



Reading and District Table Tennis Association

Affiliated to Table Tennis England & the Royal County of Berkshire Table Tennis Association

2015-16 CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS ENTRY FORM

Referee/Organisers: Wendy Porter & Duncan Groves

The Closed Championships will be held on Saturday/Sunday 13/14th February 2016 (Senior & Veteran events) and 20th/21st February 2016 (Junior events) at the Kingfisher Table Tennis Club. The dates of events may be subject to change depending on the number of entries. Events will be on a straight knock out basis i.e there will be no initial groups unless time/entries allow. The FINALS of the Mens and Ladies Singles will be staged on Sunday 14th from approx 3pm. The FINALS of the Mens, Ladies and Mixed Doubles will be staged on Saturday 13th from approx 3pm.

ENTRIES must be sent to the Championships Secretary WENDY PORTER, c/o Our Lady of Peace TTC, 338 Wokingham Road, Earley, Reading RG6 7DA. Tel: 07745 331743, or they can be e-mailed to Wendy at wendyasporter@gmail.com

CLOSING DATE for receipt of ENTRIES is Friday 29th January 2016. The DRAW will take place on Wednesday 3rd February 2016.

The BALLS to be used will be white PLASTIC 40+ balls. ENTRY is **FREE**.

STANDING REGULATIONS FOR CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS

4.1 REFEREE

4.1.1 The Management Committee shall appoint a Referee for the championships at an early date.

4.1.2 The decision of the Referee shall be final on all questions of law, rule or regulation, and in respect of dress, discipline and any dispute on the day.

4.2 ELIGIBILITY

4.2.1 A player will not normally be allowed to play in the championships unless he/she has played in at least four league team matches in the current season before the closing date for entry (Rule 10.5.1).

4.2.2 An entry from a registered player other than a junior, who is a Player Member of Table Tennis England but who does not qualify under Regulation 4.2.1 may be accepted in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Management Committee (Rule 10.5.2).

4.2.3 An entry from a junior player who is a member of the Association and is a Player Member of Table Tennis England but who does not qualify under Regulation 4.2.1 may be accepted at the discretion of the Management Committee.

4.2.4 Competitors in the Veterans event must be aged 40 years or over, and in the Senior Veterans event aged 50 years or over.

4.2.5 Where an age limit is applicable, 'under a specified age' shall relate to the age on 31st December during the current playing season, and 'specified age or over' shall relate to the age on 1st January during the current playing season.

4.2.6 Entrants to a divisional championship (including Division 1 Restricted and Youth Division) must be registered for that division. They must also have played in at least four team matches in that division, or in a lower division, in the current season before the closing date of entry (Rule 10.5.3). A competitor who is seeded in the Mens Singles shall not normally be eligible to play in the Division 1 Restricted Singles.

4.3 **EVENTS** - These shall be determined each year by the Management Committee.

4.4 ENTRIES

4.4.1 To enter each competitor must complete and sign a separate form and an entry not signed personally will not be accepted. Entries must be made out on an Official Form for Entry - RTT 7 (Part 2) which must be completed in full.

4.4.2 Any entrant whose doubles partner does not enter or is otherwise not available will be treated as 'Partner wanted' unless it is stated that this is not desired. In ALL 'Partner wanted' cases pairings will be drawn.

4.4.3 Every entrant should enclose with the form RTT 7 (Part 2) a stamped self-addressed envelope and a Report Time Form - RTT 7 (Part 3) indicating the events entered. The Report Time Form will be sent back showing the reporting time for the first set in each event. Notification of times will not be given over the phone. The appropriate time slip should be handed in to Control on the day of the event. For general guidance, the scheduled time of sets will be noted on the draw sheets but the Referee reserves the right to bring forward or put back the scheduled time of any set.

4.5 CLOSING DATE

4.5.1 The closing date will be stated on the entry form and any entries received after that date will not be accepted.

4.5.2 If it is necessary to restrict entries in any event, this will be done on the basis of "last in first out". Furthermore, it may be necessary to restrict the number of age events in which a competitor is allowed to play.

4.6 **SEEDING** - There may be seeding in any event as determined by the Management Committee.

4.7 PLAYING MATTERS

4.7.1 An Umpire may be appointed for each set. Every competitor (and this includes both partners in a doubles event) may be required to umpire one set per event entered. After losing, a player should remain available in the hall until called upon by Control to umpire a set.

4.7.2 When playing (including knocking up) players are expected to wear table tennis dress and the standard of dress must satisfy the Referee. In particular, jeans or denim or similar clothing will not be allowed. The main colour of a shirt, skirt or shorts, other than sleeves or collar of a shirt shall be clearly different from that of the ball in use (Rule 11.5.2). Any markings or trimming on the front or side of a playing garment, and any objects such as jewellery worn by a player, shall not be so conspicuous or brightly reflecting as to unsight an opponent (Rule 11.5.3).

