

WESTS ILLAWARRA WOMEN'S SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIP

New National Women's Ranking Event
& Development Camp

21 - 23 MAY 2021 WESTS ILLAWARRA LEAGUES CLUB, UNANDERRA NSW

Coaching - Group & Solo sessions
Sports Psychologist
Motivational Speaker
Refereeing
National Ranking Event
Travel subsidies for players























- WELCOME -

WESTS ILLAWARRA WOMEN'S SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIP

Welcome from the Chairman of Snooker & Billiards NSW Inc



I would like to welcome all the players, officials and spectators to the Wests Illawarra Women's Snooker Championship which is being hosted by Snooker and Billiards NSW. It is great to see a new Women's event take place in NSW and not just a Snooker tournament but a fun and exciting series of activities which aims to develop Women's Snooker.

The event would not have been possible without the financial support of NSW Government and the sponsorship provided by our venue, Wests Illawarra. We hope you all enjoy your time at this fantastic event.

Alex Render
Chairman
Snooker and Billiards NSW Inc









- DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

FRIDAY 21 MAY 2021

12:00PM - 12:30PM

ALL PARTICIPANTS ARRIVE

Light lunch & refreshments served

12:30PM - 2:30PM

PAUL THOMERSON - COACH



Paul, a former UK Professional has been playing since he was 12 years old. Paul comes to us with a wealth of knowledge & experience including:

- Australian Director of Coaching for 3 years
- Australian Coach for 10 years
- Qualified referee
- Represented Australia 12 years at the Masters
- Australian Masters winner 2015 & 2016

2:45PM - 3:45PM

JOHN S. HUDSON - MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER



John has been a motivational and inspirational Speaker for over 25 years. John has delivered his "Discover Your Inner Champion" speech in many countries around the world, encouraging and inspiring audiences.

John's inspirational life story of how he achieved his dreams and goals in snooker, overcoming life's challenges, will provide you with mental keys to be the very best player that you can possibly be.

4:00PM - 5:00PM

GARY KNIGHT - NSW DIRECTOR OF REFEREES



To contact Gary please email nswreferees.gk@gmail.com or go to www.snookernsw.com and follow the link to Referees.

Gary Knight is a certified referee with 20 years' experience in refereeing the games of Snooker and Billiards. He has compiled a distinguished record in this time, controlling many major games and Championship Finals and earnt the respect of players and officials Australia-wide as a competent and accomplished referee.

Gary regularly provides clarification for players on Rules issues and acts as a mentor for newly certified referees. Having now attained his Class 1 + Examiner status, Gary took on the role of NSW Director of Referees in July 2020 and currently maintains oversight of all refereeing activities in NSW - as well as being involved in planning and delivering relevant training and development programs for aspiring referees.

- DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

FRIDAY 21 MAY 2021

5:15PM - 6:15PM

KAREN HADDAD - PERFORMANCE PSYCHOLOGIST



Karen Haddad has extensive experience in the field of Performance and Sport Psychology. Karen completed her Master of Psychology (Sport Psychology) in 2006 at the University of Western Sydney and has since provided psychological servicing and education in many settings including: High Performance Sport for the Australian Institute of Sport and the New South Wales Institute of Sport; National and State based sport bodies/associations; University lecturing and tutoring; and performance enhancement in the High School setting.

Karen currently is the Sport Psychologist for the NSW Swifts, and the Lead Performance Psychologist for the Australian Women's (The Gliders), and the Australian Men's (The Rollers) Basketball Teams. In these roles Karen provides psychological support to the coaches, staff, athletes and the team to maximise their performance and develop a cohesive and powerful unit. Athletes and teams that Karen has worked with have achieved Olympic and Paralympic Medals and Qualifications, World Championship Medals and National Titles including a Suncorp Super Netball Premiership.

Karen successfully works with elite, pathway and recreational athletes and coaches, utilising the therapeutic approaches of Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) and Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) along with performance strategies to help each client reach their potential. Karen is known for her warm, empathetic and supportive approach and has an outstanding ability to connect with her clients. Karen is also highly skilled at presenting psychological concepts and strategies to individuals, teams and large groups in a practical, relevant and an engaging way.

6:30PM - 8PM

WELCOME FUNCTION

Finger food platters & drinks served

STEVE COWIE - TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR



After gaining a lot of experience refereeing at local and State events, Steve was invited to referee at the World Billiards Championships in Bangalore, India. He was later invited to New Zealand to referee at several events. At these events, Steve started to learn the role of Tournament Director and has gone on to work as Tournament Director in 9 countries to date.

Steve has been Tournament Director at 3 World Billiards Championships to date – 2 in Leeds, England, and 1 in Melbourne, Australia.



