

# GNOT WESTERN VICTORIAN TEAM

## SELECTION 2026

**Date:** Sunday 31 May 2026  
**Time:** Two sessions at 10.00 am and 1.30 pm  
**Venue:** Geelong Bridge Club, 148-152 Portarlington Road, Newcomb, Vic

### What is Grand National Open Teams (GNOT)?

The Grand National Open Teams is an Australia wide event to select 64 teams (in 2024) who will compete in the National finals. Details are listed on ABF website

<https://www.abf.com.au/gnot-update-new-format-for-2026-announced/>

The teams, including the Western Victorian Team, will participate in an online tournament (on RealBridge) over September 18<sup>th</sup> through to September 20<sup>th</sup>. Players who are not familiar with RealBridge will be offered some training. The event will be run as a knockout with 64 teams and the losing teams will move into repechage. Eight top teams and the next twelve highest placed non-metropolitan teams will progress to the phase 3 round robin event which will comprise two separate events. There will be a 8 team event and an 12 team non-metropolitan final. This will be held in Brisbane during 27-29<sup>th</sup> November. This means 20 teams out of 64 will get a chance to play in the final event for which fares and entry fees will be paid by ABF.

### Details of the selection event and entry requirements

Entry is limited to all members of the listed bridge clubs irrespective of ABF masterpoints. There is also no restriction on the number of pairs entered from any club.

Geelong Bridge Club	Donald Bridge Club
Warrnambool Bridge Club	Sunbury Bridge Club
Ballarat Bridge Club	
Ocean Grove Bridge Club	
Torquay Bridge Club	

The event will be run as a 2-session pairs' event with the top two pairs making up a team to represent the region. Table fees will be \$30.00 per player for the day (2 sessions). Tea coffee and biscuits will be provided and drinks and nibbles are available at the end of the second session. **Players to bring their own lunch.**

### How to enter

As space and number of pairs which can be accommodated at the Geelong Bridge Club is limited, it would be advisable to enter on line at Geelong Bridge Club website as soon as possible: [www.geelong.bridge-club.org](http://www.geelong.bridge-club.org). Find entry details under 'Calendar' dated 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026.

Alternatively, please send your entry to Piyush Jain (Regional GNOT Coordinator) on [ausitinst@gmail.com](mailto:ausitinst@gmail.com) with the following information:

Player 1 - Full Name - Club - ABF Number

Player 2 - Full Name - Club - ABF Number

### Queries

Any queries, please contact Piyush Jain on [ausitinst@gmail.com](mailto:ausitinst@gmail.com)/Mob 0414391584