TTU Junior Challenger Series – Glenburn TTC – Saturday 30 September 2023

The first Challenger in the series is being run at Glenburn TTC, Glenburn Methodist Church Halls, Glensharragh Park, Belfast, BT6 9PB.

Email ALL the following details to glenburnttclub@gmail.com:

Parent/Guardian name:
Phone number:
Email:
Club:
Player name(s):
Player DOB:
Player level: Div 1, 2, 3, 4 or unsure
Allow photo/video permission: Yes/No
Entry fee of £10 per player should be transferred to:
98-00-60 17070947 (Cregagh Methodist Table Tennis)
with name given as payment reference.
Div 3 & 4: 10am – 1pm (registration 9.30am)
Div 1 & 2: 2pm – 5pm (registration 1.30pm)

Any queries should be sent to Herbie Ross at glenburnttclub@gmail.com

Deadline for entries: midnight on Wednesday 27 September 2023

Details of the Challenger series can be found below:

- 1. The objective of the Challenger Events is for all players to get the maximum number of games possible. Players will be placed in Divisions (maximum of 4 Divisions) based on their level of play (determined by the event organiser and advice of coaches). The number of Divisions maybe reduced depending on entries.
- 2. Trophies will be awarded to the winners and runners up in each Division. All players will receive a participation medal and additional prizes will be presented to the 1st and 2nd highest ranked boys and girls in the challenger series at end of the season.
- 3. Ranking points will be awarded to participants based on their performance in each event, with players results from all 8 events counting towards a separate Challenger Series ranking list. Results will also be used to produce a rating for each player to assist tournament organisers grade players into the most appropriate division. Additionally, a player's final position on the Challenger Series ranking list will determine their seeding for an end of season Finals tournament.
- 4. Entry fee is £10.
- 5. The top 15 Junior Boys, top 8 Cadet Boys and top 8 Junior Girls in Irish ranking lists are excluded from Challenger events.

Regulations and Information

- 1. A condition of entry to each event is that players agree to abide by TTU's Code of Conduct which can be accessed on TTU's website https://www.tabletennisulster.com/code-of-conduct/
- 2. Participants will be organised into groups initially, and after the format will be a knockout tournament with the top 2 players advancing into the top half of the Division and the bottom 2 moving to the lower half of the Division. Matches will be the best of 3 games unless otherwise specified by the event organiser.
- 3. 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.
- 4. All players will be expected to umpire when required.
- 5. All players 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.
- 6. The tournament organiser reserves the right to alter the format of the draw, cancel any category and to restrict admission to the tournament venue. If a category is over-subscribed, then entries will be treated on a last in–first out basis.
- 7. Event Entry Restrictions: All players must provide their DOB and club name as a condition of entry and must be affiliated to the ITTA.
- 8. All disputes will be dealt with by the tournament organiser and/or TTU's Events Committee whose decision will be final.