

2018 Newcastle Open

The 2018 Newcastle Open will be held on:
Sunday September 16th at:
[The Charlestown Bowling Club](#), Lincoln St, Charlestown([Map](#)).

Registration from 9:20am., Draw at 9.50am.
NB: All details dependant on final number of players.

Format

The 2018 Newcastle Open will be conducted under the following system:

Qualifying rounds:

Round Robins.

Up to 8 groups. Three and four player groups 7 point matches.

Five and over player groups 5 point matches.

All round robin winners qualify for the Final rounds.

1 point for a win. Tiebreakers: points SCORED, points AGAINST, head to head.

Main Tournament Final Rounds:

Up to 8 player knockout. 7-7-9 points

Consolation Tournament: 3 point knockout for ALL players not qualifying for the Final Knockout.

Players will be ranked on qualifying finishes with byes allocated, as required, to highest placed players.

Entry fees: \$35 basic entry.

Financial Newcastle Backgammon Club Members (as of 30/6/18) \$30.

NBC will contribute \$5 per financial member to Member's entries.**

Bonus Pool: \$20 (not compulsory).

Prize Money: Total prize pool for the Main Tournament = Total Number of Players x 30.

Total prize pool for the Consolation Tournament = Total Number of Players x 5

Prize money paid Main: 1st-4th, Consolation 1st-2nd. Trophies: Main 1st-2nd and Consolation winner.

Bonus Pool: The Bonus pool will be won by the highest finishing member of the Pool in the Main Bracket.

The Pool will be shared amongst those finishing at the same level if both the Winner and second in the tournament are not members of the Pool.

It will revert to players in the Consolation Tournament if none of the 8 players in the Main are members of the Bonus Pool.

All games to be played in the tournament room, no exceptions.

To Enter:

Email – Robert Disney at: arwdiz@newcastlebackgammon.org with subject of Newcastle Open

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All payments to be made on the day.

Please notify any cancellations ASAP.

Lunches will be available through the Bistro on the club premises.

**Value added amount mentioned made available from Newcastle Backgammon Club reserves.

Getting There:

NB: [Charlestown Bowling Club](#) is not train friendly. Best travel option is by car.

The entrance to the CBC car park is off Ferris Street but MUST be approached from the Bowling Club side of Ferris Street. If you approach from the football oval side you have to drive around the block to get to the other side.

If coming from the north, through Charlestown on the highway, turn at the lights at the end of the football oval onto Lincoln Street and bear right onto Ferris towards Charlestown Square. If approaching from the south on the highway, Lincoln St is on your left between the Rotary Park and the football oval.

If approaching from the back of Charlestown Square, which is Canberra St but turns into Patricia Avenue at the back of the Bowling Club, turn off Patricia onto Lincoln at the roundabout, go past the CBC main entrance and turn left onto Ferris towards Charlestown Square.

The parking lot entrance is about 30m from the turn.

Anyone that is willing to make the trip by train would have to alight at Cardiff station and bus/cab to Charlestown (6km trip) but beware of the 10am start.