



Pouring Rain Open, Bergen

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We are pleased to announce the fourth Pouring Rain Open, the first and biggest NAF-sanctioned tournament in Norway! This is the player pack, which contains all the information you require to compete at the Pouring Rain Open. Tournament rules and other details can all be found in this document. We hope your entire experience with the Pouring Rain Open is both enjoyable and successful.

Welcome to Bergen - Norway

Bergen is a city on the west coast of Norway. Bergen is an international city packed with history and tradition, a big city with small-town charm and atmosphere.

<https://www.visitbergen.com/>

What to bring

You need to bring two printed copies of your roster, your dice and your team.

Your team must be painted and all models must be clearly recognizable to your opponent. All skills must be clearly noted on your team roster before the tournament starts and all positions and all skills must be written in English to avoid language confusion. A roster must be emailed to the organizers prior to the event.

The organizers will provide pitches.

The venue

The venue is located in the City Centre in Bergen at [Klosteret 2](#), "Nordnes bydelshus."

The cost

300 NOK for NAF members or for new NAF members (membership included!).

Current members can renew their membership at the standard NAF cost (at the time of writing this is 50NOK).

Give aways from the NAF to new and renewing members will be available at the tournament.

Paypal sj_norway@hotmail.com with your name, your e-mail, NAF Name and Number (if you are a member) marking payment as Pouring Rain Open. Please use the "Send a gift" option so that we don't lose out on fees. You could also use Vipps to: 40531266 (Stephen Smith)

Getting there

You can travel there by car, bus, train or plane. Should you be coming from abroad the most comfortable and easiest means of travel will most likely be to go by plane.

The airport is called "Bergen Airport Flesland" and is located approximately 20 kilometres from the city centre. There is light rail to the city centre that leaves from just outside the exit from the airport every five/ten minutes.

The train station in Bergen is in the city centre. There is a direct route from Oslo to Bergen which is famous for the nice scenery across the Hardangervidda plateau at over 1.000 metres above sea level. See www.nsb.no for time tables and prices.

If you need help/tips on travel arrangements contact us and we will assist as best we can.

Getting home

We will finish shortly after 17:15 on Sunday so that people have time to get home. The venue is a 30 minute cab ride from the airport and we will help you out if you are in a hurry. Here are some direct flights that might be helpful, and we will make sure we finish in time for:

Stockholm: SAS 19:40

Copenhagen: Norwegian: 20:05, SAS 21:05

London: Norwegian 19:10

Berlin: Norwegian 19:10

Trondheim: SAS 19:50 and 22:30

Oslo: Plenty of evening options.

Accommodation

Travellers wishing to stay with a local coach let us know and we will do our best to accommodate you for the Weekend.

Other recommended options:

Hotel within five minutes walking distance from the venue:

Thon Hotel Bristol Bergen:

<http://www.thonhotels.no/hoteller/land/norge/bergen/thon-hotel-bristol-bergen/>

Another hotel just across the street of the venue: <http://klosterhagenhotell.no/>

This apartment also across the street for the venue is another excellent option:

<http://www.klosteret5.com/no/>

For more options

Anywhere in the City Centre will do. <http://www.visitbergen.com/en/WHERE-TO-STAY/>

Tournament Rules

The Players

Please keep in mind that the purpose of this event is that people have fun playing their favorite game. We encourage all to contribute to a friendly environment where everyone can enjoy both their games and the time spent in between rounds with their peers.

The tournament organizers will do their best to ensure that the tournament runs smoothly and everything is provided to enable the players to get as much enjoyment as possible from the event, and likewise the players should do their utmost to hold up their end of the bargain.

Most important of all, enjoy yourself!

Basic Rules

Pouring Rain Open is played with the Competition Rules Pack with the NAF tournament changes in line with Blood Bowl 2016, Death Zone 1 & 2. All 26 rosters (including Slann, Bretonnians and Khorne Deamons are allowed). BB2016 rules are included as per advised by The NAF here: <https://www.thenaf.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/NAF-Rules-Update-v1-3.pdf>

We play according to the resurrection style of play. All coaches start each game with the same roster and skills they registered before the tournament. Illegal procedures will not be called throughout the tournament. There will be a stunty cup for Ogres, Goblins, Halflings and Underworld with no Skaven.

Pouring Rain special rule

To reflect Bergen's reputation as one of the wettest places in Europe, the tournament will have its own weather table. On a roll of 4 to 10 the weather is nice (lucky you!), all other results mean the rain is pouring down.

Team building

Each coach builds their team with a treasury consisting of 1,100,000 gold crowns. No skills may be purchased with this cash.

Inducements

No inducements are available to any teams with the following exceptions: Goblins may buy 0-3 bribes and Halflings may buy 0-1 master chef. Tier 3 teams may hire Star Players.

Starting skills

All skills will be chosen before the tournament and will stay the same for all matches throughout the tournament. See the tier chart below for information on how many and which type of skills your selected team can choose. These skills are free, you do not need to use gold crowns from your treasury to add them. No player can receive more than one additional skill. Star Players may not get additional skills.

Tier 1

These are the best teams. They get 6 normal skills

Wood Elf, Undead, Lizardmen, Skaven, Dwarf, Chaos Dwarf, Orcs, Dark Elf, Norse, Amazon, Bretonnian.

Tier 2

Tier 2 teams can be pretty good, but does not perform as well as tier1 teams. Therefore they get - 7 normal skills and 1 double skill to close the gap.

Chaos, Chaos Pact, Human, Khemri, Slann, Necromantic, High Elf, Elf, Nurgle, Khorne Deamons, Underworld, Vampire

Tier 3

Tier3 teams are hard to play, and are simply not as good as the others. They get 6 normal skills and 2 double skills, but it will still be an uphill climb for them.

Halfling, Goblin, Ogre

Keeping up with time

The 4 minute turn limit will not be specifically enforced throughout the tournament. There is however a time limit for each game according to the schedule below. If a tournament official believes that a game will not be completed within the allotted time with 1 hour remaining, the players will share the time left using a chess clock/app. Any player may request to use a chess clock and share the remaining time at any time.

Fair play

All players must allow their opponents to share their dice if requested to do so. We recommend you decide with your opponent what constitutes a cocked dice before kick off.

Draw and Scoring

Draw for Round 1 will be random.

Draw for subsequent rounds will use the so-called "swiss" system, where opponents with equal amounts of tournament points will be paired against each other.

Tournament Scoring

Points for the games will be awarded accordingly:

5 points for a win

2 points for a draw

0 points for a loss

Toughness of schedule will be used in the event of a tiebreaker situation followed by Touchdown differential, followed by casualties inflicted, followed by dice-off.

Prizes

Trophies/prizes will be awarded for the following:

Pouring Rain Open Winner

Pouring Rain Open Runner Up

Pouring Rain Open 3rd Place

Most Touchdowns

Most Casualties

Best Defense

Best Stunty Team

Wooden Spoon

We will also have a team to give away to a lucky Raffle winner at the Pouring Rain Open.

Schedule

Saturday

9-00 Registration

9-30 Game 1

12-00 to 13-00 Lunch

13-00 Game 2

15-30 Game 3

18-00 Dinner

19-00 Onwards social at the venue

23-00 Venue close

Sunday

9-15 Venue open

9-30 Game 4

11.30 to 12-30 Lunch

12-30 Game 5

14-45 Deep Breath

15-00 Game 6

17-15 Game 6 finish

17-20 Award Ceremony

Final Word

As mentioned at the start we hope everybody has fun during our tournament. If you have any further questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact us. You can contact us via PM on this site or email Stephen (zulu) at sj_norway@hotmail.com.