

We invite pairs to apply to trial to represent Otago Southland in the 2027 Regional Championship

The Otago Southland Committee's will hold online trials if sufficient entries are received.

You MUST be available to play the regional play off from 30th April evening to 2nd May evening online and to travel to congress to play on the Friday 5th November. Travel and accommodation will be at your own cost.

Who we need: Pairs to compete in Intermediate, Women, Senior (born on or before 31 Dec 1962) and Open teams. We invite you to form a pair of players that meet the criteria and send your entry (please use attached form) via email to Otago Southland Regional Committee by 5pm **Wednesday 24 February 2027.**

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You may be eligible for more than one team (eg women's and/or open and/or seniors) so if you would like to be considered for more than one team please indicate this on the form and your order of preference.

What you need to know:

- Trials will be conducted online over Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 March if required.
- The national event will break into two segments, firstly a double round robin contested online over the weekend of 30 April evening to 2 May inclusive.
- The top two teams in each section at the end of the double round robin will contest an in-person 2 session final held in Palmerston North on the Friday before congress starts.
 - The Head Director will advise tie breaking procedures prior to the start of the event.
 - NZ Bridge will host and cover the delivery costs of the in-person segment but advise that no player subsidies will be payable – **i.e. no travel or accommodation costs will be met by NZB**, or OSRC (which is a NZB subcommittee)
 - The Dougal Maclean Trophy criteria will be extended to include the in-person finals.

Regional Championship Team Trial Entry Form:

Team Category ☐ Open ☐ Senior ☐ Women ☐ Intermediate
(Tick those that apply but if more than one state your preference)

Preference: _____

Pair member 1 Name: _____

Contact email: _____

Pair member 2 Name: _____

Contact email: _____

Nominated interim pair captain to contact if needed for trials:

Name : _____

Contact Phone : _____

- **Please include your pair system card**