



# 22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL NOR'EASTER SCRABBLE® TOURNAMENT

June 30 – July 4, 2017

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

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Join us as we celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July for our 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Nor'easter Scrabble® tournament as we will be playing **35 TWL and Collins games**. On Sunday, July 2, the ever-popular barbeque party, along with fireworks, will be held at Annette's riverfront home in Stillwater.

<p align="center"><b><u>MAIN EVENT</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23 NASPA-rated games, with both TWL and Collins offered, from July 1-4 with the Gibson Rule in effect.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• The <b>most current rating</b> will be used to seed divisions.</li> <li>• Directors may alter the tournament structure in the best interests of the tournament, including spread Gibsonization.</li> <li>• <b>Note: 5-point per word challenge rule in effect in Collins Division.</b></li> <li>• <b>Entry Fees: TWL Division 1 and Collins - \$100 All Other TWL Divisions - \$90</b></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b><u>TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE</u></b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Friday, June 30</td> <td>12 Noon</td> <td>Early Bird #1</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Saturday, July 1</td> <td>8:30am</td> <td>Eye-Opener Early Bird #2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2:30pm</td> <td>Main Event Games 1-5</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Sunday, July 2</td> <td>9:30am</td> <td>Main Event Games 6-11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5:00pm</td> <td>Annette's Barbeque in Stillwater</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monday, July 3</td> <td>9:30am</td> <td>Main Event Games 12-19</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tuesday, July 4</td> <td>9:30am</td> <td>Main Event Games 20-23</td> </tr> </table>	Friday, June 30	12 Noon	Early Bird #1	Saturday, July 1	8:30am	Eye-Opener Early Bird #2	2:30pm	Main Event Games 1-5	Sunday, July 2	9:30am	Main Event Games 6-11	5:00pm	Annette's Barbeque in Stillwater	Monday, July 3	9:30am	Main Event Games 12-19	Tuesday, July 4	9:30am	Main Event Games 20-23
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### HOTEL INFORMATION

- Book reservations directly through the Marriott at **800-443-8952** from February 1 to June 16. 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](mailto: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](mailto:101ted@nycap.rr.com)

Mail entry form, along with check for all applicable fees by June 16 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) 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