



New South Wales Bridge Association

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Dear Organiser,

Enclosed are the results of the 2009 State Wide Pairs.

You will find a printout showing the results by session and in total of all the participating pairs from your club.

Note that, when the event is matchpointed across the state, percentages and order of rank can vary quite considerably from those obtained when matchpointing involves only those players within the club. The State Wide Pairs is genuinely scored as a single event with 367 pairs from 28 clubs competing this year.

Any pair who failed to play a session was assigned 48% for the missed session.

You will also find a copy of the first 50 place-getters across the state.

Should participants be interested in final statewide results which are not among the first 50 this information is available on the NSWBA Website:

<http://www.nswba.com.au/tourn/state/2009/swp.htm>

This year's winners were **Suzanne Donoghue & Alison Otton** from Bega Valley Bridge Club with an average score of 67.07 %. Congratulations for a great effort.

Second place went to **Timothy Marchant & Ian Porter** from Illawarra Bridge Club. They scored 63.23 %. Third place went to **Alma Fraser & Valda Halcroft** from Orange Bridge Club with 62.10 %.

Cash prizes have been awarded down to fifth place. **Leslie Giles & Pauline McCabe** finished fourth and **Eric Hurley & Judith Peiti**, fifth.

2009 Statewide Pairs Session Winners:

| Session 1 | | | Score |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| First | David Lander & Helene Lander | Dubbo Bridge Club | 68.6% |
| Second | Lynn Baker & Yong White | Narrabeen Bridge Club | 67.0% |
| Session 2 | | | Score |
| First | Ronald Dobson & Phil Hardy | Penrith Bridge Club | 69.9% |
| Second | Suzanne Donoghue & Alison Otton | Bega Valley Bridge Club | 69.7% |
| Session 3 | | | Score |
| First | Suzanne Donoghue & Alison Otton | Bega Valley Bridge Club | 70.5% |
| Second | Leslie Giles & Pauline McCabe | Cessnock Bridge Club | 68.6% |

Winning pairs for each session receive a \$60 prize voucher from the Bridge Shop, while the runners-up receive \$40 prize vouchers.

Certificates have been enclosed for the top placed partnerships in each club.

Do not forget to remind your members that they may well see themselves listed on the Roll of Honour at <http://www.nswba.com.au/tourn/state/2009/swp.htm>

Winners in the restricted masterpoint categories were:

Below 10 MPs: Brian Newton & Brab Edwards from Canobolas Bridge Club (20th)

Below 50 MPs: Frank Trent & Ted Hayman from Mudgee Bridge Club (47th)

Below 100 MPs: Anne Cox & Lorraine Gooley also from Mudgee Bridge Club (22nd)

These pairs will be receiving a gift voucher from the Bridge Shop to the value of \$30.

If any of your members have won prizes, they are enclosed with these results.

Masterpoints were awarded for each session and for overall finishing position.

You will notice that, in an effort to discourage the increasing number of pairs who are happy to play, but not to pay for the privileges that accrue to entry, we have not included scores for casuals in these results. Casuals were necessarily scored in order to make the results valid but those pairs will have to enter to see how well they did.

Do please participate again next year when the event will be held again in the first three weeks of August.

If you have any improvements or suggestions you'd like to see, please pass them on.

Thanks for being involved and see you again next year.

Yours Sincerely,
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