



2018 Arnold Table Tennis Challenge

15th Annual 4-Star Tournament - \$12,000+
Columbus, Ohio; Fri, Sat, & Sun, March 2-4, 2018

Sponsored by Joola North America, xClaim LLC, Robo-Pong, The Columbus Table Tennis Club, EdgeballTableTennis.com; Sanctioned by USA Table Tennis



Tournament #2 on USATT Midwest Circuit

Info at: www.arnoldtabletennischallenge.com

Register at: www.omnipong.com Circuit Info: www.usattmw.com



Table Tennis Academy
www.SamsonDubina.com

NEW!

USATT Top 16 Men's & Women's Ranking Events *Register with USATT; see Note #9

No.	USATT Events (USATT Mbr - event, & reg. fees due)	Day	Time	Fee	1 st	2 nd	3-4	5-8
1	USATT Open Singles Round Robin; 2 Advance from 1 st Rd.	Saturday	9 AM	\$60	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$750	\$250
2	NEW! USATT Women's Singles Round Robin	Sunday	9 AM	\$30	\$250	\$125		
3	USATT Under 2550 Round Robin	Sunday	9 AM	\$30	\$400	\$200		
4	USATT Under 2450 Round Robin	Saturday	12 PM	\$30	\$300	\$150		
5	USATT Under 2350 Round Robin	Saturday	3 PM	\$30	\$250	\$125		
6	USATT Under 2250 Round Robin	Sunday	Noon	\$30	\$200	\$100		
7	USATT Under 2150 Round Robin	Sunday	3 PM	\$30	\$150	\$75		
8	USATT Under 2050 Round Robin	Saturday	9 AM	\$30	\$100	\$50		
9	USATT Under 1950 Round Robin	Sunday	9 AM	\$26	Trophy	Trophy		
10	USATT Under 1850 Round Robin	Saturday	Noon	\$26	Trophy	Trophy		
11	USATT Under 1750 Round Robin	Saturday	3 PM	\$26	Trophy	Trophy		
12	USATT Under 1650 Round Robin	Sunday	Noon	\$26	Trophy	Trophy		
13	USATT Under 1550 Round Robin	Sunday	3 PM	\$26	Trophy	Trophy		
14	USATT Under 1450 Round Robin	Saturday	6 PM	\$26	Trophy	Trophy		
15	USATT Under 1250 Round Robin	Saturday	9 AM	\$20	Trophy	Trophy		
16	USATT Under 1050 Round Robin	Saturday	Noon	\$20	Trophy	Trophy		
17	USATT Under 850 Round Robin	Saturday	3 PM	\$20	Trophy	Trophy		
18	USATT Unrated Beginners Round Robin (see Note #1)	Saturday	6 PM	\$20	Trophy	Trophy		
19	USATT Juniors 18 & Under RR (Age on or after 3/2/18)	Saturday	6 PM	\$20	Trophy	Trophy		
20	NEW! USATT Juniors 14 & Under RR (Age on or after 3/2/18)	Sunday	Noon	\$20	Trophy	Trophy		
21	NEW! USATT Juniors 10 & Under RR (Age on or after 3/2/18)	Saturday	6 PM	\$20	Trophy	Trophy		
22	USATT Giant Round Robin Open (5-10 Matches) 4 Plrs Adv. (see Note #2)	Friday	3 PM	\$45	\$500	\$250		
23	USATT Giant Round Robin Under 2250 (5-10 Matches) 4 Plrs Advance	Friday	10 AM	\$45	\$400	\$200		
24	USATT Giant Round Robin Under 1900 (5-10 Matches) 4 Plrs Advance	Friday	3 PM	\$45	\$300	\$150		
25	USATT Giant Round Robin Under 1600 (5-10 Matches) 4 Plrs Advance	Friday	10 AM	\$35	Trophy	Trophy		
26	USATT Giant Round Robin Under 1300 (5-10 Matches) 4 Plrs Advance	Friday	3 PM	\$35	Trophy	Trophy		
27	USATT Giant Round Robin Under 1000 (5-10 Matches) 4 Plrs Advance	Friday	10 AM	\$35	Trophy	Trophy		
28	USATT Over 50 Round Robin	Saturday	6 PM	\$30	Trophy	Trophy		
29	USATT Over 65 Round Robin	Sunday	9 AM	\$30	Trophy	Trophy		

NEW for 2018!

