

Are You The BEST?

British Elimination Scrabble Tournament – All Abilities Welcome

New At The Helm:

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Event Format:

- Regional-based knockout tournament.
- Matches contested over a series of games against the same opponent.
 - Choose your location, winner progresses to the next round.
- Seven rounds maximum; guaranteed minimum of two matches for all players.
 - ABSP rated, 5-point penalty challenge. Normal WESPA rules apply.

Regional Allocations And Draw:

- Regions determined only once all entries in; we will strive to minimise travel where possible.
- If there are few entries close to you, you may need to travel further afield to play your games.
 - All regions will have broadly the same number of competitors.
- Draw will be more randomised than previous years; you might play any rating at any stage.

BRAND NEW – If You Can't Be The BEST, Why Not Be Second BEST?

- Second Shot Regional knockout competition for all those eliminated in rounds 1 and 2.
- Closer ratings match-ups here will give those eliminated early a second bite of the cherry.

Entry Fees:

- £20 ABSP members, £22.50 non-members. One-off cost no matter how many games you play.
- All entry fees go straight into the prize fund with the exception of £1 per player ratings levy.

Increased Prizes:

- Minimum of 20 prizes based on 64 entrants.
 - Top 8 in Main Event; prize fund circa £725.
 - 8 Second Best Regional Winners; prize fund circa £320.
- 4 Ratings Performance Prizes – awarded at any stage; prize fund circa £160.

How To Enter:

Postal entries to Chris Harrison, 42 Moorhouse Road, Hull, HU5 5PP, including cheque made payable to Chris Harrison. Please complete the form overleaf.
Email entries with a bank transfer to: Halifax account Chris Harrison, sort code 110394 account number 02475520. Please supply basic personal details on the email.

Closing Date For Entries:

Sunday 31 March. First draw will be published shortly after that date.

Dates:

Round deadlines and format are as follows:

- Round 1: 12th May (Best of 7 games)
- Round 2: 16th June (Best of 9 games)
- Round 3: 21th July (Best of 11 games)
- Round 4 – Regional Final: 25th August (Best of 11 games)
- Quarter-Finals: 29th September (Best of 15 games)
- Semi-Finals: 10th November (Best of 15 games)
- BEST Final: 22nd December (Best of 17 games)

Note: Second Best will begin at the close of round 2, and culminate with 8 winners, one in each region.

This competition will run alongside the latter part of main event, with the same deadlines. Round specifics will be confirmed in June once full numbers are known.

The Small Print:

The organisers reserve the right to refuse entries and to adjust regional groupings. The decision of the organisers in any matter is final. Entry to the tournament constitutes acceptance of these rules.

ABSP Membership for 2019 is £15 (cheques payable to ABSP). Electronic/online Membership is £10. If you would like to join, or to receive further information, please contact: Nuala O'Rourke, 22 Kestrel Road, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6BU. You can also join by PayPal at www.absp.org.uk or email orourke114@btinternet.com

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Entry Form:

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Home Telephone:.....

Mobile Telephone:.....

Email Address:.....

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