

Dear Members:

The MBA's first stop of our 49th season was the Motiv Bowling Ball Open which was held at Joey Armadillos in Niles with 72 bowlers competing. For the second consecutive year, we had a full field competing at this location!

We would like to thank our corporate sponsor, Motiv Bowling Balls for sponsoring our tournament. Thanks also go out to Mark Godsey and Alex Stockbridge for hosting our inaugural event for the season. This season, we are using many different Kegel Challenge patterns. This pattern was the Kegel Challenge – Route 66. This pattern proved difficult for many but others found the shot as it took a score of +43 to cash and +105 to make match play. Joe Hutchings had the high tournament game with a perfect 300!

Richie Benninghoff won another title and Aaron Phillips was the tournament runner-up for the second consecutive year. Our next event will be at Maple City Bowl in Goshen, IN on October 15th at 9:00 a.m. Check-in is at 8:15. This tournament will be contested on the Kegel Challenge – Beaten Path. This is a 41 foot pattern with an oil ratio of 4.04:1.

Here are the top qualifying results.

| Place | Name | Hometown | Class | Plus(Minus) | Cash |
|-------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | Aaron Phillips | Grand Haven, MI | B | 239 | |
| 2 | Bill Essman | Fremont, IN | C | 216 | |
| 3 | Jim Nadolny | Mishawaka, IN | D | 198 | |
| 4 | Joe Hutchings | Marshall, MI | B | 193 | |
| 5 | Austin Pavy | Hobart, IN | E | 173 | |
| 6 | Shannon Packingham | Valparaiso, IN | H | 140 | |
| 7 | Billy Hendrixson | Stevensville, MI | C | 136 | |
| 8 | Jeremy Delcamp | Bristol, IN | B | 130 | |
| 9 | Jed Winters | Big Rapids, MI | F | 122 | |
| 10 | Nathan Schoen (y) | South Bend, IN | F | 119 | |
| 11 | Mikey Schlabach | Wakarusa, IN | A | 107 | |
| 12 | Richie Benninghoff | South Bend, IN | A | 105 | |
| 13 | Ben Hill | Marshall, MI | B | 102 | \$140 |
| 14 | Lucas Claxton (y) | Elkhart, IN | H | 100 | 130 SMART |
| 15 | Brian Gage | Coloma, MI | H | 86 | 120 |
| 16 | Jeff Cichos | Ft. Wayne, IN | C | 84 | 115 |
| 17 | Jim Artley | Goshen, IN | B | 80 | 110 |
| 18 | Joe Buczynski | Osceola, IN | D | 78 | 105 |
| 19 | Don Buczynski | Osceola, IN | E | 76 | 100 |
| 20 | Sean Stuart | North Liberty, IN | H | 63 | 95 |
| 21 | AJ Roche | South Bend, IN | A | 62 | 90 |
| 22 | Dave Matheny | Coloma, MI | C | 53 | 85 |
| 23 | Antonio Wilson | South Bend, IN | F | 50 | 80 |
| 24 | Brandon Rath | Stevensville, MI | D | 43 | 75 |
| 25 | Kevin Narregan | Baroda, MI | F | 34 | |
| 26 | Brian Singleton | South Bend, IN | H | 33 | |
| 27 | Jim Stealy | Marshall, MI | D | 31 | |
| 27 | Conner Weston (y) | Niles, MI | H | 27 | |
| 29 | Micah Carter | South Bend, IN | E | 18 | |
| 30 | Keith Singleton | Buchanan, MI | H | 17 | |
| 31 | Jerry Knowles | Stevensville, MI | D | 14 | |
| 32 | Dakota Gross | South Bend, IN | G | 12 | |
| 33 | Joshua Rose | South Bend, IN | H | 10 | |
| 34 | Seth Adams | Warsaw, IN | H | (6) | |
| 35 | Sam Ferrah | Elkhart, IN | D | (9) | |
| 36 | Dan Symonds | Berrien Springs, MI | F | (11) | |
| 37 | Glen Hershberger | Elkhart, IN | G | (12) | |
| 38 | Kevin Castillo | Elkhart, IN | F | (18) | |
| 39 | Jerry Reed | South Bend, IN | E | (21) | |
| 40 | Russell Huneryager | Porter, IN | F | (22) | |
| 41 | Melissa Cook | Berrien Springs, MI | F | (23) | |
| 42 | Jalen Taylor | Grand Rapids, MI | D | (28) | |
| 43 | Neil Vitale | Benton Harbor, MI | G | (35) | |
| 44 | Tony Ferro | Elkhart, IN | D | (40) | |

