

# GTA Championship

Directed by Jackson Smylie



16 game NASPA-rated SCRABBLE® Tournament

Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

**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

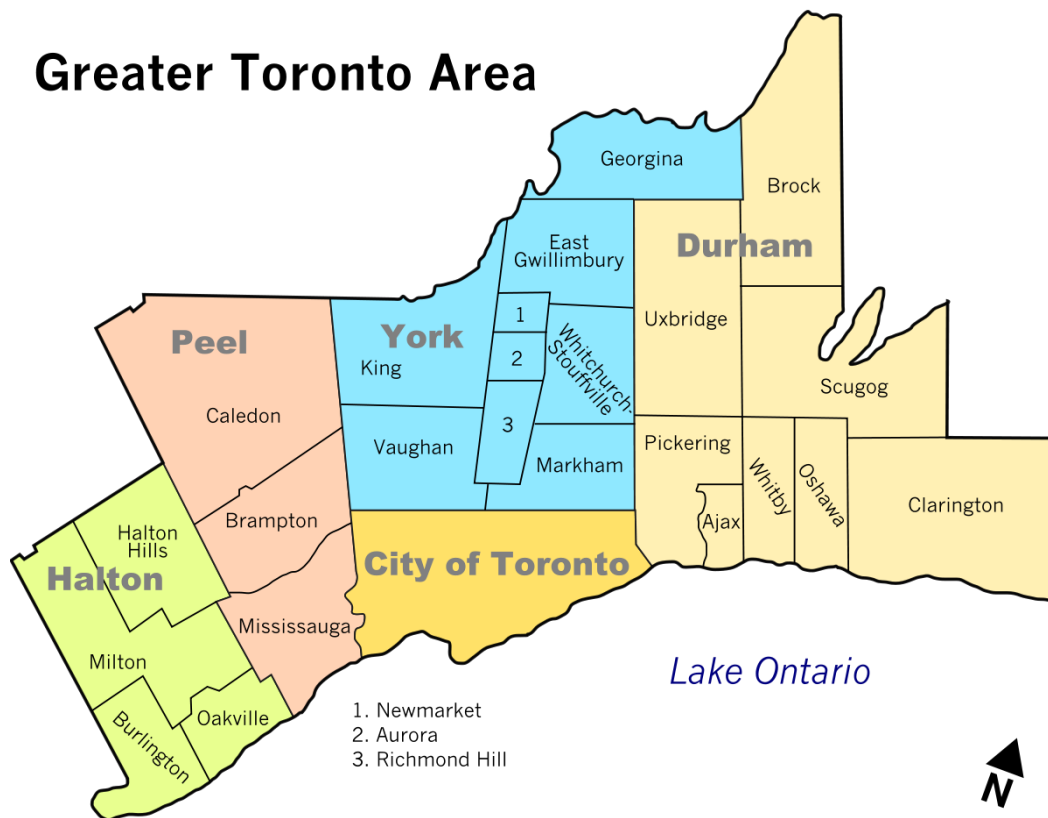
<b>-Saturday-</b>	Rounds 1-4.....	9:00am
	Lunch.....	1:00pm
	Rounds 5-9.....	2:00pm
<b>-Sunday-</b>	Rounds 10-13.....	9:00am
	Lunch.....	1:00pm
	Rounds 14-16.....	2:00pm
	Award ceremony.....	5:00pm

# 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](mailto: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)

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\$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](mailto: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.