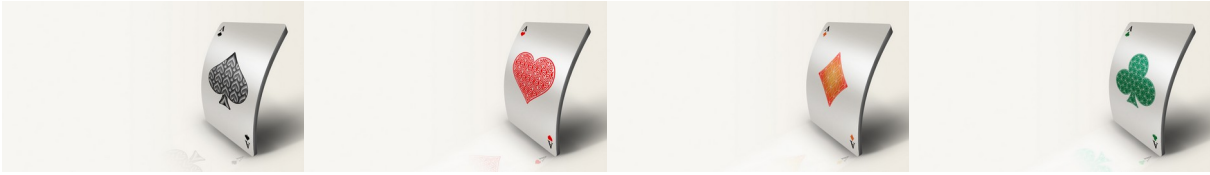


OPL **Spring** Season



October 8th to November 26th, 2024

Online Pairs LEAGUE

One 12-board Match per week

Divisions of 8 NS pairs playing a Round Robin against 8 EW pairs

Tuesday 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 Tuesday Sep 17th

Director: Alan Bustany

B4s RED masterpoints for every win or draw

Entry fee: \$50 per player

Register via MyABF by Friday Oct 4th



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

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

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

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 Tuesday Oct 8th thru to the last Tuesday in November. I can also arrange substitutes during the Sydney Spring Nationals if you like.

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