



# LEINSTER OPEN GP

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**SATURDAY 27th/SUNDAY 28th OCTOBER 2012**

**DUBLIN CITY UNIVERSITY SPORTS CENTRE, DUBLIN 11**

THIS IS AN IRISH SENIOR RANKING TOURNAMENT (CLASS 2)

**Closing Date: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2012**

Tournament Referee Steve Welch IR  
Tournament Organiser Con O'Cearaigh NU

## TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

### Saturday

0900 Mens Band 1, 3, Womens Band 1  
1100 KO Rounds of above to finish  
1400 Mens Band 2,4; Womens Band 2  
1600 KO Rounds of above to finish

### Sunday

0900 Mens/Womens Open Singles Groups  
1100 KO Rounds of above to ¼ Finals  
1400 U21/Veterans/Restricted Singles Groups  
1600 Open Singles Semis & Final  
1730 Completion of U21 & Veterans

**Completed Entry Forms and Fees must be received by: Mr. Con O'Cearaigh, Sea Road, Kilcoole, Co. Wicklow, or email [conibon@eircom.net](mailto:conibon@eircom.net).**

Please note that the above are **start times** for the events. **Check in** for your 1<sup>st</sup> event each day is **30 minutes before the start time**. Players who check in for their first event will be assumed to be present in the hall for their next event. Players who are successful in multiple events may have to play multiple matches without rest.

Entries accepted by email from domestic clubs, or without payment, represent a binding commitment to pay the entry fee, irrespective of whether or not you subsequently play in the tournament. No further entries will be accepted from a club for any tournament in the future where outstanding monies from a club member are due. Entries received after the closing date will be rejected. Please note that event numbers will be capped, and it will be necessary to restrict entry to certain events, in which case entries will be rejected on the basis of last in=first out. Please enter early to avoid disappointment.

The Leinster Open continues in a Grand Prix format for 2012. This means that players have the opportunity to compete in up to 4 singles events (2 on each day). Most players will be eligible to play in their Open Singles competition, 2 banded events, and the Veterans/ Restricted or U21 Singles competitions. In particular, we look forward to welcoming many juniors and league players, who generally don't take part in ranking tournaments. As a Class 2 Ranking tournament, ranking points for this event will be multiplied by a factor of 1.25.

#### Tournament Regulations & Information

1. Every entrant must be affiliated to ITTA Ltd or be a member of another national association in membership of the ITTF.
2. Matches will be played in accordance with the rules & regulations of the ITTA.
3. Completion and submission of this entry form signifies agreement by the entrant to the conditions of the competition including the variations from the ITTF requirements.
4. All competitors will be required to umpire.
5. All matches will be the best of 5 games. Play throughout will be on a knockout basis, with the exception of the preliminary rounds in all singles events, which will be in groups of three and four with the first two players qualifying. The final order in a group shall be determined as per ITTF regulation 3.7.5 for group competitions except that where a player concedes a match he/she shall receive -3 group points (x).
6. Competitors in **Veteran events must have been born on or before 31<sup>st</sup> December 1972**, competitors in **Under 21 on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 1991**.
7. Competitors must wear rubber soled shoes and clothing and must not wear shirts that are predominantly white.
8. Competitors will be permitted to practise on tables not in use at the discretion of the Referee.
9. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter the programme, format or venue; to cancel any event; to reject or regrade entries; and to restrict admission to the tournament venue.
10. Doping shall not take place either before or during play. Doping control tests may take place.
11. All competitors must report to the control table on arrival and must not leave the venue while still in the competition without first obtaining permission from the Referee.
12. Entry to banded events is restricted to player's ranking, according to the ITTA Ranking List (**or equivalent**) current at the closing date for entries. Restrictions are as follows:

Men's Band 1 Outside Top 10	Women's Band 1 Outside Top 10
Men's Band 2 Outside Top 20	Women's Band 2 Outside Top 20
Men's Band 3 Outside Top 40	
Men's Band 4 Outside Top 60	

