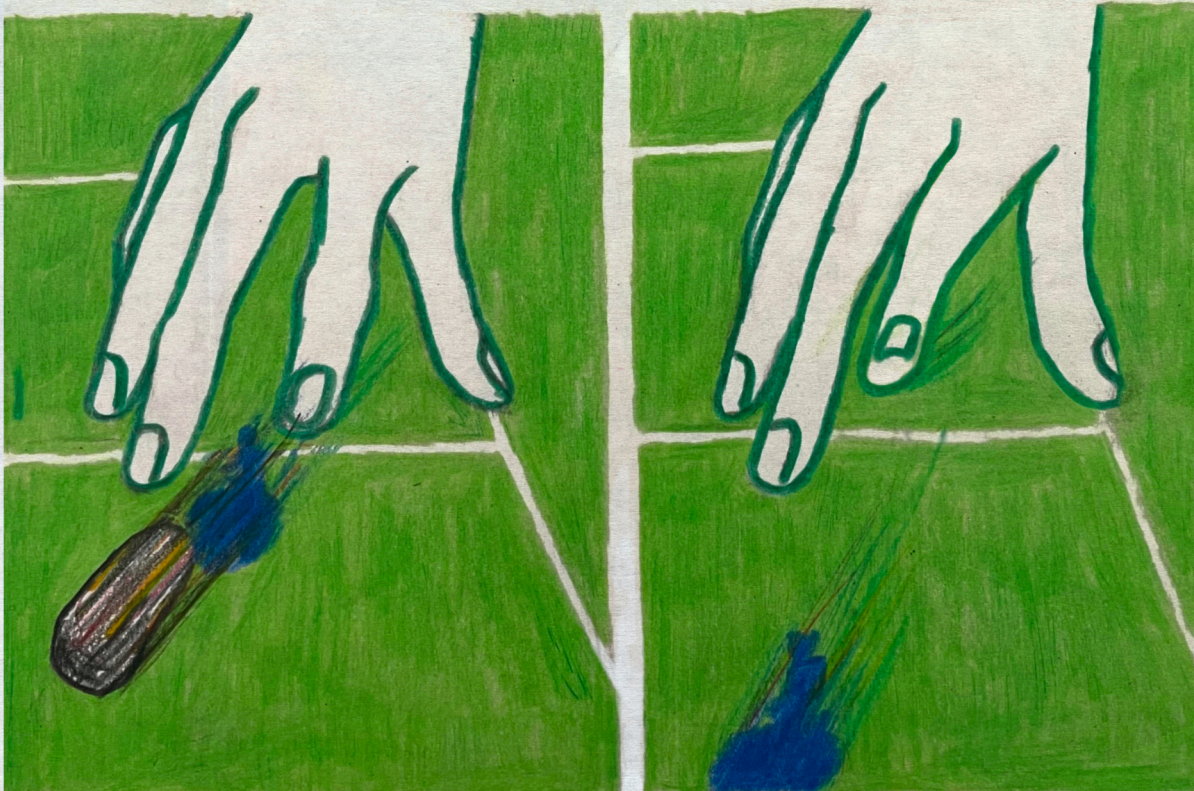


# ASIAN CUP

OF SUBBUTEO TABLE FOOTBALL



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ULTRA FOOTBALL

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA



# 2025 Asian Cup of Table Football Player Handbook

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## Weather

The average maximum temperature in Sydney in October is approximately 24 degrees, but days can be much warmer. Current forecasts for Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 October vary between maximums of 22C up to 31C, with overnight lows of between 17 and 20C and the potential for a little rain on Saturday morning.

## Venue

Ultra Football, Unit 8, Graphix Row, 140 Bourke Rd, Alexandria

Located in Sydney's inner southern suburbs, Ultra Football is the largest football-related store in Sydney with a large indoor football arena where the event will be staged.

The venue opens at 8.30 am on both days and we must be out no later than 7 pm.

There are male and female toilets at the venue but no shower facilities.

## Parking

The dedicated parking area in front of Ultra Football (and the rest of the corporate park), is limited to 3-hours free parking. Full day parking is \$30.

There is plenty of parking along Bourke Rd which should be available considering we will be there early. Do not ignore the NO STOPPING signs.

## Public transport options

When using the extensive public transport system of buses, trains, metro rail, light rail and ferries you'll need to either purchase an Opal card or use a contactless credit card, debit card or mobile device. You'll need to tap on and off each time you travel.

