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- **39 or 40 Games, 20 players max per division**
- **Double (or triple) clustered RR + KOH**
- **16 Games on Friday & Saturday**
- **7 or 8 games on Sunday**
- **7:00 AM Start time Each Morning**
- **Entry fee: \$150 (\$10 early discount)**
- **1st place prizes: \$1,000***

- *18 games, 18 players max per division*
- *4 games Friday Night, 8 on Saturday*
- *6 games on Sunday*
- *Format TBD (likely RR + KOH)*
- *7 PM Start Fri, 9 AM Sat & Sun*
- *Entry Fee: \$90 (\$10 early disc.)*
- *1st Place Prizes, \$600+**

Friday, July 6th – Sunday, July 8th 2018

\$116 (+ tax)/night room rate – includes free breakfast, WI-FI & parking!

Sheraton Wilmington South (I-95Exit 5A) - 365 Airport Road, New Castle, Delaware 19720 (302) 328-6200

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Method to the Madness: To make the tight schedule work optimally, each Madness division would have 20 players so that each player will play each opponent twice in a row with one KOH round at the end. If we get at least 22 total Madness players, we'll have 2 Madness divisions with the top division having 14-20 players and allowing unlimited play-ups (subject to size constraints), with the lower division(s) having 8-20 players. Note: A Madness division with 14 players would play 40 rounds (triple RR + KOH). Any other number would play 39. If we only have 10 or fewer players sign up for the Madness event, we would alter the format by having the Madness players participate in the Mildness tournament + a separate 16-18 game wrap-around tournament, and the schedule would be similar (but not identical) to the schedule for a stand-alone Madness tournament. If we have 12 Madness players, we'll contact the registered players and based on their feedback we'll determine whether Madness will be a stand-alone tournament or Mildness + a 22 game wrap-around tournament.

Take a walk on the mild side: If you need to go to work on Friday, and/or you'd like to sleep in a little, do some tax free shopping at the mall, take a dip in the hotel pool, and/or spend some time at the casino, then Mildness is the event for you! On Friday we'll start at 7 PM and play 4 games, on Saturday we'll start at 9 AM and should finish by 6 PM and on Sunday we'll start at 9 AM and finish by 4:15 PM.

Early Birds: There will be a 5 game Early Bird on Thursday, 7/5 at 6 PM. Entry fee: \$30, format: RR groups of 6. The First Early Bird provides an opportunity for Madness & Mildness players to compete against each other. There will also be a 7 round Early Bird beginning at 9 AM on Friday, 7/6 at 9 AM. Entry fee: \$45, format: RR groups of 8. Only Mildness players can do EB #2, as it overlaps with the Madness schedule.

Early Discount/Late fee: \$10 early registration discount for those who register **and** pay prior to May 6, 2018. Anyone who registers and pays after June 27, 2018 will be assessed a \$10 late registration fee.

Collins: If there is a sufficient number of interested players, there will be a Collins division, and the format will either be Madness, Mildness, or perhaps something in between based on the preferences of the players.

Prizes: Place prizes will be awarded to the top 25% of players in each division. A performance prize or two will also be awarded in any open TWL divisions, so that all players have a realistic shot at winning something regardless of their rating. We'll also award some bonus prizes.

Additional Tournament Details: Clocks will start **PROMPTLY** at the scheduled start time of each session. The Gibson rule will be used. **Walk-ins will not be permitted, and all participants must be paid in full for their spot to be guaranteed.** Commuter Fee: \$15 if you live within 30 miles of hotel, \$30 for all others.

Flip this flyer over for additional details, a tentative schedule and the registration form.

* Prize amounts are contingent upon: 1) hotel room quota being met and 2) division sizes of 18+ players.