4.7.3 On arrival all competitors must report to Control and should not leave the building without obtaining permission from the Referee.

4.7.4 All competitors will be required to play on the allotted table and on being called must go to that table and begin play without delay. Any competitor not ready to play when called may be scratched.

4.7.5 Knocking up on vacant tables may be allowed at the discretion of the Referee, but only by two players at a time on any one table

4.7.6 Substitutions may be allowed in doubles events only, in the absence of one of a pair, at the discretion of the Referee. Requests will not be considered in respect of any player who has not made a valid entry for the event.

4.7.7 Except as provided in 4.7.6 or to correct genuine misunderstandings or errors, the draw once completed will not be altered unless exceptionally it becomes unbalanced and the organising committee and the Referee think an alteration is desirable in the interests of the tournament.

4.7.8 All sets will be best of five games 11 up and shall be played under the "Laws of Table Tennis" as approved by Table Tennis England (Rule 11.1).

4.7.9 All players must comply with the "Glue Directive" issued by the Reading Management Committee dated 7 December 2002.

4.7.10 For the Ping Pong Singles event, bats will be provided and Ping Pong rules will be followed. The rules will be available on the day.

4.8 CUPS AND RETURNABLE TROPHIES

A winner of an Association returnable cup or trophy shall be responsible for returning it to the Trophy Secretary in a clean condition not later than 17th March (Rules 10.7.1 & 10.7.2). Failure to do so will incur a fine of £5 for each part breached (Rule 10.7.4).

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OFFICIAL FORM FOR ENTRY TO THE 2015-16 CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS

(PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

Mr/Mrs/

Miss/Ms SURNAME FIRST NAME CLUB

ADDRESS TEL

If entering an event 1 - 11, DATE OF BIRTH AGE ON 31st December 2015 Yrs MonthsIf entering an event 16 - 18, DATE OF BIRTH AGE ON 1st January 2016 Yrs Months

EVENT	DAY	State Division	Tick Entry	State Partner
1. Under 21 Singles (Male & Female) (born on or after 1st Jan 1995)	Sun 21/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
2. Junior Boys Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 1998)	Sun 21/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
3. Junior Girls Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 1998)	Sun 21/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
4. Cadet Boys Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 2001)	Sat 20/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
5. Cadet Girls Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 2001)	Sat 20/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
6. Under 13 Boys Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 2003)	Sat 20/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
7. Under 13 Girls Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 2003)	Sat 20/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
8. Under 11 Boys Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 2005)	Sat 20/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
9. Under 11 Girls Singles (born on or after 1st Jan 2005)	Sat 20/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
10. Youth Division Singles Championship	Sat 20/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
11. Junior Boys Doubles (born on or after 1st Jan 1998)	Sun 21/2	xxxxx		
12. Junior Girls Doubles (born on or after 1st Jan 1998)	Sun 21/2	xxxxx		
13. Mens Doubles	Sat 13/2*	xxxxx		
14. Ladies Doubles	Sat 13/2*	xxxxx		
15. Mixed Doubles	Sat 13/2*	xxxxx		
16. Veterans Singles (Male & Female) (born on or before 1st Jan 1976)	Sat 13/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
17. Senior Veterans Singles (Male & Female) (born on or before 1st Jan 1966)	Sat 13/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
18. Over 60's (Male & Female) (born on or before 1st Jan 1956)	Sat 13/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
19. Ping Pong Hard Bat Mixed Singles Event	Sat 13/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
19. Mens Singles	Sun 14/2*	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
20. Ladies Singles	Sun 14/2*	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
21. Division 1 Restricted Singles	Sun 14/2	xxxxx		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
22. Divisions 2, 3, 4, & 5 Championships	Sun 14/2	Div:		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

*Finals staged on Saturday or Sunday afternoons as shown on (RTT 7 Part 1).

I ENCLOSE with this form RTT 7 (Part 2), a Stamped Self Addressed Envelope or a return e-mail address and appropriate completed Report Time Form (s) - RTT 7 (Part 3). (Please do NOT use staples or pins when returning papers.)

I am AWARE of the Standing Regulations which I ACCEPT. **I DECLARE** that in the current season I have played in at least four Reading League team matches**. If entered Event 10, 21, 22 **I also DECLARE** that I am registered in the division entered and in the current season I have played in at least four league team matches in the division entered, or in the case of Divisions 1-5 in the division entered and a lower division. **I DECLARE** that I am ELIGIBLE to play in the Reading Closed Championships in accordance with Regulation 4.2.

**NB. A junior player who has not played in four Reading League matches in the current season and relies on Regulation 4.2.3 must indicate clearly.

>>> This form must be sent to Wendy Porter, c/o Our Lady of Peace TTC, 338 Wokingham Road, Earley, Reading RG6 7DA or emailed to wendyasporter@gmail.com <<<>>> to ARRIVE not later than FRIDAY 29th JANUARY 2016 <<<