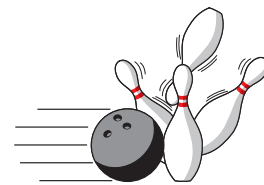


Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association



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NOTE DATES & USBC CARDS & NEW RULES
FROM LAST SEASON

Dear Captain,

Enclosed you will find an Entry Blank which is your invitation to enter your Annual Association Championship Handicap Tournament. The Team Event starts February 18, 2012 at Baden Bowl in New Baden, Illinois. YOU MAY BOWL TEAM EVENT AS OFTEN AS YOU DESIRE. The Singles and Doubles Event starts February 25, 2012 at Hi Top Bowl in Highland, Illinois. YOU MAY BOWL SINGLES AND DOUBLES EVENTS AS OFTEN AS YOU DESIRE — **NO SINGLES ONLY - NO DOUBLES ONLY.**

Please read the rules on the back of this letter. I want to especially call your attention to the rules governing the average you must use during this tournament. **SUMMER LEAGUE AVERAGES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS TOURNAMENT UNLESS YOU DO NOT HAVE A QUALIFYING WINTER LEAGUE AVERAGE. THIS YEAR'S TOURNAMENT WILL USE LAST SEASON'S (2010-2011) HIGHEST UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS (USBC) WINTER LEAGUE AVERAGE WITH A MINIMUM OF 21 GAMES. (You can find your highest USBC winter league average at www.bowl.com. Click on Find a Member on the upper right corner on the home page, search for your name, click on Leagues/Averages, and find your highest winter league average with 21 games from 2010-11.) IF YOU DID NOT HAVE A 21 GAME AVERAGE LAST SEASON, YOU MUST USE YOUR HIGHEST USBC AVERAGE - WITH 21 GAMES OR MORE - AS OF JANUARY 1, 2012. ALL OTHERS BOWL SCRATCH.**

A large entry is expected again this year. Get your entry in early to get your desired date and time. All entry blanks and correspondence should be sent to the Assistant Association Manager, Harold Rutz. His address is 2116 Salmon Drive, Highland, IL 62249. You may also reserve a date and time by calling Harold at 654-7838.

A copy of the preliminary schedule should be in the bowling centers by January 28, 2012. If you have a problem with a date and/or time you are scheduled to bowl, call Harold Rutz at 654-7838 by February 8, 2012. The official schedule will be printed at that time, and there will be **ABSOLUTELY NO RESCHEDULING** of dates after the tournament schedule is printed.

Again this year we will be offering scratch events for Singles, Doubles, Team and All Events as well as Handicap All Events. The entry fee for these events is included in your regular entry fee. You can only cash in one division - Handicap or Scratch - for each event - Singles, Doubles, Team and All Events - depending upon which pays more.

New this year is the opportunity for you to reenter the tournament after you have already bowled. Any team (at least three original members) or double (at least one original member) has the opportunity to reenter the tournament after their original scheduled time slot. Reentering will be allowed based on availability. There is no late fee to reenter the tournament. USBC Rule 315 does apply.

You will also be able to bowl Singles and Doubles as often as you desire. **NO SINGLES ONLY, NO DOUBLES ONLY.**

Again this year, a total of \$600.00 is set aside for 300 games - \$300.00 maximum for a 300 game. If there are more than two 300 games, the money will be divided equally. A bowler may qualify for only one 300 game prize no matter how many 300 games he/she bowls during the tournament. The bowlers with the highest scores in team, singles, and doubles - handicap and scratch - will also receive their choice of jackets or polo shirts.

Further details in regard to the tournament are available from your Bowling Center Manager, your League Secretary, or any of the Association's elected officers listed below. If you have never entered this tournament before, please do so. It's your tournament. Let's keep it among the largest in the State of Illinois.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the GCBA Tournament, please do not hesitate to contact Tim Rutz at 618-654-9840 or trutz1@charter.net

Be sure all entries are postmarked on or before Sunday, January 22, 2012. However, if for some reason you are not able to enter the tournament before January 22, 2012, you may enter between January 22, 2012 and February 8, 2012 by paying a late entry fee of \$10.00 per entry form.

Sincerely,
TIM RUTZ
Association Manager

2011-2012 ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

President - Leroy Freund, Hoffman
1st Vice-President - Darrell Rinderer, Highland
2nd Vice-President - Dave Wirz, Highland
Association Manager - Tim Rutz, Highland
Ass't. Association Manager - Harold Rutz, Highland

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1-Scott Feist, Baden Bowl, New Baden
2-Al Profancik, Jr., Banks Bowl, Centralia
3-Mike Gebke, Bartelso Bowl, Bartelso
4-Jeff Voss, Grantfork Bowl, Grantfork
5-Tom Whalen, 4th Street Lanes, Greenville
6-John Becker, Hanks Bowl, Trenton
7-Roscoe Ammann, Hi Top Bowl, Highland
8-Danny Schremp, Community Lanes, Mascoutah
10-Robert Stocker, Poplar Junction, Highland
11-Richard Clark, Salem Bowl, Salem
12-NONE, Community Hall, St. Jacob
13-Ron Maue, Ten Pin Bowl, Carlyle
14-Charles Lovall, Vandalia Bowl, Vandalia
15-Steve Junk, V & H Recreation, Breese

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USBC CERTIFIED TOURNAMENT RULES