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| 45 | Kris Lyles | Valparaiso, IN | B | (45) | |
| 45 | Bill Reeves | Niles, MI | A | (45) | |
| 47 | Arica Angelo | Watervliet, MI | E | (46) | |
| 47 | Ted Rosenquist | Valparaiso, IN | A | (46) | |
| 49 | Bill Toops | South Bend, IN | H | (47) | |
| 50 | Steve DePoy | Jackson, MI | C | (54) | |
| 51 | Dale McClosky | Elkhart, IN | F | (56) | |
| 52 | Chuck Trennepohl | Elkhart, IN | C | (58) | |
| 53 | Korbett Koselak | South Bend, IN | E | (60) | |
| 54 | Aaron Smith | Elkhart, IN | B | (65) | |
| 55 | Matt Roberts | Mishawaka, IN | E | (66) | |
| 56 | Kevin Beckman | Watervliet, MI | E | (68) | |
| 57 | Chris Gage | Benton Harbor, MI | H | (75) | |
| 58 | Jose Cuellar | Valparaiso, IN | C | (76) | |
| 58 | Mike Hartman | South Bend, IN | C | (76) | |
| 60 | Robert Corvin | Bristol, IN | G | (81) | |
| 61 | Damian Banghart | Warsaw, IN | A | (85) | |
| 62 | Phil Vincze | Elkhart, IN | B | (91) | |
| 63 | Terrence Smith | South Bend, IN | D | (99) | |
| 64 | Cory Hersha | South Whitley, IN | B | (101) | |
| 65 | Matt Hendrixson | Stevensville, MI | D | (111) | |
| 66 | Brian Dresbach | South Bend, IN | E | (115) | |
| 67 | Eddie Sheler | South Bend, IN | E | (121) | |
| 68 | Albert Giersberg | Elkhart, IN | D | (135) | |
| 69 | Robin Kilgore | Elkhart, IN | E | (138) | |
| 70 | Tim Edwards | Lakeville, IN | F | (141) | |
| 71 | Bill Rath | Stevensville, MI | E | (143) | |
| 72 | Timothy Pitts | Valparaiso, IN | E | (154) | |

(y) – Youth

Final Results:

Opening Round

Jed Winters def. Jeremy Delcamp (267 + 14) 281 – 209

Richie Benninghoff def. Austin Pavy 209 – (193 + 2) 195

Jeremy, Shannon & Austin each received \$150. Nathan received \$150 SMART

Mikey Schlabach def. Shannon Packingham 184 – (129 + 20)149

Billy Hendrixson def. Nathan Schoen 223 – (178 + 15) 193

Round 2:

Jed Winters def. Jim Nadolny (238 + 14) 252 – 213

Joe Hutchings def. Billy Hendrixson 237 – 202

Richie Benninghoff def. Mikey Schlabach 213 - 164

Jim, Mikey, & Billy each received \$175

Quarterfinals

Joe Hutchings def. Jed Winters 216 – (194 + 14) 208

Jed and Bill each received \$225

Richie Benninghoff def. Bill Essman 236 - 194

Semifinals

Richie Benninghoff def. Joe HUTchings 235 – 204

Joe received \$275

Finals

Richie Benninghoff def. Aaron Phillips 227 - 212

Richie received championship plaque and \$700 and Aaron received \$375.



Tournament High Games

Joe Hutchings – 300
Austin Pavy – 268
Jim Nadolny – 259, 256
Ben Hill – 257

AJ Roche – 279
Jed Winters – 267
Bill Essman – 259
Don Buzynski - 252

Aaron Phillips – 278, 250
Mikey Schlabach – 266
Richie Benninghoff – 257

Re-Rates:

Lucas Claxton – H to G Class; 181 Average
Bill Essman – C to B Class; 221 Average
Brian Gage – H to G Class; 182 Average
Nathan Schoen – F to E Class; 192 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:

Maple City Bowl, Goshen, IN Oct 15, 9:00 CT
Continental Lanes, Kalamazoo, MI Nov 19, 9:00 ET
Chippewa Bowl, South Bend, IN Dec 17, 9:00 ET

See you there,
Greg Spinner

