners, and the Top 100 Green Masterpoint earners as well. Includes all past and present players.

Pauline Gumby still has the most masterpoints Overall with 13,686.62. Ron Klinger has the most Gold points with 7,988.21, and Tim Seres is still well clear with the most Red points with 6,200.77 and Thelma Charlesworth has the most Green points with 1,960.72. So no changes from last year.

