

GOLD COAST

2018

57TH INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE CONGRESS

ENTRY FORM
INSIDE



16TH - 24TH FEBRUARY 2018
Gold Coast Convention Centre · Broadbeach

WELCOME TO GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2018

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Entering

On-line entering is preferable however to enter using hard copy, please tear out the middle pages of this booklet, fill in the form, and return with payment to the QBA. Return address details can be found on page 9.

Having trouble with your form? Contact us using the details to the right.

We're Here To Help

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Event Organisers

Tournament Organisers - Tim Runting & Therese Tully
Chief Tournament Director - Dr Laurie Kelso
Chief Scorer - Matthew McManus

WHAT'S NEW IN 2018

- No Frills:** Back in 2018, staggered start commencing at 6:00pm to 6:30pm Friday 16th • **Bobby Richman Pairs:** No night play, 11:00am start •
- Weekend Swiss:** Additional match • Earlier start for Dinner Dance

2018 PROGRAM

16th February - 24th February

Visit qldbridge.com/gcc to learn more about session and daily completion times.

Unsure of your eligibility? See p9 for criteria.

⊙ Open ⊙ Senior ⊙ Intermediate ⊙ Restricted ⊙ Novice

Time	Event	Eligibility
FRIDAY 16TH		
6:00pm to 6:30pm	No Frills Walk-in Staggered start	⊙
SATURDAY 17TH		
11:00am & 3:15pm	Bobby Richman Pairs Championship Qualifying 1 & 2 Event finishes Monday for all players	⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙
11:00am	Sage Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 1 - Session 1	⊙
3:15pm	Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs Session 1 Matches 1-3 9 Board matches	⊙ / 0-500 MP's
SUNDAY 18TH		
11:00am & 3:15pm	Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs Sessions 2 & 3 Matches 4-9	⊙ / 0-500 MP's
11:00am & 3:15pm	Bobby Richman Pairs Championship Finals 1 & 2	⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙
11:00am	Rookie Pairs 24 Boards minimum	0-10 MP's
3:15pm	Sage Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 1 - Session 2	⊙
MONDAY 19TH		
10:00am & 1:00pm	Monday Butler Swiss Pairs Sessions 1 & 2 7 x 7 Board matches	⊙ / 0-500 MP's
1:00pm	Bobby Richman Pairs Championship Final 3	⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙
1:00pm	Sage Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 1 - Session 3	⊙
TUESDAY 20TH		
10:30am & 3:00pm	Teams Championship Matches Matches 1-4 14 board matches	⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙
10:30am	0-50 Masterpoint Pairs	0-50 MP's
10:30am	Sage Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 1 - Session 4	⊙
WEDNESDAY 21ST		
10:30am & 3:00pm	Teams Championship Matches Matches 5-8 14 board matches	⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙ ⊙
10:30am & 3:00pm	0-50 Masterpoint Pairs Sessions 1 & 2	0-50 MP's
3:00pm	Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 2 - Session 1	⊙

2018 PROGRAM

Eligibility

Time	Event	Eligibility
THURSDAY 22ND		
10:30am & 3:00pm	Teams Championship Matches Matches 9-12 14 Board matches	Ⓞ Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓡ Ⓝ
10:30am	Rookie Pairs 24 Boards minimum	0-10 MP's
3:00pm	Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 2 - Session 2	Ⓞ
FRIDAY 23RD		
9:00am, 10:00am & 2:00pm	Team Finals for Top 6 in Open and Top 2 in all other fields (see schedule below)	
10:00am & 2:00pm	Seres McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs Sessions 1 & 2 6 Matches 8 Board matches	Ⓞ
10:00am & 2:00pm	Ivy Dahler Butler Swiss Pairs Sessions 1 & 2 Matches 1-7 8 Board matches	Ⓞ Ⓡ Ⓡ
10:00am & 2:00pm	Friday Novice Pairs Sessions 1 & 2 6 Matches 8 Board matches	Ⓝ
10:00am & 2:00pm	Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 2 - Session 3 & 4	Ⓞ
SATURDAY 24TH		
10:00am	Ivy Dahler Butler Swiss Pairs Session 3 Matches 8-10	Ⓞ Ⓡ Ⓡ
10:00am	Holiday Walk-in Pairs Event 2 - Session 5	Ⓞ
7:00pm	Dinner Dance 7:30pm start	

TEAM FINALS SCHEDULE

Open - Top 6 at end of Match 12

Friday 23rd Feb 9:00am
Round of 4 - 3rd to 6th
24 Boards (2x12 Board Stanzas)

Novice, Restricted, Intermediate Finals

Friday 23rd Feb 10:00am
Top 2 at the end of Match 12
48 Boards (4x12 Board Stanzas)

Seniors Final

Friday 23rd Feb 10:00am
Top 2 at the end of Match 12
48 Boards (4x12 Board Stanzas)

Open Semi Final

Friday 23rd Feb 2:00pm
1st, 2nd and winners of the
Round of 4
40 Boards (4x10 Board Stanzas)

Open Final

Saturday 24th 9:00am
48 Boards (4x12 Board Stanzas)

Drop Ins to Ivy Dahler allowed however conditions apply.

