The Chess Association of Queensland Presents:

The 2018 Queensland Championships

This event is restricted to players ACF 1700/FIDE 1800 and above A FIDE, ACF and QJ rated event

When: Sept 27th — Oct 1st

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where.	BUSDALIE	Ldlvidii	CIUD

Bank Lane, Woolloongabba

Walking distance from Buranda Train Station

Registration: 6.30pm Thurs Sep 27

Arbiter: FA Andrew FitzPatrick, NA

Shaun Curtis + 1 TBA

Entry Details:

Name.....Address......Postcode..... Phone......Postcode.... Phone......DOB..... Email.... I enclose an entry fee of \$.....and agree to abide by all decisions by the director of play.

Signature..... In order to participate in this event you must be a Chess Association of Queensland member. Visit http://www.caq.org.au/htm/

membership.htm to join.

Entries to Andrew FitzPatrick: 0438 348 995 or afitzpatrick@gardinerchess.com.au. Entry deadline is 5pm Wed 26th September!

Entry Fees:	Before Sept 20:	\$100
	After Sept 20:	\$120

Format: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move from the start (Fischer).

30 minute forfeit time from start of round.

Playing Times:

Thur:	Round 1	7.00pm			
Fri:	Round 2	12.30pm			
	Round 3	6.00pm			
Sat:	Round 4	12.30pm			
	Round 5	6.00pm			
Sun:	Round 6	12.30pm			
	Round 7	6.00pm			
Mon:	Round 8	10.30am			
	Round 9	4.00pm			
Prizes:	1st: \$1250				
2nd: \$500	3rd: \$300 4	th: \$250			
5th: \$200	Rating Group A: \$150				
Payment by direct credit welcome:					
Bank: National Australia Bank					
Acc Name: Chess Association of Queensland					
Acc BSB: 084391 Acc No: 20501-7068					
Ref: QC18 plus players name - email An-					
drew confirmation once this is done OR:					

Cash on day—must pre-register!

2018 Queensland Championship Supplementary Information

Free Entry:

Free entry will be granted to GM/WGM and IM/WIM as well as players rated over ACF 2200 on either the June or September 2018 classical ratings list.

The highest scoring local player from each regional tournament will receive: Free entry to the 2018 QLD Championships, as well as \$400 stipend to assist with accommodation and travel costs (receipts need to be shown to Championships committee).

A 'local player' is defined as a person having resided in that locale for a minimum of 90 days prior to the qualifying event.

Regional events are classified as: Bundaberg, Mackay (Stephen Solomon), Townsville (Mark Vucak), Cairns (David Spuler).

The 2018 QLD Reserves winner (Matthew Al Canafe) and the 2018 Queensland Junior winner (Hughston Parle, Henry Slater-Jones, Sravan Renjith), whilst not having free entry, receive the right of entry should they wish to play.

Special Consideration for players rated under ACF 1700 or FIDE 1800.

Players who are rated under ACF 1700 or FIDE 1800 and wish to play in the 2018 QLD Championships may apply in writing to the organising committee via email—<u>afitzpatrick@gardinerchess.com.au</u>. The committee (CAQ President Mark Stokes, CAQ Vice President Andrew Fitzpatrick, and Junior Development Officer Shaun Curtis) will then decide the merits of allowing the player into the tournament. The application must include evidence as to playing strength, including recent form and results that is in line with the regular over ACF 1700 cut-off.

Players who may not meet the over ACF 1700 or FIDE 1800 criteria or not be deemed eligible by the committee will form a reserves list based on their ACF rating. Should there be an odd number of players in the 2018 QLD Championship field, the highest ranked player will be invited to take part in the event.

2018 Queensland Championship Final Conditions:

- 1) The deadline for entries will be Wednesday 26th September.
- Provisional Pairings will be published immediately following this, and subsequently will be made available each evening after the conclusion of the days play (these will be in provisional format until 30 minutes prior to the round the next morning).
- 3) Up to 2 x half point byes may be taken during the first 7 rounds of the event. Byes must be advised prior to the start of the previous round.
- 4) In the event of a tie for first place, the title shall be shared.
- 5) The title of Queensland Champion may only be won by a Queensland resident.
- 6) Mobile phones (and other electronic devices) are not permissible to be on a persons body during their game. Devices must be switched off and placed in bags or handed to the arbiter (who will have storage bags) prior to the beginning of each round.