

The 5th Annual Pittsburgh

Amateur Ping Pong Festival



Two days of fun and pong for players of all skills and ages!

**Saturday and Sunday,
November 18-19, 2017
South Park Home Economics Building
Pittsburgh, PA 15129**

The Ping Pong festival is back, and once again we will have two full days of events for everyone from beginners to the region's top players. The Festival will have over **\$1,500 in prize money**. See back of sheet for detailed event and schedule info. Please join us!

LOTS OF EVENTS

- **Amateur "A", "B" and "C"** : round robin + playoff events for players of all skill levels
- **Giant Round Robins**: two rounds with 6-player groups, so every player guaranteed to play 7 or 8 matches!
- **Handicap**: double elimination playoff, each match is one game to 31 points, with handicap points given to lower-rated player
- **Two Doubles Events**: U-3000 for intermediate/unrated players, U-4000 for advanced players
- **Masters (age 50+)**: round robin + playoff
- **Juniors (age 18 and under)**: round robin + playoff

PLUS...

- Acrylic trophies and medallions for 1st and 2nd place
- Cash prizes for 1st and 2nd in ALL events
- Merchandise table with paddles, rubber and balls
- Free drinks and snacks

Tournament info website: www.pittsburghtabletennis.com

Registration website: www.omnipong.com

Sponsored by: the Pittsburgh Regional Table Tennis Association, in cooperation with Pittsburgh Oakland Table Tennis Club, South Park Table Tennis Club, and the Allegheny County Parks Department.

Location: South Park Home Economics Building, 3735 Buffalo Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15129. We'll email a detailed map to all players.

Entry and payment deadline: Thursday Nov. 16. Sign up online at www.omnipong.com, or use the paper form on back of this sheet.

Refunds: 100% for cancellations up to Sunday Nov. 12. No refunds after that date.

Venue opens at: 8:00 am.

Event staff: Jeff Pepper (President PRTTA), Chip Coulter (Tournament Director)

Format: Round robin events have 4 or 5 players each, 2 advance to single elimination playoffs. Giant RR's have 5 or 6 players each, ALL PLAYERS advance to a second round robin, so 7-8 matches are guaranteed! Other event formats vary, see details on back.

Attention USATT members!

- **All Saturday events and the Sunday doubles are UNSANCTIONED by USATT. Anyone can enter, but results do not affect your USATT ratings.**
- **Sunday Giant Round Robins ARE SANCTIONED by USATT. You must have a USATT membership or event pass in order to enter this event, and results will affect your ratings. Membership can be renewed or purchased when you register.**

Tournament equipment: Butterfly tables and nets, Nittaku white plastic 3-star balls. Cement floors, 12 ft. ceilings, 600 lux lighting.



Policies: Events can be cancelled or combined at the discretion of the tournament director. Events with insufficient entries may be cancelled and refunds issued. No prizes will be awarded for splits, dumps, default losses or no-shows. Play will be conducted under USATT rules. USATT dress code will be enforced. **White shirts not allowed.** All referee decisions are final.

