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PING PONG

Pinging straight into 2014, the World Championship of Ping Pong takes place on the 4th and 5th of January at Alexandra Palace, London, featuring some of the biggest names in Wiff-Waff

Using traditional sandpaper rackets, the World Championship of Ping Pong is a throwback to the early days of table tennis and is catapulting ping pong into the big league and onto the international television stage. Live on Sky Sports in the UK, 64 of the world's best players will take part in the two-day tournament with a substantial prize fund and tickets are on sale now at SeeTickets.com.

Hailed as “the future of ping pong”, T3 Triples Ping Pong have announced that the old school Sandpaper bats will be their official bat and they will be there to provide an interactive element to the day, as spectators and pro players will have the chance to try out this revolutionary new sport; just sign up on the day as a team or individual for a FREE chance to try out the table!

The tournament takes place over four sessions, with a double elimination group stage featuring eight groups played out on eight tables on the Saturday afternoon before the last 32 enter a knockout stage played across two tables in the evening. On Sunday morning the last 16 will be whittled down to eight quarter-finalists, who will proceed to the evening session to battle it out for the 2014 World Championship of Ping Pong crown.

The tournament will feature some of the most well known names in ping pong and a diverse range of ages, genders and nationalities.

Adoni Maropis and Kit Jeerapaet will represent America this year after winning their spots through US Qualifying.

Maropis won the hardbat class at the 2011 US Championship and is also an actor based in California. His major roles include parts in Mortal Kombat: Conquest, 24 and Command & Conquer: Tiberian Sun. He has also appeared in blockbuster films such as The Scorpion King and Troy.

The pair join the list of players confirmed for the 2014 World Championship of Ping Pong, which includes Lupulesku who gained automatic qualification for the event as a 2013 quarter-finalist, and Ryan Jenkins the Welsh number one who is one to watch!

The T3 table will be situated in the main event entrance hall (Palm Court); you won't be able to miss it! If you want to know more about T3 Triples Ping Pong, or want to book an early bird spot on the table for free, then please contact Hannah James, before the 3rd January 2014 via kath@t3pingpong.com or call 020 7404 9594.

Three-a-side compete in two teams around a circular table. The table's unusual design and specially constructed nets are the foundations of a game which can be fast and fierce. Triples ping pong allows players a far greater range of shot directions, exciting angles and longer

spectacular rallies. The table can even accommodate 12 players if required (3-a-side with one ball in play or 6-a-side with two different coloured balls in play).

