



# 2017 ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

MANILA, PHILIPPINES





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# Australian Rules Football Asian Championships Manila, Philippines

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# Welcome to the 2017 AFL Asian Championships

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San Lazaro Leisure Park, Manila, Philippines

The PAFL is proud and excited to be hosting the 2017 Asian Championships. After one of our biggest seasons we are thrilled to be able to host the greatest footy tournament in Asia once again and continue the fantastic work and standards set by Vietnam in 2016.

With the tournament getting bigger and the bar set higher each year, we have been working hard to provide a venue that will help lift the Champs to be not only AFL Asia's premier tournament, but a sporting feature in Asia. We look forward to you visiting us and wish all teams the best of luck!

Below are contact details of the key stakeholders for this event. Please feel free to contact any and all on the list if you have any questions.

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## General Contact Details

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## Friday Night President's Meeting

It is imperative that all teams send their President or a designated representative to vote on their behalf to this important meeting where the future of Asian Championships and other AFL Asia issues will be discussed and decided on. The meeting will be held at an inner city pub (TBC) at 7pm Friday night (20/10/2017).

# Current Climate in the Philippines

## PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT FOR ALL TOURING TO READ THIS MESSAGE

Over the 12 months since the election of President Rodrigo Duterte and the increase of international incidents around the world, there has been an increase of media attention on the activities occurring in the Philippines. This reporting in some cases has been incorrectly reported.

Football tournaments are not new to the Philippines with the Asian Champs being hosted here a couple of times and the Annual Manila Cup being held here for the past 8 years. During the time many AFL Asia Players, Supporters and Officials have visited Manila and have come to be aware of the fun and exciting nightlife that it has to offer over like other Asia cities.

As such the tolerance of Police and other authorities may have been relaxed in cases of minor incidents in the past and could be sorted via mutual agreement in compensation or a slap on the wrist. Since President Rodrigo Duterte's appointment, he has made fighting the war on drugs corruption his highest priority, there is now a further Police presence in entertainment districts around Manila. This has since made these areas safer, but also lowered the tolerance of Police when it comes to incidents.

We ask that all those entertaining the Asian Champs that you can still have a great time and there is a lot to do and have fun, however please ensure that you take due care when it comes to your behavior and your activities. You will be responsible for your own actions and PAFL can not easily assist people that find themselves at the Police Station, if arrested over the weekend you will generally not be released until the following week. Like many SE Asia countries drugs and/or illegal substances in the Philippines are not tolerated and additional detection dogs are now found throughout the entertainment districts, especially Makati. The penalty of life imprisonment to death and a fine ranging from five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who, unless authorized by law, shall possess any dangerous drug.

Remember you are representing your team and adopted country whilst on tour, your actions whilst in the Philippines should reflect that.

## New Smoking Bans Order in the Philippines

Recently introduced, this new order restricts and penalizes the act of smoking tobacco products in enclosed public places, except in certain designated smoking areas. It requires that all public buildings or places that are accessible or open to the public regardless of ownership or right to access must be smoke-free inside and within 10 meters from entrances and exits or where people pass or congregate, and from air intake ducts. This includes but is not limited to:

Government buildings, Schools, Offices and other workplaces, Restaurants, Hotels, Hospitals, health centers, Transportation terminals, Churches, Shopping centers, retail stores and other merchandise establishments, Entertainment establishments, and Sports venues...

### Penalties

The order imposes fines of up to ₱10,000 (US\$200) for violation of the smoking ban in public places as prescribed in section 32 of the Tobacco Regulation Act. Enforcement can be performed by members of the Philippine National Police and the local task forces of each city and municipality.

# Tournament Details

After a successful 2016 Asian Champs with 18 teams competing over two divisions, we are looking to provide as much consistency in the format and rules of the tournament as possible to ensure the continued success of Asia's premier football tournament.

2017 will see a return of 18 teams battling it out over two division with the introduction of a new team in 2nd Division from Papua New Guinea, the Papua New Guinea Muruks!

## Important Changes to the Rules for 2017 Champs

Last year the time scheduling worked very well with officials and teams working together to ensure all games were played in daylight as time allowed. This same format will be followed in 2017. All teams will be asked to ensure that they are ready for play at the advised time in the draw and understand that if they are not ready penalties will apply.

