

2023 Birmingham HOMETOWN Table Tennis Spring OPEN
A Sanctioned Tournament by Birmingham Hometown Table Tennis (BHTT)
Saturday, February 25th, 2023,
Group Two at 9:00AM – 7:00PM+, Group One at 11:00AM – 7:00PM+



Playing Venue: Birmingham Hometown Table Tennis Club- 808 Green Springs Hwy, Suite 140, Homewood AL 35209. Inside Hometown Supermarket, on the left at the very back of the store.

Director: Tom Yukui Tang, **Deputy Director:** Keith Evans, **Referee/Umpire:** Harry He
Tournament Committee: Michelle Jia Yan, Harry X. He (Umpire), Peter Panrong Xiao, Keith Evans, Tom Yukui Tang

Registration Fee: \$55 per player. 56 player limit. Players can enter on the web and pay at www.omnipong.com. Look for Alabama-2023 Birmingham Hometown Table Tennis Spring Open at the web site. Enter with your USATT #. Unrated players should submit estimated rating, also include contact information of source for estimated rating. Cash payment to Michelle Yan or Panrong Xiao. Contact info: Hometowntabletennis@gmail.com
Free bottle water for players, first come and first serve. 10% off in Mr. Chen, a Chinese restaurant inside the store for players on the tour day and door prizes by Hometown Supermarket.

Have fun! Sponsored by Hometown Supermarket.



Entry Deadline: Saturday, February 18th, 2023. \$5 additional fee for late entries and entries not paid by February 18th, 2023.

Eligibility For Event: Open to all members of USA Table Tennis (USATT). Non-members may join the USATT by including the membership fee with their entry fee. Players who are not current USATT members may buy a basic Membership for \$25.

Rules: The Laws of Table Tennis as published by the ITTF and all USATT regulations will be enforced.

Rackets - One side of the racket must be bright red or another color recently approved by ITTF, the other side black. No complete regluing unless it is a new sheet of rubber. Partial re-gluing may be done with the permission of and under supervision of the referee.

Clothing - The USATT Dress Code applies. The main color of the body of the shirt or shorts may not be white. Please dress in appropriate athletic attire. Designs or lettering that are distracting to an opponent or are offensive will not be permitted. Rubber-soled, non-marking, shoes must be worn.

Equipment: Butterfly Europa/Centrefold 25 tables/nets, DHS net, Joola 3000sc tables/nets, & Nittaku Premium 3-star 40+mm white plastic balls. Red rubber floor. ITTF/USATT approved equipment only.

Format: Two Round Robins and elimination playoff. Players will be divided into two groups based on player's ratings. There will be 28 players in each group. All players advance. The top players will go into Championship, Class AA, and Class A. The other players will go into Class B, C, D.

Players in Group two must check-in at the control desk before 8:45am, play begins at 9:00am. The control desk will allow check-ins beginning at 8:30am. Players that arrive late may be defaulted for the entire event (and replaced by an alternate). The court will open for practice Friday, 6:00pm-9:00pm on Feb. 24th, 2023. and 8:00 a.m. on Feb. 25th.

Players in Group one must Check-in at the control desk at 10:45am on Feb. 25th, play begins at 11:00am.

Play will be in three stages:

Preliminary: Group two begins at 9:00am. 7 groups of 4 players complete a round robin. Group one begins at 11:00am and 4 players complete round robin.

Stage 2: The 2nd round robin. Based on playing records in the Preliminary group one, top 2 players advance to Championship event in 4 groups of 3 or 4 players each. 3rd one goes to Class AA in 2 groups of 3 or 4 players each. The last one goes to Class A in 2 groups of 3 or 4 players each. The same process is applied to the group two but with Class B, C, and D accordingly.

Stage 3: Begins at approximately 5:00pm. Top 2 in the 2nd round robin from Championship and Class B advance to elimination play off. The top 1 players of other classes advance to elimination. All games will be to 11 points; Championship event best of 7 for final match only; all other matches are best of 5 games.

