



Maine State United States Bowling Congress Association

4th Annual Women's Tournament

April 3, 10, 11, 17, 18 2010

SPARETIME RECREATION

Hallowell, ME
623-6000

Handicap 100% of 240

ENTRIES CLOSE: March 21, 2010

Prize Fees Returned 100%
50% Scratch 50% Handicap
Prize Ratio 1: 10 T/D/S
Prize Ratio 1: 20 A/E
Max Teams Unlimited
Maximum Singles 1
Youth May Bowl Singles
NO RE-ENTRIES

All Events (optional) – \$3.00

Standings will be posted on www.msusbc-maine.org

Maine State USBC Women's Tournament Rules

1) Eligibility: All entrants in the Maine State USBC Women's Tournament must be members in good standing of their local Maine USBC Association, Maine State USBC, and USBC.

Entrants must have either a valid average from a certified USBC league within the state of Maine from last year, or a current average from the same source, based on a minimum of 21 games at the time of entry.

Female youth bowlers who meet the above criteria may enter the singles event only (including side competitions/brackets) offering such prizes, provided, prior to bowling:

- The competition agrees to award the youth's prize in the form of a scholarship; or
- The youth signs a form waiving his/her rights to any prize in violation of this rule.

Any bowler under the age of 18 must furnish written authorization, signed by a parent or guardian, with their entry form.

Non-MSUSBC members may also qualify for entry and receive all USBC services by paying an associate membership fee of \$21 prior to bowling and they must bowl scratch.

No one may bowl in this tournament except those originally entered or such replacements as may be authorized by the Tournament Manager.

2) Equipment: The Tournament Manager reserves the right to have bowlers' equipment inspected for compliance with USBC rules. If any bowling equipment is determined to be non-compliant, the bowler will be permitted to bring the equipment into compliance. Should a bowler refuse the equipment inspection, or, fail to bring their equipment into compliance, they will automatically be disqualified and forfeit all entry and prize fees, as well as possible prizes won.

3) Check In: One-half hour prior to squad time all team captains must check in with their team members' USBC cards. Doubles and singles check themselves in.

4) Divisions: Tournament will consist of scratch and handicap, including All-Events with equal prize distribution.

5) Professional Bowlers: No professional bowler may compete in the tournament.

6) Handicap will be 100% of 240 with no maximum and based upon a three-game series.

7) Game Play: No more than three (3) bowlers will be scheduled on a lane for doubles and singles. All games of each event will be rolled on one pair of lanes.

When a **team is scheduled alone** on a pair of lanes, each member shall complete the frame on one lane before the team begins the next frame on the adjoining lane.

Any entrant **arriving late** will be permitted to bowl beginning in the frame being bowled. No score will be given for the missed frames.

Refreshments, cell phones and flash cameras are **not permitted in the playing** area during tournament play.

If a scheduled entrant is unable to bowl in the team or doubles event, the team captain shall have the right to substitute a bowler, subject to approval of the Tournament Manager.

Substitutions must be reported to the Tournament Manager at least one hour before scheduled squad time.

In case of disability after a game has started, substitutes will be permitted in team and doubles events and combined score to count. Handicap will be based on 1/10 of single game handicap per frame bowled by each individual.

8) Pacers: are not allowed.

9) Participation: Unlimited entry is allowed in team and doubles events subject to: (a) No more than two bowlers can compete on the same team more than once; (b) doubles cannot be bowled more than once with the same partner; and (c) bowlers entering doubles must enter singles and vice versa (with the exception of a youth bowler who may only bowl singles). The first appearance in any event counts toward the bowler's All Events score. Team will consist of four bowlers. There will be no re-entries.

10) Entry Fees: shall be paid by check or money order made payable to MSUSBC. **Total entry fee must accompany entry form.** Bowlers will be charged \$35 plus any bank fees if a check is returned. Returned checks will not be re-deposited.