We ask clubs to familiarise themselves again with the '1-minute' rule as outlined the 'Asian Champs Rules and Guidelines' and the penalties that are incurred if teams fail to meet the requirements.

Other significant rules implementations and changes for this years champs are as follows:

### Local Player Quota

The local player quota was discussed and voted on at the President's meeting last year. In 2017 this will be implemented whereby each team in the competition are required to have 2 (two) *local players* of each included in their playing side for each game of the tournament. If a club has two teams playing in the tournament, they will need to ensure that they have two *local players* in each team. For the full outline of qualification and implementation of *local players* in your team, please refer to 'Asian Championships Rules & Guidelines' page 5.

### Yellow & Red Card System

Yellow & Red card system will be introduced this year to assist with a clear communication of send off rules as outlined in the "Asian Championship Rules & Guidelines". It has been introduced to assist the umpiring officials with support in controlling incidents that may occur during a game. Please refer to 'Asian Championships Rules & Guidelines' page 12.

### Send off Rules

The time in the sin bin has now been reduced from 10 (ten) mins to 3 (three) mins.

### Tournament Referee

The formalised appointed decision maker at the tournament. A nominated Tournament Referee will oversee the tournament running and any disputes that may arise.

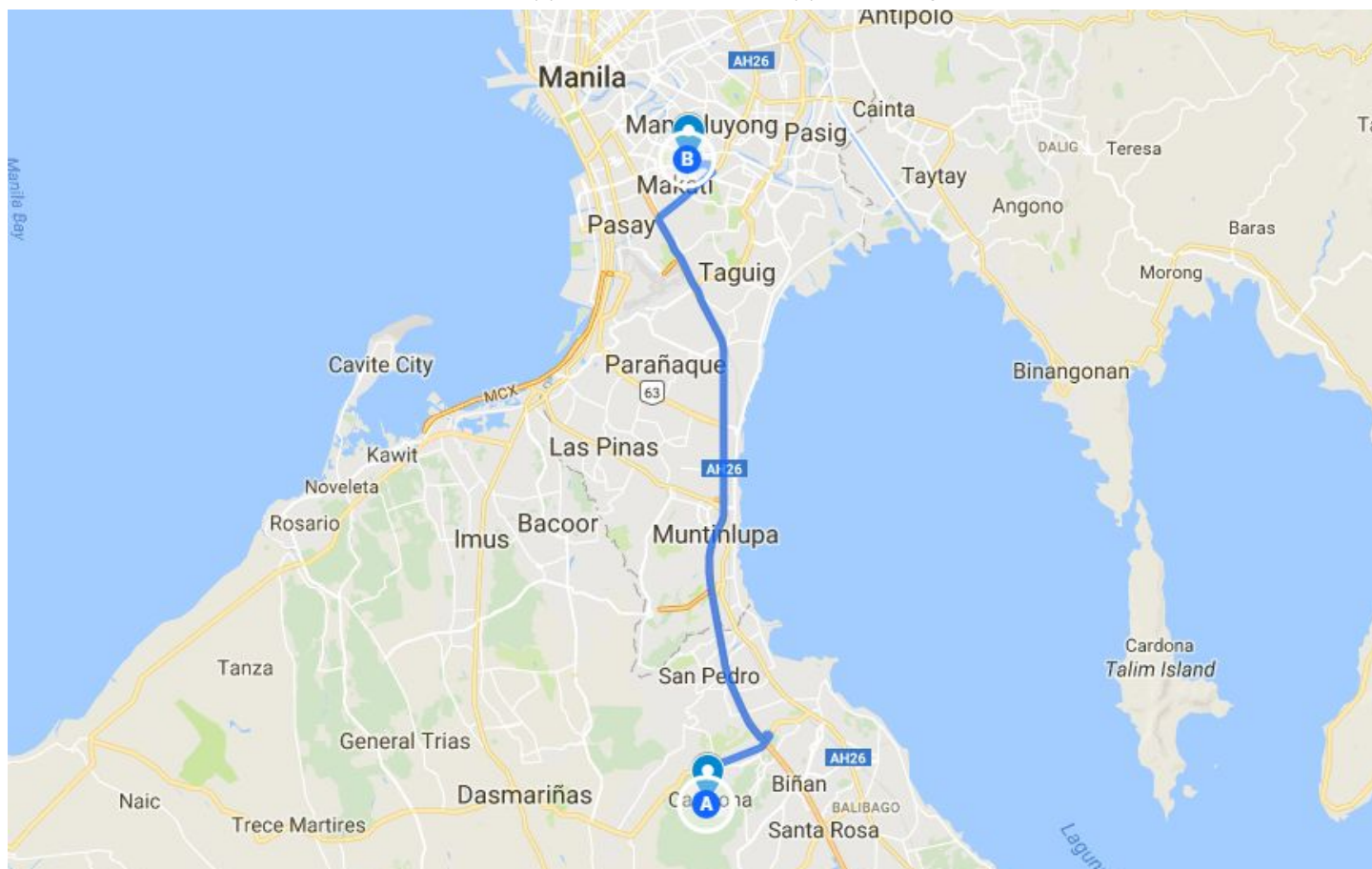
It is the responsibility of all clubs to understand and be aware of of the rules and guidelines for the 'Asian Championships 2017 Tournament'. A copy of the the document can be found at:

