

# GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2022

With the announcement by the Qld Government stating the borders will be down by December 17<sup>th</sup>, there is absolutely no reason why the 60<sup>th</sup> GCC will not go ahead.

Things you need to know

You need to register with My ABF and then enter via My ABF at <http://www.MyABF.com.au>.

If you have any problems after you have tried to register and haven't received your confirmation email, please contact Pele on 0439949060 or [gccentries@qldbridge.com.au](mailto:gccentries@qldbridge.com.au)

Payment may be made via My ABF, or prepaid directly into our Bank Account (please ensure your name is entered as the deposit reference).

If you want teammates or a partner, give Toni a call on 0401082054 or [tmbardon@hotmail.com](mailto:tmbardon@hotmail.com).

What's new in

2022:

- All morning sessions start at 10.00 am.
- Bobby Richman Pairs Final 3 is at 10.00am.
- Afternoon sessions start at 2.30 pm, except Monday and Friday - 2.00 pm
- All Rookie and 0-50 events commence at 10.00 am
- There is a new division in Teams Championship - Under 1500 masterpoints

Important points:

- Following ABF guidelines on Gold Point events in 2022, it is a requirement that all players and officials be fully vaccinated. For those that are ineligible to be vaccinated for medical reasons, a medical certificate confirming such ineligibility along with confirmation of a negative Covid test conducted within 3 days of commencement of the event will be required.
- Gold Points are awarded in all events except Walk-in Pairs
- List of prizes published on the website after 1st January 2022
- System regulations published on website after 1st January 2022
- Supplementary regulations published on website after 1st February 2022
- Seating for Pairs and Teams Championships available on website 24 hours prior to event
- Gold Coast Congress Compendium updated regularly and is published on the MyABF Gold Coast Congress website.
- It's our 60<sup>th</sup> so a Diamond Celebration and diamond dress up on the Wednesday.
- There of course will be changes due to the Pandemic for example, we will only be running one bus and all pickups will be organised prior to the event and Barry our bus driver will run to a player pick up schedule. He cannot be hailed down. No unwrapped lollies and we are limited to only three halls SO entries will be limited but that number is quite high so no need to panic. There will be no Trivia offered in 2022 and I am sure there will be some smaller

other things we will need to do but if we are all fully vaccinated the need for masks will not be required so I have been told.

- The Dinner Dance will still be held, with the same band that you have enjoyed for so many years. I am assured the dinner will be served in the same manner, which is a Grazing menu.
- Hospitality will be held but in a much smaller capacity.

Your job now is to enter and pay before February 7 and then turn up.

Kim and Ray Ellaway – Managers GCC, Tim Runting – Tournament Organiser, Toni Bardon – Partnership Organiser, Pele Rankin – GCC My ABF Officer and entries Co-ordinator and Sue Ziegenfuss - Hospitality  
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