2018 ENTRY FORM

Early Bird Prices apply if entry payment is received by 5/02/2018

Entering is simple with these five steps.

- 1 Complete the entry table below on p5.
- 2 Fill in the players details on p6 and p7.
- 3 Add in the team contact details on p8
- 4 Include your payment info on p8.
- 5 Send your completed entry, see p9.

Event	Cost	No. of pairs/ teams	Subtotal
Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs	\$250 p/pair (\$230 Early Bird Price*)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Bobby Richman Pairs Championship	\$300 p/pair (\$280 Early Bird Price*)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Monday Butler Swiss Pairs	\$140 p/pair (\$120 Early Bird Price*)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Teams	\$720 p/team (\$680 Early Bird Price*)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Ivy Dahler Butler Swiss Pairs	\$200 p/pair (\$180 Early Bird Price*)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Rookie Pairs	\$50 p/pair per session (no discount)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
0-50 Masterpoint Pairs	\$50 p/pair x Tuesday \$90 p/pair x Wednesday (no discount)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Friday Seres McMahon Matchpoint Swiss	\$140 p/pair (\$120 Early Bird Price*)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Friday Novice Pairs	\$140 p/pair (\$120 Early Bird Price*)	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

TOTAL PAYMENT

\$

Players born on or after 01/01/1998 (under 20 years) and born on or before 01/01/1918 (over 100 years) are entitled to free entry - courtesy of Gold Coast Congress. Players born on or after 01/01/1993 (under 25 years) are entitled to a 50% discount. Please advise when entering (ABF Policy).

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Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs

Saturday, Sunday

\$125 p/player (\$115 Early Bird Price*)

Open

0-500 MP's

Name

ABF Number

Bobby Richman Pairs Championship

Saturday, Sunday, Monday

\$150 p/player (\$140 Early Bird Price*)

Open

Seniors

Intermediate

Restricted

Novice

Name

ABF Number

Monday Butler Swiss Pairs

\$70 p/player (\$60 Early Bird Price*)

Open

0-500 MP's

Name

ABF Number

Teams

Play: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Finals: Friday

\$720 p/team (\$680 Early Bird Price*)

Category Sections within teams: Every team belongs to a category. For additional prize money only. If not completed the entry co-ordinator will have the power to designate a category. One category only.

Open

Womens

Mens

Mixed*

Queensland

Overseas

Seniors

Same Sex

Mixed*

Intermediate

Womens

Mens

Mixed*

Queensland

Restricted

Womens

Mens

Mixed*

Queensland

Novice

Same Sex

Mixed*

Name

ABF Number

Early Bird Prices apply if entry payment is received by 5/02/2018

Rookie Pairs

\$25 p/player per session (no discount)

Sunday 11:00am Thursday 10:30am

Name

ABF Number

0-50 Masterpoint Pairs

\$25 p/player for Tuesday or \$45 p/player for Wednesday (no discount)

Tuesday (1 session) Wednesday (2 sessions)

Name

ABF Number

Ivy Dahler Butler Swiss Pairs

Friday, Saturday

\$100 p/player (\$90 Early Bird Price*)

Open Intermediate Restricted

Name

ABF Number

Seres McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs

Friday

\$70 p/player (\$60 Early Bird Price*)

Name

ABF Number

Friday Novice Pairs

\$70 p/player (\$60 Early Bird Price*)

Name

ABF Number

Welcome
Beginners

Need help?
See page 2.

! YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION

Contact Details

Contact details for this entry and the Gold Coast Congress mailing list.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Do you require special seating? Please provide details: _____

Payment Options

1. Direct Deposit **BSB: 484-799 Acc No: 452338505 Name: QBA**
2. Cheques payable to: "Queensland Bridge Association Inc"
3. Credit Card (complete details below)

Please charge my credit card the amount of \$ _____

Card Type: Mastercard Visa

Card Holder's Name: _____

Card No: _____

Expiry Date _____ / _____

Card holders signature: _____

Online Entrants

Did you enter on-line and promise payment by cheque or mailed credit card details? If so, write the supplied Payment Reference here. No need to complete other parts of the form.

REFERENCE

Online entries close 48 hours prior to event. Phone entries may be accepted up to 24 hours prior to play starting, however for events on the previous page, entries will be accepted until 12:00 noon on Thursday 22nd February. Any player making changes to their entries will be charged an administration fee of \$10 p/player. Refunds are automatically given to those pairs who qualify for teams final. Youth players claiming a reduction in fees must disclose D.O.B at time of entry.

SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY

Instantly secure
your spot by
entering online!

Enter Online

Enter online at qldbridge.com/gcc and your entry will be acknowledged immediately.