**PLEASE FAMILIARISE YOURSELF WITH THESE NEW RULES AND GUIDELINES IN..**

**“Asian Championship Rules and Guidelines”**

## Ground Location

San Lazaro Leisure Park, Carmona, Cavite, Philippines (Travel time is approximately 55 mins from Manila)

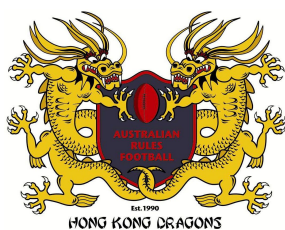


View over the grounds of the venue (playing fields are located in empty grass patch left of image)



# 2017 Competing Teams

## 1st Division



Hong Kong Dragons



Jakarta Bintang



Malaysian Warriors



Philippine Eagles



Singapore Wombats



Vietnam Swans

## 2nd Division



Bali Geckos



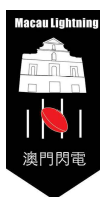
Cambodia Eagles



China Reds



Hong Kong Dragons



Macau Lightning



Malaysian Warriors



Myanmar Fight Cocks



PNG Muruks



Thailand Tigers



Singapore Wombats



Vietnam Swans



Laos Elephants



## Scheduling of Event & Games

The scheduling of games will be advertised closer to the tournament date and communicated through the AC14 media channels.

### Tournament Draw

A draw to select places in the schedule will take place around 4 weeks prior to Champs, streamed live on AFL Asia TV. The schedule of the game will be as follows:

| # Division 1 Teams      |               | ROUNDS                   | Time   | OVAL No.1 |               | Boundry                 | OVAL No.2 |                     | Boundry |
|-------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------|-----------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------|---------------------|---------|
| 1                       | Team 1        | 4                        | Team 4 | 1         | 7:30 - 7:55   | Team 1A v Team 2A       | TBA       | Team 7B v Team 8B   | TBA     |
| 2                       | Team 2        | 5                        | Team 5 | 2         | 8:00 - 8:25   | Team 9B v Team 10B      | TBA       | Team 3A v Team 4A   | TBA     |
| 3                       | Team 3        | 6                        | Team 6 | 3         | 8:30 - 8:55   | Team 1 v Team 2         | TBA       | Team 5A v Team 6A   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 4         | 9:00 - 9:25   | Team 3 v Team 4         | TBA       | Team 11B v Team 12B | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 5         | 9:30 - 9:55   | Team 5 v Team 6         | TBA       | Team 1A v Team 3A   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 6         | 10:00 - 10:25 | Team 7B v Team 11B      | TBA       | Team 2A v Team 6A   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 7         | 10:30 - 10:55 | Team 1 v Team 3         | TBA       | Team 4A v Team 5A   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 8         | 11:00 - 11:25 | Team 2 v Team 5         | TBA       | Team 10B v Team 12B | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 9         | 11:30 - 11:55 | Team 4 v Team 6         | TBA       | Team 8B v Team 9B   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 10        | 12:00 - 12:25 | Team 3A v Team 5A       | TBA       | Team 11B v Team 10B | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 11        | 12:30 - 12:55 | Team 2 v Team 3         | TBA       | Team 1A v Team 6A   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 12        | 13:00 - 13:25 | Team 1 v Team 6         | TBA       | Team 7B v Team 9B   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 13        | 13:30 - 13:55 | Team 4 v Team 5         | TBA       | Team 2A v Team 4A   | TBA     |
|                         |               |                          |        | 14        | 14:00 - 14:25 | Auskick Game            |           | Team 8B v Team 12B  | TBA     |
| BREAK                   |               |                          |        |           |               |                         |           |                     |         |
| SF1                     | 14:40 - 15:15 | 1st                      | v      | 4th       | TBA           | 1st "POOL A"            | v         | 2nd "POOL B"        | TBA     |
| SF2                     | 15:20 - 15:55 | 2nd                      | v      | 3rd       | TBA           | 1st "POOL B"            | v         | 2nd "POOL A"        | TBA     |
| --                      | 16:00 - 16:15 | Longest Kick Competition |        |           |               | Fastest Man Competition |           |                     |         |
| GF-D2                   | 16:15 - 16:50 | --                       |        |           |               | Division 2 Grand Final  |           | TBA                 |         |
| GF-D1                   | 16:55 - 17:30 | Division 1 Grand Final   |        |           |               | --                      |           |                     |         |
| Break (Sunset at 17:33) |               |                          |        |           |               |                         |           |                     |         |
| --                      | 17:55 - 18:05 | Annual Boat Race         |        |           |               |                         |           |                     |         |
| --                      | 18:05 - 18:40 | Presentations            |        |           |               |                         |           |                     |         |



