

TOUCH Tournament in PARIS

10th May 2008

The venue

The town of Gif sur Yvette is providing facilities and grounds for this event.

To find more about Gif, please go to this link:

http://www.mairie-gif.fr/rubrique.php?id_rubrique=26

The tournament is held in the GIF town centre (Parc omnisport Michel Pelchat).

There will be changing rooms, showers, bar, grand stand.

Games, meals and gymnasium accommodation are all in the same place.

A picnic area will be available with BBQ, tables...

All day, a local organisation will be selling food and drinks. So, if you are hungry, please support them by spending at their stall.

Transport

By train.

Station RER B GIF sur Yvette

From Airport Charles de Gaulle: RER B towards Saint REMY LES CHEVREUSES.

From Airport ORLY : Get the shuttle to Anthony then the RER B towards St REMY LES CHEVREUSES.

From Airport BEAUVAIS : Get the shuttle to Porte Maillot, then the metro to Chatelet or St Michel, then RER B towards St REMY LES CHEVREUSES

Anywhere in Paris... get the RER B: train every 20mn from PARIS going to St Remy Les Chevreuses.

To find more, go to this link.

<http://www.ratp.com/>

You get off at GIF and the field is 5 mn walking distance (follow the river and go towards the Grand stand (there will be signs everywhere).

It takes around 50mn to go from Paris Châtelet to GIF sur Yvette by train.

By car

<http://www.viamichelin.co.uk/viamichelin/gbr/dyn/controller/Maps#locid=32NDMwZjg1OTExOTAxMGNORGd1TnpBeU16TT1jTWk0eE16VXINZz09>

“ORLEANS ‘ BORDEAUX” is the main direction to follow when you reach Paris . Then you will see “SACLAY”... the best is to look on your map or to use your GPS ☺

and ring us if you are lost! +33 6 18 43 32 90 (Erick) or +33 6 03 80 48 79 (Linda)

THIS IS A FUN TOURNAMENT... COME AND ENJOY IT !

Thanks to all volunteers from TR91, Touch Ile de France, la section Foot de GIF, and to our sponsors (la Mairie de GIF sur Yvette, le Conseil Général de l'Essonne, la Société Générale, Intermarché...)

The programme

Friday evening:

From 5pm, a BBQ will be prepared by TR91 and the bar will be open.

Private cars or taxis will be available from GIF to the Novotel Saclay .

The Scottish Touch Association with Touch France is running a level 1 referee course on 9 May, starting at 18:30, finishing at 21:30... please send an email to peterfaassen@btinternet.com asap if you are interested.

Saturday morning:

Everybody has to be at GIF at 9 am.

There is a big second hand market the same day at Gif. So if you have a car, the best is to park at the courtyard behind the post office of GIF, close to the grounds.

There will be a presentation of the grounds and the facilities, and there will be a meeting with all referees and captains of the day for a quick talk on rules and the spirit of the tournament.

<h3>First games at 10 am...</h3>

GAMES:

Games are scheduled for 10am to 6 pm

There will be 4 times 20 mn round robin games with one real 2 x 20 mn Final game **for ALL teams** (draws are attached... some alterations may be made by the organizer before the tournament starts).

The timetable doesn't allow to much delay between games, therefore, for the comfort of everyone, each Captain will make sure his team is punctual.

A specific software program is used during the tournament. However, results will be display on a board all day.

REFEREES:

There will be at least two referees per game for the Mixed competition.

Some official referees are Level 2 to 4. Each team is providing additional referees (2 per team), to insure great, fast and well directed games.

Chris Wheeler and Sebastien Chassende will be the Tournament Directors of Referees.

Any referee needing coaching during the tournament is invited to contact Chris before the competition. Please bring along your ref uniform and whistle (from your Touch Assoc).

RULES:

FIT playing rules of Touch will apply except:

- Each team will consist up to a maximum of 12 players at the beginning of each game.
- There will be only one changing box per field for both teams (except for the finals)
- Game duration is 2 times 10 mn (no break at half time).
- Mixed teams will play six games of 20 mn (including round robin and finales)
- Over 35 will play four games of 20 mn and 2 x 20mn for the grand final
- Drop off procedure will apply during the finales.

FIELDS:

Fields are few meters shorter and grounds will be only with grass.

However, all finales with prizes will be play on a normal touch ground (50 x 70).

Fields are close to one another; every team will get a personalized draw before the competition to make sure the captain is on the field 5mn before the beginning of the game to meet with the official referee.

PLAYERS:

Players must wear shirts with numbers. Teams will have up to 12 players at the beginning of the game. Extra players who will not play during a game will remain distant from the field and will wear a top to avoid confusion for the opposite team.

This is a fun tournament. We expect everyone to respect Referees, opponents, spectators and to enjoy his day.

Saturday lunch time:

Water bottle will be supplied free of charge once at the beginning of the tournament. Free drinkable water will be available from tapes around the fields.

BBQ and sandwiches will be available from 11 to 3 pm. Lunch will be free for referees.

* *On Saturday, each Captain will receive bottles of water and an envelope with coupons for their team mates:*

- *one coupon for dessert and fruit*
- *one coupon "diner" for the evening meal (cocktail and full dinner)*

Saturday evening:

7pm: Cocktail and prize giving (included in the registration fee)

8pm: Dinner and dance (included in the registration fee)

Saturday night:

After midnight, those who want to visit Paris by night can travel by the metro.

All night, every hour, RATP buses are available between Paris and Gif.

Friday night, Captains will have extra information on the tournament, including a taxi number to call during the night (pick up at the Gif station and drop off at the Novotel - special fare has been arranged with the taxi company). Forget Linda and Erick's phone number ☺ !

Sunday morning:

Each year, everybody meet around 12am in PARIS, champ de Mars (under the Eiffel Tower)... to have some fun and game on the park. Great atmosphere when the weather is good!!! And it will be good this year!

Reminders

Registration Fees include:

- ✓ Accommodation in a gymnasium (bring your sleeping bag)
- ✓ Prize giving function and dinner
- ✓ Case of 12 bottles of great French wine for every team winning their final (Cup, bowl and plate)
- ✓ A gift for each registered player

It doesn't include:

- ✓ Drinks (a bar will be open from 11am till late the night)
- ✓ BBQ Friday night (BBQ available from 7pm to 11pm at Gif for few €)
- ✓ Transport
- ✓ Other type of accommodation

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