

## 2023 STATE TEAMS SELECTION FORMATS

**Open Team:** The Open Team selection format will be a 2-stage event. Stage 1 will consist of 4 rounds, IMP (datum or cross-imp) scored, to qualify 8 pairs for Stage 2. Stage 1 begins Monday March 2. Check the calendar or flyer for a list of playing dates.

**Interstate Open – Stage 2.** A full round robin will take place over 2 days, March 18 & 19. **No substitutes** (barring medical emergencies) will be permitted for this stage of the event.

Stage 1 is open to ALL players however, pairs MUST, **at the beginning of Stage 1**, declare their availability to play in the Open Team at the 2023 ANC in Perth. Stage 2 is restricted to contending\* pairs.

### **The Women's Team**

The 2023 Interstate Women's Team selection format will be held on Thursday March 23 & 30 along with the weekend of April 1 & 2. The IMP scored format will be determined by the number of entries. The top 3 pairs will qualify for the team. This event is open to ALL pairs (Women). However, Non-Contending pairs\* must, at the start of the event, declare their status and their availability to play in the Women's Team at the 2023 ANC in Perth.

### **The Seniors' Team**

For players born before January 1 1963. The 2023 Interstate Senior Team selection format will be a Butler style movement beginning Thursday April 13 along with April 20 and running over the weekend of April 22 & 23. The top 3 pairs will qualify for the team. The number of sessions advertised in the calendar may be reduced if entries are insufficient.

Note: It is the player's responsibility to ensure that they meet the age eligibility requirements. This event is open to ALL Senior pairs however, non-contending pairs\* must, at the start of the event, declare their status their availability to play in the Senior Team at the 2023 ANC in Perth

**STATE YOUTH BRIDGE:** For those under 26 on 1 January 2023. (Date to be confirmed)

A Youth Selection Event may be held in March; details to follow. Team members are likely to be required to participate in team training and coaching sessions.

**Final conditions of contest and event regulations for all events will be published in early 2023.**

\* Contending pairs – A pair who warrants that they are available to play, at the ANC, in the event category relevant to the selection event. Non-contending pairs warrant that they are unavailable for selection in the team relevant to the selection event. Barring extra ordinary and / or unforeseen circumstances, penalties will apply should pairs change their contention status.