

# CUEBALL

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## 6 RED SNOOKER

6 Red Snooker first came to the world's attention last year when an invitational tournament featuring some of the world's top professionals and amateurs was held in Thailand. The game is pitched as a fast-paced format, similar in vein to Twenty20 cricket.

As the name suggests, 6 Red Snooker is played with six red balls – all the other rules of snooker remain the same. With a maximum break of 75, a frame winning break is within the reach of most decent players – at the 6 Red tournament in Thailand, six maximum breaks were scored, the fastest by Saleh Mohammed of Pakistan in 2 minutes 54 seconds.

The BSAWA plans to launch 6 Red Snooker in Perth this year, as a way to encourage more players into the game, who previously felt it was too hard to compete at the traditional format. A 6 Red league will replace the Division 2 pennant competition on Thursday nights, and four handicap events will be held on weekends throughout the year.

The format of the 6 Red league will have two teams of four players up against each other. Each player will play two frames against each opponent, giving a total of 32 frames available for the night.

Handicaps will be adjusted according to frames won, similar to the system previously used for Division 2. The league will be open to all players except those seeded as scratch players in Div 1.

The Division 1 and 6 Red leagues are due to commence on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of February respectively. A nomination form for the leagues is included in this edition of Cueball, so get your teams together now!



The four handicap competitions held throughout the year will be open to all players with an entry fee of \$20. A round robin section in the morning will qualify players through to the knockout stage, with prize money paid from the semi finals onwards, depending on entries.

The scheduled dates for the tournaments are as follows:

Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> March	North Perth
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Northbridge
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Cannington
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> July	North Perth

Entries will be taken from 10am and the draw will be made on the day.

A few new skills are required for the game, so try it out and start practicing your 6 Red break!

## ABSC 200 Club

After the successful launch of the ABSC 200 Club last year, numbers are now available for sale in 2009. All numbers were sold in 2008, and WA scored three out of the eight draws. Last year's number holders were given the opportunity to retain their numbers, but the reservation period has now expired and all remaining numbers are available for sale.

The ABSC 200 Club is a progressive lottery whereby numbers from 1 – 200 are purchased by individuals or syndicates at a cost of \$100 each. During the year there will be eight draws conducted – six of \$1000 and two of \$2000 – the draws will be held just prior to the final of selected National Ranking Events.

Once a number has been allotted it remains that person or syndicate's number for all of the draws conducted during that year, which means that you can possibly win more than one draw with the same number.

The names of all ticket holders or syndicates will be posted on the ABSC website so as to ensure the complete transparency of the lottery. You do not have to be in attendance to win the draw, and the winners details will be posted on the ABSC website following the draw.

Numbers are now available for sale online at the ABSC website:

[www.absc.com.au/200club](http://www.absc.com.au/200club)

Alternatively, contact Barrie Jones for more information on 0418 903 655 or email [bt1@bigpond.net.au](mailto:bt1@bigpond.net.au).



## Playing To The Rules

There has been some discussion of late about tournaments using an altered form of the rules of snooker. In particular, there is an event scheduled in NSW this year which is stating that until the Last 16 stage the 'Foul and Miss' rule will not be used.

Most reasonable people could see that this is likely to lead to problems – it essentially means that you can play a 9-ball style 'push out' instead of trying to get out of a snooker.

In response to the upcoming tournament, the Australian Billiards & Snooker Referee's Committee (ABSR) has issued the following statement:

*"The ABSR has noticed recently that Snooker events are being proposed to be conducted with the deletion or changes to certain official rules. This practice is not condoned by the ABSR nor will it be supported. It is hoped that any person adjudicating in any match under these conditions will uphold the integrity of the sport as it is intended regardless of their qualifications. In particular and in reference to the 'Foul and a Miss' rule, behaviour considered not in the best interest or spirit of the game must be addressed so as to maintain acceptable standards within the sport."*

This statement suggests that a referee in such a match would consider a 'push out' to come under Unfair Conduct, and hence receive a warning for the first offence, followed by loss of frame for a repeat.

