

Dear Members:

The MBA's latest stop of the season was the R&B Car Company Open at Chippewa Bowl in South Bend, IN with 92 bowlers competing. This is the largest turnout since the 2009-2010 season!! We would like to thank Aaron Smith of R&B Car Company for sponsoring our tournament and also Summer Gentry and her staff at Chippewa Bowl for hosting the tournament. This tournament was contested on the Kegel Challenge – 2008 EBT English Open Pattern which was 40-feet long with an oil ratio of 1:4.09. This was our first time using this pattern and scores were extremely high. This was our highest scoring pattern since we have switched to the Challenge Patterns. It took a score of +155 to cash and +222 to make match play.

Jordan Johnston had the high game of the tournament with a 299 in the title match. As it turned out, the championship match was probably the highest scoring championship match in the history of the MBA with Jordan defeating Melissa Cook in the title match 299 – 277! Jordan earned his 10<sup>th</sup> MBA Title and Melissa is now qualified for the Masters Tournament!

The next regular tournament is Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at Signature Lanes in Elkhart. The pattern for this tournament is the Kegel Challenge – 2021 SYC Kansas Medium Pattern. This is a 42-foot pattern with an oil ratio of 1:4.41. As always, check-in is at 8:15 and start time is 9:00. This is first time that the MBA will be using this pattern as there are several new patterns this season!

Here are the top qualifying results.

Place	Name	Hometown	Class	Plus(Minus)	Cash
1	Melissa Cook	Berrien Springs, MI	F	321	
2	Jordan Johnston	Chesterton, IN	B	304	
3	Jason Utter	St. Joseph, MI	D	246	
4	Erik Gakle	Walkerton, IN	A	243	
5	Shane Niles	South Bend, IN	G	240	
6	Sam Ferrah	Elkhart, IN	D	239	
7	Lucas Claxton (y)	Elkhart, IN	G	238	
8	Chris Toyias	Waterloo, IN	B	235	
9	Terrence Smith	South Bend, IN	D	226	
10	Justin Knowles	Okemos, MI	A	226	
11	AJ Roche	South Bend, IN	A	225	
12	Don Buczynski	Osceola, IN	G	222	
13	Albert Giersberg	Elkhart, IN	E	208	\$175.00
14	Jeremy Siade	South Bend, IN	G	206	160.00
15	Corey Fister	St. Joseph, MI	F	203	155.00
16	Joey Martin	South Bend, IN	A	202	147.50
16	Kevin Castillo	Whiting, IN	F	202	147.50
18	Dalton Dobrzykowski	Buchanan, MI	G	200	140.00
19	Robin Kilgore	Elkhart, IN	E	199	135.00
20	Tom Puckett	Rochester, IN	F	186	130.00
21	Tim Buczynski	Mishawaka, IN	G	183	122.50
21	Kevin Narregan	Baroda, MI	F	183	122.50
23	Kevin Beckman	Watervliet, MI	E	180	115.00
24	Kenneth Smith	Lakeville, IN	H	177	110.00
25	Colin McDowell	Marshall, MI	G	170	102.50
25	Raleigh Shepherd	Goshen, IN	D	170	102.50
27	Melissa Utter	St. Joseph, MI	F	169	95.00
28	Corey Hersha	South Whitley, IN	B	168	90.00
29	Matt Farley	Elkhart, IN	D	162	85.00
30	Caleb Pitts (y)	Valparaiso, IN	F	158	80.00 SMART
31	Scott Tapley	Goshen, IN	B	155	75.00
32	Ben Hill	Marshall, MI	B	153	37.50
32	Joshua Rose	South Bend, IN	H	153	37.50
34	Joe Buczynski	Osceola, IN	C	150	
34	Chad Vendeville	Otsego, MI	B	150	
36	Mikey Schlabach	Wakarusa, IN	A	146	
37	Jerry Knowles	Stevensville, MI	D	140	
38	Dan Symonds	Berrien Springs, MI	F	138	
39	Jasmine Collins	Michigan City, IN	H	137	