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1. **ANY BOWLER WHO DOES NOT ADHERE TO ALL RULES SHALL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ANY EARNINGS, SO PLEASE CHECK ALL RULES TO PREVENT ANY EMBARRASSMENT.**
2. All members of the Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association (GCBA) are eligible to enter, and must have filed a sanction card application with the Association Manager prior to bowling or scores will not be allowed. Non-members living within the jurisdiction of this association who are not members of another association may enter by paying an unattached membership fee of \$16.00.
3. Upon request, you must show your current GCBA USBC membership card in order to bowl, and must verify your average before you can bowl. You must check in 30 minutes before time to bowl.
4. This is a Handicap and Scratch Tournament. All prize money will be paid out 100%.
5. Summer League averages will not be used in this tournament unless you do not have a qualifying Winter League average. Bowlers must use their highest USBC sanctioned Winter League average from the 2010-11 season with a minimum of 21 games in a league. If your current USBC winter league average (at least 21 games as of January 1, 2012) is 10 pins higher, you must use that average. Bowlers not having an average from the 2010-11 season will use their average as of January 1, 2012 with a minimum of 21 games. All others must bowl scratch.
6. The GCBA Tournament Committee reserves the right to adjust the average of any bowler based on their past GCBA Handicap Tournament performance.
7. USBC Rule 310a applies to closing date of entries. Entries must be postmarked by January 22, 2012.
8. Team event starts February 18, 2012 and ends April 1, 2012. Singles and Doubles starts February 25, 2012 and ends April 1, 2012. April 7, 8, 14 and 15 will be used for emergencies.
9. USBC Rule 315 will prevail. When bowling team, singles or doubles more than once, your first score in each event counts towards All Events.
10. USBC Rule 314 will prevail. NO fees returned.
11. USBC Rule 319 a. b. c. e. - Average Adjustment will be in effect and must be complied with.
12. USBC Rule 322a - Tardy Players will prevail.
13. USBC Rule 325 - Bowling Alone will prevail.
14. USBC Rule 326a - Tie Scores will prevail.
15. USBC Rule 329 - Appeal or Protest will prevail.
16. Team and doubles line-ups can not be changed once they are submitted. A substitute must be inserted in the place of the man he is replacing.
17. Any bowler who earned \$600.00 or more in any sanctioned tournament other than the GCBA Handicap Tournament or the GCBA Scratch Classic must report their earnings in accordance to USBC rule 319d.
18. Any bowler whose average has been rerated or adjusted in any sanctioned tournament other than the GCBA Handicap Tournament must report their average to tournament officials before they bowl or they will be subject to disqualification. You will be required to use that average.
19. Unmarried grade and high school students must fill out parent consent form in accordance with USBC Rule 13.
20. Handicap is based on 80% from 220 for singles, 80% from 440 for doubles, and 80% from 1100 for team. Maximum handicap is 180 pins for singles, 360 pins for doubles, and 900 pins for team.
21. You may bowl Singles & Doubles as many times as you desire. NO SINGLES ONLY - NO DOUBLES ONLY. You may reenter doubles (at least one original member of doubles bowlers) after you have already bowled. You can only cash once in singles. In doubles you can cash more than once with different partners. This is in accordance with USBC Rule 315.
22. You may bowl Team Event as many times as you desire. You may reenter your team (at least three original team members) after you have already bowled. In order to place more than once in the prize list for position standings, at least two players in the lineup must be different. This is in accordance with USBC Rule 315.
23. There are two separate All Events divisions - Handicap and Scratch. The entry fee is included in your entry. You must bowl all three events - Team, Singles and Doubles - to be eligible for All Events. You can only cash in one division - Handicap or Scratch - depending upon which pays more. Scratch All Events is calculated by adding your first score for each event - Team, Singles and Doubles. Handicap All Events is calculated by adding your individual handicap for each event - Team, Singles and Doubles - to your Scratch All Events score.
24. Cash prizes in the Handicap Events - Team, Singles and Doubles - will be awarded on a ratio of 1 prize for each 10 entries. All Events - 1 prize for each 20 entries. The bowlers with the highest scores in team, singles, doubles and all events - handicap and scratch - will also receive their choice of a jacket or polo shirt and a USBC championship magnet.
25. Singles Scratch, Doubles Scratch and Team Scratch Events are included with your entry fee. You can cash in only one division - Handicap or Scratch - for each event - Singles, Doubles and Team - depending on which pays more.
26. Any bowler who rolls a 300 game can receive up to \$300.00. We are setting aside \$600.00 for 300 games. If there are more than two 300 games, the money will be divided equally. A bowler may qualify for only one 300 game prize no matter how many 300 games he/she bowls during the tournament. This may change to special prize. If so, it will be shown in tournament book and by P.A. announcement.
27. A copy of the preliminary schedule should be in centers before January 28, 2012. If you have a problem with a date and/or time you are scheduled to bowl, call the Tournament Secretary by February 8, 2012. There will be **ABSOLUTELY NO RESCHEDULING** after the official schedule book is printed. Be especially careful when scheduling other tournaments.
28. Be sure all entries are postmarked on or before Sunday, January 22, 2012. You may enter the tournament between January 23, 2012 and February 8, 2012 by paying a late entry fee. The late entry fee is \$10.00 per entry form.
29. Shadow balls will be determined by tournament sites. There will be no shadow balls before doubles.
30. Singles and Doubles will be bowled on the same pair of lanes. Lanes will be assigned.
31. Teams will be assigned lanes during Team Event.
32. All returned checks are subject to a \$25.00 Service Charge.
33. Any rule not listed above will be covered by USBC Rule Book.

70th Annual Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association

Championship Handicap Tournament

TEAM EVENT

Baden Bowl, New Baden

SINGLES & DOUBLES EVENT

Hi Top, Highland

ENTRY BLANK ENCLOSED