You can rest assured, however, all tournaments conducted in WA will be played according to the official rules of the game.

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## WANTED: 10 People to make 10 Phone calls

We have all noticed a decline in the number of people participating in snooker over the last couple of years – in both leagues and tournaments, and in both the junior and senior ranks.

To get some more detailed information on why this is happening and what can possibly be done to reverse the trend, we need to get in touch with the people who have slipped away from the association.

Emails, post and SMS have all been used, but none get a reasonable response rate – what we need is a personal phone call to each and every person. This is obviously a mammoth task for one person to take on alone, so we are calling for ten people to make ten phone calls each – this way we can reach 100 people easily and will go a long way toward rebuilding our numbers at tournaments and leagues.

If you get in early you will have the opportunity of selecting the people you know – you will be given a list of questions/topics to discuss and will just need to report back in general terms as to what people said. If you would like to volunteer for this initiative, please contact Adam Wyard on 0412 387 469 or email [executive@snookerwa.org.au](mailto:executive@snookerwa.org.au).

## President Steps Down

We unfortunately must advise that the BSAWA President Nick Russell has been forced to step down from the position due to business commitments brought about by the financial crisis.

Nick has been instrumental in gaining sponsorship for the West Coast International for the past three years, his efforts will be sorely missed. We are extremely grateful for his input and the

support of his company Allied Metal Recyclers. The position of President will remain vacant until a suitable replacement is found by the board.

## Pot Black Open

The newest event on the Australian ranking tour is the Pot Black Open, which was held in Melbourne last year, but now moves to Adelaide on 20-22 February.

The tournament carries in excess of \$12,000 prize money and will be awarded double ranking points for every player participating. This is a good opportunity for players who do not normally make the trip 'over east' to play in ranking events, given the cheap airfares on offer, such as \$69 one way offered by Jetstar as part of their Friday Fare Frenzy.

You will find the entry form for the tournament in this edition of Cueball.

## Oceania Championships

The 2009 Oceania Championships are being played at the Port Moresby Country Club in Papua New Guinea.

Oceania Billiards	21st – 23rd March
Oceania Snooker	23rd – 28th March
Oceania Women's Snooker	26th – 28th March

Entry forms and travel info are available on a website created especially for the event

[www.oceaniapng09.com](http://www.oceaniapng09.com)

Anybody interested in attending these championships should check the website or contact Adam Wyard on 0412 387 469 or email [executive@snookerwa.org.au](mailto:executive@snookerwa.org.au).

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## The 2009 Pennant Snooker Competitions

The Billiards & Snooker Assoc of WA are pleased to call for nominations of Snooker teams to contest the Division 1 and '6 Red' competitions commencing Wed 25<sup>th</sup> and Thu 26<sup>st</sup> February.

Nominations are now being called for and the closing date is Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February.

**Team nomination fee: \$20**

### Dress Code

Smart Casual: Full-length jeans or trousers, with a collared shirt.

No shorts, thongs or sandals

Please fill in the nomination form and forward to Adam Wyard ASAP

PO Box 223 North Perth WA 6906, Fax 6278 3690 or Email [executive@snookerwa.org.au](mailto:executive@snookerwa.org.au)

All players must be financial with the association prior to playing. To avoid embarrassment for yourself or your team-mates by being penalised, please register early.

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## 2009 Snooker Pennants Nomination Form

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_  1<sup>st</sup> Division  6 Red League

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Captain's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Players:

Name	Email	Phone

# The Billiards & Snooker Association of W.A.( Inc.)

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## The 2008 Under 12, Under 15, Under 18 & Under 21 Snooker Championships

The Billiards & Snooker Assoc of WA Inc. are pleased to announce that the 2008 State Under 12, Under 15, Under 18 and Under 21 Snooker Championships will be held at the Pot Black Family Pool And Snooker Centre  
464 Fitzgerald St, North Perth

### State Under 12, Under 15 & Under 18 Girls Championship

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 10.00am

Entry fee: \$10.00

### State Under 18 Championship

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 10.00am.

