



SNOOKER & BILLIARDS

CENTRAL COAST Inc.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT “SUMMER SNOOKER” TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT - 2023/24

1. TEAMS

- a. Only member clubs are eligible to enter teams
- b. Players must be financial members of the nominating Billiards & Snooker Club
- c. Players must be financial members of SBCC prior to playing and renew membership if due during the competition
- d. All players must remain financial members of nominating club to be eligible to play
- e. A player cannot be transferred from another team once they have played a game for another team

2. PLAYING FORMAT

- a. A competition round will be scheduled each Wednesday night (excluding Public Holidays and other special events)
- b. All teams will compete in a round robin home & away format for the preliminary rounds
- c. Players
 - i. Six (6) players are required to compete each round (match)
 - ii. Each player will play two (2) frames singles snooker
 - iii. Each player will play one (1) frame of doubles snooker
 - iv. Singles frames are to be played prior to the doubles
- d. Forfeits
 - i. Four (4) players are required to constitute a match
 - ii. If a player forfeits the opposing team will be awarded 1 frame point for each frame forfeited
 - iii. If a team forfeits points will be awarded equal to the maximum points earned by any other team for that round
- e. Commencement of games
 - i. Three (3) games must start at 6:30pm
 - ii. Home team captain to determine order of play and tables allocation during the preliminary rounds

- iii. SBCC official will determine order of play and table allocation for all finals matches
 - iv. Players may compete in any order, however the order as written in the scorebook will also determine the pairing for doubles: i.e., 1&2 player together, 3&4 play together and 5&6 play together
 - v. At the completion of any game another player must be ready to play until all frames are completed
 - vi. If any player is not present to start the game when scheduled or required a one (1) frame penalty is to be applied immediately and after each 15 minutes a subsequent frame penalty applied
 - vii. Players must "referee/mark" the singles games, home team to determine the order of "marking", i.e., who marks game 1 or game 2
 - viii. All frames will be played off handicap
- f. Competition points will be awarded as follows:
- i. One (1) point awarded for each frame won
 - ii. All (15) frames must be completed
 - iii. One (1) point bonus for compliance of preliminary round dress code
 - iv. The team winning the most frame points will be deemed the match winner
- g. The Home team captain is responsible for:
- i. Frame scores must be recorded
 - ii. The score sheet must be filled out neatly and legible to the recorder to read
 - iii. Results MUST be text to the recorder 0404 553 043 on the evening of the match, Email a Copy/Scan/Photograph of the official team sheet to the recorder within 24 hours of match results@snookercc.com
- h. Venue Closures:
- i. In the event a game cannot be finished due to the forceful completion and/or exiting a venue due to playing exceeding the venue trading hours the frame (snooker) or game (billiards) will be awarded to the visiting player.

3. HANDICAPPING

- a. All registered players will be set a handicap for the commencement of this competition
- b. Handicaps will fluctuate on a weekly basis based on the players win/loss results of singles games only
 - i. When a player wins both singles frames, they will lose 2 points
 - ii. When a player loses both singles frames, they will gain 2 points
 - iii. No change to handicap when singles frames are drawn
- c. Singles frames – handicaps are to be applied in full to a maximum of 80 points ie: player A is -50 and opponent player +40, then points start will be 80
- d. Doubles frame – handicaps are to be added together then halved
- e. In the interest of fair play, SBCC reserves the right to adjust handicaps at any time

4. PLAYING RULES

- a. Rules will apply to all games as per the OFFICIAL RULE BOOK of the AUSTRALIAN BILLIARDS & SNOOKER COUNCIL (Nov 2019 Handbook) and are to be observed at all times
- b. Variations to the official rules:
 - i. The “Foul and a Miss” rule will be imposed on all games in this competition, if deemed the player has not made a “fair” attempt to hit a ball on the non-striker may elect to have the cue ball replaced however only once per sequence.
 - ii. The “Mercy Rule” will be applied on all frames, points difference required for the frame to be ‘awarded’ is 3 snookers plus 1 point with each of the colours left on the table, this rule can only be applied after there are no reds on the table

5. FINALS

- a. A finals competition will follow the preliminary rounds
- b. Refer to the SBCC Teams Championship Finals Criteria and Rules

6. DRESS CODE

- a. Dress standard will be as deemed acceptable by licensed premises
- b. All players must wear identical team shirts identifying the club they represent

7. SUBSTITUTES

- a. Teams may use a substitute player throughout the preliminary rounds to avoid forfeiting games providing these guidelines are followed:
 - i. Two (2) players may be substituted per round
 - ii. Must already be a registered player of this competition
 - iii. Must be a registered player of the same club being represented
 - iv. A player cannot play finals for a team as a substitute
 - v. Playing as a substitute does not count towards your 1/3 participation

8. REFEREES

- a. Referees are not provided for any games in this competition
- b. Where available a referee may officiate the Grand Final match and will be paid for their service

9. PLAYER BEHAVIOUR

- a. Players and captains are required to adhere to the ABSC Code of Ethics and ABSC social media Policy available to read on www.snookercc.com (excluding the non-consumption of alcohol clause)
- b. Players and captains are required to adhere to the SBCC Etiquette guidelines, available to read on www.snookercc.com
- c. Players must comply with any requirements and/or directions of the management and staff at the venue (i.e., the licenced club where games are played)

10. TEAM FEES

- a. Team registration fee \$75.00
- b. Player registration fee of \$25.00
- c. Player membership fee maybe applicable if not a current financial member, fees are outlined on player registration application form

- d. All fees will be invoiced to the member club who will be responsible for payment of registration fees

11. DISCLAIMER

- a. SBCC prepares competitions for all members, by participation you automatically agree to all the terms in this document
- b. The SBCC Board reserves the right to alter any rules pertaining to this format at any time deemed necessary and appropriate in the best interest of its members and SBCC