

Manuden (Essex) and Elsenham (Essex) Scrabble Tournament Weekend: 2x 1 day tournaments

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Dates	Manuden: Saturday 21st March 2026 Elsenham: Sunday 22nd March 2026
Venues	Saturday 21st March: Manuden Village Community Centre, David Collins Drive, Manuden, Essex CM23 1EH Sunday 22nd March: Elsenham Memorial Hall, Leigh Drive, Elsenham, Essex, CM22 6BY These two venues are approximately 5 miles (10 to 15 minute drive) apart.
Formats	7 games of rated Scrabble played to CSW24 and current WESPA rules on both days. Manuden: A Division (compulsory for 151+) rated is Open, with 5 point penalty challenge per word. All other divisions are free challenge. Elsenham: 36 player maximum. 3 divisions of 12 players. A division will once again play with 5 point penalty challenge per word.
Timings for both days	Registration from 09:15 to 09:45 Games 1-3: 10:00 to 12:45 LUNCH Games 4-6: 13:40 to 16:30 Game 7: 16:40 to 17:30 PRIZE GIVING at 17:45 18:00 Departure
Refreshments	Tea, coffee and biscuits available throughout each day. STELLA'S CAKES available after game 6 on both days. Bringing a packed lunch is strongly recommended. There is a Tesco express in Elsenham, but the nearest shop to the Manuden venue is a 5-10 minute drive away.
Cost	Manuden Only: £22 per player. Elsenham Only: £20 per player Combined Manuden and Elsenham: £37 per player Players aged under 16 will receive a 50% discount. Non-ABSP members should add an additional £2 if entering one tournament or an additional £3 if paying the combined rate.
Payment	Payment should be made by Bank Transfer to: Mr R P Mackenzie Sort Code 83-27-09 Account Number 18964313 Please put either MANUDEN, ELSENHAM or BOTH as your reference alongside your name. Or by Cheque to: Mr R Mackenzie, 39c Dumbarton Road, Stirling, FK8 2QJ Please confirm your entry by emailing James at burleyjames@hotmail.co.uk – If you are playing at Manuden, please state whether you wish to play in the Open Division. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ORGANISER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ENTRY.
ABSP	ABSP membership is just £12 for 2026, or £6 for those under 18 at the time of joining/renewing and can show proof. You will receive your newsletter by email. If you have an address in the United Kingdom, then you may also elect to receive your newsletter by post. The postal option for ABSP membership is £18 for 2026, or £9 for those under 18 at the time of joining/renewing and can show proof. Send your name, address and a cheque for the correct amount above, payable to 'ABSP' to our Membership Secretary: Nuala O'Rourke, 22 Kestrel Road, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6BU