

## BFACT 2019 ANC SENIORS TEAM FINAL

### Timings

The final will be conducted at Canberra Bridge Club on:

- a. 7.15 pm, 26 April 2019
- b. 09:15 am, 27 April 2019
- c. 11:00am, 28 April 2019

### Venue

Canberra Bridge Club, 6 Duff Place, Deakin, ACT.

### Eligibility

Ten pairs of players will be in the final having qualified via the stage 1 qualifying event. Entrants are requested to be intending to represent the ACT at the ANC but if "non-contending" please indicate that status at the start of the final.

### Format

There will be 9 14 board matches played across the weekend. Each pair will play each other over the appropriate number of boards based on a random draw. There will be 2 matches Friday evening, 4 on Saturday and 3 on Sunday.

### Scoring

#### Calculation of datums

The final will be scored using the cross-IMP method. IMPs will be calculated for each board by calculating IMPs for each other table, then averaged to give the number of IMPs for the board. The averaged IMPs will be cumulated for each board of the match to give an IMP difference, positive for one pair and negative for the other. The IMP difference (IMPdiff) will be converted to VPs using the ANC interstate teams conversion algorithm:

- if IMPdiff is between -30 to +30, match score=  $IMPdiff + 35$
- if IMPdiff is -80 to -31, match score =  $-30 + 1/10th(IMPdiff+30) + 35$
- if IMPdiff is 31 to 80, match score =  $30 + 1/10th(IMPdiff-30) + 35$
- if IMPdiff is less than -80, match score=0
- if IMPdiff is greater than 80, match score=70.

This will result in scores being in the range 0 to 70 for each match.

All posted scores will be provisional until data entry has been verified. Scores may be amended with the agreement of both pairs until 30 minutes after end of the next session, or 30 minutes after the last session, subject to the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017.

## Breaking Ties

### Critical Ties

Only critical ties will be broken by:

1. Total IMPs,
2. Head to head result,
3. Removing the score against the pair who received the lowest score in the event and so on,
4. Then toss of the coin.

## ANC Senior's Team

The three leading contending pairs will be invited, subject to ratification by BFACT, to form the ACT Seniors Team for the ANC, details of which can be found via the ABF website, [www.abf.com.au](http://www.abf.com.au).

## Conditions of Contest

### Regulations

The event will be played under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017, Australian Bridge Federation regulations, BFACT regulations and these Regulations. Where any of these conflict, priority will be given in order of listing.

### Entry Fee

The entry fee is \$110 per player.

### Substitution

A pair is entitled to substitutions, i.e. replacing one player for a match, for less than half the number of matches to remain eligible for the championship. The pair entered needs to play more than half the matches to be eligible.

As far as possible, a substitute should be of a similar standard to the one being substituted. Where a substitute is assessed to be of a higher standard than the substituted player, a committee assembled under the same means as an Appeals Committee may assess an adjustment in the form of IMPs per match for the matches where a substitution is made. Adjustments are normally in the range of zero to 2 IMPs per board.

It is the responsibility of the player who is unavailable to find a substitute.

### Systems

Any system complying with ABF System and BFACT Tournament regulations may be played. Each pair is required to make available two identical completed Standard ABF System Cards.

YELLOW systems are permitted given that the target event (ANC Seniors Teams) allows YELLOW systems.

YELLOW systems shall be submitted to the Tournament Director before 7.30 pm on the day before the event commences with a bona fide defence. Late submission will result in the Yellow system being disallowed for the event.

Players playing against a YELLOW system or a BROWN STICKER convention may bring a written defence (to the YELLOW system or to those aspects that make a system BROWN STICKER) to the table provided that:

- a. the defence is typed or written legibly on a single sheet of A4 paper,
- b. the defence is approved by the Tournament Director, and
- c. each of the four players at the table has his/her own identical copy.

### Slow Play

The time allowed for the commencement of the last board will be advised by the Tournament Director based on the number of boards. A grace period of 5 minutes will be allowed for each pair once in the event. Thereafter, each offending pair shall be penalized 1 VP for each board not completed. **This regulation is to be strictly enforced.**

### Appeals

Appeals against the Tournament Director's rulings must be notified in writing within 30 minutes of the posting of results at the end of the session. The appeal will be conducted in accordance with the BFACT Tournament Regulations.

The Appeals Committee will be appointed by the BFACT Tournament Secretary, or, if he is unavailable, by a suitable BFACT Committee Member appointed by the President of BFACT, or by the Tournament Director.

### Unexpected Events

The Tournament Director may take whatever action necessary to maintain the integrity of the tournament where events occur outside the scope of these regulations.

### Master Points

Master points will be awarded at Grade B, as a State Championship event.

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