

Dear Members:

The MBA Tournament Players Championship sponsored by CK's Pro Shop was the final stop of our 45th (and longest) season at Country Club Lanes in Elkhart. We would like to thank Carl Kelley of CK's Pro Shop for sponsoring the event as well as David & Amy Claxton for hosting the tournament. We had 37 bowlers bowl our final tournament for the expanded prize fund with a top prize of \$1,100!! The Bowler of the Year race was also decided by the results of this tournament as there were a few bowlers in contention with Dustin Maurer getting by Richie Benninghoff in the standings to win Bowler of the Year! We also finished the Val Medich Sr. Sportsmanship Award Ballot with Tony Ferro receiving the award!

The pattern for the Championship Tournament was the 2011 USBC Women's Open Championship Pattern which was a 40 foot pattern with an oil ratio of 1:4.29. This pattern did prove more difficult than most of the others that we have used in the past as everyone who finished with a plus score cashed and made the match play portion of the competition! Congratulations to Dennis Weatherman winning 5 straight matches to win his 8th MBA Title!!

Qualifying Results:

Place	Name	Hometown	Class	Plus(Minus)	Cash
1	Brandon Heldt	Mattawan, MI	D	178	
2	Willy Schiable	LaPorte, IN	D	141	
3	Sam Ferrah	Elkhart, IN	D	120	
4	Keith Singleton	Niles, MI	G	115	
5	Tony Ferro	Elkhart, IN	C	106	
6	Dustin Maurer	Battle Creek, MI	E	97	
7	Collin Rickey	Kalamazoo, MI	B	90	
8	Landon Wiegand	Elkhart, IN	D	59	
9	Aaron Beaver	Goshen, IN	A	27	
10	Adam Pitrowski	Michigan City, IN	F	23	
11	Dennis Weatherman	Stevensville, MI	C	17	
12	Joe Hutchings	Marshall, MI	C	2	

Final Results:

Round 1

Landon Wiegand def. Aaron Beaver (254 + 9) 263 – 169
 Joe Hutchings def. Tony Ferro (201 + 11) 212 – 182
 Aaron, Dustin, Tony, & Adam each received \$200

Dennis Weatherman def. Dustin Maurer 203 – 189
 Collin Rickey def. Adam Pitrowski 165 – (113 + 26) 139

Round 2

Landon Wiegand def. Sam Ferrah (213 – 7) 220 – 203
 Keith Singleton def. Collin Rickey (202 + 19) 221 – 173
 Sam, Joe, & Collin each received \$250

Dennis Weatherman def. Joe Hutchings (172 + 1) 173 – 155

Quarterfinals

Landon Wiegand def. Keith Singleton 226 – (182 + 7) 189
 Keith and Willy each received \$300

Dennis Weatherman def. Willy Schiable (193 + 9) 202 – 144

Semifinals

Dennis Weatherman def. Landon Wiegand 200 – 197
 Landon received \$400

Finals

Dennis Weatherman def. Brandon Heldt (221 + 13) 234 – 178
 Dennis won his 8th MBA Title, received the championship plaque and \$1,100
 Brandon has qualified for the Masters and received \$550



Items of Note:

Sam Ferrah – 263
Landon Wiegand – 254, 253
Willy Schiable – 253
Collin Rickey - 250

Bowler of the Year Results

Place	Name	Points
1	Dustin Maurer	817.22
2	Richie Benninghoff	812.62
3	Tony Ferro	668.04
4	Walter Griffin III	663.76
5	Chris Hartung	639.59
6	Mikey Schlabach	631.40
7	Keith Strzelecki	609.00
8	Jordan Johnston	607.50
9	Dennis Weatherman	581.64
10	Joe Hutchings	572.94

For the complete Bowler of the Year Point List, please see www.mba300/boy.

We also awarded the MBA President’s Award to long time member Randy Harvey at this Tournament. Randy has been a member for almost all of the 45 years of the MBA. Randy qualified for the Masters tournament in 1981 (before the first Masters Tournament was even held)! In addition to his long time membership in the MBA, Randy was a long time sponsor of the Masters Tournament, gave his time to be a director, was part of the TV crew when our step ladder finals were televised back in the 1980’s, and also worked the MBA’s concession stand at Notre Dame Football games to assist with fund raising. Randy has sold his house in South Bend and is retiring to Florida. We wish him well and hope that he comes back to bowl or visit! We will miss you Randy!!



Michiana Bowlers Association Newsletter

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On Wednesday, August 5th, the MBA Board will conduct our annual summer meeting. At this meeting we go over the next year's tournament schedule, changes or updates to the By-Laws, and the repositioning of classes as it relates to the average required for that class and the positioning of bowlers in classes for the next season. All bowlers that bowled 3 or more tournaments this season will be evaluated based on their average for this season as well as the previous season to determine their class for the 2020 – 2021 season. All bowlers that did not compete in at least 3 tournaments will have to resubmit their league averages from the current and previous 2 seasons for reclassification.

If you can think of any rule changes for us to consider, please let us know via text, e-mail, or sending a message on the website. You can drop us a comment at www.mba300.com/contact. The contact form is under the About drop down item on the website.

Thank you all for your continued participation and we look forward to seeing everyone in September as we kick off our 46th season!!

Thank you all,
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