



23rd ANNUAL NOR'EASTER SCRABBLE® TOURNAMENT

June 28 – July 2, 2018

Marriott Hotel, 189 Wolf Road, Colonie (Albany), NY (518-458-8444)

Directors: Annette Tedesco, Kieran O'Connor, Vince Castellano



Join us as we celebrate the 4th of July for our 23rd annual Nor'easter Scrabble® tournament as we will be playing **35 TWL and Collins games**. On Saturday, June 30, the ever-popular barbecue party, along with fireworks, will be held at Annette's riverfront home in Stillwater.

<p align="center"><u>MAIN EVENT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21 NASPA-rated games, with both TWL and Collins offered, from June 29-July 2 with the Gibson Rule in effect. • For TWL, the Top Division will be for players rated 1600 and above, with play-ups within 100 points allowed at the Director's discretion. The Bottom Division(s) will be divided equally amongst the remaining players. • The most current rating will be used to seed divisions. • Directors may alter the tournament structure in the best interests of the tournament, including spread Gibsonization. • Note: 5-point per word challenge rule in effect in Collins Division. • Entry Fees: TWL Division 1 and Collins - \$100 All Other TWL Divisions - \$90 	<p align="center"><u>TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Thursday, June 28</td> <td>12 Noon</td> <td>Early Bird #1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Friday, June 29</td> <td>11:00am</td> <td>Early Bird #2</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>8:00pm</td> <td>Main Event Games 1-3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Saturday, June 30</td> <td>9:30am</td> <td>Main Event Games 4-9</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>5:00pm</td> <td>Annette's Barbeque in Stillwater</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sunday, July 1</td> <td>9:30am</td> <td>Main Event Games 10-17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monday, July 2</td> <td>9:30am</td> <td>Main Event Games 18-21</td> </tr> </table>	Thursday, June 28	12 Noon	Early Bird #1	Friday, June 29	11:00am	Early Bird #2		8:00pm	Main Event Games 1-3	Saturday, June 30	9:30am	Main Event Games 4-9		5:00pm	Annette's Barbeque in Stillwater	Sunday, July 1	9:30am	Main Event Games 10-17	Monday, July 2	9:30am	Main Event Games 18-21
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<p align="center"><u>EARLY BIRDS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Bird #1: 8-game, fully rated event at Noon on June 28, with both TWL and Collins offered. • Early Bird #2: 6-game, fully rated event at 11:00am on June 29, with both TWL and Collins offered. • Formats for Early Birds to be determined by the number of entries. • Note: 5-point per word challenge rule in effect in Collins Division. • Entry Fees: Early Bird #1 - \$50; Early Bird #2, \$30 (Pay At Door Only!) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry Fees include NASPA Participation Fees. • Must be NASPA Member to play in rated events. • Registration will begin One Hour before scheduled start time of each event. • The playing room will be open each night for after-hours play. 																					

HOTEL INFORMATION

- Book reservations directly through the Marriott at **800-443-8952** from February 1 to June 14. Mention the Scrabble Group when making reservations. There is a 24-hour cancellation policy. **Players are responsible for making their own reservations. There will also be free shuttle service and free parking.**
- Room rate is \$95 plus tax per night with a maximum of 4 occupants per room.
- If you need a roommate, contact Annette at 518-664-1619 or e-mail her at 101ted@nycap.rr.com
- **Commuters not on the hotel package, pay an additional \$20 along with your entry.**
- **NOTE:** Entry fees can be paid via mail using the entry form below, or via PayPal to 101ted@nycap.rr.com

Mail entry form, along with check for all applicable fees by June 14 to:
Annette Tedesco, 41 Ferry Lane, Stillwater, NY 12170-1350

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____
e-mail: _____
Rating: _____
Attending Barbeque: _____

Staying at Marriott _____

Events Entering

TWL Main Event: _____
Playing up for TWL Main Event: _____
TWL Early Bird #1: _____
TWL Early Bird #2: _____
Collins Main Event: _____
Collins Early Bird #1: _____
Collins Early Bird #2: _____
Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

DIRECTIONS TO MARRIOTT

From the South (New York City, Connecticut), and the West (Syracuse, Buffalo, Toronto)

- Take the NYS Thruway (I-87 North/I-90 East) to Exit 24 (Albany/Montreal)
- From toll booth, take I-90 East to Exit 1N (Saratoga Springs/Montreal)
- From off-ramp, Adirondack Northway (I-87 North) to Exit 4 (Wolf Road/Albany Airport)
- From off-ramp, turn right onto Wolf Road. The Marriott will be 500 metres (1/3 mile) away on your left

From the North (Montreal, Vermont)

- Take Adirondack Northway (I-87 South) to Exit 4 (Wolf Road/Albany Airport)
- From off-ramp, turn Left onto Old Wolf Road
- At traffic signal, turn Left onto Albany-Shaker Road
- Immediately after overpass, turn Right onto Wolf Road. The Marriott will be 700 metres (4/10 mile) away on your left

From the East (Boston, Cape Cod)

- From Mass Pike, take NYS Thruway (Berkshire Spur, I-90 West) to Exit B1 (Albany/Hudson)
- From toll booth, take I-90 West and get off at Exit 1N (Saratoga Springs/Montreal)
- From off-ramp, take Adirondack Northway (I-87 North) to Exit 4 (Wolf Road/Albany Airport)
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DIRECTIONS TO ANNETTE'S HOME IN STILLWATER

- From Marriott, turn Right on Wolf Road, and follow to traffic signal at corner of Albany-Shaker Road
- From traffic signal, go Straight onto Adirondack Northway (I-87 North)
- Follow I-87 North to Exit 9 (Clifton Park)
- From off-ramp, take NYS Route 146 East, and follow 146 for 8.4 km (5.2 miles)
- Take ramp onto U.S. Route 4 North/NYS Route 32, and follow 4 & 32 for 5km (3.1 miles) into Stillwater
- Turn Right onto Ferry Lane past "Admiral's Marina" and follow Ferry to #41, which will be on your left