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40	Keith Singleton	Buchanan, MI	G	135	
41	Mike Hartman	South Bend, IN	C	133	
42	Jon Medich	South Bend, IN	E	130	
42	Phil Vincze	Elkhart, IN	B	130	
44	Jason Flaugh	Avilla, IN	A	128	
45	Damian Banghart	Warsaw, IN	B	124	
46	Nathan Schoen (y)	South Bend, IN	E	122	
46	Aaron Smith	Elkhart, IN	B	122	
48	Glen Hershberger	Elkhart, IN	G	120	
48	Richie Benninghoff	South Bend, IN	A	120	
50	Karl Sutton	Portage, IN	D	115	
51	Robert Corvin	Bristol, IN	G	111	
52	Jordan Lewis	Mishawaka, IN	H	110	
53	Chris Hartung	Elkhart, IN	B	106	
53	Aaron Phillips	Grand Haven, MI	A	106	
55	Conner Weston (y)	Niles, MI	H	101	
56	Billy Hendrixson	Stevensville, MI	C	99	
57	Erika Lewis	Mishawaka, IN	G	95	
57	Ken Kennedy	Niles, MI	C	95	
59	Austin Pavy	Hobart, IN	D	94	
60	Seth Adams	Mishawaka, IN	H	89	
61	Jeff Cichos	Ft Wayne, IN	C	88	
62	Brian Rak	Portage, IN	B	87	
63	Sean Stuart	North Liberty, IN	G	81	
64	Matt Roberts	Mishawaka, IN	E	79	
65	David Cornell	South Bend, IN	F	78	
66	Raymond Chea	Granger, IN	H	69	
67	Jeremy Delcamp	Bristol, IN	B	64	
68	Jim Nadolny	Mishawaka, IN	C	61	
69	Eddie Sheler	South Bend, IN	E	55	
70	Dale McClosky	Elkhart, IN	F	51	
71	Benjamin Cirino	Portage, IN	C	47	
72	Jerry Reed	South Bend, IN	E	41	
73	Bill Rath	Stevensville, MI	E	39	
73	Dennis Weatherman	Stevensville, MI	C	39	
75	Tyler Asbury	Michigan City, IN	H	38	
76	Russell Huneryager	Portage, IN	F	31	
77	Brian Dresbach	South Bend, IN	E	28	
78	Jalen Taylor	Grand Rapids, MI	E	25	
78	Chuck Trennepohl	Elkhart, IN	C	25	
78	David Knowles Jr.	Traverse City, MI	A	25	
81	Dave Matheny	Coloma, MI	B	22	
82	Jim Artley	Goshen, IN	B	16	
82	Shannon Packingham	Valparaiso, IN	G	16	
84	Stephanie Rice	Elkhart, IN	G	6	
85	Antonio Wilson	South Bend, IN	E	(6)	
86	Bryson Randol	Howe, IN	E	(7)	
87	Kris Lyles	Valparaiso, IN	B	(17)	
88	Alex Walters	Mishawaka, IN	E	(19)	
89	Markis Smiley	Rochester, IN	E	(23)	
90	Joe Hutchings	Marshall, MI	A	(47)	
91	Dakota Gross	South Bend, IN	F	(54)	
92	Ted Rosenquist	Valparaiso, IN	A	(78)	

(y) – Youth

**Round 1**

Chris Toyias def. Terrence Smith 257 – 190  
Shane Niles def. Don Buczynski 222 – (205 + 2) 207  
Terrence, AJ, & Don each received \$200; Lucas received \$200 SMART.

Sam Ferrah def. AJ Roche 234 – 210  
Justin Knowles def. Lucas Claxton (y) 225 - (192 + 9) 201

**Round 2:**

Chris Toyias def. Jason Utter 289 – 2047  
Erik Gakle def. Justin Knowles 226 – 188

Sam Ferrah def. Shane Niles 251 – (163 + 8) 171  
Jason, Shane, & Justin each received \$225

**Quarterfinals**

Erik Gakle def. Chris Toyias 246 – 245  
Chris and Sam each received \$250

Jordan Johnston def. Sam Ferrah 227 – 169

**Semifinals**

Jordan Johnston def. Erik Gakle 235 – 189

Erik received \$300

**Finals**

Jordan Johnston def. Melissa Cook 299 - 277

Jordann received championship plaque and \$800 and Melissa received \$400. Melissa has also qualified for the Masters

**Tournament**



From left: Summer Gentry (GM Chippewa Bowl); Greg Spinner; Melissa Cook; Jordan Johnston, Aaron Smith

**Tournament High Games**

Jordan Johnston – 299, 267, 255, 254  
Chris Toyias – 289, 268, 267, 258, 256  
AJ Roche – 277  
Aaron Phillips – 269  
Phil Vincze – 268  
Jim Nadolny – 266  
Richie Benninghoff – 258  
Jason Utter – 257, 256  
Corey Fister – 255  
Brian Rak - 253

Damian Banghart – 290  
Ben Hill – 278  
Albert Giersberg – 269  
Scott Tapley – 269  
Sam Ferrah – 267, 251  
Kevin Beckman – 263  
Joey Martin – 258  
Cory Hersha – 257  
Mikey Schlabach – 255

Terrence Smith – 290  
Melissa Cook – 277, 257, 256  
Justin Knowles – 269  
Erik Gakle – 268, 259  
Jeff Cichos – 267  
Jason Flaugh – 258, 257  
Aaron Smith – 258  
Lucas Claxton – 256  
Matt Roberts – 254

**Re-Rates:**

Tim Buczynski – G to F Class; 193 Average  
Kevin Castillo – F to E Class; 190 Average  
Lucas Claxton – G to F Class; 194 Average  
Melissa Cook – F to E Class; 191 Average  
Matt Farley – D to C Class; 203 Average  
Sam Ferrah – D to C Class; 202 Average  
Jordan Lewis – H to G Class; 181 Average  
Kris Lyles – B to C Class; 191 Average

Colin McDowell – G to F Class; 198 Average  
Jon Medich – E to D Class; 198 Average  
Kevin Narregan – F to E Class; 187 Average  
Shane Niles – G to F Class; 205 Average  
Raleigh Shepherd – D to C Class; 203 Average  
Jeremy Siade – G to F Class; 204 Average  
Kenneth Smith – H to G Class; 194 Average  
Chris Toyias – B to A Class; 233 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](http://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 **cash**ed 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:**

Masters Invitational – Parkway Lanes, Mishawaka, IN Jan 7 9:00 ET (Only open to past champions/runners-up)  
Signature Lanes, Elkhart, IN Jan 21 9:00 ET  
Casey's Lanes, LaPorte, IN Feb 18 9:00 Central Time  
Country Club Lanes, Elkhart, IN March 17 9:00 ET

See you there,  
Greg Spinner