Entry fee: \$20.00

### State Under 21 & Under 21 Ladies Championship

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 10.00am.

Entry fee: \$20.00

The winner of these events will be offered the opportunity to represent the State at the respective National Championships for the age division.

Dress code for all events will be: long sleeved single coloured shirt, bow tie, trousers (not jeans) and dress shoes (not sneakers of any description).

Any person requiring further information or wishing to enter should contact Adam Wyard

Ph/Fax 6278 3690 Mob 0412 387 469 Email [executive@snookerwa.org.au](mailto:executive@snookerwa.org.au)

*All players reaching the Knock Out stage of the Championships must be financial members of the Billiards & Snooker Assoc of WA Inc prior to the commencement play in the Knock Out.*

*To qualify for an age division, the player must be under the age specified on 1 Jan 2009.  
e.g. Players in the Under 15 event must be born on or after 1 Jan 1994.*

## 2009 State Junior Snooker Nomination Form

Name ..... Date of Birth .....

Address ..... P/code .....

Phone ..... Mobile .....

Email Address .....

Entry Fee     Under 12 - \$10.00       Under 15 - \$10.00       Under 18 Girls - \$10.00  
                   Under 18 - \$10.00       Under 21 - \$20.00       Under 21 Ladies - \$10.00

**BILLIARDS & SNOOKER ASSOCIATION of W.A. (Inc.)**

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**2009**

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

1st January 2009 - 31st December 2009

NAME:.....

ADDRESS:.....P/CODE:.....

OCCUPATION :

PHONE: HOME:.....BUSINESS:.....

FAX.....MOBILE.....

E MAIL ADDRESS

I PLAY AT / AM A MEMBER OF THE .....CLUB/CENTRE

I wish to: renew my membership / become a member.

FULL REGISTERED (with voting rights)	\$50
REFEREE (with voting rights)	\$35
ASSOCIATE	\$35
JUNIOR Under 16 Date of Birth	\$10
JUNIOR 16-20 Date of Birth	\$20
SENIORS over 65	\$20
SENIORS over 65 & ABSR financial Referee	\$10
Referee (inc ABSR membership)	\$35
ABSR financial Referee	\$20
DISABILITY PENSION HOLDER	\$20

I agree to abide by the constitution and by-laws of the Association.

Signature..... Date...../ /2009...

Cheque enclosed for \$.....

Please send cheques to:  
BSAWA  
PO Box 223  
North Perth WA 6906  
Phone/Fax: 6278 3690



The Billiards & Snooker Association of South Australia presents

# The Pot Black Open



**Sanctioned National Ranking Tournament**



# POT BLACK



**B.S.A.S.A**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2009**

Matchroom

13 Shannon Place, Adelaide SA

**\$12,000+ Prize money**

*Double ranking points apply for all players*

**Entry Fee: \$100**

**Juniors Entry Fee: \$55**

(Under 18 years as of 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2009)

Entries close: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2009

Send entries to:

The Treasurer

Billiard & Snooker Association of SA Inc.

PO BOX 756

HAPPY VALLEY S.A. 5159

Make cheques payable to:

Billiard & Snooker Association of SA Inc

Direct queries to:

Frank Dewens

0412055057

08 83818646

**Conditions of entry :**

1. The tournament will be conducted under the ABSC Ranking Tournament Playing Conditions.
2. Entries will only be received on the official entry form by the closing date and must include the entry fee.
3. Tournament standard dress is required - long sleeved collared shirt and bowtie; trousers in a solid dark colour (no jeans), dark coloured dress shoes and socks; waistcoat for quarter finals onwards. Failure to comply with this condition will result in forfeiture of the game.
4. Top 16 seeded players will not be required to play until Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb. All others may be required to play on Friday.
5. Random players may be subjected to Drug testing according to the ABSC Anti Doping Policy.
6. INDEMNITY: All participants enter at their own risk. Neither the Club, nor sponsor, nor organisers shall be liable for any loss, injury or misadventure however arising.