Additional Hotel Information: The easiest way to make your hotel reservations is to use the following link:

<https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1708299261&key=4BBB0D9>. **Note: our group rate will expire on 6/20/18, so please reserve by then, as the hotel will only extend the group rate IF it has sufficient room inventory available. If you experience problems reserving online, don't assume that our block is sold out – instead please contact Carol Tillson to let her know you are having issues. Also, please DO NOT book a room at the Sheraton using a method other than our group code (i.e. Hotels.com, Marriott/Starwood Points) unless you first get approval from Carol – otherwise your reservation won't count towards our group quota and you may be subject to the commuter fee (contact Carol if you'd like a more detailed explanation on this).** Since you can cancel reservations up to 24 hours prior to check in, we recommend reserving a room by the deadline even if you aren't sure that you'll be able to attend.

Transportation: Philadelphia is the nearest airport, although BWI is also an option. The hotel is located right off of I-95 and is a relatively easy drive from PA, NJ, NY, MD, VA, New England, and the greater Mid-Atlantic Region. If you're looking to share a ride with other players, let me know and I can try and match you up. You can also take Amtrak or Greyhound to the Wilmington, DE station and arrange for the hotel's free shuttle service to transport you (please contact the hotel ahead of time to arrange for that).

Restaurants/Entertainment/Shopping: The hotel is located within a 5-10 minute drive of numerous restaurants, and there is also a restaurant inside the hotel. Please note that there are no other restaurants within walking distance of the hotel but there's a free shuttle to locations within 5 miles, including Delaware Park Casino, and Christiana Mall (which features a food court, Cheesecake Factory, California Pizza Kitchen, & other sit-down restaurants). I'll also be encouraging those with cars to give rides to lunch/dinner to those that don't have a car with them. The hotel is just a few miles away from the Hilton Wilmington/Christiana (the venue for several of my prior tournaments), so any restaurants you enjoyed when attending events held there will also be within a short drive of the Sheraton. The tournament hotel also has an indoor pool, jacuzzi and fitness room available for your enjoyment. Commuters can purchase the breakfast buffet if they'd like.

Spread based Gibsonization for Madness: For the Madness tournament, spread will be taken into consideration for Gibsonization purposes using a 1,000 point spread per round minimum: i.e. if going into the final round, the 1st place player has one more win than the rest of the players, AND the 1st place player has at least 1,000 more spread points than the 2nd place player, then the 1st place player will be Gibsonized.

Cancellations: 10% Penalty for cancellations after 6/24/18 (MAD)/7/1/18 (MILD). No MAD refunds after 7/1/18.

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Thursday, July 5th						
Madness players MUST call, e-mail or text Carol by 10 PM to confirm arrival.						
6 PM: 5 Round Early Bird Tournament.						
Friday, July 6th						
6:45 AM: MAD Welcome/Announcements						
7 AM: MAD 2 games, then breakfast						
8:30 AM: Early Bird #2 check-in/setup						
9 AM: EB #2 4 games, then lunch						
9 AM: MAD 4 games, then lunch						
1:45 PM: MAD 6 games, then dinner						
2 PM: EB #2 3 games, then dinner						
6 PM: MILD check-in/setup						
6:50 PM: MILD Welcome						
7 PM: MILD Rounds 1-4						
8 PM: MAD 4 games						
Saturday, July 7th						
7 AM: MAD 2 games, then breakfast						
9 AM: 4 games, then lunch (everyone)						
1:45 PM: MAD 6 games, then dinner						
2 PM: MILD 4 games						
8 PM: MAD 4 games						
9 PM: Trivia contest						
Sunday, July 8th						
7:15 AM: MAD1- 2 rounds/breakfast						
9 AM: 4 games, then lunch (everyone)						
2 PM: Final 2 rounds, then awards (all)						

2018 Madness/Mildness Registration Form

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

NASPA Rating: _____ Cell Ph. #: _____ NASPA ID: _____

_____ Madness \$150 _____ Mildness \$90 _____ CSW (Entry Fee TBD) _____ Local Commuter \$15
_____ Other Commuters \$30 _____ \$10 Discount (if postmarked by 5/6/18) _____ \$10 late fee (if postmarked after 6/27/18)
_____ 7/5/18 Early Bird #1 \$30 _____ 7/6/18 Early Bird #2 \$45 (MAD players can't play EB#2)

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ I'd like to play up if possible _____ Yes _____ No

Make checks payable to: Carol Tillson, 15201 Peachstone Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20905 (USA)