

GENERAL DETAILS

31st BRAND'S Thailand International Crossword Game King's Cup 2016

Date

June 30th - July 3rd, 2016

New Venue

Central Plaza Westgate



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Division

International Open Division, open to all.

Prizes

- **Champion: HM King's Cup + USD 10,000 + Gift Set**
- 2nd place: 110,000 Baht + Gift set
- 3rd place: 50,000 Baht + Gift set
- 4th place: 25,000 Baht + Gift set
- 5th place: 10,000 Baht + Gift set
- 6th place: 7,000 Baht + Gift set
- 7th place: 5,000 Baht + Gift set
- 8th place: 4,000 Baht + Gift set
- 9th place: 3,000 Baht + Gift set
- 10th place: 2,000 Baht + Gift set

Bonus Prizes

Each player (**except the winner, 2nd and 3rd place finishers**) will receive 50 Baht for every winning game on June 30th – July 3rd, 2016.

This means that everyone has a chance to win prize money.

Senior Championship Prizes (age 55 and over; must be born 31st December 1961 or earlier)

Senior players who identify themselves as age 55 (**except the winner, 2nd and 3rd place finishers**) will be eligible to win Senior Prizes:

1st: 10,000 Bht+trophy # 2nd: 5,000 Bht+ trophy # 3rd: 3,000 Bht+ trophy

Please show your passport or ID card upon arrival at the venue.

Team Unity Prizes

We will divide players into five groups according to recent rankings. Each player may then choose their own team of five players: one player from each of the other four teams, plus themselves. At the end of the tournament, team scores will be computed, combining the individual results of each team's members. The player whose team scores the highest will be the winner of the prize. There will be 3 prizes, first prize of 5,000 BHT, 2,000 BHT for the 2nd place and 1,000 BHT for the 3rd place.

Handicap Result Prizes

Each player will be given special game points based upon their rating and their results in previous tournaments. Players with a higher rating will get fewer special game points than those who are rated lower. The player who finishes 29 rounds with the highest total number of final game points plus special game points will be awarded the '**Handicap Result Winner Prize**' as following (Except the winner, the 2nd - 3th place finishers of the regular tournament system are not eligible for Handicap Result Prizes):

- **Winner : trophy + 10,000 Baht + Gift set**
- 2nd place-getter : 5,000 Baht + Gift set
- 3rd place-getter : 3,000 Baht + Gift set
- 4th place-getter : 2,000 Baht + Gift set
- 5th place-getter : 1,000 Baht + Gift set

Prize Notes

- The above prizes will be awarded only to the players who have played all 29 rounds completely.
- The prizes will be awarded at the end of the tournament.
- Players whose total winnings exceed 1,000 Baht are subject to a 5% withholding tax.

Entry Fee

- USD 180 for those who have applied and paid in on/before April 30th
- USD 200 for those who have applied and paid in between May 1st - 31st
- USD 220 for those who have applied and paid in between June 1st - 15th

Remark: entry fee can be paid via paypal now to info@thaicrossword.com

Words Source

Lexicon: CSW 2015. A list of all 2 and 3-letter words and their inflected forms provided for each player to look at during the game.

Challenge Rule

Free challenge: a player does not lose his or her turn when he or she challenges an acceptable word(s).

Self-checking method: a player and his or her opponent will look up the challenged word(s) at the provided computers.

Game Timing

Each player is allowed 25 MINUTES per game.

Maximum Difference

In each game, a player is allowed to win or lose not more than a maximum point spread of +/- 350. If a player wins or loses by more than the maximum point spread of +/- 350, he or she should record on the Master score card and tally sheet only +/- 350 point spread.

Format

- 29 games in total.
- Game 1–25 will be based on the Swiss pairing system (same as 2015).
- 26–29 will be based on the King-of-the-Hill pairing system. Then after game 29, the top two players play the final.
- The two finalists will play the final with special rules: they have to play at least two games. If one of them wins both games, then that player is the winner. But if they tie with a win and a loss each, regardless of spread, a third game will be played. The winner, in this case, is the one who scores the most points when the scores from all three games are combined.

Remark: The Gibson rule will be applied, in case there is a player who has won enough games to guarantee a seat in the finals, no matter how many games he or she loses thereafter.

Reception dinner & coffee break

We will provide a reception dinner to all international open players on Friday night and coffee breaks on June 30th - July 1st in the afternoon. Additional guests are welcome, and pay only USD30 to join the reception dinner and coffee breaks.

Concise Schedule: at Central Plaza Westgate

Thursday, June 30th, 11.00 – 19.00, 1st floor
Rounds 1–8

Friday, July 1st, 10.00 – 18.00, 1st floor
Rounds 9–16
19.00 Reception dinner

Saturday, July 2nd, 09.00 – 19.00, Westgate Hall, 4th floor,
Rounds 17 - 18
Grand Opening Ceremony
Rounds 19 - 24

Sunday, July 3rd, 09.00–19.00, Westgate Hall, 4th floor
Round 25 - 29 / Final Round / Closing Ceremony

For Application and Inquiry, contact

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How to apply

Please email us at info@thaicrossword.com with the following information, and attach a recent 1-inch photograph.

- Full Name: _____ Age: _____
- Nationality: _____ Occupation: _____
- Address: _____
- Telephone Number: (please indicate your city's code)
- Email: _____
- Past records in any tournament:
- **A copied of paypal's payment slip/photo must be sent to info@thaicrossword.com for our checking and reference.**

About the venue (สนามแข่งขัน)



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Recommended Hotels in range:

1. Westgate Residence Hotel (WR): 4 stars, approximately US\$40 per night
(4.5 km. to Central Plaza Westgate)
+662-924-7710

<http://www.westgate-residence.com/>

2. Bang Yai Charoen Numchoke Apartment: 2 stars, approximately US\$15 per night
(1.5 km. to Central Plaza Westgate)
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<http://bangyaicharoennumchokeapartment.yellowpages.co.th/>

Here are some messages from the top players:



Jason Broersma

- I can't wait to come back to this tournament in a few years. Like Sue Tremblay pointed out, this should be on every Scrabble player's list to attend at least once in their lifetime. To experience the thrill.. to try to be the champion of Crossword Game!



Karen Richards

- it is a "must go" event for me, probably the best in the world, certainly the biggest. Standard of competition in the international division (called "Elite") is world-class, with World Champions always included.



Dianne Ward

- The King's Cup Tournament is an amazing and exciting event and every Scrabble player should have it on their list of tournaments to attend at least once. No matter what your level of skill, there is a place for you. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet and play against other Scrabblers from around the world.