

NT Butler Pairs Championship 2020

Major Prize Event

Supplementary Regulations

Event to be IMP scored pairs event of 2 sessions. Pairs must play in both sessions to be eligible to win event.

As far as possible the movement should be such that each pair plays each other pair over the same number of boards e.g. intertwined Howell/Mitchell.

Scoring: average Butler scored. With 4 or more tables the highest and lowest score shall be omitted when calculating datums.

Entry fee \$14 per player (\$7 per player per session)

The NTBA will provide \$1500 prize to play in an interstate gold masterpoint event in 2021 or 2022 for which attendance is not already being subsidised by the NTBA. (see below for options).

Note: this special prize is being offered for use over a 2-year period this year only due to uncertainty of interstate gold events in 2021 (for the Butler Pairs 2021 event it is planned to offer the prize for use in 2022 only)

Each pair will indicate during session time whether they accept the obligation or not.

The prize will be awarded to the highest ranked NT[#] pair accepting the obligation.

[#]Both members of the pair must be a *bona fide* financial member of a bridge club affiliated with the NTBA, and either:

- a) be ordinarily resident in the NT, or
- b) during the 12 months prior to the event must have resided for at least 60 days in the NT.

Any player can participate in the Butler Pairs event each year, however, can only receive the special prize once in any 3-year period, so therefore if you win and receive the prize in 2020 you are ineligible to receive the prize, even if playing with another partner, until 2023.

The NTBA retains the right to invite an 'extra' pair to contest the event to fill a half table. If the NTBA decides to invite an 'extra' pair (after entries have closed) to have full tables for the event then any such 'extra' pair will be ineligible for the prize unless they pay entry fees at the start of the event.

Interstate Gold Masterpoint Events in 2021

Refer to the Australian Bridge Federation for up to date information regarding events

Event	Location	Dates
Summer Festival <i>To be confirmed</i>	Canberra	January 2021
Gold Coast Congress <i>Cancelled</i>	Broadbeach	Feb 2021
Tasmanian Festival of Bridge <i>To be confirmed</i>	Launceston	March 2021
Autumn Nationals	Adelaide	April / May 2021
Barrier Reef Congress	Townsville	April / May 2021
Western Seniors Pairs <i>To be confirmed</i>	Perth	May 2021
Victor Champion Cup <i>To be confirmed</i>	Melbourne	June 2021
Australian Butler Pairs (but not for ANC Team representatives or the Restricted pair using the ABF \$2000 subsidy)	Orange	July 2021
Coffs Coast Gold Congress	Coffs Harbour	August 2021
Swan River Swiss Open Pairs	Perth	August 2021
Hans Rosendorff Memorial Congress	Perth	September 2021
Canberra in Bloom Bridge Festival	Canberra	October 2021
Sydney Spring Nationals	Sydney	October 2021
Golden West Senior Pairs	Mandurah, WA	November 2021