

STATE <100 MASTERPOINTS PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015

SUPPLEMENTARY TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

The Event (Overview)

These Championships are run in four divisions, based on the masterpoints earned by each player immediately following the 1st September 2015 Masterpoint Centre update. The divisions are:

Masterpoint range	% of registered active NSW players
0-9.99 MP	33%
10-24.99 MP	13%
25-49.99 MP	12%
50-99.99 MP	12%

Information about masterpoint standings at that date is available on the ABF Masterpoint Centre website <http://www.abfmasterpoints.com.au/default.asp>. If players in different masterpoint divisions play as a pair, they must participate in the division of the player with the greater number of masterpoints.

The UHMP Championships will have two stages. Early rounds (Club Qualifying Events) will be played in affiliated clubs and scored locally. Pairs progress from the Club Qualifying Events (CQEs) to compete in a Local Final. Results from all the Local Finals are sent to the Tournament Organiser who will matchpoint the Finals across the entire state.

Clubs are expected to form small groups comprising 2-6 clubs, with one club in the group designated to conduct the Local Final. The intention is that there will be minimal travel times for players and no necessity for overnight accommodation.

Eligibility

Both members of the partnership must have earned less than 100 masterpoints immediately following the 1st September, 2015 ABF Masterpoint Centre update.

Every participating pair will automatically be entered into the appropriate division - that of the player with the greater number of masterpoints.

There is no limit to the number of CQEs a player may enter.

Players do not need to be club members.

Players who qualify to a Local Final in more than one partnership may choose any of their eligible partners with whom to contest the Local Final.

No substitutes are allowed at any stage of the competition.

Dates of Club Qualifying Events

These are to be held in either or both of the following weeks:

Monday 14 – Sunday 20 September

Monday 12 – Sunday 18 October

A club may hold a maximum of 3 UHMP sessions in each week (*i.e.* a maximum of 6 in total).

Registration

Send an email to Warren Lazer at uhmp@nswba.com.au, detailing the following information:

Club name

Name of club organiser(s) and their contact details (email and phone number)

Proposed dates of your CQEs.

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Format of Club Qualifying Events

All CQEs are to be single sessions using standard matchpoint scoring and Mitchell or Howell movements. Note that masterpoint awards will be reduced if fewer than 24 boards are played.

CQEs are integrated or stratified; *i.e.* participating pairs in all four masterpoint divisions and non-contending pairs are all mixed in together. (Some metropolitan clubs may have very large sessions with separate sections in which only UHMP pairs are playing. There is no requirement to adopt this format even if you have a sufficiently large number of entrants to run it successfully.)

Directors must be qualified at Club level or above.

Masterpointing of Club Qualifying Events

Score and masterpoint each club qualifying session as you normally do for a single session club duplicate. UHMP competitors and non-competitors are treated identically at the club level.

The Tournament Organiser is responsible for calculating and issuing the red masterpoints to players who are competing in the UHMP. To this end, the club needs to send a full copy of the results for each CQE to the Tournament Organiser. The information required is:

- The number of boards played in the session and the date it was played.
- Names and ABF numbers of all players.
- Final scores (preferably as percentages) of all pairs.
- Which of the 5 possible divisions each pair is in:

viz, non-competitor, 0-9.99, 10-24.99, 25-49.99 or 50-99.99 MP

A typical results display (for a Mitchell movement) can be found at the end of these regulations. Pair numbers and final finishing positions are optional

Qualification to the Local Final

Any pair that paid the \$4.00 UHMP entry fee to a CQE is eligible to play in the Local Final.

Although entering a CQE once is sufficient to qualify a pair to the Local Final, players may attempt to maximise the number of red B4s masterpoints earned by playing in multiple CQE sessions. The \$4.00 per pair entry fee is payable for each such CQE contested.

Local Finals

Full details on conducting Local Finals will be sent to relevant Clubs and Organisers in October.

All Local Finals will be played over 2 sessions on Sunday 29th November, playing hands supplied by the UHMP Organiser.

