

Durham Scrabble Tournament Weekend: 2x 1 day tournaments

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Dates	Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th May 2026 Two one day tournaments: Participants can enter one or both!
Venue	Hamsteels Community Centre, Western Avenue, Durham, DH7 9LS
Formats	7 games of rated Scrabble played to CSW24 and current WESPA rules on both days. A Division is an open division (compulsory for players rated 151+) with 5 point penalty challenge per word. All other divisions will be free challenge and allocated strictly by rating, dependent on entrants and numbers.
Timings for both days	Registration from 09:15 to 09:45 Games 1-3: 10:00 to 12:45 LUNCH Games 4-6: 13:40 to 16:30 Game 7: 16:40 to 17:30 PRIZE GIVING at 17:45 18:00 Departure
Refreshments	Tea, coffee and biscuits available throughout each day. Bringing a packed lunch is strongly recommended. There is a village corner shop but other shops are a 15 minute drive from the venue.
Cost	Saturday Only: £22 per player. Sunday Only: £22 per player Both days combined: £40 per player Players aged under 16 will receive a 50% discount. Non-ABSP members should add an additional £2 if entering one tournament or an additional £3 if paying the combined rate.
Payment	Payment should be made by Bank Transfer to: Mr R P Mackenzie Sort Code 83-27-09 Account Number 18964313 Please put either DURHAMSAT or DURHAMSUN or DURHAMBOTH as your reference alongside your name. Or by Cheque to: Mr R Mackenzie, 39c Dumbarton Road, Stirling, FK8 2QJ Please confirm your entry by emailing James at burleyjames@hotmail.co.uk – Please state whether you wish to play in the open division. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ORGANISER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ENTRY.
ABSP	ABSP membership is just £12 for 2026, or £6 for those under 18 at the time of joining/renewing and can show proof. You will receive your newsletter by email. If you have an address in the United Kingdom, then you may also elect to receive your newsletter by post. The postal option for ABSP membership is £18 for 2026, or £9 for those under 18 at the time of joining/renewing and can show proof. Send your name, address and a cheque for the correct amount above, payable to 'ABSP' to our Membership Secretary: Nuala O'Rourke, 22 Kestrel Road, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6BU