### Train

- Mascot Station (NOT THE AIRPORT ONE) is a 15-minute walk from Ultra Football.
- Green Square is a 20-minute walk from Ultra Football.

### Taxi

- Airport to Adina Apartments (Mascot): \$20-\$30 depending on whether it is from the International or Domestic terminal.
- Adina Apartments (Mascot) to Ultra Football: \$18-\$20.

## Food and drink

There is a cafe/restaurant Chachii at the other end of the building which opens at 8 am each day. Signs in the area will guide you to it. Please gather in the cafe each morning.

We recommend players bring their own snacks and drinks to consume during the day.

## Tournament dinner and competition draw

This will be at Chachii on Friday, October 17 from 7 pm as the draw is conducted. Dinner will be at your own expense. See the menu at <https://chachii.com.au/#menu>.

## Dress Code

Players are required to wear their club shirts for the tournament and, if they are playing in the international team event on Sunday, their national shirts. As we are expecting media attendance, we want to provide a sporting appearance.

Per FISTF regulations, no players or guests will be admitted to the playing area wearing thongs or sandals, or singlets.

## Photos

We really want the streaming of the event to 'pop' and are looking to make some improvements to the visuals. Before each match, we are aiming to improve the graphics.

For the Asian Cup, ALL players are asked to provide TWO posed photos IN YOUR CLUB SHIRT-one facing left, and one facing right. If you have not already done this, DO IT NOW!

Please email these to [castfaasiancup2025@gmail.com](mailto:castfaasiancup2025@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

## Raffles

There will be two raffles over the weekend.

Tournament raffle (managed by Steve Dettre)

Tickets are \$5 each, or 3 for \$10. The three prizes up for grabs are:

- ☐ A voucher for \$250 for Conte Sydney (Italian restaurant)
- ☐ A voucher for \$200 for Ultra Football Melbourne
- ☐ A voucher for \$250 for Arrow Sport

The draw will be held on Sunday night at the completion of the Asian Cup. The first-drawn name chooses their prize, then the second-drawn name chooses from what is left, with the third name drawn receiving the remaining voucher.

Competition raffle (managed by Franck Cozzarin)

Tickets are \$1 each, or 5 for \$3. Franck has assembled an impressive array of football-themed prizes. It is planned to hold the draw on Saturday with each name drawn choosing a prize until all prizes have been taken.

## Competition

Asian Cup matches will start at 9.00 am on each day. Per FISTF regulations, players not ready at the commencement of each round of matches will forfeit their match.

Be aware that ordering food from the café at the beginning of the Saturday lunch break will not allow enough time for it to be cooked and eaten in time for the next round. Slow food is not an excuse for missing the scheduled start of play.

## FISTF events

Saturday: Asian Cup (Individual – all categories)

- Open: 56 players - 14 groups of 4
- Women: 5 players - 1 group (no final)
- U20: 9 players - 3 groups of 3

Sunday: Asian Cup for Club Teams (10 teams in 3 groups)

National Teams (4 teams)

Friendly 'B' international between Australia and Singapore

Women's 'Showcase' game

Teams without a full complement of 4 players will forfeit one game in the match 3-0.

## WASPA events

Saturday: For players eliminated from, or not participating in, the Asian Cup

Sunday: For players not participating in team events.

WASPA matches will be 2 x 15-minute halves, played without referees. Knockout matches will progress straight to shots if the match is tied at full time. Players are expected to take a lead role in organising and running these events with the LOC assisting where possible.

## Asian Cup Schedule

Whilst every attempt will be made to keep to the schedule, timings may change slightly based on operational needs.

Saturday 18 October - Individuals	Time	Phase
Venue Opens	8:30 AM	
Session 1	9:00 AM	Group Stage Matches
Session 2	9:45 AM	Group Stage Matches
Group Photo	10:25 AM	
Session 3	10:40 AM	Group Stage Matches
Session 4	11:25 AM	Group Stage Matches
Session 5	12:10 PM	Group Stage Matches
Session 6	12:55 PM	Group Stage Matches
Lunch Break	1:30 PM	
Session 7	2:15 PM	Knock Out Matches (Barrage)
Session 8	3:15 PM	Knock Out Matches (R16)
Session 9	4:15 PM	Knock Out Matches (QF)
Session 10	5:15 PM	Knock Out Matches (SF)
Session 11	6:15 PM	Finals (Open Final, Plate, Shield)
Presentations	7:15 PM	
ABSOLUTE END TIME	7:30 PM	

