

## **BARROW - Van RIEL Challenge Match**

### ***Guidelines for Competition***

1. An annual inter-city chess challenge match between Ballarat and Bendigo Chess Clubs
2. The match will be played over 8 boards from each club. Additional games may be arranged when possible but those games will not count towards the overall result.
3. The venue will alternate each year between the clubs.
4. The home club will have the white pieces on the top board. The colours will alternate on each successive board, black on board 2 and white on board 3 etc.
5. The rate of play for the games will be 90 minutes for each player plus an increment of 30 seconds from move one.
6. The date for the match will be set as the third Sunday in May each year. This will give each club and players sufficient notice to be available for the match. The starting time for the games is to be 1.00 pm.
7. The respective captains will select the order of their players which will generally be in ACF rating order. The captains will exchange lists of players at the start of each match.
8. Should there be any problem or disagreement then the respective captains will resolve the issue. It is expected that the match will be conducted in a competitive but friendly atmosphere.
9. There will be a perpetual shield which will be held by the winning club until it won by the other club and then retained until the following year.

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