

# The Table Tennis Association of Wales



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## **The Second National Welsh Open Veterans Ratings Tournament**

(Approved by Table Tennis Association of Wales)

To be held at

National Sports Centre for Wales, Main Hall Sports Hall,  
Sophia Close, Cardiff, South Glamorgan CF11 9SW

On

**Saturday 14th April 2018**

**Organising Committee:**

**Referee: Tim Harris (N.R.)**

**Organiser: TTAW Welsh Veterans Association**

**No Time-outs at this event.**

**Closing Date for entries: 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

## CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS

1. I.T.T.F Laws of Table Tennis shall apply to this Tournament. I.T.T.F Regulations for International Competitions apply except those relating to the matters covered by items marked (\*). I.T.T.F Regulations can be found on [www.ittf.com](http://www.ittf.com)
2. Every entrant must be affiliated to Table Tennis Association of Wales with a current Player Membership or be a member of a National Association in membership of the I.T.T.F.
3. Completion and submission of this entry form, signifies agreement by the entrant to the conditions of the competition.
4. Entrants must be born before the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1978.
5. All players will be rated on the Table Tennis England and Wales Veterans Rating List current at the closing date for entries. Entrants in both the men's and women's events will be banded according to this list and the groups will be played in a banded system comprising of groups of 7 or 8 players depending on the numbers of entries. All players in the group will play each other and the result will be decided by this banded system. If there are insufficient entries within any band then the Referee will adjust the bands to accommodate the players. Final positions in each group will be decided in accordance with **I.T.T.F Regulation 3.7.5**. All matches will be best of five games.
6. All competitors must report to the control table on arrival each day, and must not leave the hall without permission from the Referee.
7. All competitors will be required to umpire and will be scheduled to do so.
8. **Clothing:** The main colour of a shirt, skirt or shorts, other than the sleeves and collar of a shirt shall be clearly different from that of the ball in use.
9. **Rackets:** ITTF Regulations: 3.2.1.3, 3.4.2.2 apply. A list of approved racket coverings can be found on [www.ittf.com](http://www.ittf.com)
10. **Time – Out:** ITTF Regulation 3.4.4.2 for time-out does not apply (\*).
11. The Referee's decision shall be final on points of law on any question not provided for in these regulations or in any dispute as to the interpretation thereof. Decisions on points of fact by an umpire appointed by the referee shall be final.

## TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

1. Entry Form – Further copies of this entry form can be obtained from our website: <http://www.tabletennis.wales/tournament-entry-forms/>
2. Draw – The draw will take place at 7p.m. on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 8 Harford Close, Bristol BS9 2QD.
3. No refunds will be given after the draw.
4. Admission - There will be no charge for admission to the venue.
5. Playing Conditions – Play throughout will be on 18 Butterfly Tables with scoring machines. Xushaofa white 3 star plastic balls, high frequency fluorescent overhead lighting, wood sprung sports floor. Court size 10m x 5m. Ceiling height 22m.
6. Practice – There will be no separate practice facilities. Competitors will be permitted to practice on tables not in use at the discretion of the referee.
7. Refreshments – Refreshments and meals are available in the Sports Centre
8. Car Parking – Car parking (at Owners risk) is available at the Venue.
9. Notification – Competitors will be notified of the starting times of their matches either via email or by post if a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.
10. The organisers can accept no liability for injuries to competitors or for the loss of personal possessions during the Championships.
11. Racket testing may take place.
12. Time-outs – There are no Time-outs at this event.
13. Please advise the Referee (Tim Harris) if you need to withdraw from any event, either by email: [tim.harris@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:tim.harris@blueyonder.co.uk) or Mobile: 07989 515 198 or Home: 0117 914 5148

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Access to the Venue will be permitted from 08:45am on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and play will commence at 09:15 for all group matches.

## **VENUE DIRECTIONS**

Sport Wales National Centre  
Sophia Gardens  
Cardiff  
CF11 9SW

The Sport Wales National Centre is located within Cardiff City Centre parkland. Transport links are very convenient either by public transport or by car. Parking is available free although spaces are limited. There is a large Council pay and display car park within easy walking distance of the Centre.

All mainline trains and long distance coaches arrive at Cardiff Central Train and Bus Station.

### **By Train**

Regular intercity and high speed trains leave for Cardiff from all major cities in the UK.

Please visit [www.firstgreatwestern.co.uk](http://www.firstgreatwestern.co.uk) or [www.centraltrains.co.uk](http://www.centraltrains.co.uk) for the latest information.

### **By Bus**

Regular express coaches leave for Cardiff from most major locations in the UK.

Please visit [www.nationalexpress.com](http://www.nationalexpress.com) for further information.

**There are several options for the short onward journey to the Centre.**

From Cardiff Central Train and Bus Station bus numbers 24, 25 and 62 go to Cathedral Road which is a two minute walk from the Centre.

### **By Taxi from Cardiff Train station**

The journey takes about 5 minutes.

### **By Foot from station**

The 15 minute walk takes you along the banks of the River Taff, past the Millennium Stadium, and through Bute Park where you can enjoy views of Cardiff Castle.

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## ENTRY FORM

A separate entry form must be completed by each player and delivered to:  
 TIM HARRIS, 8 HARFORD CLOSE, COOMBE DINGLE, BRISTOL BS9 2QD  
 NO LATER THAN **26<sup>th</sup> March 2018** All entrants must read the conditions that apply to this  
 tournament

**CHEQUES/POSTAL ORDERS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO:**

**Table Tennis Association of Wales**

Reply required by (please tick): email ☐ enclosed stamped addressed envelope ☐

**Competitor's Full Name:**.....

**Address**.....

.....

..... **Postcode:** .....

**Telephone:**

**Date of Birth:**

**County of Affiliation:**

**Table Tennis Wales Membership No:**

<b>Email Address</b>																

**Please enter me for MEN/WOMEN\***

**ENTRY FEE £20.00**

\*delete as applicable

(fees include all Table Tennis Levies)

**NO ENTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS THE  
 FOLLOWING UNDERTAKING IS SIGNED:**

I undertake to: 1. Observe the regulations of the tournament  
 2. Abide by the decisions of the Referee and of the Tournament Committee  
 3. Fulfil the schedule of play arranged for me unless prevented by circumstances  
 beyond my control and accepted as such by the Referee.  
 I agree to the above information being stored on a computer.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_