Entries close 24 hours prior to event start for all events. Late entries for Ivy Dahler Butler Swiss Pairs, Seres McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs and Friday Novice Pairs will be accepted up to 12:00pm on Thursday 22nd February 2018. The QBA reserves the right to accept late entries and also reject entries without assigning cause.

Enter by Mail

Please mail pages 5-8 to:

ATT: Pele Rankin
Gold Coast Congress Entries
7 Fiona St,
Chapel Hill, QLD 4069

Eligibility

Players must individually meet the eligibility criteria to compete in events. This includes team/pair events where all players must be under the stated masterpoint range or age as at the dates stated below. Overseas players may enter Novice, Restricted or Intermediate events, however they must quote their local registration number and must be eligible to play in equivalent events in their own country.

Category	General Eligibility	NZ Eligibility
0-10 MP's (Rookie)	Under 10 MP's as at 30/9/2017	Less than NZ Certificate of Proficiency as at 01/01/2018
0-50 MP's	Under 50 MP's as at 30/9/2017	Less than NZ Club Master as at 01/01/2018
Novice	Under 100 MP's as at 30/9/2017	Less than NZ Local Master as at 01/01/2018
Restricted	Under 300 MP's as at 30/9/2017	Less than NZ Master as at 01/01/2018
0-500 MP's	Under 500 MP's as at 30/9/2017	Less than NZ National Master as at 01/01/2018
Intermediate	Under 750 MP's as at 30/9/2017	Less than NZ National Master as at 01/01/2018
Seniors	Must be born prior to 01/01/1960	
Youth	Must be born after or on 01/01/1993	

Players born on or after 01/01/1998 (under 20 years) and born on or before 01/01/1918 (over 100 years) are entitled to free entry - courtesy of Gold Coast Congress. Players born on or after 01/01/1993 (under 25 years) are entitled to a 50% discount. Please advise when entering (ABF Policy).

IMPORTANT POINTS

Gold Points are awarded in all events except Walk-in Pairs • List of prizes published on the website after 1st January 2018 • System regulations published on website after 1st January 2018 • Supplementary regulations published on website after 1st February 2018 • Seating for Pairs and Teams Championships available on website 24 hours prior to event.

2018 ACTIVITIES

Bridge Widows

We offer hospitality for those partners who do not play bridge. The first hospitality function will be at 1:00pm Saturday 17th February. Venue will be advised upon nomination with our Hospitality Co-Coordinator, Gay Tully. Other activities will be decided at the first function. To nominate, contact:

Gay ✉ bmmgtully@activ8.net.au or
Tim ✉ gcccconvenor@qldbridge.com
Therese ✉ gttully@bigpond.net.au



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We've also branched out recently to grow our social network. Keep up to date, and see photos of the events by joining us on Facebook.

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Event 1

Saturday 17th	11:00am
Sunday 18th	3:15pm
Monday 19th	1:00pm
Tuesday 20th	10:30am

Event 2

Wednesday 21st	3:00pm
Thursday 22nd	3:00pm
Friday 23rd	10:00am & 2:00pm
Saturday 24th	10:00am

HOLIDAY WALK-IN PAIRS

Players can play in either event with each session awarding voucher prizes. An overall prize will also be given in each event to the pair with the best 3 scores out of 4 or 5 sessions.

Cost is \$15 p/player a session (payment to be made at the table). Pre-entry is not necessary. Players can play in any of the Walk-In events, but players must play any three sessions (see right for dates and times) within an event to be eligible for an overall prize.

THEME AFTERNOON

The theme for this year's event is **Aussie, Aussie, Aussie**. Theme Afternoon is Wednesday. Please celebrate our 57th year and wear your most colourful costume!



DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 7:30PM

All players attending the dinner dance will need to pay \$20 with non players playing \$50.

Please book your seat at the venue prior to Wednesday 21st February to ensure your place is secured.

This is a fantastic social occasion to celebrate and discuss the events of the week with fellow bridge players from around the world. We encourage all to attend. Fabulous food, great company and a lovely finish to your Gold Coast Congress experience.

2018 Event Sponsors

The Queensland Bridge Association and Gold Coast Congress 2018 would like to thank all of our 2018 event sponsors.

Interested in sponsoring future events?
Please contact us to learn more.



Courtesy Bus

The Gold Coast Congress Bus will pick up and return visiting players who are residing within a reasonable distance from the Gold Coast Convention Centre. General pick-up and drop-off spots are advertised on the website. No pickup from Jupiters Casino or Freshwater Point Resort. If anyone requires a lift from Jupiters or Freshwater Point Resort contact:

Kim ☎ 0412 064 903



Air Conditioning

The air conditioning often makes it cold in some parts of the venue. We recommend for your own comfort to bring a cardigan.



Prizes

Please see the prize board near the office. We pay from 1st to 3rd in all sections of matchpoint pairs.



Accommodation

For all your Gold Coast accommodation and local information, contact:

Connie ☎ (07) 3378 2171

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Get ready for Gold Coast Congress 2019

15th February to 23rd February

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