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Dear Player

**EUROPEAN TOUR 2012/2013
ENTRY PACK FOR THE ANTWERP OPEN – ANTWERP, BELGIUM (ET 3)**

**Closing Date:
Tuesday, 28 August 2012 (12.00 noon)**

This entry pack outlines the event specific information for The Antwerp Open – **Antwerp, Belgium (ET3)**. This entry pack should be read in conjunction with the Tour Players Pre Season letter dated 11 May 2012.

Entry Criteria

The Antwerp Open is open to all 2012/13 Tour players and amateur players. All players entering this event who have not already done so will be required to sign the WSL Players Contract.

Dates/Venue

| | Event Dates | | Venue |
|-----|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Amateur Pre Qualifier* | Last 128 (Tour Players) | |
| ET3 | 18 October 2012 | 19-21 October 2012 | Lotto Arena, Antwerp, Belgium |

* amateur pre-qualifying day(s) are subject to the number of entries.

Online Entry System

Entries will only be accepted via the online entry system. No entries will be accepted by email, post or fax and no entries will be accepted after the closing date above.

Entry Fees:

The entry fee is £100 per event (non refundable) payable via the online entry system.

Prize Money

The breakdown is shown below:

| | NUMBER | INDIVIDUAL PRIZE Euros | ROUND TOTAL Euros |
|-------------------------|--------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Winner | 1 | €12,000 | €12,000 |
| Runner-Up | 1 | €6,000 | €6,000 |
| Losing semi-finalist | 2 | €3,000 | €6,000 |
| Losing quarter-finalist | 4 | €2,000 | €8,000 |
| Last 16 | 8 | €1,250 | €10,000 |
| Last 32 | 16 | €750 | €12,000 |
| Last 64 | 32 | €500 | €16,000 |
| Total prize fund | | | €70,000 |

Please note, WSL will be deducting the WPBSA levy of 2.5% on all prize money.

Prize money for all rounds of The Antwerp Open will be paid by World Snooker as per the euro breakdown above. The equivalent amount of euros will be paid in sterling after deduction of any local withholding tax as applicable.

Please ensure that you have completed and returned a bank nomination form to enable payment to be made.

European Tour

The Antwerp Open is a European Tour 2012/2013 event.

Round Structure and Seedings

The event will consist of 128 players.

If the number of amateur entries exceeds the number of places available, then an amateur pre-qualifier will be played prior to the main event to complete the field of 128.

In the event that 128 entries are not received the highest seeded players will receive a bye into the last 64 round.

All matches will be the best of 7 frames.

There will be 64 seeded players according to the PTC Order of Merit after the Paul Hunter Classic (ET1).

The 64 un-seeded players shall be made up of:

- All remaining Tour Players not in the Top 64 on the respective PTC Order of Merit
- The respective number of qualifiers from the pre-qualifying tournament (if required).

Ranking Points

Tour players competing in The Antwerp Open will receive world ranking points from the Last 64 round and all points earned count towards the Official World Ranking List.

| Last 64 | Last 32 | Last 16 | QF | SF | R/U | Winner |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|
| 360 | 560 | 760 | 1000 | 1280 | 1600 | 2000 |

PTC Order of Merit

The prize money won by all participating players shall be counted toward the PTC Order of Merit.

Amateur Order of Merit

At each of the European PTC tournaments to be staged in Furth (ET 1), Antwerp (ET 3), Bulgaria (ET 4), and Ravenscraig (ET 5) there will be an additional event for amateur players ONLY! These events will form the European amateur order of merit with points awarded per round. Upon completion of the European Qualifying Tour, the 4 winners together with 8 players from the Amateur order of merit will go into a 12 man play off. The 12 man play off will be used to qualify 3 players to compete on the WSL main tour for season 2013/14.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Draw and Format

Each PTC draw will be conducted by WSL and posted on www.worldsnooker.com as soon as possible after the closing date and seeding cut off.

Eurosport

We are pleased to advise that Eurosport will be broadcasting coverage of 1 match table from the Last 128 stage of this event.

Dress Code/Logos

Evening dress, waistcoat and bow tie should be worn whilst playing unless otherwise communicated by WSL.

Players will be allowed to wear four logos. Two of the logos shall be retained by WSL for the European Tour Sponsor and the Local Event Sponsor. Players are entitled to sell their further two logos to non-conflicting sponsors in accordance with the Logo Code of Practice. In respect of this tournament no logo must conflict with the following excluded category:

- Bookmaker or online betting and gaming products including online casinos, poker rooms, sports betting and bingo.

Local legislation prohibits the advertising of tobacco products.

If you have any questions on The Antwerp Open or the European Tour events please contact WSL Operations in Bristol.

Finally, please remember the **closing date is the 28 AUGUST 2012 – 12 noon.**

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Freya Gooden".

Freya Gooden
Head of Operations