Sunday 19 October - Teams	Time	Phase
Venue Opens	8:30 AM	
Session 1	9:00 AM	Group Stage Matches - Club Team Event
Session 2	9:50 AM	Group Stage Matches - Club Team Event
Group Photo	10:30 AM	
Session 3	10:40 AM	Group Stage Matches - Club Team Event
Session 4	11:30 AM	Knock Out Matches - Club Team Event (QF for Barrage)
Session 5	12:30 PM	Knock Out Matches - Club Team Event (SF)
Session 6	1:30 PM	Finals - Club Team Event (F)
Club team Presentations	2:20 PM	
Session 7	2:40 PM	Nations team Event
Session 8	3:30 PM	Nations team Event (this round has the Womens showcase)
Session 9	4:20 PM	Nations team Event (this round has the 'B' international)
Session 10	5:10 PM	Nations team Event
Nations Team Presentations	5:50 PM	
ABSOLUTE END TIME	6:30 PM	Nations team Event

## Event Format

### Livestreaming

A total of 13 matches will be livestreamed each day to the Subbuteo Australia Facebook page and to the FISTFofficial YouTube channel.

Join the Subbuteo Australia FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/SubbuteoAustralia> and subscribe to the FISTF channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@fistfofficial4789>.

To facilitate the visuals of streaming, players selected to play on the 'Show Table' are each required to have two contrasting sets of figures and one or both players may be asked to change their figures. If either player is not prepared to change, the game will be moved from the 'Show Table' to another board.

### Tables

There will be a total of 18 Slick Flick boards provided by the Sydney and Melbourne clubs, all produced by Kevin Grant. Extreme Works pitches and goals will be used.

### Game Balls

The Organisers will provide some balls, but players are asked to bring balls. Any player can request the use of a plain, unmarked ball if they do not want to use a decal ball, even if the decal ball is provided by the Organisers.

### Game timing

Asian Cup matches will be 2 x 15-minute halves. One 'golden goal' period of 10 minutes and, if needed, shots, will apply in 'elimination' rounds. Timings will be strict, with a 15:3:15:10-minute cycled timer which must be adhered to for group games.

### Referees

The head referees for this event are Eliot Kennedy, Adrian Elmer, and Tim Phokos.

All Asian Cup matches (individual and club) will be assigned a referee who will be provided with a bib to identify them to the organisers and head referees. Except for people assigned to other duties, all participants will be expected to referee their share of games in the group phase, with players eliminated in the knockout rounds assigned to referee subsequent rounds. Players eliminated in WASPA events will be expected to referee in subsequent sessions.

### Equipment checks

Players are reminded that all playing figures must comply with the regulations. Any player may ask the referee to check an opponent's figures if they believe they do not comply, and the referee may refer the question to the head referee.

# Tournament Logistics

## Friday set-up

Access to the venue will be from 2 pm. All participants are welcome to come and help. Tables will be CLOSED to all players and no practicing will be allowed until ALL tables have been set up (expected to be around 5 pm –but it could be earlier if everyone helps).

There will be four main tasks on the day.

### 1. Table set-up

Tables and boards will need to be assembled, positioned, levelled, and then cleaned (vacuumed and brushed) to ensure a premium playing surface. Our aim is to have the tables perfectly aligned. Goals will also need to be firmly affixed to the playing surface.

ATFA President Eliot Kennedy will lead the team to do this as well as fixing table numbers and advertising stickers on the tables. These will be produced and delivered on the day along with an ample supply of Blu-Tack.

The table team will also work with the livestreaming team to ensure that the 'Show Table' is not only the best one available but is also suitably located.

### 2. Dressing the Venue

We will need volunteers to help hang national flags, as well as the FISTF, CASTFA and ATFA flags. It is important to hang flags correctly! Any team banners can be attached to the venue fence. This team will be led by Adrian Grunbach. This team will also assist with advertising stickers on boards.

### 3. Operational Area set-up

Two tables need to be set up. One for the Fixtures and Results Coordinator (Paul Mercer), and one for the Livestreaming operation (Louie Dettre).

### 4. Raffle table set-up

Franck Cozzarin will have a table to manage the Competition raffle and display the prizes.