- *USATT Ranking Events – Note #9
- *2 Players Advance from #1 Open Singles Round One
- *Women's Singles
- *More Junior Events
- *More Giant RR Events
- *Open Seated Event
- *Standing Para-athlete Event

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Non-USATT Events below – USATT Member Fee Not Due; Event & Festival Registration Fee Due

No.	Event	Day	Time	Fee	1 st	2 nd
30	41 Point Handicap Singles SE (see Note #3)	Friday	7 PM	\$30	\$200	\$100
31	Family Open Doubles Round Robin (see Note #4)	Friday	7 PM	\$15/person	Medals	Medals
32	NEW! Family Doubles 2800 Team Rating Round Robin (see Note #4)	Friday	7 PM	\$15/person	Medals	Medals
33	Rec. Youth 18 & Under (non-USATT mbrs; age on or after 3/2/18) (See Note #5)	Saturday	5 PM	\$15	Medal	Medal
34	Rec. Adult Age 19+ (non-USATT mbrs; age as of 12/31/18) (See Note #5)	Saturday	5 PM	\$20	Medal	Medal
35	NEW! USATT Open Standing Para-Athlete RR (See Note #6)	Sunday	Noon	\$20	Medal	Medal
36	NEW! Open Seated RR (See Note #7)	Sunday	Noon	\$20	Medal	Medal
37	NEW! Club Umpire Clinic (Get tools, shirt, exam, & money back- See Note #8)	Friday	6-9 PM	\$25	N/A	N/A

ENTRY DEADLINE:

Received by February 19, 2018

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Name: _____ St. Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Tel #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Club Affiliation: _____

USATT Rating: _____ Gender: Male / Female

Please list event numbers:

A) _____ B) _____ C) _____ D) _____ E) _____ F) _____ G) _____ H) _____ I) _____

Partners for Event #31 or #32 Family Doubles _____

Please send completed entry with payment to:
Ed Hogshead
1711 Warren Road, Rockford, IL 61108

Total Event Fees: _____

USATT Membership: _____

(See Back Page)

Festival Registration: **\$25.00**

Required for all attendees - for a wristband to enter the table tennis venue & and most of the 70 other sports; good for the 3-day festival; discounted from \$60 (\$20 per day)

Total Enclosed: _____

I hereby release any and all staff, sponsors, USATT, Columbus Table Tennis Club, and Arnold Sports Festival, from any and all claims, actions, or demands for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by my person or property. I assume full risk and responsibility for my participation in this event. I will abide by all USATT regulations and tournament management decisions.

Events 1-29: All players must be USATT members, pay registration fee (\$25) in addition to event fees; Example: Enter event #10 with event fee of \$26 plus the Festival Registration Fee (wristband) of \$25 for a total of \$51; you pay just the event fee for each additional event

Events 30-37: These are not USATT events. You do not need to be a USATT member and membership fees are not due. Pay only the fee per event and the Festival Registration (wristband) Fee; Example: Enter event #34 with event fee of \$20 plus the Festival Registration Fee of \$25 for a total of \$45; pay just the event fee for each additional event in the #30 to #37 events.

Note #1: Event 17 is for first-time beginner players in USATT sanctioned tournaments

Note #2: Events 22-27 are Giant Round Robin Events. Round 1 is 6 to 8 Person Round Robin Group with top 4 players advancing to Single Elimination. Round 2 is Single Elimination. **EXPECT TO PLAY 5 – 10 MATCHES** You may enter more than 1 event but NOT at the same time.

Note #3 Event 31 listed above is a 41 Point Handicap Singles Event open to all USATT Rated players that have current USATT memberships. Players must also enter at least one additional rated singles event. 41 Point Game with Handicap Based on Rating (example – Player A rated 1700 gives Player B rated 1300 19 points to a game of 41 points.) Handicap Chart posted on www.EveryoneLovesTableTennis.com website – look for the 2018 Arnold Table Tennis Challenge tab

Note #4 Events 31 & 32 are non-USATT events for doubles with teams from the same family. Maximum team rating for #32 is 2800. Unrated players may compete in either event. Do not register for both events. Teams must register in advance.

Note #5: Events 33-34 Saturday Recreational Events are for those players that are not USATT rated and have not competed in sanctioned tournaments in the U.S. or overseas. Age on or after 3/2/18 for Juniors. Age as of 12/31/18 for Adults; Sign up online or one hour before start time. Only sign up for either #34 or #35 – not both. You pay event fee plus Festival Registration Fee (unless you have already purchased an event admission wristband). *Can you play Table Tennis? Come out, give it your best!* are for non-USATT members; if you purchased an entry wristband you do not need pay the Festival Registration Fee of \$25

Note #6: Event 35 is the Standing Para Athlete Event. Does count for USATT Rating Points.

Note #7: Event 36 Open Seated Round Robin. Any rated or unrated player may enter the event. Players are seated in a chair or in a wheelchair. This event is in support for Para wheelchair athletes who do not have enough competition opportunities against seated players in the US. You do not need to be a USATT member to compete. It is not an event for rating points.

