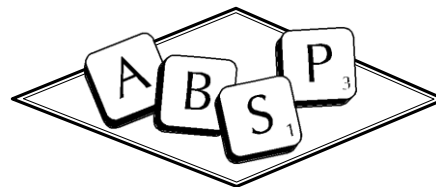


The Association of British Scrabble Players presents

THE 2024 BRITISH MATCHPLAY SCRABBLE® CHAMPIONSHIPS



KENTS HILL PARK, SWALLOW HOUSE, TIMBOLD DRIVE, MILTON KEYNES MK7 6BZ.
BMSC Main Event: Saturday 24th – Monday 26th August
+ BMSC Warm Up Event Friday 23rd – Saturday 24th August

KENTS HILL PARK is a purpose built training and conference centre situated in Milton Keynes. It is easily accessible by road and rail. Milton Keynes Central is the closest rail station and taxi numbers can be provided. It is around 5 miles from Junction 13 of the M1. The closest airport is Luton Airport (20 miles).

Format: One open division for players rated **160** or above, or by choice. Repeats will be used where appropriate. Other players will be placed in partial round-robin (RR) groups, though if numbers dictate there may be one or more larger groups with Swiss pairing. Repeats may also be used in RR groups. The winner of the open division will be the BMSC Champion. All divisions should play 23 games.

Challenges: The Open Division will be 5p/word Penalty Challenge. All other divisions will be Free Challenge. The event will use self-adjudication throughout (except where players have mobility difficulty).

BMSC Warm Up Event: 11 games over Friday pm/Saturday am. There will be 1 or 2 divisions with prizes for top 3 plus ratings. Pay-as-you-go lunches are available on Friday. For those not resident on Friday night, Saturday lunch can be paid on the form. All divisions are free challenge. There is a £10 discount for entering both the Warm Up and Main Events.

Prize Fund: The total BMSC prize fund will be dependent on entrants. Trophies will be given to the top five in the Open division and top three in RR divisions. All events are ABSP and WESPA rated.

The ABSP reserves the right to refuse entrants, to change the size of the divisions as necessary, to use discretion in placing unrated players, or to decline a player's request to play in the Open Division.

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Retain the top of this form for reference and send this part, duly completed (both sides), to:

Wayne Kelly (BMSC) 17 Cossack Avenue, Warrington, WA2 9PB

Phone Wayne on 07773 027274 or email waynekelly74@aol.com

Cheques payable to 'ABSP'

To pay direct to the bank, the account number for BMSC Entry payments is Bank Sort Code 77-76-25 A/C No. 75279668 Account name 'ABSP' adding your name for reference AND email Wayne with your requirements

Please give an email address for confirmation or send SAE (9"x4") to receive by post.

Closing date for entries is August 19th

CONTACT NAME : _____

ADDRESS : _____

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CLUB _____ EMAIL _____

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Registration from 11:30am: All players MUST have registered for the main event by 2.15pm.

Residents : includes en suite accommodation with breakfast and all meals mentioned in the timetable except lunches on Friday which is pay as you go. For those arriving on Saturday, lunch can be purchased in advance on the form.

Non-residents: All meals included except breakfast and Friday and Saturday lunches which are Pay As You Go (though Saturday lunch can be paid in advance)

Tea and Coffee : This will be free-flow during the event.

Extra Nights : There rooms available on the Thursday and Monday nights at £80 per night for single, £45 per night per person in a double room.

Cancellations: If it is necessary for you to cancel, we will attempt to refund the full amount paid, however at short notice this may not be possible.

Accommodation: Most of the rooms available are double rooms for single or double occupancy, however there are a limited number of twin rooms, so please book early for these.

No Smoking: Kents Hill Park is a no-smoking site.

Dietary requirements: The venue require 2 weeks' notice for any special dietary needs (not vegetarian).

Playing room: Please note the playing room this year is upstairs but there are lifts. This is to make it closer to the refreshment station. There are no games on Sunday evening this year, instead a quiz will take place.

EVENT SCHEDULE		
BMSC WARM UP	BMSC MAIN EVENT	
FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY Cont'd
Registration - 11.30 - 13.00	Registration -13:00-14:15	From 16:45 <break>
From 12:30 < PAYG lunch>	14:30 Round 1	16:55 Round 14
13:15 Round 1	15:30 Round 2	17:55 Round 15
14:15 Round 2	From 16:20 <break>	From 18:50 <dinner>
15:15 Round 3	16:40 Round 3	
From 16:15<break>	17:40 Round 4	MONDAY
16:25 Round 4	From 18:40 <dinner>	
17:25 Round 5	19:45 Round 5	09:00 Round 16
18.25 Round 6	20:45 Round 6	10:05 Round 17
From 19:15 <dinner>		From 10:55 <break>
20.15 Round 7		11:15 Round 18
21:15 Round 8		12:20 Round 19
	SUNDAY	from 13.00<lunch>
	09:00 Round 7	14:00 Round 20
SATURDAY	10:00 Round 8	15.05 Round 21
09:00 Round 9	From 10:45 <break>	From 15:50 <break>
10:00 Round 10	11:10 Round 9	16.10 Round 22
From 10:45 <break>	12.10 Round 10	17.15 Round 23
11:15 Round 11	From 13:00 <lunch>	
12.30 Presentation of Warm Up	13:45 Round 11	18:25 Prizegiving
From 12:30 <lunch>	14:45 Round 12	18:35 Departure
	15:45 Round 13	

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Accommodation	Double room -Single occupancy	Double/Twin sharing	Non-Resident	Non-ABSP Member*	Agreed Helper	Total £
BMSC Warm Up	£170	£145	£90	£2	Free	
BMSC Main Event	£310	£260	£195	£10	Free	
Lunch on Saturday for non-residents (warm up) or those doing main only	£17	£17	£17			
Main Event - Open/Round Robin (please indicate)	Discount for both events			-£10		
Non-player reductions	Deduct £57 from Warm Up Event, £90 from Main event (RR)					
Extra Nights	£80 per night (single)/£45 per night (double)				Day(s)	
Total						

ABSP Membership: Membership for 2024 is £20 for printed OnBoard/£10 for online copies (cheques payable to ABSP). If you would like to join, or to receive further information, please write to the Membership Secretary, Nuala O'Rourke, 22 Kestrel Road, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6BU or contact by email via orourke14@btinternet.com.

I require pay-as-you-go lunch on Friday

Vegetarian option / food allergies/ room requirements (please list here):

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