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2022 STATE WIDE PAIRS

Dear Club Secretary,

All indications were that the 2021 State Wide Pairs would be a big success with a record entry of 30 clubs. Then Delta and lockdowns spread around the state and only 13 clubs could participate. On the positive side, downloading files, submission of results and scoring went more smoothly than in the past. As I write this, no one can be certain what Omicron and 2022 hold in store, but I remain hopeful. The SWP will remain a single session event, played face-to-face in clubs in the first week of August. The entry fee stays at the 2019 level (\$8 per pair) and the club organiser will receive all relevant instructions by email a few weeks prior to the event.

For those clubs that have not previously competed, we present the following quick synopsis.

- The event may be run anytime in the week from 1st 7th August.
- Only face-to-face sessions are permitted no online sessions regardless of platform.
- There is no need to disrupt your normal duplicate pairs sessions as the State Wide Pairs can be included as a normal session. Casual pairs can be accommodated, so you do not have to turn away pairs who don't wish to participate.
- You do not need to score the event at your club, but may do so and award normal club green points for your session.
- The event is matchpointed across the state after the results from all participating clubs have been received.
- Cash prizes will be awarded, as well as gift vouchers from the Bridge Shop and certificates for the winners in each club. Prizes are also awarded in the divisions of Under 25, Under 50 and Under 100 masterpoints, as at 30th June 2022.
- Red masterpoints are issued at Congress B4 level.

Results, prizes and certificates will be sent to all clubs as soon as practicable after the event. The results are also posted on the NSWBA web site.

It is necessary that your event organiser be contactable by email as all event information is sent by email.

All correspondence and queries should be sent to swp@nswba.com.au or ring me on (02) 9744 1555 after 10.00 am.

Enter via the online form at http://www.nswba.com.au/forms/statewidepairs.asp

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