

Official Newsletter of the Billiards and Snooker Association of WA

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Results

Bunbury Ranking event 4

The sun shone in Bunbury for our ranking event 4 on the weekend of 17th and 18th April. The Bunbury Commercial club kindly hosted the competition.

We had a stunning turnout of 24 players with a great combination of both Perth and Bunbury players. Special thanks to Natasha who brought Christian Malinovic to the event - it's so lovely to see all the support our young players are getting.

Ben Keen regained his number 1 ranking spot after former leader Ben Judge was knocked out by warhorse Barry Saxon in his first match. The old man then notched a further two victories which saw him progress into Sunday's semi finals where he was finally undone by Kishin Bhavnani 3-1. In the other semi local John Harris and Ben Keen put on a show of high quality which went down to the final black, Ben prevailing 3-2. Ben then went on to beat Kishin 4–1 in the final. The highest break prize was shared by Ben Keen and John Harris, both making 40. Congratulations also to local players Todd Slaymaker and Ray Gardiner who both knocked over top 20 players.

The Plate went to worthy winner, Wayne Rollings, who defeated Troy Jinman in the final. Troy's semi-final win against Janine Rollings prevented a Rollings v Rollings final but at least for the couple they made it home still happily married (we think!)

We are unable to provide any details about what happened on the Saturday night because what happens in Bunbury stays in Bunbury, so to everyone who travelled down to participate, thank you. To all the rest of you, pack your bags for November when we do it all again for the Bunbury Challenge!



Remember that our COVID-19 guidelines are changing continuously, so stay on top of current guidelines on mask wearing and other restrictions. Bearing in mind that social distancing, contact registers and regular hand washing are likely to be with us for the long term.

State Under 12 and 18 Snooker Championship 2021

On Saturday 8th May, PBFPSC North Perth hosted our Under 12s and 18s for their 2021 State Championship.

Liam Nolan was unopposed in the under 12s taking home the trophy. However, he showed his mettle by getting into the final of the under 18s.

We had a great field of five young players for the under 18s who all played at an exemplary level.

Massive congratulations to the 2020 runner up James Edwards, going one better this year by defeating Liam Nolan 3 – 1 in the final.

Congratulations to all our young players with some sterling breaks. Liam Nolan had the highest of the day at 27, with James Edwards potting a 25 and Christian Malinovic a 22.

In exciting news, both Liam and James qualify for the opportunity to represent WA at the Australian Under 12 or Under 18s Snooker Championship.

Here's hoping they can make it and bring the National trophies home to WA! We're all behind you boys!!

Full results: https://snookerwa.org.au/results.asp

Ranking event 5

On Sunday 9th May PBFPSC Cannington was the venue for our ranking event 5.

Despite Covid restrictions just having been lifted we saw 30 players come out for some well deserved ranking points.

It remained a very consistent and entertaining 'all Ben' final. Ben Foster won the day with a convincing 4 - 1 win over Ben Judge.

Ben Foster also took out the highest break with a spectacular 81.

Ben Judge meanwhile had the next highest break of the day with a solid 50 and he regains his top ranking.



State Women's Snooker Championship 2021

In a repeat of the 2020 State Women's final line up, Cindy Tran and Janie Rollings went head-to-head for the 2021 title.

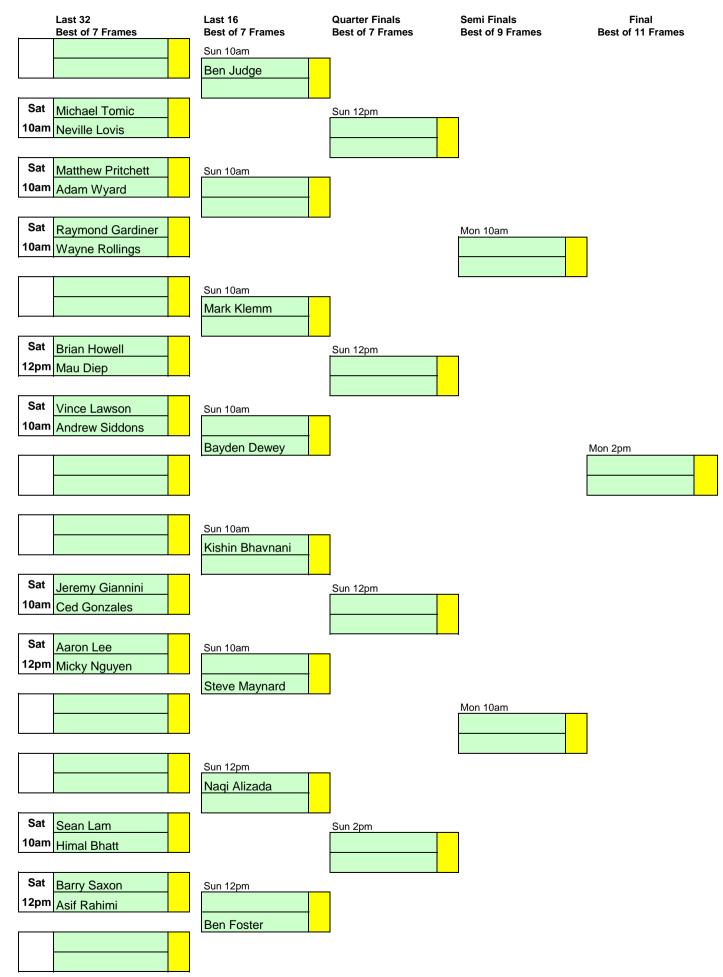
Janine put on a powerful display to prove she's well and truly back in the game after the downtime we've all had in 2020!

