

2025 AGA National Championship

Introduction

The AGA National Championships and AGM will be held over two days at the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club on the weekend of December 6th & 7th. Due to space restrictions, there is a limit of 50 players entering the tournament. There is no restriction on members attending the AGM.

Note: There will be a separate event for DDK junior players at the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club on Sunday 30th November.

Registration will close when 50 adult players have registered and paid. Junior players with a recognised rank of 5 kyu or stronger may enter the main tournament.

The Tournament will decide the AGA National Open Champion, the AGA Senior Champion (the best placed person aged 45 or older) and the AGA Junior Champion (the best placed person under 18).

The event is sponsored by the Sydney Go Club, so the entry fee has been kept at \$60.

Rules, terms & conditions

Ryde-Eastwood RSL

All participants and visitors to the tournament must comply with the Ryde-Eastwood By-laws some of the key points are:

- Everybody must be a member of the club or register on entry using a driving licence or identity card.
- Persons under 18 must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for the child's behaviour.
- Persons under 18 are not allowed into the gaming machine areas nor are they allowed to attempt to purchase or consume alcoholic drinks.
- People are not allowed to bring food or drink into the club.
- The club accepts no responsibility for personal effects including mobile phones.

Registration

Please register your name, rank and division and pay using the following link
<https://2025nationals.square.site/> - any problems please contact An Younggil 8p;
anyoungkil@gmail.com

Tournament rules

Registration for the event closes at 5:00pm Friday 5th December 2025

The tournament starts at 10:00am on Saturday 6th December and finishes at 5:30pm on Sunday 7th December.

The entry fee is \$60 covering both days. Interstate players with proof of address will receive a full refund at the tournament.

There will be three prize divisions with games on Dec 3rd and 4th

- Open Division – for 5 dan and above - even games
- Dan handicap division – for 1 kyu and above – handicap games

- Kyu handicap division – for kyu players – handicap games

The Tournament Director is Gareth White; the Tournament Referee is An Younggil 8P

The AGA tournament rules apply (<https://australiango.asn.au/knowledge-base/aga-tournament-rules/>)

Some of the key points are:

- All disputes must be referred to the Tournament Director and/or the Tournament Referee immediately. Do not try to solve the problem yourself.
- The Tournament Director and Tournament Referee's decision on all disputes is final. No discussion will be entered in to.

Playing rules

- The draw will be made by the Tournament Director and will include any handicap and the colour for each player.
- The draw will be displayed including the table number to be used.
- A results slip will be provided for the players to complete after the game. Both players should sign the results slip.
- Each player will have 30 minutes main time plus 3 times 30 seconds byo-yomi.
- Games that last more than 90 minutes may be adjudicated by the Tournament Referee.
- If the result of a game is not reported both players will be deemed to have lost.
- Players must not review their games in the playing area while other games are ongoing.
- Electronic devices including mobile phones and tablets must not be used during a game. The devices should be switched off or in silent mode and placed face down on the table next to the board.

Timetable

The tournament will start at 10:00am on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th December. The organisers will publish a detailed timetable on the website closer to the event.

Saturday 6 th December 2025	Sunday 7 th December 2025
10:00am – Club opens (BRING YOUR PHOTO ID)	10:00am – Club opens (BRING YOUR PHOTO ID)
10:15am – Round 1	10:15am – Round 4
11:45pm Lunch	12:00pm Lunch
12:00pm – AGA AGM	12:30pm – Round 5
12:45pm – Round 2	2:15pm – Round 6
2:30pm – Round 3	5:00 – Prize giving
5:30pm – Lightning tournament	5:30pm – close
8:30pm – close	