No entry fees will be refunded after entries have been received except as noted in Rules 12 & 13 and the disclaimer.

11) Prizes: Tournament will consist of scratch and handicap, including All Events with equal prize distribution. All prize fees will be returned 100% in each event with 50% going to handicap and 50% to scratch. Prize ratio is at least 1:10 (or major portion thereof) for teams, doubles and singles; and 1:20 (or major portion thereof) for All Events. All averages will be verified through the local association managers prior to issuance of any prize checks.

When a Bowler Qualifies for Both Handicap and Scratch Awards – the bowler will be awarded the prize of greater value. If the prizes are of equal value, the bowler will be awarded the scratch prize.

State Champions in Handicap and Scratch – will be awarded USBC Chevrons.

All Events Scratch Winner – will receive a bowling shirt; a paid entry into the next USBC Queens Tournament and \$200 toward expenses with the provision that the bowler participate.

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This award is not funded by the prize fee; it is funded by the MSUSBC general fund.

The bowler who places first in All Events scratch is entitled to the award, excluding cash, whether or not the bowler paid the optional All Events fee.

Tie Breaker: In case of a tie for the championship, the highest single scratch game of those tied in the competition will be used to break the tie. If a tie still exists the second highest scratch game will be used, etc.

12) Averages: Entrants must use their highest MSUSBC average from the 2008-2009 season based on a minimum of 21 games, unless their current MSUSBC average as of January 1, 2010 (21-game minimum) is ten pins or more higher. USBC rule 319a applies. Entrants who do not have a minimum of 21 games must bowl scratch.

Reporting Prior Prize Winnings – All entrants who have qualified for a prize of \$600 or more in any event of any tournament within the previous 12-month period, must report their actual score, position, and amount won at the time of entry whether or not the prizes have been received; and they are subject to possible re-rating. USBC Rules 319c, 319d, 319e apply.

Bowler's Responsibility – It is the bowler's responsibility to verify his/her average, whether submitted by the bowler, team captain, or others. Failure to use the proper average or to correct the average prior to, or at the time of bowling, shall disqualify the scores if the submitted average is lower than the actual MSUSBC average. Prize winnings will be based on the submitted average if it is higher.

Corrections to Averages – may be made up to completion of the first competition, or within 48 hours after completion of the first series if the tournament manager, prior to the completion of the first game of competition, has given the bowler written consent to correct his/her average.

Average Adjustment – The Tournament Manager reserves the right to adjust any bowler's average prior to bowling. If the bowler refuses the adjusted average, the entry fee will be refunded.

Bowlers with no 2008-09 average will use their highest current MSUSBC season average of 21-games or more, as of January 1, 2010.

Bowlers without a current average or a 2008-09 average will enter at 240 scratch.

13) Scheduling: Bowlers traveling the greatest distance will be given priority if entries are received by March 6, 2010. All other entries will be scheduled as received. Lane assignments will be posted on www.msusbc-maine.org and will be sent to Association Managers and bowling centers.

When an alternate time other than that requested has been assigned, the entrant will be notified of the new time, and if no refusal is received promptly, the entry fee will not be refunded.

No change will be made in entrant's scheduled time except in case of an emergency, or at the discretion of the tournament manager. If this happens, changes will be made only when there are lanes available. There will be no swapping.

14) Dress Code: All bowlers are expected to wear suitable attire. Use good judgment when selecting the appropriate attire. Examples of prohibited attire include but are not limited to: hats (except for medical reasons only); tank tops, halter tops, bare midriffs, spaghetti strap tops, etc, workout attire, short shorts, short skirts, bib overalls, jeans that are not neat, clean or in good condition. No torn jeans. Length of skirts and skorts must be below the fingertips with arms rested on the side. No exceptions.

The dress code will be enforced by designated tournament staff. This staff will make judgment calls relative to dress code questions or concerns. Questionable items or special circumstances will be addressed by the manager on duty. His/her decision shall be final.

