

Dear Members:

The MBA began its 45th season today with 49 bowlers competing at Strikes and Spares; we'd like to thank Kim Stachurski and her staff for hosting us and MOTIV Bowling Balls for once again sponsoring us. Dustin Maurer won his first career title and Dustin Yeakey was the runner-up in the first tournament of his MBA career!

Once again this season, our tournaments are certified as "Challenge Tournaments", however, the shots will not be modified as they were in the earlier tournaments last season. All patterns will be put down as they appear on Kegel's website. If you would like to review the Kegel oiling patterns, you can see them at www.patternlibrary.kegel.net and go to the Challenge Navigation Pattern section.

The scores in the qualifying round were a bit on the lower side with only 18 of 49 bowlers finishing with a "plus" score. With 49 bowlers, the top 12 qualified for match play and we paid 16 spots overall. Low to cash (16th place) was +14 and it took +25 to make the match play finals.

There was a three-way tie for the tournament high game with Aaron Smith, Hayden Hopple, and Matt Stewart all shooting a 257 game. Our next event will be at the City Lanes Open at City Lanes in Michigan City on October 20th at 9:00 a.m. (Central Time; 10:00 Eastern). Check-in is at 8:15.

Qualifying Results:

Place	Name	Hometown	Class	Plus(Minus)	Cash
1	Dustin Yeakey	Mishawaka	E	134	
2	Dustin Maurer	Marshall, MI	G	116	
3	TJ Schmidt	Osceola	A	116	
4	Aaron Smith	Osceola	B	73	
5	Kevin McCune	Munster, IN	A	60	
6	Aaron Phillips	Grand Haven, MI	B	60	
7	Jeff Cichos	LaGrange	E	45	
8	Jasmine Collins	Michigan City	H	44	
9	John Sevison	Elkhart	G	35	
10	Rick Haase	Niles, MI	E	30	
11	Dennis Weatherman	Stevensville, MI	C	26	
12	Chris Hartung	Goshen	B	25	
13	Sam Ferrah	Elkhart	D	24	\$85.00
14	Doug Fedore	Mishawaka	C	24	80.00
15	Ben Hill	Battle Creek, MI	A	16	75.00
16	Dean Newell	South Bend	F	14	70.00

Final Results:

Opening Round

Jasmine Collins def. John Sevison (217+ 2) 219 - 193
 Kevin McCune def. Chris Hartung 246 - (191 + 9) 200
 John, Aaron, Chris, & Rick each received \$120

Dennis Weatherman def. Aaron Phillips (203 + 8) 211 - 173
 Jeff Cichos def. Rick Haase 180 - (165 + 1) 166

Round 2:

TJ Schmidt def. Jasmine Collins 234 - (178 + 35) 213
 Aaron Smith def. Jeff Cichos 194 - (136 + 18) 154

Dennis Weatherman def. Kevin McCune (217 + 14) 231 - 169
 Jasmine, Kevin, & Jeff each received \$145

Quarterfinals

TJ Schmidt def. Aaron Smith 170 - (160+3) 163
 Aaron and Dennis each received \$200

Dustin Maurer def. Dennis Weatherman (192 + 4) 196 - 187

Semifinals

Dustin Maurer def. TJ Schmidt (215 + 19) 234 - 225

TJ received \$225

Finals

Dustin Maurer def. Dustin Yeakey (223 + 11) 234 - 215
 Dustin Maurer received championship plaque and \$500 and has qualified for the Masters
 Dustin Yeakey received \$250 and has qualified for the Masters



Items of Note:

Hayden Hopple, Aaron Smith, Matt Stewart - 257
TJ Schmidt - 256

Re-Rates:

Dustin Yeakey – E to D Class; 204 average

Here are the rules regarding re-classification as taken directly from the by-laws. You can review the entire set of MBA By-Laws at www.mba300.com.

New members will be subject to upwards reclassification after their first tournament. Existing members will be subject to upwards reclassification after their first two tournaments. **After meeting the preceding requirement, any member whose season adjusted average (true bowling average plus 1 pin for each \$300 won (money pins)) exceeds the bottom of the next higher class plus three pins will be rerated to that higher class. If their season adjusted average exceeds the bottom plus 3 of the next two (2) higher classes, they may be re-rated 2 classes, subject to a meeting by the board of directors.**

- a. The above ruling on re-rating does not apply if you have not **cached** any tournament, **since your last re-rate** during the current season.
- b. If you have bowled three (3) tournaments, **since your last re-rate during the current season**, have not cashed, and your **season adjusted average is below the bottom of the next lower class**, you **will be re-rated down one class**
- c. If you have bowled minimum of three (3) tournaments, **since your last re-rate during the current season**, have not cashed, you can request consideration for a re-rate down one class. This would need to be approved by the board. If granted, the bowler would be eligible for re-rate back up after one (1) event if their average warrants. This will be allowed once per season. The intent of this rule is to give a bowler some relief if they have not come close to cashing and aren't close to earning the automatic re-rate down.

Upcoming Tournaments:

City Lanes, Michigan City, Oct 20, 9:00 CT
Sturgis Bowl, Sturgis, MI, Nov 17, 9:00 ET

See you there,
Greg Spinner

