



# AOC Partners With ESL to Bring VALORANT Esports to ANZ

VALORANT Rising Heroes presented by AOC Tournament kicks off March 27, featuring the region's best VALORANT teams

Sydney, Australia — ESL Gaming Australia, local division of the world's largest esports company, and global LED monitor manufacturer AOC, today announced a new VALORANT tournament for the Australian & New Zealand market, the VALORANT Rising Heroes presented by AOC. Featuring the largest prize pool of any VALORANT tournament held in Australia & New Zealand to date at over \$24,000AUD in cash and prizes, the tournament aims to find the best VALORANT team in the region.

The VALORANT Rising Heroes presented by AOC will feature three open qualifiers across March 27, April 10, & April 17, with all Australian & New Zealand amateur VALORANT teams encouraged to compete. Registrations for the tournament can be found at the official tournament website, at <https://au.aoc.com/tournament>. Following the qualifiers, a 16-team swiss bracket will be held across May 8-9 & 29, where the top four (4\*) teams from each qualifier will join four of ANZ's top VALORANT teams that have been invited to compete in the league - ORDER, Mindfreak, Wildcard, and Dire Wolves. Following the group stage, playoffs will take place across May 30 & June 5-6, with finals on June 5-6 broadcast from the new ESL Studios in Sydney, on [twitch.tv/esl\\_australia](https://twitch.tv/esl_australia), where the champion of the VALORANT Rising Heroes ANZ presented by AOC will be crowned.

"Working together with AOC, we're looking forward to bringing a VALORANT tournament of this scale to the region" said James Fletcher, Product Manager at ESL. "We want to develop our region, and here some of the bright stars that are currently playing VALORANT in ANZ - VALORANT Rising Heroes presented by AOC gives us the platform to do that, with a hyper-competitive, 3-stage tournament, with a massive prize pool."

"AOC is proud to partner with ESL, and look forward to a strong and enduring relationship in the year ahead," says Jay Huang, Sales Manager at AOC Australia. "Over the years, AOC has developed a range of premium gaming products and was the No. 1 top-selling gaming monitor brand in 2020. We are excited to continue actively supporting the development of Esports at both domestic and international levels."

The VALORANT Rising Heroes presented by AOC first place winners will take home an AG273FZE AGON III gaming monitor, featuring a 240Hz refresh rate and 0.5ms response time. The monitor also features HDR technology for brighter lights, darker shadows and more vivid colors. AOC Light FX surrounds the monitor with ambient lighting, meanwhile, the Screen Shield detachable hood ensures the exceptional image is not affected by room lighting, or any other distractions while competing.

## AOC World-Class Gaming Monitor Optimized for the Most Immersive Gaming Experience

For those who enjoy gaming, AOC has unveiled another winner in its G3 series of impressive gaming monitors. AOC's 34" IPS-panel U34G3X display features 21:9 Ultrawide Quad HD resolution (3440x1440 pixels), Wide Colour Gamut and HDR10 for greater colour depth and contrast. It provides a captivating gaming experience, immersing you in the gaming world with stunning visual quality. Suitable for games of all genres, this world-class gaming monitor is equipped with Adaptive-Sync anti-tearing technology, 144hz refresh rate and 1ms response time. To ensure users have the most enjoyable and efficient experience, U34G3X includes advanced features like simultaneous dual-input PIP/PBP, and is mounted on an ergonomic adjustable stand.

### Prize Pool:

First (1): \$8000AUD, 5 x AOC AG273FZE Gaming Monitor, 5 x HyperX Cloud Stinger Core Wireless 7.1 Gaming Headset + SoloCast Microphone, AOC Large Wolfie Plushie

Second (2): \$4,000AUD, 5 x AOC C24G2 Gaming Monitor, 5 x HyperX Cloud Stinger Core Wireless 7.1 Gaming Headset + SoloCast Microphone

Third (3): : \$3,000AUD, 5 x AOC G500 Gaming Keyboard & Mice, 5 x HyperX Cloud Stinger Core Wireless 7.1 Gaming Headset + SoloCast Microphone, AOC Goodie bags

Fourth (4): \$2,000AUD, AOC Goodie Bags

Fifth (5) / Sixth (6): \$1,000AUD, AOC Goodie Bags

Seventh (7) / Eighth (8): \$500AUD, AOC Goodie Bags

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## ABOUT ESL GAMING

ESL Gaming is the world's largest esports and gaming lifestyle company. Since 1994, the company has been shaping the industry and leading esports and gaming innovation on a global scale across the most popular video games with numerous online and offline esports competitions, and through premier gaming lifestyle festivals. The company operates high-profile, branded international leagues and tournaments under the ESL Pro Tour, including ESL One, Intel® Extreme Masters, DreamHack Masters, ESL Pro League, and other preeminent, stadium-size tournaments. ESL Gaming

also produces and hosts DreamHack Open tournaments, ESL National Championships, grassroots amateur cups, matchmaking systems, and DreamHack's gaming lifestyle festivals — which feature everything gaming under one roof. ESL Gaming is part of MTG, the leading international digital entertainment group. More information is available at [about.eslgaming.com/esl-australia/](http://about.eslgaming.com/esl-australia/).

#### About AOC

AOC is a global leader in monitor display technology. For more than 50 years, AOC has delivered an exceptional viewing experience to millions of loyal customers worldwide. Today, the company offers a wide selection of stylish monitors for home, office and gaming in more than 120 countries. AOC is a brand of TPV, the world's largest LCD monitor manufacturer.

To match increasing demand for a competitive edge and top-tier performance, AOC has developed a range of dedicated gaming monitors. In addition to embracing the latest technologies in product design, AOC's engagement with the world of gaming includes sponsoring leading Esports events and teams – actively driving the growth of gaming as the global profession it has become today. Find out more at [au.aoc.com](http://au.aoc.com)

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