

AUSTRALIA'S LONGEST RUNNING SNOOKER TOURNAMENT SINCE 1987



2013



FRIDAY 5th July – Sunday 7th July, 2013



SANCTIONED NATIONAL RANKING TOURNAMENT

Prize Pool of over \$8,000

VENUE:



135 Stephen Street, Yarraville

**ENTRIES CLOSE
Friday 21st June**

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The Lance Pannell Classic began in 1987 and has become the longest running snooker tournament in the nation.

Every year more than 60 players converge on the Yarraville Club. World and Australian champions have entered, and players have travelled halfway around the world to take part. Former World Champion, Neil Roberts won the Lance Pannell Classic twice before going to England. It is not uncommon for as many as three-quarters of Australia's Top 40 players to compete.

The Yarraville Club is the home of billiards and snooker in Australia. Founded in 1905, the Club started a billiards competition in 1911 and then snooker from 1921.

A True Champion Sadly Missed - LANCE PANELL

On the 2nd October 2011, the Yarraville Club and Snooker & Billiards Community were saddened by the passing of Lance Pannell, a true champion. Lance passed away on 2nd October, 2011 after a long illness. He was 87 years old.

The Yarraville Club will continue to keep this tournament running in memory of Lance who was a Life Member of the Yarraville Club and had an outstanding record of achievements in the sport of billiards and snooker.

Players who were lucky enough to have known or played against Lance, will remember his talent and prowess.

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A brief summary of Lance's history is:

- Club Billiards Champion 18 times since 1954...
- Club Snooker Champion 17 times since 1947...
- Three times winner of The Club Calcutta Handicap Championship against all other Club members (1960, 1965, 1978)...
- Victorian Snooker Champion in 1952 and 1955...
- Victorian Snooker Champion runner-up in 1958, 1973 and 1975... and Victorian Billiards Champion runner-up in 1974.

MORE THAN \$8,000 IN PRIZE MONEY

Winner	\$3000
Runner up	\$1250
Losing Semi Finalist	\$600
Losing Qtr Finalist	\$280
9 th to 16 th	\$140
4 spot match prizes of	\$100

Major prizes, the trophy and encouragement awards will be presented at the conclusion of the final on Sunday 1 May.

There will also be a presentation and drinks at the conclusion of the Grand Final for all players, officials, sponsors.

ENTRY FEES

Top 64 ranked Australian players	\$100
Players ranked outside top 64 on the Australian national ranking	\$60
Juniors (Under 18yrs)	\$30

Entries close on Friday 21st June, 2013 at 5pm.

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

Qualifying matches commence on Friday 5th July (depending on the number of entries).

Main draw starts on Saturday 6th July from 10am, concluding on Sunday 7th July with the Grand Final.

All matches are best of 5 frames. Semi finals and final are best of 7 frames.

All players must report to the Tournament Director or his Deputy on arrival.

Players are expected to be in attendance at least 15 minutes before the start of their scheduled games. Any player not in attendance and ready to play at the designated start time will lose one (1) frame when the referee calls the game to commence. If a player is not in attendance 15 minutes after the designated start time or when the referee calls the game to commence, his/her game shall be declared a walkover and given to their opponent.

If both players are in default of being absent after the aforesaid grace period of 15 minutes, both players will be declared in default and their game deemed a walkover with no frames or points awarded to either player.

All losing players are required to referee the next scheduled match (or ask the Director of referees for another referee to mark the match at the set fee).

All disputes will be referred to the Tournament Directors or Director of Referees and their decision will be final.

Dress code is the National Ranking Dress Code. Formal attire shall be worn in all sessions of all matches. Long sleeved, PLAIN coloured shirts, fully buttoned to the waist. Bow ties, waistcoats and dress shoes shall be worn for all matches. Players who do not meet the dress standard, will not be allowed to play.

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