

The 33rd Annual Boston Area SCRABBLE® Tournament

2-4 May 2014

Division	Ratings	Entry Fee
A/Premier**	1700 and up	\$110*/\$125*
B	1400-1699	\$100*
C	1100-1399	\$90*
D	1099 and below	\$80*
Collins	All rating	\$110*
Newcomers (Saturday)	1099 and below	\$50*
Early Birds (Friday)	All ratings	\$50*

* All online payments will incur service fees, check flyer back for details. Main event entries include Sat. lunch!

** The top-rated 15 players from A will play in Premier with the 2013 division A winner, Joe Edley.

21 April 2014 ratings--those within 100 pts of cutoff may play up at their request & the directors' discretion. (Premier ONLY will use peak ratings from 14 Apr 2013-7 Apr 2014 to determine Premier qualification.)

DIRECTORS

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FORMAT

The **15-game** multi-division main event will be computer-paired with tsh, a modified Fontes Swiss-style system.

The **5-game** early birds, **6-game** newcomers, and **15-game** Collins division will be tsh-paired open divisions.

SCHEDULE

Friday

11:00 am EB registration
12:00 pm* EB games 1-5
 7:00 pm Main event registration
8:00 pm* games 1, 2, & 3

Saturday

9:30 am* games 4, 5, 6, & 7
 2:45 **pm*** games 8, 9, 10, & 11
 8:30 pm Jason Keller's
 Jeopardy! Experience

Sunday

9-1:00 pm* games 12, 13, 14, & 15

Newcomers (Saturday only)

10:00 am registration in Salem Room
10:30 am* games 1, 2, and 3

1:30 pm lunch (provided)

3:00 pm* games 4, 5, 6

6:00 pm Awards ceremony

***clocks may be started to keep the tournament running on time, please be prompt**

HOTEL

Attendees are asked to make hotel reservations directly with the hotel: Westford Regency Inn & Conference Center, 219 Littleton Rd, Westford, MA 01886; toll free: 800.543.7801 phone: 978.692.8200 web: westfordregency.com

Rates per night--Single/Double \$99; Triple \$109 plus tax. Triple fee includes two beds only.

To be on time, tournament registrations must be postmarked by 14 April 2014. NO walk-ins.

MAIL TO: Sherrie Saint John, 2 Tanglewood Road, Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA 01944

Registration form for the 2014 Boston Area SCRABBLE® Tournament

- Div A \$125/\$110 Div B \$100 Div C \$90 Div D \$80 Collins \$110
 Early Bird \$50 Collins Early Bird \$50 Newcomers \$50 (no comm. fee) I'd like to play up
 \$15 late fee (postmarked after 14 April) help find me roommate (if possible/e-mail required)

Please Check One (of these 3 boxes):

- I am commuting & including the \$15 commuter fee. I'm playing in the Newcomers' event.
 I have made a reservation at the Westford Regency. My roommate is _____

name _____ phones _____

address _____ NASPA # _____

city/state/zip _____

e-mail _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____
DIRECTIONS

The Westford Regency Centrally located off Exit 32, I-495, close to Routes 2, 3 and 93, with easy access from all major points. More detailed directions, including those by public transportation, can be obtained at the web site or by contacting the hotel.

WEB SITE
<http://sasj.com/bat2014>

The tournament's web site lists the flyer, an online registration form, detailed directions, a list of who is registered, and names of attendees looking for roommates/rides.

NOTES

- The North American *SCRABBLE*® Players Association requires that all participants be current members of NASPA. Please join NASPA prior to BAT 2014 at <http://www.scrabbleplayers.org/cgi-bin/join.pl>
- Please bring deluxe boards, Protiles, and game timers.
- All playing facilities are handicapped accessible. During room registration, please mention handicap needs.
- All hotel guests can use the hotel's pool and exquisite Regency Health Club for free. Overnight rooms and hotel lobby offer free wifi.
- To defray the cost of the playing facilities, all playing attendees who are not staying at the hotel on the *SCRABBLE*® package are required to pay a \$15 commuter fee (one-day Newcomers exempt from this fee).
- Saturday lunch comes with entry fee. There is no room/dinner package at this year's BAT.
- BAT 2014 will present the annual "Robert Felt Memorial *Star* Student Award," a \$100 award to the student aged 18 or under who places the highest in the tournament.
- Players unsure about Premier eligibility are asked to send the higher entry fee and \$15 will be reimbursed during registration if necessary. Please monitor web site for registration status.
- Please mail registration/fees before 14 April 2014. Add \$15 late fee for entries postmarked after this date.
- Please send both registration form and fees to Sherrie before the event as no payments will be taken at the door.
- Mail me a check or pay via paypal. Go to <http://paypal.com> and send fees to batfunds@gmail.com and e-mail the entry form information or fill out the online entry form. See "Changes from Past Years" for more details!
- Join in Saturday night's fun with Jason Keller's Jeopardy! Experience.
- The Main Event Collins and both early birds are scheduled to be open divisions with top/class prizes awarded.
- The early birds will start at noon and all five games will be played consecutively. Get lunch before they start!
- Director Contact info: **Sherrie Saint John** 978.526.7876/saint@pobox.com
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*******OPTIONS FOR SUBMITTING ENTRY FEES*******

- If sending checks, pay the prices on front of flyer. If paying online (from bank account, PayPal account, or by credit card) via paypal (<http://paypal.com>) send payments to batfunds@gmail.com, please add \$3 for main event fees and \$2 for the Early Birds and Newcomer events: Premier \$128.00, A/Collins \$113.00, B \$103.00, C \$93.00, and D \$83.00. Newcomers and each of the early birds will be \$52.00. Use the "purchase" tab and consider BAT a goods/service. **DO NOT SEND MONEY VIA THE PERSONAL TAB AS ALL PAYPAL PAYMENTS MUST PAY THE SERVICE CHARGE.** I'll explain the need for these fees to anyone who asks! Write me: saint@pobox.com.

2014 PREMIER DETAILS

- For the purposes of BAT 2014, a qualifying peak rating is one attained at the end of a NASPA fully rated event (TWL or CSW, but not a Local Club Tournament) which ends during the qualification period, 14 April 2013 to 7 April 2014 inclusive. The 15 top-peak-rated registrants will play in the 16-player Premier division with Joe Edley, the winner of the 2013 BAT "A" Division.
- The Premier division will be closed to registration on 7 Apr 2014. Any players intending to play must register with all fees submitted *by this date*. No exceptions.