Players may enter their own band and/or the one above. The organising committee reserves the right to give dummy rankings to any entrant who does not appear on the current ITTA ranking list, and/or to regrade entry/ranking from a player who is inappropriately ranked.  
**Restricted Singles** – is only open to those players eligible to play in the banded events who are not eligible to play in the U21 or Veteran events  
**Banded Events** - If you do not have a ranking, in most cases you will qualify for Band 4 (Men)/Band 2 (Women). Remember, you are entitled to play in your own Band and/or the one above.
13. Should there be insufficient entries in any event, the Referee reserves the right to cancel/merge such event and/or place the entrants in a similar event.
14. Competitors will not be allowed to glue up within the confines of the playing venue. "Playing venue" means the whole establishment in the playing building and the ground where the playing building stands, which contains the doorway, the parking lot and related facilities.
15. The Referee's decision shall be final on points of law on any question arising not provided for in these regulations or in any dispute as to the interpretation thereof. Decisions on points of fact by an umpire or assistant umpire appointed by the Referee shall be final.
16. No entry will be accepted unless the following undertaking is signed.
  1. To observe the regulations.
  2. To abide by the decision of the Referee and Organising Committee.
  3. To fulfil the schedule of play arranged for me unless prevented by circumstances beyond my control and accepted as such by the Referee.
17. A 10 euro deposit is included on the entry form. This will be refunded when the player has carried out any umpiring duties assigned to them by the Referee. Deposits are only refundable on the day of the tournament when the player has finished all participation in the tournament.
18. Play throughout will be on Butterfly Rollaway25 Tables, using Stiga 3\* Balls.
19. P.A. System – All matches will be announced on the P.A. system. Players must not leave the centre without permission of the Referee. Repeat calls for a player will be limited to three per day.
20. Where required, clubs can submit a mass entry for all their players, on the condition that the information as stipulated on the entry form is included.
21. Cash prizes will be awarded to the semi finalists, runner up and winner in the Mens & Ladies Open Singles. In all other events the winner and runner up will receive glass trophies. The cash prize fund will be in excess of 1000euro.
22. The venue has full car parking, changing and catering facilities. Directions to the venue can be found at [http://www4.dcu.ie/info/get\\_to.shtml](http://www4.dcu.ie/info/get_to.shtml)
23. The ITTA has a policy on the use of photographic and video recording equipment at ITTA events, and permission for the use of such equipment must be granted by the Referee or Organising Committee. All participants accept that photographs or other recorded images taken on behalf of the ITTA may be used in connection with the promotion of ITTA events and activities, unless requested otherwise in advance by the participant, their guardian or coach.
24. Players may be required to wear an identifying number, which must be clearly visible at all times on the rear of their shirt.
25. Acceptance of these regulations is itself a condition of entry.

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Competitor's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Male / Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

ITTA Affiliation Number **or** name of National Association: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Please enter me for:-</b>	<b>Fee</b>	<b>Fee Enc</b>
<b>1. Men's/Women's* Open Singles</b>	15.00	_____
<b>2. Banded events (please select one of the following): <b>circle</b></b>		
Both bands I am eligible for	25.00	_____
or Only for my own band	12.50	_____
or Only for the band above my own	12.50	_____
or Only for my eligible band played in the morning	12.50	_____
or Only for my eligible band played in the afternoon	12.50	_____
<b>3. Restricted Singles</b>	12.50	_____
<b><u>or</u></b>		
<b>4. Veteran Men's/Women's* Singles</b>	12.50	_____
<b><u>or</u></b>		
<b>5. Under 21 Men's/Women's* Singles</b>	12.50	_____
Administration fee	3.50 )	
	)	13.50
Umpiring deposit(Refundable – see Regulation 17)	10.00 )	

**Total Enclosed** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Cheques should be crossed & made payable to 'Leinster Branch ITTA')**

\*Delete Men's or Women's as appropriate. No more than 4 events can be entered.

**NO ENTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS THE FOLLOWING UNDERTAKING IS SIGNED**

I undertake:

1. To observe the regulations of the tournament and adhere to the code of conduct of the ITTA.
2. To abide by the decisions of the Referee and Organising Committee.
3. To fulfil the schedule of play arranged for me unless prevented by circumstances beyond my control and accepted as such by the Referee.

I agree to the information above being stored on a computer.

Signed/date: \_\_\_\_\_