



2026 WA Rapid Chess Championship

Sunday 22nd March

A Rapid Chess Tournament presented by Chess Association of Western Australia Inc.
This event is part of the CAWA Grand Prix. CAWA Website: <http://www.cawa.org.au>

Tournament Details

- Venue:** Leeming Primary School, Meharry Rd, Leeming
- Format:** Swiss (Dutch), 6 rounds, ACF- and FIDE-rated.
Vega software (with the JaVaFo engine) will be used for pairings.
FIDE Laws of Chess apply. Appendix A (Rapid chess) applies, with Article A.5.
- Tiebreaks:** In order of decreasing priority: Buchholz Cut 1, Buchholz Total, Direct Encounter, ARO1.
- Time Control:** 25 minutes initial time, with 10 seconds increment per move starting from move 1.
- Default Time:** Any player who arrives at their board after either flag has fallen shall forfeit their game.
- Half-point byes:** No half-point byes will be awarded.
- Schedule:**
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| Round 1: | 9:30am | Round 3: | 12:45pm | Round 5: | 3:30pm |
| Round 2: | 10:45am | Round 4: | 2:00pm | Round 6: | 4:45pm |
| Lunch: | 12:00pm | Short Break: | 3:15pm | Playoffs and Presentations: | 6:00pm |
- Closing Date:** Friday 20th March. Late entries may be accepted until 9:00am on Sunday 22nd March, but will be subject to a \$10 late entry fee.
- Entry Fee:** \$40 (on or before Friday 20th March)
\$50 (Saturday 21st March up to 9:00am Sunday 22nd March)
Players must be members of the Chess Association of WA. *CAWA Membership, valid until the end of 2026, may be purchased for \$40 (Standard) or \$30 (Junior / Concession). Go to <https://www.trybooking.com/DIJFQ> to renew your CAWA membership or join CAWA.*
- Mobile phone rule:** During games, possession of communication devices and other unauthorised electronic devices is strictly forbidden. While a player's games are in progress, all such devices that he/she has brought to the venue must be completely switched off and kept either in a separate bag within the playing area, under his/her table, or handed in to the arbiter.
- Entries:** All entries must be paid through Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/DKJWD>
No entries will be accepted after 9:00am on Sunday 22nd March.
- Enquiries:** FA Hui Lam Teh (Chief Arbiter)
Email: tehhuilam@gmail.com Phone: 0450 790 325
- Prizes:** **Cash prizes:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd, plus separate rating division prizes.
Titles and perpetual trophies: the following titles and perpetual trophies will be awarded to the leading finishers in their categories:
2026 WA Rapid Champion (all participants)
2026 WA Women's Rapid Champion (female participants)
2026 WA Seniors' Rapid Champion (participants born in 1976 or earlier)
- Playoffs:** Where ties occur, titles will be decided by blitz playoffs, followed by Armageddon if needed. See the [CAWA Policy on Tiebreaks and Playoff Procedures](#).

