

26TH ANNUAL HORSHAM TOURNAMENT

NOVEMBER 20/21

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1. **Entries** – Volleyball Horsham is humbled by the support we have been given for this year’s tournament, with 30 teams entered so thank you to all who entered and we trust you enjoy your weekend.
2. **Bonds** – you will notice that no bond has been factored into your entry fee. This tournament has been successful over the years because all teams have abided by their requirement to perform duty and adhere to the playing conditions of the event. Volleyball Horsham would be pleased if everyone continued this tradition.
3. **Harry’s Match III** – will be played on Friday night as a pipe opener for the tournament. The match will be played at the basketball stadium from 8pm between two teams made up of Harry’s mates, as they pay tribute to Harry the best way possible. We invite everyone to drop into the stadium as you arrive in Horsham as we raise funds for Beyond Blue and raise awareness of mental health.
4. **Prizemoney** – \$4500 is up for grabs in all divisions. The split will be \$650 for the winners and \$350 for runners up in Championship Men and Women, Division 1 men and women while the split for division 2 women will be \$350 for winners and \$150 for runners up.
5. **Pre-printed scoresheets** – could all teams please provide their team lists to enable the pre-printing of the scoresheets by November 17. No need for numbers but if you have them please provide them.
6. **Player eligibility** – only fully vaccinated and Volleyball Victoria registered players can participate in this event. Please abide by this restriction so as to not put any unnecessary pressure on our volunteer base.
7. **Match Format** – all games will be no time limit best of three sets – the first two sets to 25 with a 2 point advantage, and if a third set is required it will be played to 15 with a 2 point advantage. There will be a 10 minute changeover between matches.
8. **Canteens and Barbecue** – canteens will be in operation at both the basketball stadium and St Brigid’s College for fully vaccinated participants. Barbecue lunches will be on offer between 12-2pm at the basketball stadium both days.
9. **Famous Muffin breakfasts** – they are back! Yes the famous muffin breakfasts will be offered on both days between 8-10am for everyone as this will be done outdoors, with Cameron Robinson carrying on his father’s tradition!
10. **Volleyball Horsham 2022 calendars** – will be on sale for \$20. They capture the essence of the sport beautifully with some top quality photos for each month.
11. **Volleyball Horsham unique warm up tops** – we have some long sleeve warm up tops for sale at \$40 a pop. There are a few L sizes but more XXL and XXXL.
12. **Uniforms** – all teams must play in correct uniform. That is top, shorts and socks. Taped numbers will not be accepted. Please take pride in the uniform you are playing in and remember you are showcasing the sport to a wider audience.
13. **Social Media** – we intend to be quite active throughout the event to showcase our sport so if you haven’t liked our Facebook page yet get on it!
14. **Team composition** – females can play in a men’s division but cannot play in a women’s division as well. We are aware that there are some females anticipating to play in their clubs men’s team, but they won’t be able to play with their clubs women’s team at the same time.
15. **MVP awards** – will be voted on for each division on a 3,2,1 basis by the referees. Please remember to do the votes as part of your commitment to duty.
16. **Venues** – we will be using three stadiums - the Basketball Stadium, St Brigid’s College and Holy Trinity Lutheran College Stadium. All finals except for women’s division 2 will be scheduled for the basketball stadium on the Sunday.
17. **Sports Trainer** – a qualified sports trainer will be on hand at the Basketball Stadium to assist where necessary.
18. **Local** – personnel will be used to officiate all grand finals where possible.
19. **Alcohol** – under no circumstances is alcohol to be consumed or bought into any venue.
20. **GEST** – is Guaranteed Earliest Start Time which means games don’t start until the time specified on the draw.

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21. Playing conditions – please ensure you and your team are familiar with the playing conditions.