

Dear Members:

Happy New Year from Palm Springs!! The MBA's latest stop of the season was the R&B Car Company Open at Chippewa Bowl in South Bend with our largest field so far this season with 76 bowlers competing for the \$775 first prize. We would like to thank Aaron Smith and R&B Car Company for their sponsorship and Summer Gentry and her staff at Chippewa Bowl for their great hospitality. Mikey Schlabach successfully defended his title by winning again and his 10th overall MBA Title over AJ Roche of South Bend, IN. Rich Benninghoff and Dustin Zehner each had 300 games during the qualifying portion of the competition.

This tournament was competed on the Kegel Challenge – Beaten Path 40(uL) which was a 41-foot pattern. The oil ratio for this pattern was 4.00:1. Scores were the highest of the season.

Our next event is the Masters Invitational at Parkway Lanes on January 9, 2022 and is being sponsored by T's X-Factor Pro Shop. This tournament is only open to past MBA Champions and Runners-Up. Tournament begins at 9:00 with the lane assignments being drawn at 8:30. This tournament will be contested on a Kegel Challenge – 2021 SYC Super Slam Long Pattern. This is a 46-foot pattern with an oil ratio of 4.00:1. This is the first time that the MBA is using this pattern.

Our next regular tournament is at Casey's Lanes in LaPorte on January 22nd at 9:00 a.m. and will be contested on the Kegel Challenge – Weber Cup Day 3 Pattern. This is a 41 foot pattern with an oil ratio of 5.00:1. This will also be the first time that the MBA is using this pattern. As with every other tournament, check-in no later than 8:15.

Qualifying Results:

Place	Name	Hometown	Class	Plus(Minus)	Cash
1	AJ Roche	South Bend, IN	C	272	
2	Mikey Schlabach	Wakarusa, IN	A	243	
3	Kevin Beckman	Watervliet, MI	D	240	
4	Steve Silvers	Mishawaka, IN	C	237	
5	Russell Huneryager	Porter, IN	F	215	
6	Tim Edwards	Lakeville, IN	F	211	
7	Tony Ferro	Elkhart, IN	D	210	
8	Karl Sutton	Portage, IN	E	208	
9	Rich Benninghoff	South Bend, IN	A	201	
10	Dean Newell	South Bend, IN	D	200	
11	Dustin Zehner	South Bend, IN	B	188	
12	Terrence Smith	South Bend, IN	E	186	
13	Joe Buczynski	Osceola, IN	D	176	\$150
14	Billy Hendrixson	Stevensville, MI	C	173	140
15	Benny McClosky	Elkhart, IN	F	164	125
15	Bryson Randol	LaGrange, IN	G	164	125
17	Don Heichel	LaPorte, IN	C	160	115
18	Chris Hartung	Goshen, IN	A	150	110
19	Eddie Sheler	South Bend, IN	E	131	105
20	Robert Corvin	Bristol, IN	G	129	100
21	Brandon Rath	Stevensville, MI	E	126	95
22	Chuck Trennepohl	Elkhart, IN	D	125	90
23	Wyatt Mains	Three Rivers, MI	A	122	85
24	Dalton Dobrzykowski	Buchanan, MI	F	120	80
25	Joshua Rose	South Bend, IN	H	116	75
26	Dakota Gross	South Bend, IN	H	114	
27	Chris Postell	Westfield, IN	D	108	
28	Sean Stuart	North Liberty, IN	H	105	
29	Jeff Severson	Portage, IN	C	96	
30	Austin Henschel	Three Rivers, MI	C	95	
30	Mark Million	Mishawaka, IN	B	95	
32	Doug Fedore	Mishawaka, IN	D	91	
33	Bruce Burkett	Decatur, MI	F	87	
34	David Cornell	South Bend, IN	H	82	
34	Robin Kilgore	Elkhart, IN	E	82	
36	Austin Pavy	New Chicago, IN	D	77	
37	Gerald Knowles	Stevensville, MI	C	69	
37	Brittany Milligan	South Bend, IN	H	69	
39	Jim Stealy	Marshall, MI	C	68	

