Emerald City SCRABBLE® 2011

SeaTac Holiday Inn - **November 11 – 13th**

NEW Location! Great Hotel Deal! Quiz Night! Drawing for entry fee refund!

Dates and Numbers:

Aug 11th - Early entry deadline (pay by this date to qualify for drawing for <u>full refund</u> of entry fee)

Oct 26th - Hotel room block released (room rate and availability not guaranteed after this date

- Late entry deadline (\$15 late fee after this date)

Nov 9th - the last day to register (and pay or cancel!)

How many games? 20 games (8 games Friday, 8 games Saturday, 4 games Sunday)

How many divisions? Three Divisions, cutoffs at: 1600 and 1100 + separate Open Collins Division

How much to play? Div 1: \$110, Div 2: \$90, Div 3: \$75, Collins: \$110

How much to stay? \$79 per night

Prizes: 100% of entry fees, less expenses

Schedule

Fri Nov 11	8:30am - 9:15	Early Bird Check-in	Sat Nov 12	9:30am	Play begins (games 9-16)
	9:30am	Play begins (games 1-8)	Sun Nov 13	9:30am	Play begins (games 17-20)
	8:30pm	Quiz Night		2:00pm	Awards Ceremony

Format

There will be **three divisions**, determined by rating cutoffs (see table at right). plus one **open Collins** division. Players may request to play up into any higher division (Unlimited Play Up). The entrant's published rating as of Nov 9th will be used. Director retains the right to move entrants to maintain balanced divisions; unrated players will be placed at director's discretion.

Division	Rating	Entry Fee
One	1600+	\$110
Two	1100-1599	\$90
Three	0-1099	\$75
Collins	Open	\$110

The **Collins** (**CSW**) **division** will be running concurrently as one open division, with an entry fee of \$110. The CSW division will be using NASPA rules except for 10-point penalty per word for unsuccessful challenges (if the play is ruled acceptable the challenger is penalized 10 points per word challenged). The CSW division will be rated both by NASPA and WESPA.

Registration, payment, and cancellation deadline: Noon Pacific Time, Nov 9th

* All participants are expected to know and follow the Official Tournament Rules. Please remember to bring your own board, racks, Protiles & clock, and your preferred score sheets. *

All participants must be current members of the North American SCRABBLE® Players Association (NASPA) to compete in this tournament. Please join or renew your membership before the tournament.

Prize Package

The prize package will return 100% of entry fees, after actual expenses. Cash prizes for high play, high game, and high loss. Bonus Prize: Free registration to **Emerald City SCRABBLE® 2012** to the person who raises his or her rating the most points as a result of this tournament (worth up to \$110).

Tournament Contact: Rebecca Slivka, 206-285-7188, slugbiker@comcast.net

Accommodations and Tournament Location

Seatac Holiday Inn

17338 International Blvd Seatac, Washington 98188

Reservations: **(800) 860-7715** Phone: **(800) 248-1000**

www.hi-seatac.com

Room features:

Special tournament double occupancy rates:

One King Standard: \$79 Two Double Standard \$79

Reserve your room by Oct 26th to get this rate*.

When making your reservation, please phone or go online and use **Group code RSC** to get our special rate. * +\$10 for a third person.

- * 24-hour gym, pool, and whirpool tub
- * Free parking for hotel guests [just \$5/day for daily parkers]

Check-in is after 3 p.m. Check out by noon.

Our new venue is the recently refurbished Seatac Holiday Inn. Conveniently located just across from SeaTac airport, and half a block from the Sound Transit Light Rail station (downtown Seattle is a direct 35 minute ride for just \$2.50). Our playing room is well lit and comfortable, with access to the disabled and computerized word judging.

All players NOT staying at the tournament hotel will be charged a \$20 commuter fee. The room block will be released October 26th —so please make your reservations early!

Parking: Free parking for overnight guests [special \$5/day rate for our players]. We recommend taking Light Rail from downtown Seattle.

Transportation from Airport: Walk (covered most of the way), or free hotel shuttle.

Transportation from Seattle Amtrak Train Station: Take Light Rail to Seatac Station (1/2 block from hotel) for \$2.50 (if arriving from the south, consider getting off at Tukwila Station and taking a taxi to the hotel).

Tournament Registration: use the form below OR you can register (and PAY) online at: www.seattlescrabble.org

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Name		E-mail					
Address	Phone						
		Mobile Phone #					
[] This is my first tournament		NASPA Member #					
Fees Enclosed:							
☐ Entry Fee: Div 1 [1600+]	\$110	() I would like to play up					
☐ Entry Fee: Div 2 [1100-1599]	\$90	() I'll play up if it makes the divisions even					
□ Entry Fee: Div 3 [0-1099] \$75		()I do NOT want to play up					
☐ Entry Fee: Collins (CSW) \$110							
☐ Late Fee (payment <u>received</u> after Oct 26 th) + \$15		\$15 handling fee for cancellations after Oct 26 th					
☐ Commuter Fee (if NOT staying at Seatac Holida	y Inn) + \$20	[I am staying at the hotel and have a room reserved					
Tot	al Enclosed:	under the name:]					
Make your check or money order payable in US\$	to:	Mail to • • Rebecca Slivka P.O. Box 9069					
SEATTLE SCRABBLE [®] CLUB 253		Seattle, WA 98109					

Registration, payment, and cancellation deadline: Noon Pacific Time, Tuesday, Nov 9th.

Pay by August 11th and you enter a drawing to receive a FULL REFUND of your entry fee

More info, see who's already signed up, or register and <u>PAY ONLINE</u> at: www.seattlescrabble.org

^{*} flat panel TV / 100% smoke-free

^{*} free wi-fi throughout hotel