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TEAMS / PLAYERS IN FINALS – EDPL SUMMER SEASON 2025-26

ALL Divisions 1,2,3,4,5 – 2025-26 EDPL Summer Season Finals – at POCKETS 168 Chesterville Rd, Moorabbin

- **Week 1 – Tuesday 3rd March – ELIMINATION** (Ladder positions 2 v 3; Winner to week 2, & loser is out)
- **Week 2 – Tuesday 10th March – GRAND FINALS!** (Ladder position 1 v Winner of Elimination)
- **All “TEAMS” not competing in this year’s Finals are required to provide umpires for both nights of Finals.**
- **This will also apply to any team that is eliminated in week 1 Final.**
- **All non-playing “Teams” are required to supply preferably 2 Umpires (or 1*) on both Tuesday nights of Finals.**

Please note....

***If a Team supplies only 1 Umpire* on a night, then that 1 Umpire will be required to umpire more frames.**

If a Team supplies NO Umpires on a night, then the Umpire Absent Fine will apply as per By-Law 16.2.7

- Umpire payments will be made based on the number of frames umpired @ \$1.00 per frame for all umpires.
- Payments will be made via clubs (as invoice credits) for disbursement to umpires after the finals have concluded.

NOTES FOR TEAMS / PLAYERS IN FINALS:

- 1) All Players (& Umpires) are required to be at the venue by **6:45pm**. (preferably earlier, by 6:30pm).
- 2) **Captains are to report to the EDPL Officials desk** as soon as they arrive at venue.
- 3) **ALL PLAYERS MUST COMPLY WITH STANDARD DRESS-CODE REQUIREMENT** – By-Law 4.5
THERE IS NO SUMMER FINALS “SPECIAL” DRESS-CODE. (special dress-code in Winter finals only)
Acceptance as an player in finals will be denied if NOT abiding by Standard EDPL dress-code.
- 4) Team Captains are required to provide a clear written or printed list of team members (**in playing order**) to Finals EDPL Officials desk **by 6:30pm** & to include any/all substitutes, if being used.
- 5) The team that finished higher on the ladder at the end of the home and away season will get the option of being the home or away team on the night.
- 6) **The Home Team** is responsible for lodgment of a completed Scoresheet at the end of the match.
- 7) **Pre-match “official” practice** will be available, with times/teams being announced by the Finals Officials. Official Practice begins at **6:30pm** with 15 minutes being allowed for each team competing on the night. (6:30pm – 6:45pm, then 6:45pm – 7:00pm).
- 8) Teams may be able to arrange their own practice sessions by contacting the venue management. Table allocation for each division matches will be announced at 6:30pm.
- 9) A specific allocation of time for team meetings will be announced by the Finals Officials prior to matches commencing so don’t go off and do your own thing in this regard. Experience shows you will miss an announcement when your team is off in a quiet corner having that motivational chat.

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- 10) **No** captains can be called in during any finals game, except in the case of a dispute and only when requested by the Head Adjudicator.
- 11) Players who feel that an umpire's call is incorrect should call in the official Head Adjudicator for a ruling. This must occur at the time of the disputed call. The Head Adjudicator's decision is final.
- 12) In the event of a draw, team captains are required to submit to the Finals Officials desk with a list of players (in playing order) who will participate in the tie-breaker play-offs.

This list is to be given to EDPL Exec Finals Officials within 5 minutes of draw being determined. Players must be from the original team, at the Captain's discretion. The format to be used in the event of a draw is:

- ALL Divisions – 3 frames of singles (3 players playing 1 frame each).
 - A coin will be tossed prior to play commencing, with the winner of the toss deciding whether to break in the first frame of the play-offs. Breaks for subsequent frames will alternate.
 - All games to be played concurrently with play ceasing as soon as a winning team is decided (i.e. 2 frames won).
- 13) Eligibility of players for selection in a finals team is the Club's responsibility. EDPL Execs / Finals Officials are not in a position to rule on any queries raised on this subject on the night. Players found to be ineligible after playing, will be treated as "un-registered" and standard penalties applied.
 - 14) Club support of teams is encouraged however "over the top" barracking or intimidating behavior towards opposing team members will not be tolerated.
 - 15) The Head Adjudicator & Umpires are empowered to impose the "loss of frame" rulings (unsportsmanlike behavior) should the situation arise. The "Block Warning" at the beginning of the night is classified as "first and final warning", with regards to 'coaching', 'loss of frame' rulings etc. Let's also not forget that venue management and the EDPL Executive Committee has the right to eject from the premises any person not behaving correctly.
 - 16) All current By-laws, playing rules and the Constitution apply.
Any disputes other than on playing rules will be resolved on the night in accordance with By-laws.
 - 17) Any questions, queries or concerns should be referred to the Finals Officials.
NOTE: At the discretion of the EDPL Executive, frame/s may be moved to alternative table/s if they deem it necessary for the continuation of proceedings.
 - 18) Listen to all announcements made by the Exec Finals Officials as they probably will affect you! This includes all players. Don't talk through the speeches & then come up to the Officials desk asking questions!
 - 19) A "Block Warning" will be given at the start of each match. LISTEN TO IT!
 - 20) Grand Finalist Teams required to sit for team photo BEFORE their match. Player medallions for Winning teams will be presented on Grand Final nights, then another photo taken of Winning Team with medals.
 - 21) Only players / umpires actually involved in a game, & Finals Officials, permitted inside playing areas.
 - 22) If your team wins the night please express your enjoyment away from the tables as others will be still trying to play their games.
 - 23) Failure to comply with points 21 & 22 could see your team lose a frame or another penalty imposed.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL CLUBS WHO MADE IT TO THE FINALS IN SUMMER 2025-26.

BEST OF LUCK TO YOU AND YOUR TEAM!