

Australian Team 2025 Lanke Cup Summary

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The 2025 Quzhou Lanke International Child Friendly Weiqi Championship was held between 23rd ~ 27th Oct 2025 in Quzhou, China. The tournament was held over 4 days with players from around the world competing.

The Australian team representatives were:

- Owen Dai, 5 kyu (10 years),
- Leo Chen, 7 kyu (9 years) and
- William Hu, 10 kyu (9 years).

This was their first time at a large-scale international tournament, so they were a bit nervous. Most of the players from around the world were teenagers and ranked well above the Australian team and with all games played even (no handicap) it was not surprising we lost some games. Having said that, all three players played competitive matches and came close to winning in many games.

The Australia won the Australia vs Quzhou International match. That team included three international players training in Quzhou with ranks of 4d, 1d and 3k much higher than us. A fantastic result!

All three Australian children learned a lot and had some amazing experiences playing Go and meeting players from around the world. The children should be commended on the fearless way they played, even when facing with high Dan players.

The event was very friendly with children from different countries sitting together and reviewing the games and learning from each other.

The Australian team played seven round over four days. The timetable was:

DAY 1 vs New Zealand 0-3 vs Kyrgyzstan 0-3	DAY 2 vs Chile 1-2 (Owen Won) vs Quzhou International 2-1 (Owen, William Won) vs UK International 0-3
DAY 3 Quzhou museum visiting and communication party	Day 4 vs Argentina 0-3 vs Czech 0-3



Before the competition, Australian team played friendship games with New Zealand, German and USA. Simon Hui 5d provided training games for 3 kids.



Met USA players on bullet train





After each round, kids from different countries would sit together to review the games.

William played a nice song in Day 3's party.



William played song "Believer"