



## **OASIS LUNAR NEW YEAR BACCARAT TOURNAMENT**

Thursday, 24 January to Sunday, 24 February 2019

### **REGISTRATION CRITERIA**

- Gold & Platinum Members of The Star Club who are aged 18 years or over, entitled to access Oasis Room and are not excluded from The Star Sydney.
- No entry fees.
- The Star Sydney will supply \$1 million in non-value Tournament Chips.

A maximum of **315 players** can be registered

### **TOURNAMENT LOCATION**

Oasis Room, The Star Sydney

### **TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

#### **Qualifying Sessions**

Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 12:30pm, 2:00pm, 3:30pm, 5:00pm, 6:30pm  
Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 12:30pm, 2:00pm, 3:30pm, 5:00pm, 6:30pm  
Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 12:30pm, 2:00pm, 3:30pm, 5:00pm, 6:30pm

#### **Quarter Final Sessions**

Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019 at 12:30pm, 2:00pm, 3:30pm, 5:00pm, 6:30pm

#### **Lucky Wild Card Session**

Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 1:00pm

#### **Semi Final Sessions**

Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 2:30pm, 4:00pm

#### **Grand Final Session**

Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 6:00pm

## 1. TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

The Tournament is limited to a maximum of 315 players and structured as shown in the table below:

	Sessions	Tables	Max players/table	Total players	Qualifying to next session
<b>Qualifying Session (QS)</b>	15	3	7	<b>315</b>	Top 2 from each table in the QS – 90 total
<b>Quarter Final (QF)</b>	5	3	6	<b>90</b>	Top 2 from each table in the QF – 30 total
<b>Lucky Wild Card Session (LWCS)</b>	1	3	6	<b>18</b>	Top 2 from each table in the LWCS – 6 total
<b>Semi Final (SF)</b>	2	3	6	<b>36</b>	Winners from each table in the SF – 6 total
<b>Grand Final (GF)</b>	1	1	6	<b>6</b>	

### Qualifying Sessions

Each Qualifying Session will consist of three (3) tables of up to seven (7) players each. Two (2) players from each table with the highest value in Tournament Chips will qualify for the Quarter Final Sessions.

### Quarter Final Sessions

Each Quarter Final Session will consist of three (3) tables of up to six (6) players each. Two (2) players from each table with the highest value in Tournament Chips will qualify for the Semi Final Sessions.

### Lucky Wild Card Session

Between 12:00pm to 12:45pm on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019, eligible players who want to participate in Lucky Wild Card Session need to register with the Tournament Manager to be placed in the Lucky Wild Card Draw.

At 12:45pm on the same calendar day, eighteen (18) players will be drawn by ballot.

To be eligible, players must:

- have played in the tournament and did not qualify for the Semi Final Sessions
- are present in the Oasis Room at the time of the draw

These players will participate in the Lucky Wild Card Session consisting of three (3) tables. Two (2) players from each table with the highest value in tournament chips will qualify for the Semi Final Sessions.

### Semi Final Sessions

Each Semi Final Session will consist of three (3) tables of up to six (6) players each. The one (1) player from each table with the highest value in Tournament Chips will qualify for the Grand Final Session.

### Grand Final Session

The Grand Final Session will consist of one (1) table of six (6) players.

## Play-offs

At the completion of each session, if the remaining number of players, having an equal value of Tournament Chips, exceeds the number of players to advance to the next session, a play-off will be conducted amongst those players. Players will be issued an undisclosed bet card for each additional round of play and cards will be disclosed by the house. At the end of each hand a count of the players' Tournament Chips shall be conducted. Additional hands will be dealt until a winner or qualifiers are determined. Seating and betting order determined at the beginning of the session will apply for all additional hands.

## 1.1 PRIZE MONEY

The prize pool for the Oasis Lunar New Year Baccarat Tournament is \$16,000 Cash and \$7,300 in Table Free Bet Vouchers. All prizes will be allocated as follows:

Place	Prize Value	Quantity
First (1) Place	\$8,000 Cash	1
Second (2) Place	\$5,000 Cash	1
Third (3) Place	\$3,000 Cash	1
Fourth (4) Place	\$2,000 Table Free Bet Voucher (4 x \$500 TFBV)	1
Fifth (5) Place	\$1,500 Table Free Bet Voucher (3 x \$500 TFBV)	1
Sixth (6) Place	\$800 Table Free Bet Voucher (1 x 500 TFBV & 3 x \$100 TFBV)	1
All participants in the Semi-Final Sessions who do not qualify into the Grand Final Session. Thirty (30) participants.	\$100 Table Free Bet Voucher	30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,300 in Cash &amp; Table Free Bet Vouchers</b>	

- 1.1.1 Table Free Bet Vouchers will be valid for 7 days from the day of issue and are subject to the terms and conditions on the voucher.
- 1.1.2 The prize money is dependent on a minimum of 180 players. The Star reserves the right to cancel the tournament if there are less than 180 entries received.