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✓ your events	Event	Start	1 st Place Prize	2 nd Place Prize	Fee	Total
	Masters (Age 50+)	Saturday 9:00 am	\$50 + trophy	\$25 + medallion	\$25	
	Juniors (Age 18 and under)	Saturday 9:00 am	\$50 + trophy	\$25 + medallion	\$25	
	Amateur "A" } See notes below to select the right event.	Saturday 11:30 pm	\$100 + trophy	\$50 + medallion	\$25	
	Amateur "B" }	Saturday 1:30 pm	\$100 + trophy	\$50 + medallion	\$25	
	Amateur "C" }	Saturday 4:00 pm	\$100 + trophy	\$50 + medallion	\$25	
	Handicap	Saturday 6:00 pm	30% of entry fees (max \$240) + trophy	10% of entry fees (max \$40) + medallion	\$25	
	U-3000 Doubles (combined USATT rating <3000)	Sunday 9:00 am	30% of entry fees (max \$192) + trophy	10% of entry fees (max \$64) + medallion	\$25	
	U-4000 Doubles (combined USATT rating <4000)	Sunday 9:00 am	30% of entry fees (max \$192) + trophy	10% of entry fees (max \$64) + medallion	\$25	
	Giant RR "A" (USATT over 1600)	Sunday 12:30 pm	\$100 + medallion for each 12 players; trophy for top record in event.	\$50 + medallion for each 12 players	\$40	
	Giant RR "B" (USATT up to 1600)	Sunday 4:30 pm			\$40	
Admin Fee (required)						\$10
USATT Membership Fee, required for Sunday Giant Round Robin events ONLY. Select one: <input type="checkbox"/> Not playing in Giant Round Robin, <input type="checkbox"/> Already a current USATT member, <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 for a Associate Membership tournament pass <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 for a adult 1 year <input type="checkbox"/> \$45 for Junior or Collegiate 1 year, <input type="checkbox"/> other _____, per options listed on www.teamusa.org/usa-table-tennis/usatt/join-today						
Total. We must receive your payment by Wednesday Nov. 17. Preferred method is to use PayPal to pay pghpong@gmail.com . Or mail a check made out to PRTTA to Jeff Pepper, 310 Fifth St. Ext., Verona PA 15147.						

• **Which events should I enter?**

- Amateur "A": highly skilled unrated players or players with USATT rating under 1600 or Pittsburgh TTC rating under 1600 or South Park TTC rating under 2400.
- Amateur "B": skilled unrated players or players with USATT rating under 1200 or Pittsburgh TTC rating under 1200 or South Park TTC rating under 1800.
- Amateur "C": beginning unrated players or players with USATT rating under 1000 or Pittsburgh TTC rating under 1000 or South Park TTC rating under 1400.
- Handicap: anyone can enter. Handicaps are based on difference in USATT rating. Unrated players will be given an estimated USATT rating.
- Doubles: anyone can enter, but combined USATT ratings (if any) must be 3200 or less. Unrated players will be given an estimated USATT rating.
- Giant Round Robins: anyone can enter. Players are seeded by rating. Unrated players will be seeded using an estimated USATT rating.

• **Event format:**

- Amateur "A", "B", "C", Masters, Juniors: all are 5-player round robin, 2 per group advance to single-elimination playoff, all matches best 3 of 5 games. NOTE: ANYONE can advance, even if you are unrated!
- Handicap: double-elimination playoffs, single game to 41, lower-rated player will be given handicap points
- Doubles: 2 groups of 4 in round-robin, then playoffs for 1st and 2nd place
- Giant Round Robin: 6-player round robin, EVERY PLAYER advances to a 6-person crossover RR playing 3 new players, so everyone will play 8 matches, each best of 5.
- The Tournament Director may modify the groups and format depending on number of entries.

- **USATT membership:** Saturday events and Sunday doubles are not USATT sanctioned and are open to everyone. Sunday Giant Round Robin events require USATT membership, membership options start at \$20, see options above.

- Registration deadline is November 16. Event space is limited, first come first served!
- USA Table Tennis rules will govern all play. See www.teamusa.org/USA-Table-Tennis/Rules for complete rules.
- Nittaku Premium 40+ white plastic 3-star balls will be provided. All Butterfly tables with dividers, 12 foot ceilings, great lighting, cement floor.
- Please wear a dark shirt as a courtesy to other players. White shirts are not permitted.
- Questions? Contact Jeff Pepper (jeff@touchtown.us or 412-979-9141) or Chip Coulter (chipc@nicklassupply.com or 412-849-4220).

Name:	Email:	Phone:
Address:	USATT ID# (if any):	USATT Rating (if any):
City:	State/Province:	Zip/Postal Code:
How did you hear about this event?	Date of Birth:	Home Club:
Sign here to indicate that you will abide by USATT rules:		

Mail entire sheet to Jeff Pepper, 310 Fifth Street Ext., Verona PA 15147, or scan and email to pghpong@gmail.com.

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