Tom's Daily

Sat. 28 Apr, 2012 - Bruges

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL

First of all, the whole TT crew would like to welcome you all to this anniversary edition of Tom's Tourney. This is the 20th edition of the international ultimate Frisbee tournament, hosted in Bruges by FreezzzBeezzz. We wish you good luck, good games, good spirit, good weather, a good party, and a very enjoyable stay, in any order you would prefer.

This year again, an amazing bunch of teams subscribed for Tom's Tourney, wanting to participate in one of the most renown grass tournaments in Europe. Teams from Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Switzerland and the UK have come to participate in our jubilee edition.

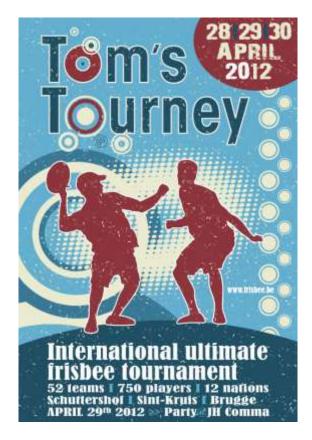
How to enjoy this edition to the utmost, Part 1: Saturday

There is so much to attend during the following three days, some information could come in handy.

At 18.40h, Vibration Old Stars from France and Ka-pow! from the UK will play a showcase game on field 1.

The first TT evening is traditionally Barbecue evening. No reason to change that, of course. Beer and meat, what else do you need? That's right, performance!

After the barbecue, Masters of the spirits 'Shake That' will provide you with a hilarious cocktail shaking show in the main tent. Make sure you don't miss that one.



GAMES TO WATCH

Not having to play yourself and wanting to see some games? Here are some games that might prove worthwhile:

16h, field 6, Open div. 1 : Chevron Action Flash, 3rd in EUCF playing fresh Belgian Champs Gentle Open.

17h, field 11, Ladies' div.: GB women, the UK national team competing against the French team Yaka, winners of TT 2007.

18.40h, as mentioned before: the showcase game on field 1.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR SATURDAY

Today will be gray, unfortunately, no sun to be seen. The rain might go away during the day. Keep yourselves warm and dry!



PLAY ULTIMATE, GET HORIZONTAL

Yes, you heard it right: Europe's finest online Ultimate magazine is here to offer you delightful insights on what's happening at the 20th edition of the legendary Tom's Tourney.

What started in 1992 as a small tourney with 9 teams on 3 fields grew out to be one of Europe's biggest, annual, grass tournaments as you can see around you.

The name is a tribute to Tom Vanryckeghem, who was one of the most talented players
FreezzzBeezzz ever had, but who unfortunately passed away in 1996 after a motorcycle accident. Play proud and spirited so his legend can keep living on in this wonderful tournament.

A tournament that has hosted many teams year after year and saw a lot of nice victories :

2011,2010 Cobra Kai (UK)

2009,2008,2007 CUSB La Fotta (IT)

2006 Cota Rica (IT)

2005 Ultimate Vibration (FR)

2004 Frueshport 0.4 (GER)

2003 Iznogood (FR)

2002,2001 Red Lights (NL)

2000 Iznogood (FR) + Dutch National Team

1999 Red Lights (NL)

1998 Violently Happy (UK)

1997 Tartarus (USA)

1996 Red Lights (NL)

1995 Fluid Druids (UK)

1994 Dutch National Team (NL)

1992 XLR8RS (BE)

MINI INTERVIEW:

Robin Brüderlin (FREESPEED)



Get Horizontal: 5^{th} time at TT. Second place in 2009&2010, third place in 2011, 7^{th} in 2006. What are the ambitions this year?

"Of course we want to get the job done this year and win the trophy! We already played the Skybowl in Switzerland two weeks ago, so I'd say we're ready for TT 2012.

We will be there with about 20 Players, so we'll be full force. We're missing one of our experienced handlers, but have three "new" players, who came from Freespeed Coed.

It's hard to tell who will be the biggest opponents since we don't know how strong the teams of the "big names" will be. But we always look forward to play the strong Brits. And of course we hope to play against the winner of the Belgian championships Gentle :-) "

Get Horizontal: What makes Freespeed come back to TT year after year? What do you like most about TT? About Bruges/Belgium?

"I like that Tom's Tourney is a tournament where you know what you'll get. It's well organized and has all the stuff a good tournament needs to have (and even more!). And since there are strong teams, it is a very good preparation for us for the EUCS in fall. We like the way everything just works at this tournament and the way that problems are solved and teams are treated!"

Keep an eye out for tomorrow's edition of 'Tom's Daily'! Available at & around the bar. Keep on reading, but more importantly enjoy Tom's Tourney 2012!

