



2016 Shediac SCRABBLE® Tournament

Friday, September 30th
Saturday, October 1st
Sunday, October 2nd
**Shediac, New Brunswick
Canada**

The Chamber of Commerce of the Town of Shediac is sponsoring its first ever sanctioned Scrabble tournament this year, to celebrate the birthplace of the earliest known crossword board game. The tournament weekend will feature a **\$10,000** prize pool (see below for details), a one-day newcomers' event, and an exhibition match of the original Shediac Crossword Game. All events to be directed by John Chew.

Tournament Details

	<i>Shediac Crossword Game</i> Friday, September 30th <i>Experience a century-old board game</i>	<i>Newcomers Event</i> Saturday, October 1st <i>A friendly way to learn about Scrabble tournaments</i>	<i>Main Event</i> Friday, September 30th ~ Sunday, October 2nd <i>Serious competition for serious prizes</i>
<i>Check In:</i>	4:00 P.M.	9:30 A.M.	6:00 P.M.
<i>First Game:</i>	4:30 P.M.	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M. Friday, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, 9:30 A.M. Sunday
<i>Entry Fee:</i> <i>US\$ for US residents only</i>	CA\$5/US\$5	CA\$20/US\$15	CA\$125/US\$95 Add \$20 if paying at the door.
<i>Prizes:</i>	100% of EF	70% of EF-PF	Initial prize pool of \$2,000 plus \$100 per competitor, prorated between TWL and CSW. TWL: \$3,000 / \$1,000 / \$500 / \$400 / \$350 / \$300 / \$200 conditional on 30 players competing. CSW: \$2,000 / \$1,000 conditional on 10 players competing. Prize fund increased by additional \$1,250 with total 60 players competing.
<i>Format:</i>	Unrated, 2 rounds, 1 open TWL division, pairings depend on attendance.	NASPA-rated, restricted to players rated ≤1000 (subject to change as needed to meet rating requirements), 4 rounds, 1 open TWL division. Chew Pairings, Gibson rule in effect.	NASPA-rated, 15 rounds plus 2-round final, 2 open divisions (TWL and CSW lexicon). Minimum attendance in each division: 4 players. Chew Pairings, Gibson rule in effect.

Food:	Coffee, tea, snacks	Coffee, tea, snacks	Coffee, tea, snacks throughout. Lobster dinner Saturday night included in entry fee.
Location:	École Louis-J.-Robichaud (High School), 435 Main Street, Shediac, NB. Lost or late? Call John Chew at (416) 876-7675.		

Tournament Schedule

Friday September 30th 2016	09:00- 12:00	Publicity event TBA
	18:00- 19:00	Main Event Registration
	19:00- 22:00	Main Event Rounds 1-3
Saturday October 1st 2016	09:30- 12:30	Main Event Rounds 4-6
	09:30- 10:00	Newcomer Registration
	10:00- 12:00	Newcomer Rounds 1-2
	12:30- 13:30	Lunch (sandwiches available for purchase on-site)
	13:30- 15:30	Newcomer Rounds 3-4
	13:30- 17:30	Main Event Rounds 7-10
	15:30- 15:45	Newcomer Prize Ceremony
	17:30- 19:00	Lobster dinner <i>Included for Main Event players, others may opt in for \$25 if reserved by Friday</i> Centre multifonctionnel, 58, rue Festival
	19:00- 22:00	After hours play Centre multifonctionnel 58, rue Festival
Sunday October 2nd 2016	09:30- 12:30	Main Event Rounds 11-13
	12:30- 13:30	Lunch (sandwiches available for purchase on-site)
	13:30- 15:30	Main Event Games 14-15
	15:30- 15:45	Main Event Awards Ceremony
	15:45-	Main Event Final Rounds 1-2

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17:45- 18:00	Main Event Final Presentation
19:00- 22:00	Harbour tour (tentative)

Clocks will be started promptly to maintain the above schedule, and any player who misses a scheduled game may be removed from subsequent pairings until they return and the next pairings are calculated.

Travel Notes

The nearest airport to Shediac is Moncton (YQM), with connections to Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal; it is a 21-minute drive from the tournament site.

We have a small block of rooms held at the Hotel Shediac, for C\$119 + tax. There are several other hotels, and many bed-and-breakfasts available in town nearby.

Registration

Send your entry fees to John Chew by September 28, 2016. Cash, cheque, money order, INTERAC are fine; credit cards and Paypal are not. Please include your name, telephone number, address, valid NASPA membership number (unless this is your first tournament) and preferred division. If you would like confirmation of your registration, please also include your e-mail address. For more information, please contact John Chew at +1 416 876 7675 or poslfit@gmail.com.