15) Perfume, After Shave & Scented Body Care Products: Due to the close confines when bowling, people with respiratory problems and allergies may be affected. Please refrain from using these products. Final determination will rest with tournament management.

16) Disclaimer: The entrants whose names appear on the entry form or their authorized replacements hereby agree that the Maine State USBC Association, its officers and agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling an event in the tournament through premature termination of the tournament or cancelation of squads, which may be brought about by weather conditions, war, national emergency or emergencies or causes relating thereto or resulting there from; fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond the control of the Maine State USBC Association.

17) Rules: This tournament is governed by the above rules and the USBC Rule Book.

18) Entry Closing Date is midnight March 21, 2010.

19) Tournament Management: Joseph Mizda MSUSBC Manager; Mary Pennacchi, tournament manager.

Squad Times

Team
 Saturday April 3 9:00am
 Saturday April 10 9:00am
 Sunday April 11 1:00pm
 Saturday April 17 9:00am
 Sunday April 18 1:00pm

Doubles/Singles
 Saturday April 3 12:45pm & 2:30pm
 Saturday April 10 12:45pm & 2:30pm
 Sunday April 11 9:00am & 10:45am
 Saturday April 17 12:45pm & 2:30pm
 Sunday April 18 9:00am & 10:45am

FOUR PERSON TEAM EVENT	\$80.00 Fee	Prize Fee: \$ 8.50 Bowling Fee: \$ 8.70 Expense Fee: \$ 2.80 Total Fee: \$20.00
Team Name		All-Events Optional: \$ 3.00
Team Captain		
Mailing Address		

e-Mail Address

Phone #

Date & Time 1st choice 2nd choice

Line Up Order/Bowlers Information	08-09 Avg.	Average as of 1-Jan-10	USBC Card Number	
1				
2				
3				
4				

Verification of averages: I certify that the averages listed above were established in sanctioned leagues and comply with the entering average rules for the Maine State USBC Women's Tournament.

Signature of Team Captain

Date Verified

**IMPORTANT: MAKE SURE THAT ALL AVERAGES ARE CORRECT
 NO RE-ENTRIES
 ENTRY DEADLINE – SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2010**

**Make check or Money Orders
 Payable to:**

**MSUSBC
 NO CASH**

Mail entries to the tournament manager

**Maine State USBC Women's
 Mary Pennacchi, Tournament Manager
 10 Lessard St.
 Winslow, ME 04901
 (207) 872-7025**

Entry # _____

Check # _____

Date Received

\$

BOWLERS ENTERING DOUBLES MUST ALSO ENTER SINGLES and VICE VERSA

DOUBLES EVENT	\$40.00	08-09 Avg.	1 Jan 10 Avg.	USBC Card #	
1 st					
2 nd					
Address (Doubles Captain)					
email		Date/Time	1st	2nd	
1 st					
2 nd					
Address (Doubles Captain)					
email		Date/Time	1st	2nd	
1st					
2nd					
Address (Doubles Captain)					
email		Date/Time	1st	2nd	

SINGLES EVENT \$20.00	Fee All Events \$3.00 (check box)	08-09 Avg.	1 Jan 10 Avg.	USBC Card #	Youth may only bowl singles
Name					<input type="checkbox"/> Youth
Address					
email		<input type="checkbox"/> Date Time	1st	2nd	
Name					<input type="checkbox"/> Youth
Address					
email		<input type="checkbox"/> Date Time	1st	2nd	
Name					<input type="checkbox"/> Youth
Address					
email		<input type="checkbox"/> Date Time	1st	2nd	
Name					<input type="checkbox"/> Youth
Address					
email		<input type="checkbox"/> Date Time	1st	2nd	

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Important: Make sure that all averages are correct.

GOOD LUCK and GOOD BOWLING

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<input type="checkbox"/> For Tournament Committee Only		
Entry # _____	Check # _____	
Date Received _____	\$ _____	