

Rotary Club of Miramichi Poker Tournament

Event April 27<sup>th</sup> 2024

Official House Rules

**1)** The tournament will be a no-limit Texas Hold-Em freeze-out tournament (no Re-buy). Entry fee will be \$100. It will be open to a maximum of 150 players.

**2)** Issues not covered by these rules or the Charitable Texas Hold'em Poker Tournaments Guidelines as issued by the Province of new Brunswick will be resolved using Roberts Rules of order.

**3)** Each player will receive 10,000 in tournament chip value. The Blind schedule will be adjusted based on the number of registered players to result in an approximately 7-9 hour tournament. The blind schedule below is based on **150** players will be as follows: Levels will last 25 minutes with a 5 minute break every 3 levels with one or longer breaks at the tournament directors discretion. The final Blind schedule will be announced before the tournament.

| Level | Small Blind | Big Blind | Level | Small Blind | Big Blind |
|-------|-------------|-----------|-------|-------------|-----------|
| 1     | 25          | 50        | 17    | 5000        | 10000     |
| 2     | 50          | 100       | 18    | 7000        | 14000     |
| 3     | 100         | 200       | 19    | 10000       | 20000     |
| 4     | 200         | 400       | 20    | 15000       | 30000     |
| 5     | 300         | 600       | 21    | 20000       | 40000     |
| 6     | 400         | 800       | 22    | 25000       | 50000     |
| 7     | 500         | 1000      | 23    | 30000       | 60000     |
| 8     | 600         | 1200      | 24    | 40000       | 80000     |
| 9     | 800         | 1600      | 25    | 50000       | 100000    |
| 10    | 1000        | 2000      |       |             |           |
| 11    | 1200        | 2400      |       |             |           |
| 12    | 1500        | 3000      |       |             |           |
| 13    | 2000        | 4000      |       |             |           |
| 14    | 2500        | 5000      |       |             |           |
| 15    | 3000        | 6000      |       |             |           |
| 16    | 4000        | 8000      |       |             |           |

**Breakdown of chips to each player:**

**8 X Green (Value 25) 200**

**8 X Black (Value 100) 800**

**2 X Blue (Value 500) 1000**

**3 X Yellow (Value 1000) 3000**

**1 X Purple (Value 5000) 5000**

**Total 10000**

#### **4) Chips will be coloured up using the following procedure:**

The lowest denomination of chip in play will be removed from the table when it is no longer needed in the blind or ante structure. All lower-denomination chips that are of sufficient quantity for a new chip will be changed up directly. The method for removal of odd chips is to give the player a chip of the next lowest denomination in play.

#### **5) Poker Dealer Errors Will be handled in the following manner:**

If the first or second holecard dealt is exposed, a misdeal results. The dealer will retrieve the card, reshuffle, and recut the cards. If any other **holecard is exposed due to a dealer error**, the deal continues. The exposed card may not be kept. After completing the hand, the dealer replaces the card with the top card on the deck, and the exposed card is then used for the burncard. If more than one holecard is exposed, this is a misdeal and there must be a redeal.

If the flop needs to be redealt because the cards were prematurely flopped before the betting was complete, or the flop contained too many cards, the boardcards are mixed with the remainder of the deck. The burncard remains on the table. After shuffling, the dealer cuts the deck and deals a new flop without burning a card.

If the dealer fails to burn a card before the flop, turn or river, the card will be shown to all players and then discarded, the next card will take its place. [Note: Robert's Rules is silent on this issue]

If the dealer turns the fourth card on the board before the betting round is complete, the card is taken out of play for that round, even if subsequent players elect to fold. The betting is then completed. The dealer burns and turns what would have been the fifth card in the fourth card's place. After this round of betting, the dealer reshuffles the deck, including the card that was taken out of play, but not including the burncards or discards. The dealer then cuts the deck and turns the final card without burning a card. If the fifth card is turned up prematurely, the deck is reshuffled and dealt in the same manner.

#### **6) Poker Misdeals**

1. The following circumstances cause a misdeal, provided attention is called to the error before two players have acted on their hands. (If two players have acted in turn, the deal must be played to conclusion, as explained in rule #2)

- The first or second card of the hand has been dealt faceup or exposed through dealer error. Two or more cards have been exposed by the dealer.
- Two or more boxed cards (improperly faced cards) are found.
- Two or more extra cards have been dealt in the starting hands of a game.
- An incorrect number of cards has been dealt to a player, except the top card may be dealt if it goes to the player in proper sequence.
- Any card has been dealt out of the proper sequence (except an exposed card may be replaced by the burncard).
- The button was out of position.
- The first card was dealt to the wrong position.
- Cards have been dealt to an empty seat or a player not entitled to a hand.

- A player has been dealt out who is entitled to a hand. This player must be present at the table or have posted a blind or ante.
- In button games, action is considered to occur when two players after the blinds have acted on their hands. Once action occurs, a misdeal can no longer be declared. The hand will be played to conclusion and no money will be returned to any player whose hand is fouled.