Congratulations to Janine winning 4 - 0. Better luck next year Cindy!



2021 State Snooker Championship

PBFPSC North Perth - 5th-7th June



What's coming up

June 2021		
5th - 7th	State Snooker Championship Knockout	North Perth 10.00am
19th	State Under 18 Billiards Championship	North Perth 10.00am
20th	Bill Barrie State Minors Snooker Trophy	Northbridge 10.00am
26th - 27th	Swan River Classic	North Perth 9.00am

Entries can be found at <u>https://snookerwa.org.au/event-entries.aspx</u>

Swan River Classic – What's That All About?



Normally at this time of year we follow up the State Snooker Championship with the West Coast International, a National Ranking Event. This year with the uncertainty of travel restrictions, we felt it was not right to ask players to commit to interstate flights, so we will launch a new event directed more towards local players – the Swan River Classic.

This event will still carry a substantial prize pool, which is still to be confirmed but will be in excess of \$3000. The format will be similar to the West Coast – a straight knockout with all matches at least best of 7 frames, with one exception: the draw will be completely random. That's right – no seedings! Just throw every name into a hat and see where they land.

The tournament will be held on the weekend of 26-27 June, with entries closing at 6pm on Thursday 24 June. This is to allow the draw to be conducted live on our YouTube Channel at 7:30pm that night. All matches will be best of 7 frames, with the Final best of 9 frames.

Dress code will be full tournament standard - Long sleeve predominately plain coloured shirts buttoned at the wrist, bow ties and dark colour dress shoes must be worn for all matches. No sports style shoes, sandals, or boots will be allowed. Waistcoats are required from the Quarter Finals. Note that bow ties must be worn – standard neck ties are not acceptable.

Entry fees are \$60 for non-scratch BSAWA members, and \$110 for scratch players or interstate. This will include 2x\$10 vouchers to be used over the bar at PBFPSC North Perth on the weekend.

Top 20 Rankings

Here's the scores on the doors, following ranking event 5

Ranking	Player	Start	Event 1	Event 2	Event 3	Event 4	Event 5	Total
1 (2)	Ben Judge	354	62	20	89	18	61	604
2 (1)	Ben Keen	332	46	91		89		558
3 (3)	Ben Foster	193	91	46	60		89	479
4 (4)	Kishin Bhavnani	162	31	13	31	61	31	329
5 (5)	Bayden Dewey	108	31	62	42	30	42	315
6 (6)	Mark Klemm	169	44	12	42		29	296
7 (7)	Steve Maynard	131	20	32	17	31	17	248
8 (8)	Naqi Alizada	121	31	13	17	29	29	240
9 (9)	Wayne Rollings	103	32	19	29	18	29	230
10 (10)	Arif Hussain	102	19	20	11	18	18	188
11 (13)	Matt Pritchett	89	13	12	11	30	18	173
12 (11)	Andrew Siddons	105	19	31	10			165
13 (12)	James Pan	107	19	19	10		10	165
14 (14)	Aaron Lee	82	19	19	29		10	159
15 (17)	Simon Rae	64	12	19	17	10	18	140
16 (15)	Adam Wyard	69	12	13	17	18	11	140
17 (16)	Janine Rollings	76	12	12	18	10	11	139
18 (19)	Asif Rahimi	62		44		11	17	134
19 (18)	Domenic Cutri	67	19		18	17	10	131
20 (20)	Stevan Straatman	60	12	12	10	17	11	122

https://snookerwa.org.au/rankings.aspx

Fluke Corner!

Thank you to our two contributors for Fluke Corner! Mike Rendell you guessed correctly.

Tian Pengfei misses the red he was going for but pots 2 other reds. I hope you enjoyed Stephen Hendry's comedic commentary fail and John Higgins's face at the end says it all!

Check Facebook out for the full video.

https://www.facebook.com/SnookerWesternAustralia/



Australian Masters are coming to town - More news is coming soon!

It's time to get excited! Only 130 days until the Australian Masters Games comes to Perth.



Entries are now open for Billiards and Snooker as part of Australia's best multisport festival - the 2021 Australian Masters Games! Join us in October for a week-long festival of sport that brings together weekend warriors from around Australia, for an unmissable sport and social program with the beautiful city of Perth as the playground.

With more than 50 sports on offer and no qualification criteria aside from meeting the minimum age requirement for our sport, which is 30, there really is something for everyone. 2021 is the year for getting back into sport, reconnecting with old friends and making new ones, and exploring more of our backyard. Let's get active, social and adventurous together in 2021! Find out more at <u>www.AustralianMastersGames.com</u>.

We already have seven entries to our Masters Games and the Early Bird entries are still open, so make sure you click that link above and join in this incredible experience.

Your entry entitles you to join the Masters games for an opening ceremony, mid-week meet up and the closing ceremony – sounds like a great way to spend some time in October!



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