2026 PABS PAN AM CUP & VIMY RIDGE CLASSIC

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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Host city:	Winnipeg, Canada	
Dates:	PABSA Pan Am Cup: 27th – 31st August 2026	(level 5 World Ranking Event)
	Vimy Ridge Classic: 24th to 26th August 2026	(level 3 World Ranking Event)
Host Associations:	Winnipeg Veterans English Billiards League	
	Pan American Billiards and Snooker Association	

CONTACTS

World Billiards Enquiries: events@world-billiards.com
Venue: (204) 837-6708
Tournament Director: Steve Cowie ESM: Facebook Messenger

VENUE INFORMATION

Venue address:	ANAF 283 - 3584 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba
No. of match tables:	4
Tables:	4 Brunswick Silver Anniversary
Cloth:	New Strachan 6811 30 oz
Balls:	Aramith Tournament Champion Pro-Cup
Air Conditioning:	Yes
Floor covering:	Carpet
Seating / spectators:	Yes

Second Venue: Some matches will be played at a second venue. Only local players will be scheduled to play at this venue.

CURRENCY

Local currency is Canadian Dollars.

ACCOMMODATION

Players to make their own accommodation arrangements.

These two hotels are about 10-minute walk to the club:

- Howard Johnson by Wyndham Winnipeg West at 3570 Portage Ave (Tel: +1 (204) 410-6943)
- Super 8 Winnipeg West at 3760 Portage Ave (Tel: +1 (204) 480-8964).

This hotel about a 10-minute Uber ride to the venue:

- Birchwood Inn, BW Premier Collection at 2520 Portage Ave (Tel: +1 (204) 885-4478).

TRAVEL

Nearest airport:	Winnipeg Airport An Uber ride will be about $10 to 15 Canadian. WVEBL will attempt to arrange airport pickups if possible.

VISAS

Players should make their own enquiries as to what is required for each nationality. Most players will require an ETA, which can be applied for online: https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada/eta.html

SEEDING FOR GROUP DRAW

Seeding for both events will be based on the WBL World Rankings as of the date entries close.

ENTRY FEES

The entry fee for the PABSA Pan Am Cup is GBP £80 per player. The entry fee for the Vimy Ridge Classic is GBP £60 per player. Once the events are opened for entries, players can enter on the WBL website https://world-billiards.com

PLAYER REFEREEING DUTIES

Players will be required to referee at least one group stage match in each event. Further volunteering will be much appreciated.

WITHDRAWALS

In the event of a withdrawal after the entry deadline there will be no refund of entry fees. Players withdrawing after the entry deadline without valid reason or not completing matches will be referred to the WPBSA disciplinary committee.

PLAYING FORMAT & STRUCTURE

The Vimy Ridge Classic playing format will be timed matches. Session times will depend on the number of entries but will have round robin groups followed by a knockout stage. Due to the number of tables, it will not be possible to run a Challenge Cup for this event.

The Pan Am Cup playing format will be timed matches for the group stage, and long-up for the knock-out stage (where matches are played to a defined number of points regardless of time).

PRACTICE

Practice will be available at the venue from 12.00 noon until 6.00 pm on the day before the Vimy Ridge Classic.

PRIZE MONEY

The total prize fund for the Pan Am Cup is broken down as follows:

Winner	£4000
Runner Up	£2000
Semi Finalists	£1000
Quarter Finalists	£500
Last 16	£200
High Break	£400
TOTAL	**£12,000**

The total prize fund for the Vimy Ridge Classic is broken down as follows:

Winner	£1000
Runner Up	£500
Semi Finalists	£250
Quarter Finalists	£125
Last 16	£75
High Break	£100
TOTAL	**£3,200**

A levy of 2.5% will be deducted at source from all prize money payments for WPBSA Governance. All prize money will be paid within 2 weeks of the completion of the tournament. Players with UK bank accounts will be paid by bank transfer; players without a UK bank account will be paid into their bank or PayPal account. For anyone who has neither, arrangements will be made – please speak to the Tournament Controller.

GOVERNANCE

Players entering any of the events associated with this World Matchplay Championship will be subject to World Billiards Limited's Terms and Conditions and WPBSA governance as detailed below.

- WBL Terms and Conditions
- WPBSA Conduct Regulations
- WPBSA Anti-Doping Rules
- WPBSA Child Protection Policy
- WPBSA Social Media Guidelines

Any breaches of these rules may be referred to the WPBSA disciplinary committee and reported to the National Governing Body of the player concerned. Where the behaviour of a player or official at an event breaches the tournament rules, the Tournament Controller may instruct the person to immediately vacate the premises and may advise the person when and if they might return. The Tournament Controller's decision will have immediate effect. In such circumstances the player will be referred to the WPBSA for consideration as to any disciplinary action.

In addition to the above – World Billiards Limited is a private company, and we have the right to reject entries from players who fail to adhere to the rules and codes of conduct.

PLAYING RULES

All events will be played to the rules of English Billiards as published by the WPBSA (which are available to download here). The Baulk-line Crossing Rule will be applied in the Pan Am Cup but not the Vimy Ridge Classic.

FURTHER INFORMATION

SCHEDULE

Sat	**1st**	**August**	**Final closing date for both events**
Mon	**24th**	**August**	**Vimy Ridge Classic (Group Stages)**
Tues	**25th**	**August**	**Vimy Ridge Classic (Group Stages)**
Wed	**26th**	**August**	**Vimy Ridge Classic (Knock-out stages)**
Thurs	**27th**	**August**	**Pan Am Cup (Group Stages)**
Fri	**28th**	**August**	**Pan Am Cup (Group Stages)**
Sat	**29th**	**August**	**Pan Am Cup (Group Stages and Last 16)**
Sun	**30th**	**August**	**Pan Am Cup (Quarters and Semis)**
Mon	**31st**	**August**	**Pan Am Cup (Final and Presentations)**

Schedule may be subject to change depending on entry numbers