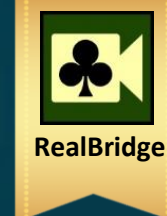




# Online Pairs League



Spring Season  
Oct 5<sup>th</sup> to Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023  
Please enter via MyABF

## NSW Online Pairs LEAGUE

### One 12-board Match per week

Divisions of 8 NS pairs playing a Round Robin against 8 EW pairs  
Thursday evenings at 7:30pm – done well before 9pm!  
Substitute up to three times if you can't make a match

Half-price for players under 100 masterpoints  
Early-bird discount: register by Thurs September 14<sup>th</sup>

Director: Alan Bustany

**B4s RED masterpoints for every win or draw**

Entry fee: \$50 per player with \$10 returned to your NSWBA Home Club  
FREE: Q&A session on Thursday September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm



## NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

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*Let's listen in to a (hypothetical) conversation between some players...*

**Alice:** Hi Bob, want to play some Bridge on Thursday evening?

**Bob:** Maybe, Alice, but it would make me a bit tired for work on Friday.

**A:** This won't. It's only half a session and it'll all be over by 9pm. If you want, after the match we can chat and review our play over a glass of cocoa — that'll help you sleep for work the next day!

**B:** Oh, OK, where do I have to go?

**A:** Nowhere! Just stay at home, finish dinner, and meet me online before 7:30pm.

**B:** Online? I am useless with technology. And doesn't that mean we'll be beaten up by all those good players?

**A:** RealBridge is really simple. You can use Google, Bob, so you can use RealBridge. And they have a free Q&A session where we can check out our video and microphones, ask any questions, and play a couple of boards.

**A:** And they are creating divisions in which we play people of our own ability from across the country. Those city slickers will probably be in a higher division than us! They even made it half-price for us less-experienced players.

**B:** So how does the half-session work?

**A:** As I understand it, it's a bit like a football league. We play one 12-board match each week for a "season" of eight weeks. Depending on how we do we might be promoted or relegated so that we are playing pairs of similar ability next "season".

**B:** OK, and only \$25 each for the whole season for Novices like us! Where do I sign up?

**A:** On **MyABF** of course! The Spring season starts the first Thursday in October, thru to the Thursday before last in November. I can also arrange substitutes during the Spring Nationals if you like.

**B:** Great! I'll put our names down on **MyABF**. Thanks for the invite, Alice.