2021 WESTS ILLAWARRA WOMEN'S SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIP

Wests Illawarra Club, Unanderra NSW 22-23 May



ROUND ROBIN GROUPS

Group A	Group B
Christine Firth (NSW)	Gemma Schuman (NSW)
Belinda Dinga (QLD)	Alice Wu (QLD)
Jessica Woods (NSW)	Carlie Tait (NSW)
Lyndall Vine (SA)	Kerrie Spindler (NSW)
Lee Castledine (NSW)	
Group C	Group D
Joey Tohme (NSW)	Kylie Bellinger (TAS)
Shirley Ryan (NSW)	Diann Merritt (NSW)
Theresa Whitten (VIC)	Rhonda Knight (NSW)
Jacqueline Baird (NSW)	Jennifer Budd (NSW)

Round Robin – Best of 3 frames

PLAYING SCHEDULE

Saturday 22 May

9:30am

Α	Christine Firth	V	Lyndall Vine
Α	Belinda Dinga	V	Jessica Woods
В	Gemma Schuman	V	Kerrie Spindler
В	Alice Wu	V	Carlie Tait
С	Joey Tohme	V	Jacqueline Baird
C	Shirley Ryan	V	Theresa Whitten

11:00am

D	Kylie Bellinger	V	Jennifer Budd
D	Diann Merritt	V	Rhonda Knight
Α	Lee Castledine	V	Jessica Woods
Α	Christine Firth	V	Belinda Dinga
В	Gemma Schuman	V	Carlie Tait
В	Kerrie Spindler	V	Alice Wu

12:30pm

Α	Lyndall Vine	٧	Belinda Dinga
Α	Lee Castledine	V	Christine Firth
C	Joey Tohme	V	Theresa Whitten
C	Jacqueline Baird	٧	Shirley Ryan

2:00pm

D	Kylie Bellinger	V	Rhonda Knight
D	Jennifer Budd	V	Diann Merritt
Α	Jessica Woods	V	Christine Firth
Α	Lyndall Vine	V	Lee Castledine
В	Gemma Schuman	V	Alice Wu
В	Carlie Tait	V	Kerrie Spindler

3:30pm

C Joey Tohme	v Shirley Ryan
C Theresa Whitten	v Jacqueline Baird
D Kylie Bellinger	v Diann Merritt
D Rhonda Knight	v Jennifer Budd
A Belinda Dinga	v Lee Castledine
A Jessica Woods	v Lyndall Vine

Sunday 23 May

Knockout

9:30am – Quarter Finals	Best of 3 frames
11:30am – Semi Finals	Best of 5 frames*
2:00pm – Final	Best of 5 frames

^{*}if time permits, otherwise may be changed to best of 3 $\,$



Wests Illawarra Women's Snooker Championship 2021

Quarter Finals Best of 3 frames	Semi Finals Best of 5 frames	Final Best of 5 frames
Sun 9:30am		
	Sun 11:30am	
Sun 9:30am		
		Sun 2pm
Sun 9:30am		
	Sun 11:30am	
Sun 9:30am		

- INDIVIDUAL COACHING -

AVAILABLE SUNDAY 23 MAY, FROM APPROX. 10AM-2PM

GREG JENKINS - NSW DIRECTOR OF COACHING



Greg loves competing and sharing his vast knowledge to whoever is interested in learning.

- Professional Snooker player 1985 1992.
- Australian U18 & U23 Snooker Champion.
- Semi finals of 1st Junior Pot Black in UK 1981.
- 2 Maximum 147 Breaks.
- Represented Australia at 7 9-ball Pool World Championships.
- Involved in cue sports for over 40 years.
- Level 2 Examiner and Coach ABSC accredited.

GEORGE SPITERI – COACH & OFFICIAL EVENT PHOTOGRAPHER





George has been around snooker tables since the age of 12. Through the years of playing the game, he's seen & played at every level imaginable. From the grassroots junior level, the common club player, as well as travelling to Germany to watch Ronnie O'Sullivan win the German Masters and Stephen Hendry and Neil Robertson battle it out at the Crucible.

He's been coaching for almost 2 decades and has coached players from as young as 10, all the way through to those in their twilight years. Individually or in large school groups, George currently heads up the new State school coaching program in Victoria. George hopes to one day see a whole new generation of Australian junior players hit the snooker scene.

As well as playing and coaching snooker, George has also photographed snooker both here and overseas for the better part of 2 decades. Despite being a career photographer working with clients in many different fields, he's captured snooker from State pennant teams, National Ranking events, as well as the 2019 World Billiards Championships. George has photographed several events for World Snooker and was named their official photographer for the Bendigo Goldfields Open.

WOMEN'S SNOOKER & BILLIARDS IN NSW

Snooker and Billiards NSW is responsible for running all NSW State Championships for women's snooker and billiards. If you are interested in participating in, or learning more about women's events, please contact Carlie Tait.































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