



# 2025 Great Barrier Reef Chess Open

## 6 Round Swiss ACF and QJ rated

### Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 September 2025



<b>Venue</b>	Newman Catholic College Smithfield. James Cook University Campus (JCU), Cairns.
<b>Schedule</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Saturday 6 September - Register: 0830 Round 1: 0900 Round 2: 1200 Round 3: 1500</li> <li>♦ Sunday 7 September - Round 4: 0830 Round 5: 1130 Round 6: 1430 Prizes: 1730</li> </ul>
<b>Time Control</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ 60 min plus 20 sec per move.</li> <li>♦ Forfeiture time: 30 minutes from the start of each round.</li> </ul>
<b>Requirement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ All QLD entrants must be a member of CAQ.</li> <li>♦ Interstate entrants must have membership with another state chess organisation.</li> <li>♦ Overseas entrants must have a FIDE ID.</li> <li>♦ Parents should ensure children are supervised between rounds.</li> </ul>
<b>Byes</b>	A maximum of two half point byes only will be permitted for rounds 1- 5. Advise by email to <a href="mailto:CairnsChess@gmail.com">CairnsChess@gmail.com</a> prior to start of round.
<b>Prizes</b>	<b>To be determined</b> (Minimum \$1500 prize pool, with minimum first place of \$600). All prize money will be paid by direct deposit. Prizes for this event will be done on countback.
<b>Chief Arbiter</b>	IA Michael D'Arcy
<b>Entry Fee</b>	\$60 entry fee for adults, \$40 entry fee for juniors. Free entry for IM's, GM's, WIM's and WGM's.
<b>How to Enter</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Direct deposit the Cairns Chess Club bank account: BSB: 814282 Account Number: 50430778. Use your name as the reference.</li> <li>♦ Email <a href="mailto:CairnsChess@gmail.com">CairnsChess@gmail.com</a> when paid with: Name; Date of birth; Mobile number; Email; Chess organisation membership number (e.g. CAQ).</li> <li>♦ Entries are capped at 70 players, with entries closing 12 noon Friday 5 September 2025.</li> </ul>
<b>Eat and Drink</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Eating is not permitted in the playing hall.</li> <li>♦ Campus Shopping Village is a 5 minute walk via the underpass or a 2 minute drive.</li> </ul>
<b>Transport</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Approximately 20 minutes drive north of Cairns City Center.</li> <li>♦ The event venue is right on the doorstep of the JCU bus station. Approx. 30 minute bus ride on route 110 or 111 between Cairns City and JCU bus station. Buses also head north to the Cairns' Northern Beaches suburbs.</li> </ul>
<b>Parking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Parking is permitted in the school's 'stop, drop and go' zone on the event weekend.</li> <li>♦ Closest free parking at <a href="#">JCU is zone P2</a> (event venue is at C2/C3 on this map).</li> </ul>
<b>Enquiries</b>	<a href="mailto:CairnsChess@gmail.com">CairnsChess@gmail.com</a>

