

# MIKE WATTS GWENT VETERANS TOURNAMENT - 2026

**Day 1 – 40's, 50's, 60's & 70's**

**Day 2 - Banded Tournament**

**22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026**

**Competition Date:** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026

**Competitions Venue:** Gwent Table Tennis Club  
Cwmbran Stadium  
Henllys Way  
Cwmbran  
NP44 3YS

**Entry Closing Date:** Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2026

**Tournament Referee:** TBC

**Tournament Organiser:** Andrew Ryder / Ryan Trigg

## **PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August AM and PM Sessions

The event will be mixed and based on the number of entries with a maximum entry of 88 players in the morning and afternoon. This will be split between the two age categories depending on the mix.

**You can enter 1 event in the morning and 1 event in the afternoon. Welsh Ranking points will be allocated basis on the age banding that you are playing in. This is the first time outside of the Welsh Nationals that Age Ranking point tournament has taken place. (40's, 50's, 60's & 70's)**

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August – Banded Round Robin Tournament

Players will be banded according to their ranking and play will be on a round robin basis. Groups will be played across 2 tables to ensure speed of play is maintained and there is no excessive waiting around.

Following the sad departure of Gwent TTC Chairman In Jul 2026 the tournament has been renamed the Mike Watts Gwent Veterans Tournament in honour of his work and services for the club.

Veteran ranking points will be allocated according to the band you are playing in and rated accordingly. See <https://shorturl.at/SZhCO>

Groups will be up to a maximum of 8/9 players per group. Some group sizes may be slightly smaller depending on the number of entries but the organiser will attempt to distribute these across the bandings.

All events will be mixed.

| Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2026 |         |                                 |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|
| MORNING                               | 8.00am  | Open / Registration             |
| MORNING                               | 8:30 am | 40's & 60's Event to conclusion |
| AFTERNOON                             | 1:00pm  | 50's & 70's Event to conclusion |
| CLOSE                                 | 6:00pm  | Close                           |

| Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2026 |         |                              |
|-------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|
| MORNING                             | 8.00am  | Open / Registration          |
| MORNING                             | 8:30 am | Banded Round Robin Commences |
| AFTERNOON                           | 5:30pm  | Close                        |
|                                     |         |                              |

Times may vary considerably depending on the number of entries received

## TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

1. Every entrant must hold a valid 'Competitive Membership' to Table Tennis Wales or hold an equivalent to another ITTF affiliated Association which will be recorded on TTW membership Platform, for the whole of the 2025-2026 or 2026/2027 (For TTE Players) season.
2. Table Tennis Wales Competition Procedure applies to these competitions. ITTF regulations for International Competitions apply to these competitions, except those relating to matters covered in Competitions Seedings and Drawings.
3. Completion and submission of the entry form signifies agreement by the entrant to the conditions of this competition.
4. All competitors **WILL** be required to umpire.
5. The referee's decision shall be final on points of law, in any dispute as to the interpretation of these regulations, and on any matters not covered by them.
6. Any member taking part in gambling (other than participation in any lottery of similar competition conducted by or with the permission of the organising committee at a tournament approved by the TTW) shall be liable to immediate disqualification from the tournament and expulsion from the premises. Such action will be reported to the TTW.
7. Any item of clothing other than socks or shoes shall be in accordance with ITTF Clothing Regulation.
8. Racket covering materials shall follow ITTF Regulations regarding rubber coverings.
9. All matches shall be the best of five games. Play throughout will be on a round robin basis. Groups will be banded based on rankings across TTW and TTE. Groups will be mixed sexed unless confirmed otherwise.
10. Players must be 40,50,60 and 70 by the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2026.
11. The Committee reserves the right to restrict entries and cancel events.
12. **Players must report to the recorder's table on arrival and permission to leave the hall must be obtained from the Referee. Failure to do so will result in players being scratched without notice.**
13. Signing of the entry form constitutes agreement by the Competitor, under the Data Protection Act 2018 and General Data Protection Regulation, to the storing of his or her name, and address, on a computer system for the sole use of this tournament.
14. In accordance with the agreement with Sport Wales, players should note that anti-doping tests may be undertaken during this Tournament
15. Doping – Doping control tests may take place. The UK Anti-Doping Rules apply to all participants of the sport, including Minors, and they make all participants subject to drug Testing. For the purposes of those rules, consent of a parent or guardian to the Testing of a Minor is deemed to follow automatically from the fact that the Minor has been permitted by their parent or guardian to participate in Table Tennis. Therefore, any Minors participating in the sport may be subject to drug Testing.
16. Retirement from competitions – all records relating to an athlete's retirement will be kept by Table Tennis Wales and shared with UKAD when requested.
17. All players are expected to umpire and will be refunded their player number fee after they have umpired or told by the referee they are not required. **Your £5 umpire fee will be returned to you in cash once you have exited the competition and the organisers table have confirmed no further umpiring duties are necessary. No refunds will be provided otherwise.**

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**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026**

|               |  |                                                                 |          |  |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--|
| Name          |  |                                                                 | Gender   |  |
| Address       |  |                                                                 |          |  |
| Post Code     |  | Contact Number                                                  |          |  |
| Date Of Birth |  | Membership Number<br>Country of Affiliation<br>TTE Compete Plus | Yes / No |  |
| Email Address |  |                                                                 |          |  |

A separate entry form must be completed in **BLOCK CAPITALS** by each competitor and returned to **Andrew Ryder** at [gwentttc@gmail.com](mailto:gwentttc@gmail.com)

| Date    | AM<br>PM   | Event Category<br>You can enter one morning and one afternoon event<br>(22/8/26) | Fee Per<br>Event | Player Cost |
|---------|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| 22/8/26 | AM         | 40's Individual                                                                  | £12.50           | £           |
| 22/8/26 | AM         | 60 Individual                                                                    | £12.50           | £           |
| 22/8/26 | PM         | 50's Individual                                                                  | £12.50           | £           |
| 22/8/26 | PM         | 70's+ Individual                                                                 | £12.50           | £           |
| 23/8/26 | All<br>Day | Banded Veterans Tournament                                                       | £25.00           | £           |
|         |            | Single Competition License (If Required)                                         | £5.00            | £           |
|         |            | TTW Ranking Levy Fee (Applies to each player)                                    | £2.00            | £2.00       |
|         |            | Enter 3 Events (2 Saturday & 1 Sunday) OR<br>Enter 2 Events (Either day)         | £-5.00<br>£-2.50 |             |
|         |            | <b>YOU CAN ONLY APPLY 1 DISCOUNT</b>                                             |                  |             |
| Signed: |            |                                                                                  | Total Fee        | £           |

**Payment Details: Gwent Table Tennis Club**  
**Sort Code: 20-60-58 Account No: 80662798**

**Transfer fund direct to Barclays Bank**  
**Player Reference : Gwent Open + Player Name**

Payment can be made by cheque to Gwent Table Tennis Club. Please ensure you email your entry form to secure your place.

No entry will be accepted unless the following undertaking is signed :-

- I Undertake:
1. To observe the regulations of the tournament
  2. To abide by the decisions of the Referee
  3. To fulfil the schedule of play as arranged for me unless prevented by circumstances beyond my control and accepted by the referee.

I agree to the storing of my name, address and DOB on a computer for the sole use of this tournament