Note #8: Event 37 is an umpire clinic to learn how to be an umpire and pass the USATT club umpire exam. Participants get a t-shirt, umpire tools, the USATT exam fee paid, and their money back if they volunteer umpire during this tournament.

Note #9: You must contact the High-Performance Director Joerg.Bitzeigio@USATT.org to register. These are USATT National Ranking Events for USATT Men's and Women's National Team Group. Top 12 rated and invited Women and Men advance to round robin competition on Friday afternoon to Sunday and do not compete in the Friday morning qualifiers. The top four players in the qualification rounds on Friday morning advance to the Top 16 ranking competition. Friday qualification matches are 3 out of 5 games. Round robin matches on Friday afternoon to Sunday are 4 out of 7 games. Please contact Joerg with questions at 719.453.6452.

PLEASE NOTE that if you do not advance from the Friday morning qualifiers, you may enter Event Numbers 1-4. You **must** enter promptly on Friday after the qualifiers are completed and pay the appropriate entry fees. Draws made Friday afternoon or evening for only these events.

YOU MAY NOT enter and compete in both the USATT Ranking Events and the Arnold Events unless you do not advance out of the qualifiers.

- **Tournament Hotel:** The Arnold Sports Festival Hotel Link is <http://www.arnoldsportsfestival.com/visitor-info/hotels/>.
- **Dates and Venue:** **SUPERB LOCATION!!! EXCELLENT CONDITIONS!!!** Fri., Sat., & Sun., March 2-4, 2018 at the Voinovich Center, Ohio State Fairgrounds, 717 E. 17th Ave, Columbus, OH. 43211. If you want to visit sports not on the Fairgrounds (10 other sports here), there are free shuttles from the Voinovich Building (table tennis venue) to the Greater Columbus Convention Center.
- **Parking:** Parking at the Voinovich Center is \$6 per day or \$14 for unlimited weekend access. Prices downtown are much higher.
- **Entry Deadline:** Entries must be received by Friday, February 19, 2018. Online registration link at: www.arnoldtabletennischallenge.com.
- **Ratings:** Ratings from January 19 used for event eligibility. Latest ratings used for seeding.
- **Format:** All matches are 3 of 5 games to 11 points except handicap. Quarters, Semis, & Final of Open Singles are 4 of 7 games.
- **Policies:** All USATT regulations apply including dress code. No prizes awarded for splits, dumps, defaults, or no-shows. Events may be modified at the discretion of the Tournament Directors. Do not enter 2 events with same starting time. USATT approved tie-breaking procedures will be used. No white shirts, shorts, or skirts.
- **Proof of Membership:** Must show USATT proof of membership for events 1-29 & 35. Memberships and renewals sold at the event. All players must either be current members or purchase a tournament pass for \$20. Membership fees: Adults \$75; Juniors \$45; College \$45. Please see www.usatt.org for more information.
- **Tournament Equipment:** Only USATT approved equipment used; Joola 3000SC tables and Joola nets, and white Joola 40+ *** Plastic Balls. Flooring is concrete and GerFlor and Enlio rubberized flooring.
- **Check-In:** Starts on Friday at 8 AM in the Voinovich Building on the OH State Fairgrounds.
- **Refunds:** No refunds after February 19, 2018 for any reason unless the tournament is canceled or events are canceled.
- **Airports:** Columbus Airport is 20 minutes away; Dayton Airport is 1 hour away; Cincinnati & Cleveland Airports are 2 hours away.
- **Tournament Directors:** Ed & Diana Hogshead
- **Tournament Staff:** Zach Moy, Jan Lie, Samson Dubina, Blake Cottrell, Denethi, Steve Slaback, Dave Fullen, Josie Clyde
- **Tournament Referee/Umpires:** Referee Dan Reynolds NU RR; Linda Leaf IU; Robert Clyde IU; Joe Dault NU; Jorge Vanegas NU
- **Festival Information:** Each registered player and all volunteers receive one wristband for admission to the table tennis event and many of the other 70 ASF events. Spectators may purchase discounted wristbands in advance at www.arnoldsportsfestival.com
- **Equipment:** Buy the equipment the professionals use: www.robopong.com and www.joolausa.com

The Columbus Table Tennis Club: For some of the best table tennis in Ohio, please visit the full-time club at 2901 Olentangy River Rd, Columbus, OH. Telephone 614.915.6547. There are members from beginners to nationally ranked players, and range in age from under 8 to over 80. We have recreational players who come to polish their game and others that come to improve their competitive table tennis skills. Coaching is available for all levels. Playing is fun, but winning is more fun! Club times are 5:30 PM to 11 PM seven nights a week. Non-members pay just \$7 for the evening. Long term memberships are reasonably priced - your whole family will enjoy the fun. **If you love to play, they'd love to have you!** www.columbusltabletennis.org