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40	Jonathan Mars	Greenfield, WI	D	59	
40	Aaron Smith	South Bend, IN	B	59	
42	Bill Toops	South Bend, IN	H	53	
43	Kody Horan	Valparaiso, IN	C	47	
44	Jordan Johnston	Chesterton, IN	A	43	
45	Micah Carter	South Bend, IN	D	42	
46	Matt Roberts	Mishawaka, IN	E	39	
47	Jeff Cichos	Fort Wayne, IN	D	37	
48	Phil Butzky	Michigan City, IN	C	35	
49	Bill Rath	Stevensville, MI	D	34	
50	Dan Symonds	Berrien Springs, MI	E	31	
51	Andrew Gaul	Niles, MI	F	29	
52	Tim Buczynski	Mishawaka, IN	G	28	
53	Andy Zellers	North Liberty, IN	H	24	
54	Don Buczynski	Osceola, IN	D	14	
55	Donald Cox	Niles, MI	D	13	
56	Jim Artley	Goshen, IN	B	7	
57	Vince Coleman	Elkhart, IN	E	0	
58	Dennis Weatherman	Stevensville, MI	C	(8)	
59	Michael Hiestand	Vicksburg, MI	E	(16)	
60	Jordan Lewis	Niles, MI	G	(17)	
61	Michelle Kowalski	South Bend, IN	G	(20)	
62	Jasmine Collins	Michigan City, IN	G	(26)	
63	Jerry Reed	South Bend, IN	D	(27)	
64	Ben Hill	Marshall, MI	B	(28)	
65	Erika Toops	South Bend, IN	G	(30)	
66	Joe Hutchings	Marshall, MI	B	(31)	
67	Alex Walters	Mishawaka, IN	D	(38)	
68	Antonio Wilson	South Bend, IN	E	(45)	
69	Shannon Packerham	Valparaiso, IN	F	(56)	
70	Jerry Brennan	North Liberty, IN	H	(64)	
71	Scott Tapley	Goshen, IN	A	(70)	
72	Laron McGhee	South Bend, IN	H	(72)	
73	Jeremy Delcamp	Bristol, IN	B	(81)	
74	Seth Adams	Mishawaka, IN	H	(130)	
75	Brian Bosler	Berrien Springs, MI	F	(194)	
76	Kory Hartung	New Paris, IN	H	(264)	

Finals Results:

Opening Round

Terrence Smith def. Russell Huneryager 169 – 137
 Dean Newell def. Tony Ferro 235 – 180
 Russell, Tim, Tony, & Karl each received \$175

Dustin Zehner def. Tim Edwards 209 – (194+7) 201
 Rich Benninghoff def. Karl Sutton 218 – (203 + 3) 206

Round 2:

Dustin Zehner def. Terrence Smith 234 – (208 + 6) 214
 Kevin Beckman def. Rich Benninghoff 171 – 163

Steve Silvers def. Dean Newell 231 – 217
 Terrence, Dean, & Rich each received \$200

Quarterfinals

Mikey Schlabach def. Dustin Zehner 243 – 211
 Dustin & Kevin each received \$250

Steve Silvers def. Kevin Beckman 186 – 170

Semifinals

Mikey Schlabach def. Steve Silvers 268 – 212
 Steve received \$300

Finals

Mikey Schlabach def. AJ Roche 222 – 182
 Mikey received championship plaque and \$775
 AJ received \$400



From Left: AJ Roche (Runner-Up); Summer Gentry (Gen Mgr – Chippewa); Aaron Smith (Sponsor); Mikey Schlabach (Champion)

Tournament High Games:

- Dustin Zehner – 300, 251
- Mikey Schlabach – 279, 268, 267
- Kody Horan – 279
- Jim Stealy – 264
- Billy Hendrixson – 262, 255
- AJ Roche – 261
- Don Heichel – 257
- Kevin Beckman – 256
- Russell Huneryager – 255
- Austin Henschel – 255

- Rich Benninghoff – 300
- Joe Buczynski – 279, 266
- Brandon Rath – 265
- Jordan Johnston – 263
- Steve Silvers – 262, 252
- Chris Hartung – 258
- Wyatt Mains – 257
- Tony Ferro – 256
- Chuck Trennepohl – 255
- Terrence Smith - 251

Re-Rates:

- Tony Ferro – D to C Class; 205 Average
- Jordan Johnston – A to B Class; 200 Average
- Shannon Packingham – F to G Class; 165 Average
- Eddie Sheler – E to D Class; 198 Average
- Dan Symonds – E to F Class; 169 Average
- Dennis Weatherman – C to D Class; 189 Average
- Dustin Zehner – B to A Class; 217 Average

Below are the by-laws as they pertain to the re-rating of MBA members. You can review the complete set of MBA By-Laws at www.mba300.com/bylaws.

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**

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- 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, Mishawaka, IN Jan 8, 9:00 ET

Casey's Lanes, LaPorte, IN; Jan 22, 9:00 ET

Maple City Bowl, Goshen, IN; Feb 19, 9:00 ET

See you there,
Greg Spinner