Club officials should contact officials of neighbouring affiliated clubs and discuss which clubs will constitute their Local Group. Then decide which one of these clubs will host their Local Final and set the table money for the 2-session Final. This information should be sent to the Tournament Organiser before 14th September, so that it can be posted on the NSWBA website.

A club can belong to only one Local Group.

Clubs can qualify pairs to their Local Final only.

Clubs need to ascertain which of their pairs will be proceeding to the Local Final and convey this information to the hosting club before Saturday 14th November.

No masterpoints are to be awarded by clubs for Local Finals. All results are to be sent to the Tournament Organiser who will score the event across the state and award B4s masterpoints based on the state-wide results.

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Charges

An invoice will be sent after the results for your **last** CQE have been received. Please don't pay until an invoice has been issued. Instructions for payment will be included with the invoice.

Club Qualifying Events: \$2.00 per player per session (*i.e.* \$4.00 per pair). This entry fee is to be collected by the clubs and then paid to the NSWBA. Clubs would be expected to charge normal table money as well.

Local Finals: No entry fee is payable to the NSWBA, but clubs holding a Local Final would be expected to charge table money.

Masterpoints: The NSWBA will pay for all the B4s masterpoints issued. Clubs will be invoiced by the Masterpoint Centre in the usual way for green masterpoints issued by clubs for their club qualifying events.

Administration.

The Tournament Organiser of this event (on behalf of the NSWBA) is Warren Lazer.

All inquiries and correspondence should be directed to:

Warren Lazer
UHMP Organiser
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First Floor, 162 Goulburn St, East Sydney,
NSW, 2010.

preferably via e-mail at uhmp@nswba.com.au

Or ring Warren on 9744 1555 or the NSWBA on 9264 8111

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Results for Unicorn Bridge Club

Club number: 2-999

Number of boards played in session: 27

Date played: 15/9/15

NS PLAYERS

PLAYER 1	ABF NO 1	PLAYER 2	ABF NO 2	CATEGORY	SCORE %
BROWN, Fred	35762	BROWN, Joan	539426	NC	62.28
BLACK, Olive	579216	BLACK, Berri	3695	50-99.99	58.58
WHITE, Jeff	32164	WHITE, Janice	654987	NC	56.56
GREEN, Peter	497628	GREEN, Petra	21326	10-24.99	55.72
SILVER, Vicki	238654	SILVER, Vivienne	194685	0-9.99	54.04
SCARLET, Amelia	25168	SCARLET, Adam	3265	25-49.99	47.64
PLUM, Harvey	16749	PLUM, Henrietta	22344	50-99.99	46.46
GREY, Quentin	68597	GREY, Zelda	216584	NC	45.79
GOLD, Nathaniel	331467	GOLD, Naomi	98257	0-9.99	39.05
MUSTARD, Terence	236456	MUSTARD, Theresa	798571	0-9.99	33.83

EW PLAYERS

PLAYER 1	ABF NO 1	PLAYER 2	ABF NO 2	CATEGORY	SCORE %
SMITH, Jenny	467852	SMITH, Joseph	86924	50-99.99	62.22
BUTCHER, Kelvin	316497	BUTCHER, Kerry	25845	NC	55
BAKER, Lionel	164697	BAKER, Linda	556492	10-24.99	55
FISHER, Mark	346972	FISHER, Maria	2685	0-9.99	54.07
FARMER, Ralph	216233	FARMER, Rowena	468759	10-24.99	53.51
TAILOR, Jemima	833769	TAILOR, Jack	216445	50-99.99	49.62
ARCHER, Barry	231132	ARCHER, Beatrice	963852	NC	49.44
COOK, Daniel	123654	COOK, Daphne	77996	10-24.99	47.96
COOPER, Edward	16822	COOPER, Enid	164775	25-49.99	37.4
FLETCHER, Geraldine	31628	FLETCHER, Gary	176958	0-9.99	35.74