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## Player Registration

All teams will be required to complete the online player registration form by **Monday 9th October 2017**, noting the last game that each player played for that Club as well as their nominated "Asia Local Players" for each team. Clubs fielding both firsts and seconds teams will also be required to pick teams by **Monday 9th October 2017**.

### What each team needs to do prior to Champs

Nominate a Tour Manager – email their details to [pres@pafl.com.ph](mailto:pres@pafl.com.ph) before 30 September 2017. They will then be provided with editing rights to the Player Registration Spreadsheet

### Update the Player Registration Spreadsheet

- Team sheets can be viewed by all who have the link, with editing rights provided to tour managers only by **Monday 9th October 2017**, noting the last game each player has played for the club and who the opposition was. Please note the eligibility requirement in the "Asian Championship Rules and Guidelines" page 3.
- For Clubs with seconds teams, finalise playing lists for both teams by **Monday 9th October 2017**.

- Feel free to view all other teams entries and submit any queries or discrepancies on player registrations to the AFL Asian Champs Committee via email.
- Any disputed player registrations will be addressed as soon as possible by the Champs committee, with a final determination to be made at the President's meeting should the matter not be resolved before then. Please note that teams that are short on players may apply for special consideration for players that may not fit under current eligibility guidelines. AFL Asia will assess each application on its merits, with team size, playing ability and experience all to be taken into account

## What each team needs to do at Champs

- Player registration sheets for each team will be printed out and kept at the Officials tent.
- At half time of the preceding game, prior to the coin toss the Captain or a team official needs to nominate on the registration sheets a maximum of 26 players (first division) and 20 players (second division, unless more players agreed by mutual consent) who will compete in that following game.
- AFL Asia is to ensure all players playing finals have played at least 2 preliminary games and conduct random checks throughout the day on nominated team lists.

## Boundary Umpires & On Day Assistance

As with each year, the tournament official will be looking for assistance from clubs with boundary umpiring for each of the games of the tournament. A schedule of each of these games and which games each club will need to assist will be released in the weeks leading up to the day.

If any club has any members who wish to be involved on the day with various roles of the day such as Field, Goal and boundary, scoring, tournament management or any other role, please contact us at [pres@pafl.com.ph](mailto:pres@pafl.com.ph)

## Asian Championships Awards

The following awards will be presented at the San Lazaro Leisure Park after the Grand Final:

- Asian Championship Cup to the winning team of each Division
- Player of the Championships for each Division
- Leading Goal Scorer Overall
- Awards to the All Asia Team

## All Asia Team

An 'All-Asian' team will be presented with awards at the presentation ceremony after the Grand Final. As is the practice each year, teams will be asked to nominate players from their own team. The number of players each team may nominate will depend on their finishing position in the tournament. Teams will be provided with details on the day.

## Boat Races

Boat Races will take place between the Semi Finals and the Grand Final. Five members from each team are required.