Cancellation: Director reserves the right to modify any event or cancel the tour. Fees refunded if tour is cancelled by organizer. Refunds available prior to deadline upon player’s request and NO REFUNDS AFTER FEBRUARY 18th. THANK YOU!

Awards: Championship – 1st \$600, 2nd \$300, Semi-finalists \$100 each;
Class AA – 1st \$140, 2nd \$70;
Class A – 1st \$70;
Class B – 1st \$100, 2nd \$50.
Trophies for 1st and 2nd in all events.

Entry Form (A photo copy of the entry form is acceptable)

Name _____ Phone _____ Rating _____ Date of Birth _____

Mailing list address _____

USATT membership # _____ Expires _____ Club or City/State _____

Entry Fee: __\$55__

USATT Membership Fee for renew or a non USATT member- Pro (\$75) or Basic (\$25): _____

Late fees (\$5 after Feb. 18) if any: _____

Any amount of contributions to USATT. Thank you for continued support USATT: _____

Under Armour T-shirt with BHTT printed in back (M or L for \$29.99 if you want it) : _____

Electronic Fee \$2 if paid by PayPal via OmniPong: _____

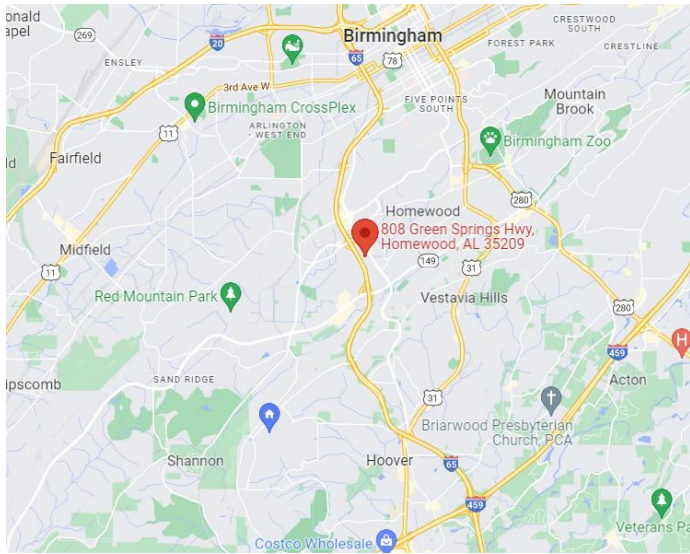
My total fees in the amount of: _____

Please enter me in the above events. My fees in the amount of \$ _____ are enclosed via OmniPong (), a check (# _____) and mail to/pay to Panrong Xiao, 204 Biltmore Dr., Hoover, AL 35242, cash handed in the club (), or Zelle () at (904)248-8103 to Panrong Xiao.

I have read this entry form, agree the BHTT’s Court rules, and comply with all USATT regulations. I am in generally good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in table tennis activity. I accept full responsibility for my participation and relieve the sponsors, hosts, and players of any liability for injury to myself or damage to my property. I have signed (or will sign at the tournament) the comprehensive waiver of liability.

Signature: _____ (Parent or Guardian must sign for a minor) Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name in Print _____



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Supermarket

From North/Nashville or East: Take I-65 south to Exit
256B to Oxmoor Rd in Homewood, make right turn in next intersection to Green Springs Highway/AL-149,
drive 0.3 mile to the strip mall at the right-hand side. Look for Hometown Supermarket and parking in back of
Hometown Supermarket.

From South/Montgomery or West: Take I-65 North to Exit 256A for Oxmoor Rd toward Homewood, make
right turn in next intersection to Green Springs Highway/AL-149, drive 0.3 mile to the strip mall at the right-
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Hotel Information:

Residence Inn Birmingham Hoover
2725 John Hawkins Parkway, Hoover, Alabama, USA, 35244
Tel: +1 205-733-1655

Booking link

<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1674051586487&key=GRP>

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