## 9th Asia Pacific Bridge Federation Open Congress 15th-22 April 2020

The Australian Bridge Federation has much pleasure in inviting you to the 9th Asia Pacific Bridge Federation Open Congress to be held in Perth, Western Australia from Wednesday 15th April until Wednesday 22nd April 2020. The venue, the Perth Convention Centre, is located in the city, close to public transport, shopping and many restaurants and hotels. Information about the venue and hotels can be found at: <a href="http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/apbf/2020/">http://www.abfevents.com.au/events/apbf/2020/</a>

As this is a congress year the event is open to all bridge players, and all NBOs are invited to send teams. Separate individual invitations can be sent by ABF upon request.

The event will begin with a two day warm up Swiss Pairs event, followed by 4 days of the teams qualifying rounds. The categories for the teams' event will: Open, Ladies, Seniors' and Mixed. If entries are sufficient, the Youth categories will be Under 16, Under 21 and Under 26.

Entries for the Asia Pacific Bridge Federation Open Congress 2020 can be submitted on-line, using our secure

site. <a href="https://www.entries.bridgeaustralia.org/onlineentries.php?id=55">https://www.entries.bridgeaustralia.org/onlineentries.php?id=55</a> All Entry Fees are in Australian Dollars and are listed below.

To assist us with our planning, it would be greatly appreciated if each NBO could give us an indication on the number of teams and categories your NBO will be supporting by sending an email to Allison Stralow at <a href="mailto:abf.pres@gmail.com">abf.pres@gmail.com</a>

More information on the detailed schedule will be sent out over the next few months. If you have any questions, or require further information, do not hesitate to contact the Tournament Organiser, Robina McConnell: email <a href="mailto:bina360@hotmail.com">bina360@hotmail.com</a>

Yours sincerely,

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Allison Stralow President Australian Bridge Federation

## **ENTRY FEES FOR APBF CONGRESS, PERTH APRIL 2020**

(All fees are in Australian dollars and include GST)

Swiss Pairs \$200 per pair (2 day event)

APBF Open Teams \$1,600 per team

APBF Ladies Teams \$1,600 per team

APBF Mixed Teams \$1,600 per team

APBF Senior Teams \$860 per team

APBF Junior Teams \$600 per team

APBF Youngster Teams \$300 per team

APBF Open Pairs \$200 per pair (free for Open Team participants)

APBF Ladies Pairs \$140 per pair (free for Ladies Team participants)

APBF Senior Pairs \$140 per pair (free for Seniors Team participants)

APBF Youth Pairs \$100 per pair (free for Youth Team participants)

APBF Mixed Pairs \$140 per pair (free for Mixed Team participants)

Bridgefest events will be held every morning and afternoon. \$40 per pair per session





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## Premier of Western Australia

## WELCOME FROM THE PREMIER OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Western Australia is delighted to host the Asia Pacific Bridge Federation Congress in 2020.

Australia has a very strong bridge culture for players of all ages and levels. Nowhere else in the nation is that culture more vibrant than in Western Australia.

We are all aware of the wonderful recreational and social benefits this challenging and thought-provoking game brings to those who play, and bridge enthusiasts here are fortunate to have access to the numerous well organised clubs throughout the State that cater for players at all levels.

Many of Australia's top bridge players, and even those who enjoy the game at a more recreational level, are keen to meet and match themselves against bridge enthusiasts from around the world.

In keeping with Western Australia's past record of hosting similar international events of this nature, we can promise our interstate and international visitors will have a wonderful experience, both at the table and socially.

We take great pride in extending warm hospitality to our visitors and showing them the wonderful sights and experiences in Perth. April is a superb time of year to visit Australia's west coast, the banks of the picturesque Swan River and the surrounding regions.

I look forward to welcoming you here on behalf of the Western Australian government and the people of this State.

Mark McGowan MLA PREMIER

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