

New South Wales Bridge Association

1st Floor, 162 Goulburn Street, East Sydney 2010 Ph: 9264 8111 Fax: 9264 6881

E-mail: office@nswba.com.au Web: www.nswba.com.au

ABN: 61 000 438 648

COUNTRY TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP 2008

All correspondence regarding this championship must be addressed to the Convener (email preferred):

Matt Blackham 112 Dangerfield Drive, Elernmore Vale, NSW, 2287

Phone: (02) 4950-2086 Fax: (02) 4955-8121

Email: mblackham@ozemail.com.au

To The Tournament Secretary: all NON-METROPOLITAN affiliated clubs

1. This championship is a section of the State Open Teams Championship. The Country Teams Championship Final will be held on Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd November 2008 at Newcastle Bridge Club. The winners will be eligible to play in the State Open Teams Final at the NSWBA on the weekend starting on Friday evening 12th December. No entry fee or table money is payable by teams participating in the State Open Teams Final.

2. The New South Wales Bridge Association invites all non-Metropolitan affiliated clubs to conduct one or two qualifying sections for this championship in order to qualify one or more teams to play in their Regional Final. Clubs may run a daytime section and/or an evening section.

3. A list of Regions / Clubs is enclosed. Any clubs not included in this list should contact the convener.

4. Clubs not wishing to run a qualifying competition may nominate one team per 50 home club members or part thereof with a limit of three teams. All players in a nominated team must be financial members of the nominating club.

5. The tournament regulations are enclosed. Please read them carefully, as it is your club's responsibility to adhere to them. Extra copies may be printed from the NSWBA website if required. A copy should be given to each team that represents your club in the Regional Final. If any problems occur in the interpretation of these regulations please consult the convener.

6. Clubs that wish to run a Regional Final should contact the Convener by 18 April 2008.

7. Clubs should carefully note the following dates:

Any club wishing to run a Regional Final must apply to the convener by 18 April 2008

Club qualifying competitions must be completed by 29 August 2008.

Club results etc must be returned to the convener by 19 September 2008.

Regional Finals must be completed by 3 October 2008.

Entries to the Country Final must be received by the Convener by 17 October 2008.

Country Final will be held on 1 & 2 November 2008.

8. The entry fee for the Country Teams Final (2 days) is \$130 (GST inclusive).

9. State Open Teams Final to be held at the NSWBA:

Round Robin Qualifying 7:00 pm on Friday 12 December 2008 2 x 16 board matches

10:00 am Saturday 13 December 2008 3 x 16 board matches

Finals 10:00 am Sunday 14 December 2008 4 x 14 board stanzas

Teams not playing in the final may play for free in the NSWBA Christmas Party Pairs on the Sunday.