Loughton & Linford Scrabble Club

Milton Keynes Winter Matchplay 2019

Holiday Inn, Saxon Gate West,
Central Milton Keynes MK9 2HQ
Weekend 16-17 November 2019

- **29th Winter Matchplay** **the longest running WESPA rated tournament at the same venue.**
- **ABSP/WESPA RATED** 17 game round robins or Swiss @ 25 min per person
  Places decided on wins then spread
- **Cash prizes** for the top three places in each division + ratings prize
- Winners of A,B & C: Free room & meals for next year (donated by the Holiday Inn) *

- **MODERN FOUR-STAR HOTEL**:
  - Impressive atrium above newly refurbished bar/dining area
  - Comfortable playing area with dedicated staff and porterage
  - Health club with swimming pool, gym equipment etc
- **CHRISTMAS SHOPPING** in the nearby Milton Keynes shopping mall
- **SPECIAL RATES** to extend your stay at the hotel
- **EASY ACCESS** by rail and road and good parking

The entrance fee includes: Tournament entry; ABSP/WESPA rating levy; Saturday dinner; Sunday lunch in Marco's. Tea, coffee and biscuits continuously replenished during the tournament. Sunday breakfast in Marco's (residents only, non residents can buy breakfast on the day). Swimming pool and health club (residents only). Sat dinner and Sun lunch must be ordered in advance – menus will be sent with the acknowledgement letter. Saturday lunch is not included (bar meals available).

Extend your stay: Friday or Sunday nights B&B only £72.00 pp single (or £42.00 pp sharing double/twin).

* **Free accommodation and meals at next year's tournament. Full details of this valuable prize on request.**

Closing date: Mon 28 Oct 2019	**Number**	**Cost**		**Total**
Sharing twin or double room		@ £150	=	
Single occupancy		@ £173	=	
Non-resident (not including parking, £5 per car payable on at event)		@ £90	=	
Non-playing guest (sharing twin or double room)		@ £100	=	

Discount offered to a player who wishes to act as stand-by player. Contact organiser.

SUPPLEMENTS

Non-ABSP member (waived if overseas or first tournament)**	@	£5.00	=
PayPal supplement (£3.00 non resident)	@	£5.00	=
Fri or Sun B&B per person, single occupancy	@	£72.00	=
Fri or Sun B&B pp, couple sharing twin/double room	@	£42.00	=

DISCOUNT

Player under 13	@	-£15.00	=
Discount for WM entrants at WSC (contact MSA)			

Pay by bank transfer or cheque payable to: *'MJ Willis'*

ABSP Membership: Membership for 2019 is £15 (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 email via orourke114@btinternet.com (members of overseas Scrabble organisations contact organiser)

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Saturday 16 November			Sunday 17 November	
1000-1100	Arrival	from	0730	Breakfast (residents)
1115	Computer admin		**0900**	**Game 10**
1130	**Game 1**		**1005**	**Game 11**
1235	**Game 2**	from	1045	extra time for check-out
1340	**Game 3**		**1120**	**Game 12**
from 1415	lunch (not included)/check-in		**1225**	**Game 13**
1515	**Game 4**	from	1310	lunch
1620	**Game 5**		**1420**	**Game 14**
1725	**Game 6**		**1525**	**Game 15**
from 1800	dinner		**1630**	**Game 16**
1930	**Game 7**			
2035	**Game 8**		**1735**	**Game 17**
2140	**Game 9**		1830	Presentations (approx)

Keep this timetable and listen out for alterations: hotel **01908 698500** or MW **07976 256554** if delayed.
It's the player's responsibility to be at their table on time!

Tick the register (in the playing area foyer) before 11:15 so we can get the tournament under way promptly

Division A is usually Swiss-paired + KOTH for players rated 155 or above, 5pt Challenge with WESPA and ABSP rating. Other divisions will be free challenge and are planned to be Round Robin possibly plus KOTH. Please note that the playing format of **any or all** divisions could change depending on entry and at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser and/or Director. Players above approx. 150 can ask to play in division A if places available but players rated above 155 will generally have to play in A. We'll try to place boundary rated players according to their wishes.

Closing date: **Mon 28 October 2019** Places limited, entries received after this date may be put on a reserve list in order.

Payment is preferred by bank transfer to: 'MJ Willis' Santander, sort 09-01-26 # 05762757 ref 'WM 2019' and either scan the form or email details to shin@ylshin.co.uk Acknowledgement will be by email otherwise send SAE if paying by cheque. PayPal to ebay@willis.clara.net with a supplement of £5pp resident or £3pp non-resident.

Cancellation up to 4 weeks before the event: full refund. No refunds after that unless a replacement player can be found. In exceptional circumstances (eg serious illness) we'll do our best to secure a refund from the hotel but this isn't guaranteed. No refund for no-shows on the day except as above. This applies also to non-residents. Contact organiser if booking separately with hotel as this complicates our booking arrangements. The discount for entrants also going to the MSA WSC in Torquay will be applied applied to the WSC entry. Resident parking £3 overnight. Non-resident £5. Drivers must register number-plate on arrival. Non-hotel parking is available by machine

Organiser: Mike Willis 07976 256554 willis@clara.net **Entry admin: Shin: shin@ylshin.co.uk**

Contact name, address phone number and email

Tel_____

Player Name and Club (or guest/steward etc.)	**Current rating** **U** = step up to A if possible (not guaranteed)	**Room** (bracket room sharers)
1		
2		
3		
4		
Please give address/phone number of additional player(s) and/or details (eg vegetarian, age(s) of children, disability)		**S**ingle **T**win **D**ouble or **N**on-res + **F**ri/**S**un

Disabled guests please contact the organiser well before the event to confirm an adapted room is available.

Send form (if paying by cheque, payable to 'MJ Willis') with SAE for acknowledgement to:
Mr Y Shin, 26 Kemble Court, Downhead Park, Milton Keynes, Bucks. MK15 9AX