HOTEL, TRANSPORT AND CAR PARKING INFORMATION

The Hakoah Club is 200 metres from Bondi Beach at 61 Hall St, Bondi. Parking is available at Secure Parking under the Swiss Grand Hotel, corner of Curlewis St and Campbell Pde. The ABF has negotiated a special daily rate of just \$3.50 during the event. You must present ABF identification for this special rate. (Parking in the Bondi Beach area is hard to find, most of it is metered and restricted to two hours).

Lunch menus will be provided during morning sessions for collection before 12.30 pm. A coffee service will be available (at the players' expense). Bar facilities are available on the ground floor. Smoking is not permitted on the playing floor or in adjacent areas, but is permitted in the ground floor bar area.

The club has a restaurant on the ground floor, open for both lunch and dinner.

Hotel "specials" and restaurant offers can be found on ABF Web site at www.abf.com.au/events/spnot/index.html

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Hakoah Club

61 Hall Street, BONDI (Ph 02 9130 3344)

Womens Tournament Thursday – Saturday, 7-9 November 2002 Final Sunday 10 November 2002

Congress Teams Sunday 10 November 2002

Open Tournament Monday – Wednesday, 11–13 November 2002 Final - Thursday 14 November 2002

GNOT Final Series Friday – Sunday, 15–17 November 2002 Final Monday 18 November 2002

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The ABF, under its Tournament Regulations, reserves the right, in its absolute discretion and without assigning any reason, to reject entries to any event conducted by it.

No entry to any event at the Spring Nationals Festival will be regarded as complete unless an entry form has been submitted with full entry fees paid for all members of the team and all ABF Numbers supplied before the closing date: Wednesday November 6th 2002.

GNOT Final Series entry is through State/Regional qualification only.

Players are required to observe dress regulations, being those applicable to the Hakoah Club. In addition, all players, as visitors to the Club, will be required to sign-in each day.

MASTERPOINTS

Gold Points for position are awarded to teams finishing in the top third of the field. In addition, sessional awards for each match won are:

Open Teams	Level A	1.28 Gold Points per player
Womens Teams	Level A x 0.75	1.20 Gold Points per player
Congress Teams	Level B3	0.24 Red Points per player

PLAYOFF QUALIFYING POINTS

SNWT, SNOT Winner - 36; Runner-up - 18 To receive Playoff Qualifying Points

- at least 2 members of the team must be eligible to represent Australia
- eligible members must comply with the board rule in the qualifying (SNWT, 4 rounds; SNOT, 6 rounds) and finals (2 stanzas each match)
- complete the declaration of eligibility

SPRING NATIONAL CONGRESS TEAMS – ENTRY FORM

10 November 2002 Swiss 7 rounds of 8 boards

Captain's	Phone No.
Address	
Captain	ABF No.
Player 2	ABF No.
Player 3	ABF No.
Player 4	ABF No.
Player 5	ABF No.
Players 6	ABF No.

Entry fee: \$100.00 per team including GST. Fee must accompany entry.

ENTRY FEES

All fees inclusive of GST. Cheques payable to **Australian Bridge Federation**

Open Teams \$420 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 players Womens Teams \$400 per Team of 4, 5 or 6 players

Congress Teams \$100 per Team

ENTRIES AND SYSTEM NOTIFICATION

Entry Forms for the Teams events are on pages 5 and 7. These, and system notification, must be returned to the Convener: Frank Budai by Wednesday November 6.

If you prefer you can make an electronic transfer direct to our bankers: BSB: 032085, Account: 132251, and then send an email or fax a confirmation of the entry form to **budai@all.com.au or fax before 10pm to (02) 9958 4281.**

Mission Australia Charity

IMP Pairs

Thursday 14th November 10.00am Start.

48 Boards in 3 stanzas of 16.

Boards for this event will be the same as the boards played by the Spring National Finalists. Players will "compete" with the Open Room results of the SNOT finalists.

Enter as a Pair

Entry Fee \$50 per pair

The winning Pair (highest net IMPS) will be presented with a receipt for a donation to the Sydney City Mission for \$500 in their name and top three place getters will receive book vouchers from Post Free Bridge Books.

