

GTA Championship

Directed by Jackson Smylie



16 game NASPA-rated SCRABBLE® Tournament

Saturday, December 16th to Sunday, December 17th

**OPEN TO THE TOP 2 FINISHERS AT EACH QUALIFIER, 1 WILDCARD PICK,
AND AT LEAST THE 7 PLAYERS WITH THE MOST QUALIFYING POINTS**

****Please see following page for qualification information****

Entry Fee: \$80 CAD --- Lexicon: TWL2016

Location: Northwood Community Centre, 15 Clubhouse Ct, Toronto ON

Schedule

-Saturday-	Rounds 1-4.....	9:00am
	Lunch.....	1:00pm
	Rounds 5-9.....	2:00pm
-Sunday-	Rounds 10-13.....	9:00am
	Lunch.....	1:00pm
	Rounds 14-16.....	2:00pm
	Award ceremony.....	5:00pm

Qualification System

****All qualifiers must be active members of NASPA (as of October 1st, 2017) in good standing****

Q: What counts as a member of the Greater Toronto Area?

A: You must be currently living in one of the towns/areas designated by this map below. If you are not sure whether you qualify, please contact Jackson at jacksonsmylie@gmail.com with your full address.



Q: How do accumulate qualifying points?

A: There will be 4 one-day events held around the GTA in the months leading up to the championship. At each event, the fourth place finisher gets 3 points and the third place finisher gets 5 points (the first and second place finisher each get automatic entry into the championship). In addition, **every player** gets one point per win. Byes count as wins.

Q: How is the wildcard pick chosen?

A: The wildcard pick is the player who played the most one-day qualifiers. In the event of a tie (i.e. if 3 players played all four qualifiers), the player with the most Qualifying Points will be the wildcard.

Q: What if two people tie in Qualifying Points?

A: In the event of a tie (for the regular qualification or the wildcard), it will be broken by a best-of-3 match, or a mini-tournament (if there are more than 2 people who tie). If the tiebreaker match ends in a tie, the player who is the first to do 58 jumping jacks will advance to the GTA Championship.

Q: What if someone who qualifies and signs up drops out?

A: If the player who dropped out qualified based on their qualifying points or by placing in the top 2 at a qualifier, the available player with the next most qualifying points will be invited to the GTA championship. If the player qualified as a wildcard, the available player who was second in the wildcard system will be invited (see "How is the wildcard pick chosen?" above).

Q: What is the order of invitation for the qualification systems?

A: The first players invited to the championship are those who placed in the top 2 at any of the qualifying tournaments (which will be anywhere from 2 to 8 players). Next, the top (15 - # of current qualifiers who can attend) players based on qualifying points will be invited (if a qualifier cannot attend, the next player down the qualifying points list will be invited). Lastly, 1 wildcard pick will be chosen to make 16 players total.

For example, let's say there are 7 distinct players who comprised the top 2 of the qualifying one-days. $15 - 7 = 8$ players will be invited based on their qualifying points, and lastly 1 player will be selected as the wildcard.

Projected Prize Pool***

1st..... \$1000, trophy

2nd..... \$500

3rd.....\$300

Class prize.....\$200 (for biggest rating gain of non-cashers)

Possible wacky \$10 prizes TBD.

**prize pool may vary depending on attendance at qualifiers and director's discretion

**given 16 attendees, we will always only pay to 3rd

**prize ratio (currently 10:5:3:2) may vary depending on size of prize-pool

Expected prize breakdown:

Revenue:

\$960 from one-days (based on 16 players at each of the 4 qualifiers)

\$1280 from entry fees (\$80/player x 16 players)

\$2240 total

Expenses (expected):

\$180 (Naspa participation fees)

\$60 (Snacks, supplies)

\$2000 in prizes (125% prize payout!)

One-Day Qualifiers

\$15 from each entry fee goes towards the prize fund of the GTA Championship!

Entry fee - \$40

North York qualifier - Saturday, June 17th - Roding Community Centre - 600

Roding St., Toronto, Ontario

East end qualifier - Date and location TBD

Mississauga qualifier - Date and location TBD

Downtown qualifier - Date and location TBD

Each one-day event will pay 100% of (entry fees - expenses) as prizes.

How to Enter

To enter the GTA championship, please notify Jackson Smylie **by Dec. 1st** that you are interested in competing. An updated list of qualifying points standings will be posted after each qualifying tournament. If you are in

Cell - 647-226-8231

Email - jacksonsmylie@gmail.com

Payment - you may send jackson your entry fee (for the qualifying tournaments or the GTA championship) as an e-transfer, or give it to him in cash at any point (he will accept cash at the door).

*If you give Jackson your entry fee and drop out **before December 1st**, it will be returned to you in full.

If you give Jackson your entry fee and drop out **after December 1st**, if we can find a replacement player, your entry fee will be returned in full. **If we cannot find a replacement**, half of your entry fee will be returned to you, and the other half will be burned in a delicate bonfire.