



# PREMIER 9-BALL – EVENT DETAILS

Presented by Club 9

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## Event Overview

- **Event Name:** Premier 9-Ball
  - **Date:** Every Month (Sunday) starts 15<sup>th</sup> February
  - **Venue:** Club 9, North Strathfield NSW
  - **Player Check-In:** From **9:00 AM**
  - **Random Draw: 9:30 AM on-site** – *ALL players must be present to draw their opponent*
  - **Start Time: 10:00 AM** (matches begin at **10:15 AM**)
  - **Approx. Finish: 8:30 PM**
  - **Tables:**
    - **16 × 9-ft Diamond Tables** – Main Draw
    - **7-ft Diamond Tables** – Losers Comp
  - **Streaming:** Our aim is to have 9-ft tables streamed live + Broadcast Table
  - **Referee:** We are aiming to have 1 area Referee.
  - **Commentary:** We are hopeful to engage with some regular commentary team to cover the semi-finals and finals pending costs and availability.
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## Format

- Single elimination
  - FargoRate **R6 Hot Race Chart**
  - **9 on the spot**
  - **Magic Rack** (provided; personal rack allowed by mutual agreement)
  - **Winner Break**
  - **Lag** for first break
  - **90-minute match clock** (Final excluded)
  - **Losers Comp Eligibility:**  
First-round losers from main draw.
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## Series Schedule

Schedule	
Week	Date
1	Sun 15 Feb
2	Sun 15 Mar
3	Sun 19 Apr
4	Sun 24 May
5	Sun 21 Jun
6	Sun 19 Jul
7	Sun 16 Aug
8	Sun 27 Sep
9	Sun 18 Oct
10	Sun 15 Nov
<b>Grand Final</b>	<b>Sun 6 Dec</b>

## Entry Fees (Includes GST, Admin and Green Fee)

**\$88**

**Total Field:** 64 players

**Green Fee Component:** Retained by Club 9

**Admin Fee Component:** Retained by Club 9

There is expected to be some additional funds left over and these will be used for trophies, commentators, referees and any other expenses associated with the event at the complete discretion of the organisers.

### Refund Policy

- Full refund available up to 7 days before the tournament. No refunds within 7 days of the event.
  - A full refund may be provided inside 7 days if there is a waiting list and your spot can be filled.
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## Prize Money (Per Event)

**Total Prize Pool: \$3,840** (based on full 64 player field)

- **Main Event Prize Fund: \$2,840**
- **Losers Comp Prize Fund: \$500**
- **Series Accrual: \$500**

**Prize Money is based on a full draw of 64 spots being filled, with the amount contributed by entry fees.**

*Prize payouts follow the official payout schedule based on full 64 player draw.*

Main Comp	\$ 2,840.00	
Champion	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00
Finalist	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Semi (2)	\$ 540.00	\$ 270.00
Qtrs (4)	\$ 600.00	\$ 150.00
Final 16 (8)	\$ 600.00	\$ 75.00
	<b>\$ 2,840.00</b>	

**Total Paid:** \$2840

### **Losers Comp Eligibility:**

First-round losers from main draw.

### **Format - Losers Comp**

- **Single Elimination**
- **Hot Race to 4** (handicapped)
- Played on **7ft Diamond tables**
- Standard WPA 9-Ball rules
- Winner breaks
- Lag for first break

### **Payout Based on \$500 Losers Prize Fund**

Losers Comp	\$ 500.00	
Champion	\$ 220.00	\$ 220.00
Finalist	\$ 140.00	\$ 140.00
Semi (2)	\$ 140.00	\$ 70.00
	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	

**Total Paid:** \$500

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# Match Clock

- **90-minute time limit** (Final excluded)
  - Time expiry → current frame is the last frame
  - Winner = **higher frame-win percentage** to assigned race
  - If tied → **one extra frame** with **30-sec shot clock**
  - Incoming player after break: **60 sec** for first shot
  - Each player: **one 30-sec extension**
  - Timer begins on **Digital Pool SMS** (Round 1 at 10:15 AM)
  - No time adjustments for late starts
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## Player Rules

### Racking

- No pattern racking
- Magic Rack mandatory

### Dress Code

- No singlets
- No thongs/slides
- Breach = **disqualification**

### Electronic Devices

- Phones silent
- No headphones/earbuds
- No calls during matches
- Complaint → warning → second offence = **frame forfeited**

### Smoking & Vaping

- Not allowed indoors
- Breach = **disqualification + venue ban**
- Designated outdoor smoking area available

### Breaks

- One **5-min break** per match (between frames only)
- 5-min break between consecutive matches

## Meal Break

- No official meal break
- Players may leave during bracket delays **at their own risk**
- Late return penalty: **1 frame per 5 mins**

## Refereeing

- Request a third person for close or disputed shots
- Cannot call opponent fouls without a referee
- Players may call their own fouls
- Use a third person to remove Magic Rack near clusters

## Sportsmanship

- Respectful conduct required
  - Keep chatter low
  - Non-participants may be asked to clear match areas
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## Premier 9-Ball Points System

- **10-event season**
- Must play **6 of 10** events to qualify for the Grand Final
- **Top 16** only progress to the **\$5,000 Grand Final**
- Players earn points in three ways:
  - **Attendance, Final position and Bonus points**
  - All players who start the event receive **10 attendance points**.
  - Series standings are based on each player's best 8 results out of the 10 events this encourages regular attendance.
  - Allows players to miss 1-2 events without killing their chances.
  - Additional points are awarded based on how many players you finish ahead of in the final standings (1 point per player).
  - Bonus points are then added for top placements, ensuring strong finishes are rewarded while consistent attendance remains valuable.

# Points Breakdown

Category	Points Awarded
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Attendance	10 points for all starters
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Placement Points	1 point for every player you finish ahead of
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## Bonus Points

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| - 1st Place | +20 points     |
| - 2nd Place | +10 points     |
| - 3rd-4th   | +5 points each |
| - 5th-8th   | +2 points each |

## Ranking Rules

Best **8 results** counted

- Tie-break order:
  1. Most wins
  2. Most runner-up finishes
  3. Most events played
  4. Head-to-head
  5. Lag

## Grand Final Structure

- Players will be seeded 1-16, based on points standings across the season.
- There will be NO entry fee, however table fees and Referee Fees apply.
- Format will be Double Elimination until the final 4, then it will be knockout.
- Race to 8 Hot Handicaps on the winner's side
- Race to 6 Hot Handicaps on the 1 loss side.
- Semi Finals will be R9 Hot Handicap and Final will be R11 Hot Handicap.
- Will be played on Tables 11-14 only. All tables will be streamed

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## FargoRate Requirements

- Players without a FargoRate will be assigned a starter rating of 525.
- Players with a FargoRate of fewer than 100 games robustness will compete using their listed rating; however, the Tournament Director may adjust any rating at **any time, including mid-tournament**, if observed performance indicates the player's true playing ability is higher than their assigned FargoRate.
- Only one FargoRate profile per player is permitted. Players with multiple profiles must have them merged; until merged, the highest rating applies.

## Membership & Digital Requirements

- Players should be **Club 9 Members**
- Must have a **Digital Pool profile**
- Must have a **FargoRate profile**