SPRING NATIONAL CHARITY PAIRS ENTRY FORM

14 November 2002 48 Boards in 3 Stanza's

Player 1		ABF No.
Player 2		ABF No.
	Entries closing date – 14 November 2002	

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FORMAT OF EVENTS

- The **Womens** event has no evening sessions. The qualifying is 9 Swiss rounds of 20 boards, followed by a final of 64 boards.
- The **Open** event has afternoon/evening sessions on the first day followed by morning/afternoon sessions on the second and third days. The qualifying Swiss of 12 rounds of 16 boards is followed by a final of 64 boards.

Spring National Congress Teams:

This comprises 7 rounds of 8 boards with a lunch break between rounds 3 and 4. Prize money is

1st: \$400

2nd: \$200

3rd: \$100

ALERTING REGULATIONS, SYSTEMS AND CONVENTIONS

Opponents must be alerted in accordance with the ABF Alerting Regulation, as amended to 1998.

Pairs must classify their system(s) as GREEN, BLUE, RED or YELLOW using the ABF System Regulations adopted in 1991 and as modified at May 1998. Pairs in any doubt about the classification of their system should submit a concise summary to the Convener.

All pairs must supply their opponents with 2 ABF Standard system cards completed legibly and adequately to disclose their system.

All systems and conventions, including those categorised as YELLOW, are permitted in the Open and Womens Teams in all rounds and at all levels. YELLOW is not permitted in the Congress Teams.

Pairs intending to use a YELLOW system must lodge an adequate system statement on an ABF Standard system card plus a maximum of 2 supplementary A4 sheets with the Convener by November 2nd 2002.

Pairs intending to use a YELLOW system only against an opposing pair playing a YELLOW system must lodge an adequate system statement on an ABF Standard system card plus a maximum of 2 supplementary A4 sheets with the Chief Tournament Director before the start of the first round of the event in which they wish to use it.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Times given in this brochure are advisory only: it is the responsibility of players to ascertain the starting times of the sessions and rounds from the times announced by the director and posted on the notice board.

Spring National Womens Teams, Qualifying

Thursday November 7 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm Friday November 8 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm Saturday November 9 10.00am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm SNWT Final Sunday November 10 from 9.00am

Spring National Congress Teams

7 round Swiss Sunday November 10 10.00am - 6.00pm

Spring Nationals Open Teams, Qualifying

Monday November 11 1.15pm, 3.30pm, 7.15pm, 9.30pm Tuesday November 12 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.15pm, 5.30pm Wednesday November 13 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.15pm, 5.30pm SNOT Final Thursday November 14 from 9.00am

Swiss Pairs

Thursday November 14 10.00am

GNOT Final Series:

The venue for all except the final is Hakoah; the venue for the Final on Monday is the Double Bay Bridge Club.

Qualifying: Hakoah Friday November 15 10 30am-11 30pm Hakoah Saturday November 16 10.00am-11.30pm

Semi-Final: Hakoah Sunday November 17 from 9.00am

Provincial Pairs Hakoah Sunday November 17

Final DBBC Monday November 18 from 9.00am

SPRING NATIONAL WOMENS TEAMS – ENTRY FORM

7-10 November 2002 9 Qualifying Rounds + 4 final stanzas

Captain's	Phone No.
Address	
Captain	ABF No.
Player 2	ABF No.
Player 3	ABF No.
Player 4	ABF No.
Player 5	ABF No.
Players 6	ABF No.

Entry Fee: \$400.00 per team including GST. Fee must accompany entry

SPRING NATIONAL OPEN TEAMS – ENTRY FORM

11 – 14 November 2002 12 Qualifying Rounds + 4 final stanzas

Captain's	Phone No.
Address	
Captain	ABF No.
Player 2	ABF No.
Player 3	ABF No.
Player 4	ABF No.
Player 5	ABF No.
Players 6	ABF No.

Entry Fee: \$420.00 per team including GST. Fee must accompany entry