

ABF Restricted Pairs Subsidy

BFACT Council has received advice that ABF will provide subsidies for 2 pairs from the ACT to participate in the Australian National Championship (ANC) Restricted Butler Pairs event. The event will be held 20 and 21 July in Melbourne, further details are available at:
["http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/anc/2019/"](http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/anc/2019/).

Details of the subsidy (per pair) are as follows:

two economy return air tickets from (capital departure city) to Melbourne
OR

a capped car allowance of 30 cents per kilometre with a maximum round trip of 1400 kilometres or \$420 per pair. PLUS

\$250 for each player to help with other expenses. PLUS

paid entry into the ANC Restricted Butler Pairs event in Melbourne on 20 and 21 July 2019

However, the following terms and conditions apply to the above:

1. Air tickets will be purchased by the ABF, not the travellers. Travellers will be asked for their preferred travel dates.
2. The total subsidy (excluding entry fee) per pair is capped at a maximum of \$2,000+ GST. If the airfares cost more than \$2,200 then no further subsidy will be paid.
3. Any flight changes made after the booking is confirmed will be at the travellers cost not the ABF.
4. If a pair withdraws from the event for whatever reason, after bookings have been made, any cancellation charges will be borne by the traveller not the ABF.
5. Car travel and other expenses payments (if you still have room under the cap) will be paid in the week beginning 15 July 2019 to one nominated bank account supplied by the pair.
6. States and Territories must advise winning pairs immediately of these subsidy terms and conditions and ask them to contact Roy Nixon at roy.nixon@live.com.au as soon as possible after they receive this advice.
7. Players can only receive this ABF subsidy ONCE. Previous recipients of the subsidy are not eligible to receive the subsidy again in 2019. It pays to check this before advising potential recipients of the subsidy.
8. Players are only considered to be eligible to enter the ANC Restricted Butler Pairs (and hence receive the ABF subsidy) if they
 - each held less than 300 MPs as at 31 December 2018; or
 - each have not held a Grand Slam Bridge Centre ranking of 56% or more on or before 31 December 2018.
9. The ABF reserves the right to determine eligibility in terms of 7 and 8 above in its absolute discretion.