

# International Open Teams Trials

Remuera Bowling Club  
6th – 9th December 2024

## Supplementary Regulations

These Regulations are supplementary to The Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017 and the NZ Bridge General Tournament Regulations 2022. During this Tournament, and within the limits contained in the Tournament Regulations, the Director in Charge or the Match Committee may make additions and/or alterations to the Supplementary Regulations if it considers it in the best interests of the Tournament to do so.

Official session starting times may be varied by the Director as necessary.

Players are expected to be seated at least 5 minutes before the official starting times.

### Format

**Qualifying** 6 x 16 board stanza IMP scored with the top two teams qualifying for the final. The two winners will progress to the Final.

If there is a draw at the end of Qualifying then there will be an 8 board play-off immediately following the 4<sup>th</sup> stanza

**Final** 6 x 16 board stanza IMP scored.

If there is a draw at the end of the Finals then there will be an 8 board play-off following the final stanza.

If there remains a draw at the end of these play-offs then there will be further 4 board play-offs until a result is determined.

### Scoring

- Scoring will be done using Bridgemates. South is responsible to enter the score progressively and East shall confirm the accuracy of the data.
- Both pairs have the responsibility to ensure that scores are entered correctly and that ALL boards are entered before the round has ended.
- Repeated failure to enter or verify the score entry may result in a procedural penalty of 3 IMPs.

### Official Score Cards

- Captains should carefully check the official score card distributed by the Chief Scorer. The official score for each stanza/match will become final after the subsequent break i.e. the

results from Stanza 1 will become final at the start of Stanza 3. Results for the last 2 stanza of the qualifying and of the Final will become final 10 minutes after the official score cards for the last stanza have been made available for inspection.

- Score changes shall only be made with agreement of the opponents.

## **Timetable**

### **Qualifying**

#### **Friday**

10.00am – 12.15pm Stanza 1  
 1.00pm – 3.15pm Stanza 2  
 3.30pm – 5.45pm Stanza 3

#### **Saturday**

10.00am – 12.15pm Stanza 4  
 1.00pm – 3.15pm Stanza 5  
 3.30pm – 5.45pm Stanza 6

### **Final**

#### **Sunday**

10.00am – 12.15pm Stanza 1  
 1.00pm – 3.15pm Stanza 2  
 3.30pm – 5.45pm Stanza 3

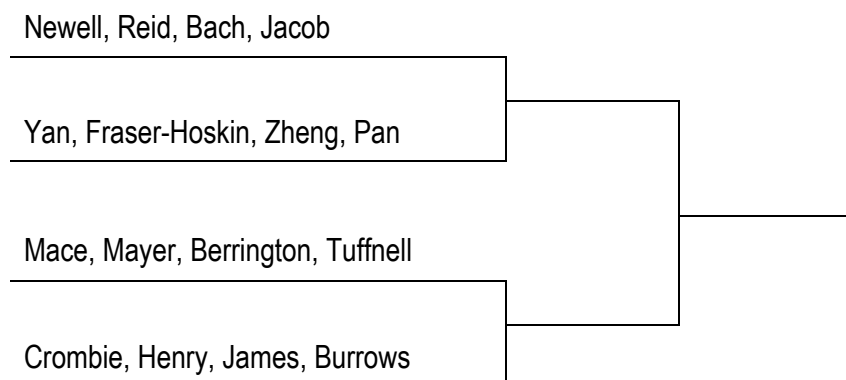
#### **Monday**

10.00am – 12.15pm Stanza 4  
 1.00pm – 3.15pm Stanza 5  
 3.30pm – 5.45pm Stanza 6

## **Seating**

- Each team will have their own table corresponding to their team number.
- Teams must sit NS at their own table and EW at the opponent's table.

## **Draw**



## Appeals

Notice of appeal must be made to the Director by the Captain of the team within 15 minutes of the finishing time of the subsequent stanza, except for appeals arising from the final stanza, which must be lodged within 10 minutes of the personal score cards being made available.

## Timing and penalties

- **Event Timetable.** The approximate start times and finishing times of the matches may be varied at the discretion of the Director or Match Committee.
- **Late arrival.** A pair not seated at their team table at the scheduled starting time for each match will receive a penalty of 2 IMPs for every three minutes late. More than 30 minutes late, will be dealt with in accordance with NZB Tournament Regulations 7.3.2 and 9.1.
- **Playing time.**       **16 board stanza:** Players have 135 minutes to complete their last board.

Failure to complete all boards may result in a procedural penalty.

The Director will give a 10-minute time warning before the finishing time of the stanza, however, omitting to do so will not exempt players from the requirement to complete the stanza within the prescribed time.

## Allowable Systems

All Green, Blue and Red systems allowed. Brown Sticker conventions and Yellow systems (**HUMS**) are **not** permitted.

## General

- **Team Captain** Each team should appoint a Captain and advise the Director before the commencement of play.
- **System Cards** All players must carry their own NZ Bridge or WBF System Card fully completed. System cards must be available at the table for opponent's reference. A copy in .pdf format should be forwarded and will be posted on the NZ Bridge website.
- **Mobile phones.** Mobile phones (and other electronic communication devices) are not permitted to be turned on in the playing room during session time. These devices should be placed in the container at the door provided for this purpose. Any breaches of this regulation may be subject to a non-discretionary disciplinary penalty of 9 IMPs. These regulations cover all areas of the venue, including the carpark.
- **Spectators** are welcome but are subject to the consent of the players at any table and subject to the director's discretion. Spectators must not have their mobile phones turned on when in the playing room and any breach may result in them being asked to leave the playing room.

room immediately and not return for the remainder of the event.

**Director/Scorer**

Murray Wiggins