

## **BFACT 2022 OPEN PAIRS**

### **Timings**

The event will be held at Canberra Bridge Club on:

Tuesday evenings starting at 7:15 pm  
8, 15 and 22 November 2022.

Please be seated by 7:10 pm.

### **Venue**

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

### **Eligibility**

All current financial members of a bridge club affiliated to BFACT, in accordance with ABF Regulations, will be eligible to play.

### **Entry**

Entry is required by 10:00 am on Monday, 7 November 2022. After that time, entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Tournament Secretary and only if the integrity of the event is not impacted.

### **Format**

The event will be played as a Swiss movement over 3 evenings.

### **Scoring**

#### **Calculation of datums**

The event will be scored using the Butler method. IMPs will be calculated for each board by comparing to the datum. The datum will be the average score for a board without including top and bottom scores; the number of top and bottom scores not included will depend on the number of tables playing. Cumulative IMPs will then be converted using an appropriate ABF VP scale.

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

### **Breaking Ties**

#### **Critical Ties**

Only critical ties will be broken by:

1. Removing the score against the pair who received the lowest score in the event and so on,

2. Then toss of the coin.

## Conditions of Contest

### Regulations

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

### Entry Fee

The entry fee is \$10 per evening per person. Fees are preferred to be paid via CBCPay, but can be transferred directly to the BFACT account by arrangement with BFACT Treasurer, please email "treasurer@bfact.com.au".

### Substitution

A pair may be able to have one substitution (replacing one player for an evening counts as 1 substitution) to remain eligible for selection.

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, the score attained by the substitute will be capped to be no better than the best score the partnership achieves.

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

### Systems

YELLOW systems are not permitted.

Any other 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.

### 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 for each board not completed. **This regulation is to be strictly enforced.**

### Reviews

A player can seek a review of a Tournament Director's ruling which must be notified to the director within 30 minutes of the posting of results at the end of the session. The review will be conducted by the director providing details of the ruling to at least 2 accredited directors not involved in the ruling, also providing a copy of the details to the player. The player may add details to the reviewing directors, who will provide

advice to the Tournament Director and Tournament Secretary who will decide if an adjustment is warranted.

### **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.

Niek Van Vucht  
BFACT Tournament Secretary  
7 November 2022