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## POT BLACK OPEN 2009 ENTRY FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2009 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

Mon	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	Tatts Club 5.00pm
Sun	15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Ranking Tournament No 1</b>	Cannington 10.00am
W/E	20 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Pot Black Open</b>	Matchroom, Adelaide SA
Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 1</b>	Cannington 10.00am
	25 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Snooker Division 1 &amp; '6 Red' Pennants</b>	Start
Sat	28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 2</b>	North Perth 10.00am

### MARCH

Sun	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>6 Red Handicap Tournament No 1</b>	North Perth 10.00am
W/E	7 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Under 21 Snooker Championships</b>	North Perth 10.00am
Sun	8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 3</b>	Cannington 10.00am
Mon	9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Tatts Club 7.00pm
Sat	14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Under 12 &amp; Under 15 Snooker Championships</b>	North Perth 10.00am
Sun	15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Ranking Tournament No 2</b>	North Perth 10.00am
	21 <sup>st</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Oceania Championships</b>	Port Moresby Country Club, PNG
Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 4</b>	Gosnells 10.00am
Sun	29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 5</b>	Cannington 10.00am

### APRIL

Sat	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 6</b>	North Perth 10.00pm
Sun	5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Under 18 Snooker Championship</b>	North Perth 10.00am
Mon	6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board meeting</b>	Tatts Club 5.00pm
W/E	17 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Australian Under 21 Snooker Championship</b>	Matchroom, Adelaide SA
Sat	18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 7</b>	North Perth 5.00pm
Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Ranking Tournament No 3</b>	Gosnells 10.00am
W/E	25 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Billiards Championship Heats</b>	North Perth 1.00pm & 10.00am
Mon	27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Billiards Championship Final</b>	North Perth 11.00am

### MAY

W/E	1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Lance Pannell Snooker Classic</b>	Yarraville Club, Melbourne VIC
Sat	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>6 Red Handicap Tournament No 2</b>	Northbridge 10.00am
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Bill Barrie State Minors Snooker Trophy</b>	Cannington 10.00am
Mon	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board meeting</b>	Tatts Club 5.00pm
W/E	9 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Ladies Snooker Championship</b>	North Perth 10.00am
Sat	16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 8</b>	North Perth 10.00am
Sun	17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Satellite Series 9</b>	Cannington 10.00pm
Sat	23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>6 Red Handicap Tournament No 3</b>	Cannington 10.00am
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Ranking Tournament No 4</b>	North Perth 10.00am
Mon	25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board meeting</b>	Tatts Club 5.00pm
W/E	29 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>State Open Snooker Championship</b>	North Perth 9.00am

### JUNE

	5 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>West Coast International</b>	North Perth 9.00am
	11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Australian National Womens Snooker Championship</b>	Mingara, Wyong NSW
	23 <sup>rd</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Australian Billiards Championships</b>	Brunswick Club, Melbourne VIC
Mon	29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Council meeting</b>	Tatts Club 7.00pm

### JULY

Sun	5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>6 Red Handicap Tournament No 4</b>	North Perth 10.00am
	7 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Australian Junior Teams Challenge</b>	TBA, Melbourne VIC
W/E	18 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Masters (Over 40) Snooker Championship</b>	North Perth 10.00am
Sun	26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>State Ranking Tournament No 6</b>	North Perth 10.00am
	29 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Spring Snooker/ Billiards League</b>	Proposed Start (TBC)

### AUGUST

Mon	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board meeting</b>	Tatts Club 5.00pm
	14 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Australian National Snooker Championship</b>	RACV Club, Melbourne VIC
	28 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Australian Masters Snooker Championship</b>	Mingara, Wyong NSW

### SEPTEMBER

Mon	7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Annual General Meeting</b>	Tatts Club 7.00pm
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