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(Team members are subject to change.)

NEUROPONG™ MANAGER: Antonio Barbera

COVID19 POLICY: Please refer to our COVID19 policy by clicking [here](#).

VENUE:

Dixie Center - Exhibit Hall, [1835 Convention Center Dr, St. George](#)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Early Bird Deadline (Save \$20) – August 1

Final Deadline – September 1

FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL:

We invite all athletes and their friends, volunteers, sponsors and community members to join us for six nights of food, fun, entertainment and friendship. The festival will provide flexibility for participants to attend at their convenience on any or all nights of what is sure to be a favorite opportunity to connect with old friends and make new ones regardless of your sport.

The Friendship Festival will be held on the grounds outside the Dixie Center each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday during the Games.

SPORT FEE:

\$16

SCHEDULE:

Sunday, October 5 – 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm (practice)

Tuesday, October 7 -- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm

EVENTS: USATT 0-Star Sanctioned Tournament

NeuroPong Singles

NeuroPong Doubles

(Divisions to be determined based on entries.)

NEUROPONG™:

This Event will be open to players with the following chronic progressive neurological conditions that affect movement and cognitive ability: Multiple Sclerosis (MS), Parkinson's Disease (PD) and Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI).

In holding this Event, we want to allow individuals with these neurological conditions the opportunity to be competitive with others having similar conditions. We invite everyone to come support these athletes during the Games.

This Event will be overseen by Antonio Barbera, MD of Table Tennis Connections™. Although you must register at seniorgames.net, Dr. Barbera will need to discuss your medical condition with you before admitting you to the correct Division within this Event.

After you register for NeuroPong, your contact information will be provided to Dr. Barbera.

Please feel free to also contact Dr. Barbera at abarbera@tabletennisconnections.org or by phone at (303) 667-1735 with any questions you may have.

Players who register for NeuroPong are eligible to register for other Events on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The NeuroPong events WILL BE sanctioned and will be limited to the first twenty-four (24) players to register for these events.

REGISTRATION RULES:

- Participation is limited to 24 players.

FORMAT/RULES:

- This Tournament is USATT-sanctioned. ITTF/USATT rules will apply.
- All USA participants must be USATT members. International Federation memberships will be honored.
- For USA participants, USATT memberships must be active by August 15. **If you need to purchase a membership, you are encouraged to pay the \$25 USATT annual fee at time of registration for the Games through seniorgames.net. Other membership options are available at www.usatt.org.**
- Each player will be required to sign both a Huntsman World Senior Games and a USATT waiver along with a SafeSport acknowledgement.
- All players and coaches are advised to review the USATT Coaching Policies. These policies must be adhered to.
- Listing of the players by name, USATT rating and player bib number will be posted at seniorgames.net under the Table Tennis tab for all to see.
- Butterfly Centerfold 25 tables and Butterfly net/bracket sets will be used.
- **Nittaku 3* Premium white balls (40+mm-large size) will be used.**
- Interlocking, nonslip plastic tile flooring will be used.
- Paddles, including Rubber, must meet ITTF specifications.
- Shoes must be rubber-soled.
- The USATT dress code will be enforced. **NO ALL WHITE CLOTHING WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PLAYING HALL.**
- Playing shorts, dress slacks and track-suit pants are allowed.
- All events will start with a round robin format. Matches will be 3-out-of-5 games to 11 points. Hardbat matches are an exception.

UNRATED PLAYERS:

- Foreign Nationals registering for the Event without a USATT rating will have an opportunity to receive an estimated rating on Sunday. This will allow the player to play in the appropriate Division and potentially advance from the Round Robin.
- USA players are strongly encouraged to play in a singles event in a USATT sanctioned tournament prior to August 15 in order to gain an official rating. This would allow you to potentially advance from the Rated Singles round robin (Wednesday).

PLAYER OPTIONS:

- Each Player will have the option of either wearing their player bib number on the back of their shirt or wearing a shirt with their name clearly printed on **the back**.
- Player numbers will be assigned in order of entry.

PLAYERS NEW TO USATT SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS:

Players who have never participated in USATT sanctioned tournaments **MUST** attend the new player USATT rules orientation held on Sunday, October 5th at 4:00 pm. If you are unable to attend, please see an Umpire or the Referee for tournament information including service rules.

After Round Robin play has concluded in each Event, players should check with the Control Desk **BEFORE** leaving the venue to determine if and when they will continue in the playoffs.

PLAYER CHECK-IN:

All players must go to the Huntsman World Senior Games Official Registration Check-in Desk in the Dixie Center and collect their ID badge before reporting to the Table Tennis venue.

EVENT SCHEDULE:

Sunday, October 5

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm - Check-in and Open Practice

4:00 pm - New Player Orientation on USATT Rules

Tuesday, October 7

Off Rounds

8:30 am - NeuroPong™ Singles

2:00 pm - NeuroPong™ Doubles

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

If you are interested in being a volunteer scorekeeper or a ball retriever for a disabled player, please so indicate on your registration form. Also, if you DO NOT have any events on a particular morning or afternoon, simply let the Control Desk know of your availability. Your help is appreciated.

TABLE MANAGERS:

We will be utilizing Table Managers throughout Round Robin play to help keep the matches on time. Each Table Manager will be responsible for a small group of tables. When your name and table number are announced, please go directly to that table. Your Table Manager will meet you there to organize Round Robin play.

MEDALS:

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals (with a ribbon for fourth place) will be awarded in each Division for every Event. Medals will be awarded daily.