## Tournament Fees

Entrance fees to this year's Asian Champions will be as follows:

| Item      | Division One  | Division Two  |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| Team Fees | US\$ 1,400.00 | US\$ 1,200.00 |

AFL Asia Treasurer will be working with the PAFL to provide invoices for both tournament fees and membership to make it a simple transaction and monies transfers. We will provide invoices to all clubs for Asian Champs fees and AFL Asia membership fees separately

Monies are to be deposited into the following account:

### BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| Bank:           | Banco De Oro                               |
| Branch:         | 213 – Salcedo-Gamboa                       |
| Account Type:   | US Dollar Savings account                  |
| Account Name:   | Philippine Australian Football League Inc. |
| Account number: | 102130080924                               |
| Swift Code:     | BNORPHMM                                   |

Note: we ask that teams notify us at [accounts@pafl.com.ph](mailto:accounts@pafl.com.ph) once they have paid their tournament entry fee so that we can confirm receipt of the funds.

## Other Information

### Food & Beverage Services

There will be a variety of food available at the ground with an Australian Footy theme menu being provided mostly by San Lazaro Leisure Park. There will also be cold beers and other refreshments available throughout the day.

### Water

Water will be provided between each team's tent.

### Medical Services & Medical Insurance

Ambulances will be on standby at the ground. These services will be able to provide initial assistance with all major injuries being addressed at the nearest medical facility which is Carmona Hospital & Medical Center in Carmona, Cavite. Please note that the medical services in the Philippines follows the American health system module which requires proof of medical insurance prior to any treatment. All players are responsible to ensure they have adequate coverage in case of emergency.

### Money & Currency at Tournament

It is the responsibility of each team/player to ensure they have adequate coverage. Philippine Peso will be the only currency accepted at the ground. The San Lazaro Leisure Park will have their Foreign Exchange booth open during the tournament day.

# Accommodation

We recommend the following hotels for accommodation as they are all conveniently located nearby each other making it easy for transportation to and from the ground and events activities held over the weekend.

The following hotels listed below are all located in Makati where there is plenty of restaurants and bars.

| Hotel Name                                 | Rating    |
|--|-----------|
| I'M Hotel                                  | 5 Stars   |
| St Giles Makati – A St Giles Hotel, Manila | 4 Stars   |
| Grand City Garden Grand Hotel              | 4 Stars   |
| The Avenue Hotel                           | 3 ½ Stars |
| Y2 Residence Hotel Managed by HIL          | 3 ½ Stars |
| City Garden Hotel Makati                   | 3 ½ Stars |
| The Clipper Hotel                          | 3 Stars   |
| Berjaya Makati Hotel                       | 3 Stars   |
| Red Planet Makati                          | 3 Stars   |
| Best Western Oxford Suites Makati          | 3 Stars   |
| Fersal Hotel Neptune Makati                | 3 Stars   |
| Best Western Oxford Suites Makati          | 3 Stars   |
| Makati Palace Hotel                        | 3 Stars   |
| Hotel Durban Makati                        | 2 ½ Stars |
| Ritz Astor Hotel                           | 2 Stars   |

PAFL will provide bus transport from your hotel to the ground and back on the day of the tournament. Arrangements and further details will be advertised closer to the date. Once you have booked your accommodation, please let our tournament organiser Paulette ([paulette.javier@gmail.com](mailto:paulette.javier@gmail.com)) know where you are staying so transport can be arranged on the day.

## Online Booking Agents & Review Website

Like most people involved in clubs in AFL Asia, you will know of websites that are available to assist you with your booking need, but we would like to list them anyway for your convenience:

# Disclaimers

Whilst every effort has been made to ensure player safety, each player is required to indemnify the tournament organizers/venue PAFL, Manila Jockey Club and AFL Asia against any claim whatsoever for any injury sustained during the tournament. Forms for this purpose will be distributed to all teams upon arrival.

**Insurance:** It is important to note that team entry fees do not cover player insurance. This is the responsibility of each individual or team and should be arranged before participants depart their country of residence. The PAFL can suggest that you get in touch with the PAFL medical insurance provider, Stephen Lawton from Astra Asia at the email address of [s.lawton@astraasia.com](mailto:s.lawton@astraasia.com)

Data in this prospectus is correct at the time of issue. If circumstances subsequently arise which generate changes to the procedures and arrangements set out in this document, PAFL reserves the right to implement any variations which it deems appropriate and are within the spirit of organising a successful Australian Rules Football tournament.