

The 2021 Charlotte TTC Open Tournament Series

Stage Five

USATT sanctioned 3-Star Tournament

Saturday, September 25th 2021

CHARLOTTE F.U.M.C. Gymnasium, 501 N. Tryon St, Charlotte, NC 28202

Tournament Director: Simon Brain

Tournament Referee: Bill Englebreth RR

COMPETITION

This is a Six Stage Tournament Series with each 'Stage' offered as its own distinct, stand-alone Tournament. These Six Stage's, all of similar format, will be offered approximately two months apart through 2021. Entry to the Series is automatic and Free based on entry to any one of the six Tournaments. For details on the Series rules and prizes please see separate sheet

ELIDGIBILTY

Any Player with a USATT Tournament rating will be placed in the draw as described in the 'Tournament Format' section below. Any unrated player entering will be placed as the bottom seed of Group F, but will be unable to win the \$60 prize

TOURNAMENT VENUE & HEALTH DETAILS

Playing venue is a 66' x 60' x 24' high, brightly lit gymnasium (600 Lumens on 'Featured' Table); arranged with six, equally sized, fully barriered courts of 32' x 16' (20' x 40' on 'Featured' Table). The floor is a white tiled gym floor over wood. Tournament balls will be **ORANGE**, 3-star Nittaku Premium 40+ plastic balls. Consistent model Butterfly tables and nets will be used. Clothing must be mainly non-orange.

Covid-19 requirements. Only participants along with 1 coach or parent will be allowed inside the Playing Hall. Players should not come if feeling sick or having a cough. Players will be temperature checked before entering the Main Hall and should frequently wash their hands/use the hand sanitizer available on site. We ask all people to maintain a 6-foot social distance in the Playing Hall. Finally, players should not change ends between games nor shake hands at the end of matches

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

There will be six groups of maximum eight players. Players will be placed into the appropriate group based solely on their USATT ranking on Thursday, 23rd September 2021. The six groups will be P (premier), A, B, C, D & E. The top USATT rated player will be placed as 1st seed in the 'P' group. All other players will be placed in descending order below the 1st seed, based strictly on USATT rating, until the lowest rated player is placed as the lowest seed in the 'E' group. This is a 48-player maximum Tournament. If less than 48 players enter, players will be removed evenly from each group starting with Group E (e.g. this would leave 7 players in each group if only 40 players enter). The competition will proceed as a round robin event within each group. As stated above, any unrated player entering will be placed as the bottom seed of the 'E' group, but will be unable to win the \$60 prize

ENTRY FEES

Tournament Fee: \$60/Player, plus all fees.

Series Fee: **FREE**

TOURNAMENT AWARDS:

P group:	1 ST place; \$240	2 ND place; \$180	3 RD place; \$120
A group:	1 ST place; \$180	2 ND place; \$120	3 rd place; \$60
B group:	1 ST place; \$120	2 ND place; \$60	
C, D, & E group:	1 ST place; \$60		

START TIMES

For C, D & E groups start time will be 9.00am. Hall will open for Check-in/Practice at 8.00am. Every player in these three groups must report to the control desk by 8.45am latest. For P, A & B group, start time will be 2.00pm. Every player in these three groups must report to the control desk by 1.45pm latest. Starting at 1.30pm the preceding competition groups will be transitioned to single tables leaving three tables available for short warm ups. Additionally, four closely distanced extra tables will be available for groups A, B, & C for warm up play - from Noon until 1.45pm - in a separate room. **Please note the two separate Group start times!... seedings and Group compositions will be posted on the CTTC web-site - AND - e-mailed to all participants who detail an e-mail address on their entry form, on Thursday, September 23rd 2021.**

DEADLINE

Entries must be must be postmarked by Thursday, September 23rd 2021 or entered online at www.omnipong.com by Wednesday, September 22nd 2021. **Cancellations...** due to the seeding process and communication of Groups... **there will be no entry refunds for cancellations after Wednesday, September 22nd 2021.** For confirmation of entry prior to Wednesday, September 22nd 2021, please go to www.omnipong.com for a list of confirmed entries

ENTRY SUBMISSION

You can enter online at www.omnipong.com or send this form to Bill Englebreth, 623 Wilora Landing Rd. Charlotte, NC 28212. Checks should be made payable to CTTC.

Name: _____

Address: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ DOB: _____ USATT ID: _____ Rating: _____

Club: _____

Event Fee: **\$ 60**

USATT Membership: \$ _____

Donation to Team USA Program: \$ _____

Processing Fee: **\$ 10**

Total Event Fees: \$ _____

I accept full responsibility for my participation and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the tournament director, Tournament Referee, Charlotte TTC, staff, sponsors, and all persons and organizations associated with this recreation event, from and against all liability for any injury, death, COVID-related consequences, or loss which may be suffered by participating and I will sign a USATT waiver at the Tournament entry to such effect. I will abide by all USATT regulations.

Signature (Parent or Guardian if Under 18): _____ Date: _____

Questions?... contact Simon Brain at (980) 233-1968 or email to shortpips@hotmail.com