

Twin Towns Club Banora Snooker Club

The Twin Towns Snooker Club operates out of Club Banora with three full size billiard tables.

Snooker balls and cues (if needed) are available at the bar upon production of a Twin Towns membership card. Social play is available at a cost of \$1 per 30 minutes by means of a coin operated timer situated adjacent to each table. The rules of table use are outlined on signs within the snooker room.

The Club is very active and caters for the full range of membership given their relative skill levels. The handicaps range from +75 to -20, so there is room for all players irrespective of ability and age.

We are a club which sets out to ensure our members enjoy their sport in a social environment but encouraging each member to reach their highest level of competency on the tables

The club secretary will be in regular communication by email and through our Facebook page with news, results and requests for nominations to our various championships and events.

Club Championships

We conduct the following events open to all Snooker Club members - nomination fee \$10 unless otherwise stated.

- A, B & C Grade Scratch Championships
- George Hendrickson 'All in' Handicap Championship
- A, B & C Grade Handicap Championships
- Billiards Scratch Championship
- Billiards Handicap Championship
- 6 Reds Handicap Championship
- 'Cricket' Championship

Sponsored Sunday Events

Regular Sunday tournaments running 12 to 16 times per year – nominations by 10am NSW time. Prize money (depending on number of players) is approximately \$85 to the winner. Prize money for semi-finals. Consolation comp for 1st match losers. On selected tournaments, prize money is extended to quarter finalists. Bona fide visitors from other snooker clubs are welcome - nomination fee \$15. There is a strict dress code of collared polo shirt, dress trousers, black or brown dress shoes.

Des Turner OAM Teams Event

Teams competition (3 players per team) on Wednesdays from 6pm, conducted over approximately 10 weeks in Autumn and Spring. Format is 1 doubles frame and 4 singles frames per match in a round robin group. Nomination fee is \$70 per player for the full event (can be paid as \$10 weekly), prize money paid down to semi-finalist teams. Dress code is collared polo shirt. Jeans or shorts and running shoes are accepted. No sandals/thongs.

Tuesday and Thursday evening handicap events

Nomination fees members \$6, non-Snooker club members \$7 – nominations in person no later than 6pm NSW time. These events are run on a knockout basis with a Main competition and a first-round loser competition (the Consolation) also run in conjunction. The maximum handicap difference is set at 60 based on the social tournament handicap system. Winner and runner up cash prizes for the Main and Consolation events, the cash amounts dependent upon the number of nominations. During daylight saving, potential players can ring in before 6pm and they can be included in the draw provided they can attend by 6.45pm.

20 Max

On Wednesday evenings at 6pm, when the Teams Competition is not running, the Club runs a handicap tournament where the maximum handicap difference is set at 20 based on the assessed handicap system. This caters for the lower handicap players who are often giving considerable starts in the social handicap events on Tuesday & Thursday. We normally try to run this as a 3-group round robin event to guarantee a minimum of 3 matches. All are welcome to play with a \$7 nomination fee (\$1 of that fee is for the highest break prize of 30 or over – rolled over to next week if not won).

FNCSA – Far North Coast Snooker Association

Twin Towns Snooker Club is a member of the Far North Coast Snooker Association and Club members are eligible to play in the following events conducted by the FNCSA.

- FNCSA Championships for A, B & C grades – scratch event
- Handicap Championship
- Billiards Championship – scratch event
- Teams event

Interclub Matches

The following interclub matches are conducted annually:

- Redcliffe – home one year and then away next year
- Sherwood RSL – home and away
- Southport Snooker Club – home and away
- Casino - home
- Ballina – home one year and then away the next year

QBSA – Queensland Billiards & Snooker Association

Club members are automatically eligible to play in competitions of the QBSA and its affiliated Clubs. These are numerous and are listed on the QBSA website, www.qbsa.com.au or www.qbsa.cloudaccess.net

Eamonn Duff Open Handicap Championship

The flagship event of our calendar is the annual Eamonn Duff Open Handicap tournament conducted over the October long weekend. The field is limited to 54 players, matches are best of 3 frames with the exception of the final which is best of 5 frames.

Tournament prizemoney is dependent upon sponsorship and nominations received but is in the order of \$4000 annually, with \$1250 prizemoney to the winner.

Handicapping - The Assessed Handicap System.

Handicaps are adjusted regularly and are dependent upon the success or otherwise of the player. New players are given an arbitrary handicap initially which may also be based upon the Handicappers observation of them if he has had the opportunity to see them play. The handicaps are then adjusted for the new player in accord with the Handicappers opinion until they have settled into regular competition. These handicaps are used for Sunday and Wednesday events.

Social Handicap System

A social handicap system is utilised for the Tuesday and Thursday competitions whereby a losing player receives a 1 point increase each event contested. Winners of the Main competition lose 4 points, the Main competition runner up 3 points. Winner of the Consolation event loses 2 points and the runner up loses 1 point.

Membership

Membership of the Snooker Club is initially dependent upon being a member of the Twin Towns Services Club and then joining the Snooker Club at a fee of \$25.

Members of the Twin Towns Services Club are eligible to play in the Tuesday & Thursday events and the Sunday tournaments even if they

are not members of the Snooker Club. Entry fees for these events for non-Snooker Club members of Twin Towns Services Club are \$7 Tuesday & Thursday and \$15 for Sunday tournaments.

Under 18's

Since October 2016 due to licensing changes, under 18's are allowed in the Snooker Room and can play. Adult supervision is required at all times and the minimum age to utilise the tables is about 12 years, however common sense on the age & size of the junior is required.

The Snooker Club is endeavouring to build our junior ranks as time progresses. Coaching is usually conducted on Friday afternoons at 5.30 until approx 7pm and selected Sunday afternoons at 4 pm. Please contact Peter Campbell 0481 342 289 for more details.

The Club also runs an annual junior coaching program from July to September utilising accredited coaches assisted by Club members for the development of interested juniors.

Junior tournaments are held on a regular basis as well as possible inter club visits to help foster our junior ranks. The juniors are also most welcome and encouraged to join in our competitions given their level of expertise.

Social

Whilst not part of the Snooker Club's ambit, there is regular social snooker played by the veterans on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9.30am and prospective players would be welcome to attend these sessions. Just turn up and make yourself known and join in.

Club Shirts

We encourage our members to purchase a club shirt at a special price of \$35. This will be personalised with your name/nickname on it. Contact the club secretary for more details



Polo Shirt Size Chart

	KIDS						Adults										Ladies						
Size	6Y	8Y	10Y	12Y	14Y	16Y	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
1/2Chest(cm)	38	40	42	44	46	49	51	53	55.5	58	60.5	63	68	73	78	83	45	47.5	50	52.5	55	57.5	60
Length(cm)	54	57	60	63	66	69	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	88	63	65	67	69	71	73	75

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