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**Release 1.1.6**

**CHANGES FOR PLAYERS**

The following are the key changes that players may notice in the new release.

# 1. Ability to add pair/team names (if enabled by the Tournament Organiser)

Where the Organiser has enabled it for an event, you are now able to give your entry a name.  This function can also be used to provide the name of a non-playing captain.

When enabled the name field appears under the players in the entry screen:



The name defaults to the surname of the first player in the entry – but it can be edited at any time (both by players with access to the entry and by Tournament Organisers).  The name is limited to 15 characters.

The entry listing then appears with the name at the front:



## 2. Direct link to your own entry from the listing

When logged in, the listing of entries now shows your own entry highlighted (note the FOSTER entry in the previous section is shown in a different colour).  This is a link that will take you direct to the entry to edit it if you need to (the Your Entry button in the header does the same).

## 3. Unregistered My ABF users in an entry

ABF policy is that every player being included in a Congress entry should be a registered My ABF user.  Players cannot therefore add an unregistered player into their entries.

However, the Tournament Organiser now does have an ability to override "TBA" with any active player in the Masterpoint system.  If that is done the player's name will appear in the entry list but it will be in italics.  This indicates that the player is not a registered user and, as such, will not receive email notifications about the entry, will not be able to login and pay, etc.  If you hover over the name you also receive a message telling you the name was added by an administrator.



It's important to note that a player which has been included in an entry like this is not a normal registered My ABF user.  That means:

a) They will not receive any email notifications about the entry
b) They are unable to edit the entry
c) They are unable to make online payments for the entry

Their partner or teammates will need to do these things on their behalf.

## 4. Ability to include yourself in any position in an entry

When you start an entry you are automatically defaulted as the first player.  Some players have wanted to change this so the team is listed with another person's name first.  Although it was possible to change the first player to someone else, it was not then possible to add yourself back into the entry in another position (because the search function excluded yourself from search results).  Another player or the Tournament organiser would then need to add your name back in.

Within entries, the search function now finds yourself so you can more easily change the order of players in an entry if you wish.  Note, however, that if the team name function is operational there is no real need to do this – entries will then be listed with their name at the front anyway.

## 5. Changes when events have categories

Where event organisers have set up events with categories, it is now compulsory for players to choose a category when doing their entry.  If you are not eligible for any of the specific categories, this may mean selecting "None".

This has been done because events previously included a category by default but it was just the first category the organiser created.  Many players were not checking it and hence quite a lot of entries were being lodged with invalid category selections.

Players and Tournament Organisers can change the category at any time (if a player changes a category an email notification to the Tournament Organiser is generated).