

Australia-Wide Club Knockout Teams

Congratulations to the TBA Open team for winning the finals!

The ABF's [Australia-Wide Club Knockout Teams competition](#) has just finished for the year. This is the second year that the event has been held. Teams representing clubs from around the country competed in four divisions with sessions held on RealBridge once a month. The first three sessions were a round robin qualification stage with the top eight teams in each category going into the knockout stage (consisting of quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals).

The TBA had 25 members representing the club across four teams. This is the second year that the TBA has been represented in all categories. All teams acquitted themselves well, with every TBA player earning Gold masterpoints and the TBA receiving prize money for the win in the Open division. The under 750 MP team had a strong result in the Consolation Swiss Teams event, coming fourth.

The TBA teams were:

- **Open** - Tania Lloyd, Hugh Grosvenor, Mardi Grosvenor, John Grosvenor, Jane Edler and Simon Edler. Placed 5th in qualifying, won against the Victorian Bridge Association team in the quarter-finals, against Newcastle in the semi-finals and against Wagga Wagga in the finals.
- **Under 750 MP** - David Brooks, Darryl Smith, Maruta Boyd, Barbara Holland, Sue Wilkinson, Chris Girvan and David Marshall. Placed 12 in qualifying. This was a very competitive category with the largest field. The team played in the Consolation Swiss Teams finishing 4th.
- **Under 100 MP** - Gek Low, Paul Fredheim, Ian Bailey, Katherine Marsden, Judy Hooley and Roger Hooley. Placed 6th in qualifying, lost to the Queensland Contract Bridge Club team in the quarter-finals.
- **Under 50 MP** - Barbara Meyer, Jane Hall, Anne McEntee, Christina Buell, Erica McCoull, Laura Bauermeister. Placed 5th in qualifying, won against the Gold Coast team in the quarter-finals, and lost to Waverley in the semi-finals.

Full results and details are available [here](#). Congratulations to everybody who played. Thanks to Sue Falkingham for coordinating the TBA teams. Sue also had a role in organising this event nationally.

This event is a great opportunity to represent the club and play against players of your level from around Australia. The RealBridge platform is easy to use and makes exciting events like this possible. Please consider putting your name forward for a team in next year's competition.