## 2. TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS

The Tournament will be conducted by the Tournament Manager in accordance with the Tournament terms and conditions and the applicable Baccarat rules at The Star Sydney. In the event of any inconsistency the Baccarat rules at The Star Sydney will prevail. A copy of the game and/or Tournament Rules will be available on request to the Tournament Manager.

### 2.1 Entry

To participate in the Tournament, an Eligible Entrants must register at the Oasis Host Desk in Oasis Room between 10:00am and 10:00pm from Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> January to Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

All participants in the tournament shall be given an option to choose a time slot for a Qualifying Session. This shall be done on a 'first in, first served' basis. If a Qualifying Session is full, participants shall be advised of other available time slots. For participants who do not have a preference, a ballot will be conducted to fill any available seats on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Seating Allocation for the Tournament will be released and available for participants by Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

Eligible entrants may also register with the Tournament Manager for any available seats in a Qualifying Session from 12:00pm on the day of the requested session. This will also be done on a 'first in, first served' basis.

## 2.2 Eligibility for Entry

Participation in the Tournament is limited to persons who are, insofar as is the case for the duration of the Registration Period:

- a) 18 years of age or over;
- b) Gold & Platinum Members of The Star Club
- c) Not excluded from The Star Sydney; and
- d) Entitled to access the Oasis Room

("Eligible Entrants").

Entry into the Tournament is at the discretion of the Tournament Manager. The Tournament Manager shall require each Tournament player to agree in writing with the approved Rules and Conditions of the Tournament prior to the start of the Tournament Session.

If an Eligible Entrant's membership status is cancelled or otherwise amended during the Tournament so that he or she is no longer an Eligible Entrant, that person will no longer be eligible to enter or participate in the Tournament. He/she will forfeit any entitlement to a Tournament session or prize ("Invalid Entry").

## 2.3 Pay-out Odds

Pay-out odds for each hand as applies to Even Money Baccarat:

2.1.1 Winning Banker Total = 6, pays 1 to 2

2.1.2 Any other Banker/Player pays 1 to 1

2.1.3 Tie pays 8 to 1

2.1.4 Pairs pay 11 to 1

2.1.5 Super Six pays 15 to 1

## 2.4 Box Betting Limits

Hands Played	Banker/Player			Tie/Pair/Super Six		
	Min	Max	Units	Min	Max	Units
Hands 1-2	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Hands 3-14	\$5,000	\$500,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$50,000	\$5,000

## 2.5 Dealing Method

- The Qualifying, Quarter Final and Lucky Wild Card Sessions will be dealt whereby cards will be disclosed by the House (“**Method A**”).
- The Semi Final and Grand Final Sessions will be dealt whereby players will be able to squeeze the cards (“**Method B**”).

The first two (2) hands of each Tournament Session will be no bet coups and disclosed by the House. All sessions will utilise an eight (8) deck shoe.

## 2.6 Chip Count

A chip count will be conducted after the 12<sup>th</sup>, the 13<sup>th</sup> and the 14<sup>th</sup> hand of each session and any additional hands in a play-off round that may be dealt, should a play-off round be required.

## 2.7 Seating Allocation

Allocation of wagering/seat positions shall be done by ballot prior to the commencement of the Tournament. The Tournament Manager may alter the suggested seating matrix and ballot, if required due to unforeseen circumstances including, but not limited to, inability of patrons to attend their specified heat time and to balance entrants to ensure fairness to all participants.

Where a Tournament Player does not take an allotted seat at the specified time or is absent during a session the Tournament Manager may:

- Direct the dealer to deduct an amount equal to the minimum wager for each coup for which the Tournament Player is absent, to a maximum of three (3) rounds of play; and/or
- Declare the Tournament Player’s position cancelled and the Tournament Player disqualified. Once disqualified a Tournament Player will not be entitled to a refund of the entry fee except on the approval of the Tournament Manager.

## 2.8 Order of Wagering

An order of wagering shall apply. Bets shall be placed in order as indicated by a betting marker. Bets shall be placed in an anti-clockwise order as indicated by a betting marker in each session. The player in front of whom the marker is placed must bet first.

## 2.9 Wagers

Each player shall be allocated \$1,000,000 in non-value Tournament Chips prior to the start of each session. All wagers shall be made and paid with the approved Tournament Chips.

All wagers shall be in units of the minimum. Wagers in excess of the stated maximum shall be paid or collected to the maximum. A wager found to be less than the minimum shall be required to be made up to the minimum.

All players must wager the minimum wager for each round of play unless they have used a pass card or undisclosed bet card. One (1) pass card and one (1) undisclosed bet card will be issued per player per session. A valid wager is a bet on banker, player, tie, Super Six or player pairs/banker pairs.

#### **2.10 Time Restriction**

All players will be limited to one (1) minute per hand to act. Where a tournament player does not place a wager within the allotted time, the tournament player's wager may be restricted to an amount equal to the stated minimum wager for the table. The one (1) minute shall commence from when the dealer indicates it is that player's turn to act.