### **7) Late Players**

Players who have committed their attendance to the Tournament Director(ticket holder) but have not arrived by the deal of the first hand will, at the Tournament Director's discretion, be assigned a seat, issued chips, and dealt hands. All appropriate blinds/antes on behalf of the absent player will be posted until the chips are gone. The absent player will win any money their stack earns. This also applies to any player who has to leave early,

### **8) Dead Button Rule**

If the big blind busts out and is not replaced by a player from another table, the button moves to the player who posted the small blind and the player to the left of the former big blind assumes the big blind. There is no small blind for that hand. On the following deal, the button moves to the now empty seat (the seat vacated by the eliminated big blind player) and the two players to the left post the normal blinds. This will result in the same player being the dealer two hands in a row. When the small blind busts out and is not replaced by a player from another table, the button does not move. The player who was the big blind will now post the small blind and the player to his left will post the big blind. This will result in the same player being the dealer two hands in a row.

### **9) The following rules apply to betting and raising.**

- Check raising is permitted
- Unlimited raising is allowed
- In an unraised pot, the minimum raise is equal to the big blind
- In a raised pot, the minimum reraise is equal to the previous raise
- Verbal statements are binding.
- Rapping the table with your hand indicates a check
- A player who bets or calls by releasing chips into the pot is bound by that action however the player may withdraw the chips and reconsider their action if they were unaware the pot has been raised. This is provided no one else has acted after them.
- String raises are not allowed.
- If a player puts a single chip in the pot larger than the bet but does not announce a raise, it is assumed the player has only called. The player must verbally declare a raise prior to putting the chip in the pot

### **10) Code of Conduct**

Tournament players are expected to behave in an ethical and respectable manner. Violating the following code of conduct is grounds for dismissal from the tournament. The following is not permitted:

- Collusion with another player or any other form of cheating
- Verbally or physically threatening another player

- Creating a disturbance by arguing, shouting or making excessive noise
- Throwing, tearing, bending or crumpling cards
- Destroying or defacing property

### **11) Poker Etiquette**

The following actions are improper and are grounds for warning, suspension or dismissal from the tournament.

- Deliberately acting out of turn
- Deliberately splashing chips in the pot
- Agreeing to check a hand out when a third player is all-in
- Reading a hand for another player before it is placed face up on the table
- Revealing the contents of a live hand in a multi-handed pot before the betting is complete
- Needlessly stalling the action of a game
- Making statements or taking action that could unfairly influence the course of play whether or not the offender is involved in the pot
- Using a cell phone at the table

### **12) Other Misc. rules:**

- The Tournament Director has the authority to remove any player, at any time, for any period.
- Keep your cards and chips on the poker table and in plain view. Keep your big chips out front.
- Never touch another player's cards or chips.
- Do not splash the pot.
- Do not bend or mark the cards.
- Only one player to a hand.
- Players who are all-in must reveal their hands when no further action is possible.
- The cards speak for themselves.
- Do not reveal your folded cards, either physically or verbally.
- Unless you suspect cheating, please do not ask to view a hand that has been called.
- Straddle bets are not permitted.
- Only the English language may be spoken at the table.
- Immediately inform the Tournament Director when a player has been eliminated.
- No side bets allowed on the poker action.
- Try not to encroach upon your neighbor's space
- Talk is permitted. Players not in the hand should refrain from influencing the play.
- Do not ask for deck changes.
- Players who are all-in must reveal their hands.
- Do not 'slow-roll'. Turn over your winning hand promptly.

13) Payouts:

As per NB Gov't regulations the total prize pool will be 60% of total entry fees paid. Prizes will be paid to the top 10% of finishers. (example 82 players 8 winners). Percentages will be approximately as shown below. Our sponsor will also be donating prizes in addition to cash prizes. Details on these prizes will be released at the tournament.

**PRIZE PAY OUT**

| <b>100 players</b>     | <b>\$6,000</b> | <b>200 Players</b>     | <b>\$9,000</b> |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 1 <sup>ST</sup> Place  | <b>\$2100</b>  | 1 <sup>ST</sup> Place  | <b>\$2775</b>  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place  | <b>\$1000</b>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place  | <b>\$1500</b>  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place  | <b>\$750</b>   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place  | <b>\$1000</b>  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$575</b>   | 4 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$825</b>   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$450</b>   | 5 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$650</b>   |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$350</b>   | 6 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$500</b>   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$250</b>   | 7 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$375</b>   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$200</b>   | 8 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$275</b>   |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$175</b>   | 9 <sup>th</sup> Place  | <b>\$200</b>   |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Place | <b>\$150</b>   | 10 <sup>th</sup> Place | <b>\$150</b>   |
|                        |                | 11 <sup>th</sup> Place | <b>\$150</b>   |
|                        |                | 12 <sup>th</sup> place | <b>\$150</b>   |
|                        |                | 13 <sup>th</sup> Place | <b>\$150</b>   |
|                        |                | 14 <sup>th</sup> Place | <b>\$150</b>   |

14) Donated prizes must be accepted as offered. No cash value no substitutions.