

78th Annual ~ 2021 Greater Pittsburgh USBC Women's Championship Tournament

Hosted by:
Nesbit's Lanes
3501 Leechburg Road
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15239
412-793-5556

Tournament Dates: from April 17 through 25, 2021

	Team	Doubles	Singles	Optional All-Events:
Prize Fees:	\$54.00	\$27.00	\$13.50	\$5.00 (per person/per event)
Bowling Fees	\$36.00	\$18.00	\$ 9.00	9-game: Hdcp., Scratch
Expenses:	\$10.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 2.50	6-game: Hdcp., Scratch (Minor Events)
TOTAL:	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	

ALL PRIZE FEES WILL BE RETURNED 100% ** MINIMUM 1 OF 8 CASH ** ALL-EVENTS 1 OF 10 CASH

SQUAD TIMES - Team only

Saturday	Sunday
April 17 th and 24 th at 12:00 pm	April 18 th and 25 th at 12:00 pm
Team and Minor events	
April 17 th and 24 th at 3:30 pm	April 18 th and 25 th at 3:30 pm

Lanes will be oiled prior to the start of each squad

PRIZE FUND - estimated, not guaranteed; based on entries (Rule 7m)

	<u>1st place HDCP</u>	<u>2nd place HDCP</u>	<u>1st place Scratch</u>
Team	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Doubles	\$1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Singles	\$ 500.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00

Entries must be received by April 10, 2021 (with fees) to guarantee squad choices.

Walk-ins and Re-entries will be welcomed (based on lane availability)

Walk-ins, not previously registered, will be assessed a fee of \$ 5.00
with a minimum of 30 minutes prior to the start of the squad.

**** CASH or CHECKS accepted for walk-ins and re-entries ****

Optional Brackets and Scratch Side Pots will be run during each squad.

Do Not Write in These Columns		Dates Requested	
Entry No.	Team Date/time	Doubles Date/time	Singles Date/time
TM			
D	Squad	1	
S		2	
AE	Lane	3	
Total			
Rec'd			
Over:	Under:		

Singles	
Date/time	
	1
	2
	3

Team Line-up
4-person line-up (\$100.00 per team)
PRINT legibly
Team must bowl in order listed below

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Bowler ID #	Highest Average 2019-2020
1			
2			
3			
4			

Team Name: _____

IRS regulations require the GP USBC to report all winnings of \$600 or more. If any individual receives over \$600, they must provide the Association with their Social Security Number upon request or it may result in withholding of prize money and/or taxes.

[Only if bowling on a different date/time]

\$5.00 each \$5.00 each \$5.00 each \$5.00 each
Handicap Scratch Handicap Scratch
9-game 9-game 6-game 6-game
All-Events All-Events All-Events All-Events

Minor Event
Doubles (\$50.00 per team), Singles (\$25.00 per person)
Must enter BOTH Doubles and Singles
Team must bowl in order listed below

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	Bowler ID #	Highest Average 2019-2012
1			
2			
1			
2			

Team to be paired with: _____

Remit total fees by Money Order or Personal Check with this form by April 10, 2021 to:
Greater Pittsburgh USBC
2021 Women's Championship Tournament
1752 Greensburg Avenue
North Versailles, PA 15137
Phone: 412.824.4850 Fax: 412.825.4809

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

I hereby certify as the team captain to be responsible for the correctness and authenticity of the last season's highest averages of individual team members while the players in turn be responsible to me. Should the Tournament officials ascertain at any time that the highest averages have been falsified and the players are listed on this entry blank, the team shall forfeit all claims for prize money as well as the entry fees.

**** There will be a \$40.00 charge for any returned check ****

Incomplete Entry Forms will be returned.

Team captain (Print) _____

Team captain (Sign) _____

Address, City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone Number (cell) _____

Phone Number (home) _____

Championship Tournament Rules

1. All entries and competition in this Tournament must be in accordance with the rules and regulations of the USBC and Greater Pittsburgh USBC.
2. Bowlers must be a member of the GP USBC or have a current co-association membership.
 - a) A co-association membership must be purchased for any USBC member that is not a GP USBC member.
 - b) Co-association membership must be purchased prior to bowling in this tournament at a rate of \$12.00.
 - c) USBC cards must be shown at check-in.
 - d) Any non-USBC member must purchase an Unattached Membership prior to bowling in this tournament at a rate of \$25.00 and will be required to bowl scratch (220). (Subject to Rule #3).
3. **Bowler responsibilities:** USBC considers all averages on bowl.com as book averages. Bowlers must use their highest certified USBC average from the previous season. If the bowler's average for the current bowling season is ten (10) or more pins higher than last year's average, the higher average must be used. Bowlers without a certified USBC average from the previous season must provide verification of their current certified average based on 21 or more games at the time of bowling. If no verification is provided at the time of bowling, the bowlers will bowl scratch (at an average of 220).
 - a) Bowlers are responsible for verifying his/her average whether submitted by the bowler, by the team captain, or others. If the submitted average is lower than required and results in a lower classification or more handicap, the bowler's score is disqualified. If the submitted average is higher than required, prize winnings will be based on the submitted average.
 - b) **Average Adjustment:** The Tournament Committee and/or the Tournament Director shall have the authority to adjust the entering average of any bowler based upon past performance and prize winnings in the Association Tournament.
 - Written notification of the adjustment will be sent to the bowler prior to the time of bowling. If a bowler refuses the average adjustment, written notification must be submitted to the tournament director. Upon receipt of such notification, all entry fees will be refunded. If the bowler does not submit a written notification, it will be assumed that the average adjustment has been accepted.
 - If a bowler refuses to be adjusted or neglects to notify the tournament director of any previous adjustments within the last three (3) years, the bowler will be subject to a penalty up to and including disqualification and forfeiture of all prize money and entry fees. (see Rule 319e)
 - c) Bowlers should become familiar with all USBC Tournament Rules, especially Rules 319 a, b, c and e.
4. **Multiple entries** will be permitted. Bowlers may compete as many times as space is available in the Team and Minor (singles, doubles) events. Teams and individuals shall be eligible for only one prize in each category (scratch, handicap) per event, that being the highest amount.
 - a) Bowlers may compete in as many Team events as space allows.
 - b) Bowlers competing in the Minor's event MUST bowl BOTH Singles and Doubles one time.
 - c) Re-entries in Singles and/or Doubles will be permitted as space allows; a bowler can choose EITHER to bowl Singles OR Doubles after competing in Minors once (see 4b).
 - d) In all cases, a bowler's first score in each event will count towards any optional All-Events category.
 - e) No more than two (2) players on the same Team may cash more than once in the Team event.
 - f) No bowler may cash more than once with the same partner in the Doubles event.
 - g) No bowler may cash more than once in the Singles event.
 - h) No more than two (2) individuals who qualify as PBA members (at the time of entry) may compete on a team in the Team event and only one (1) PBA member may compete on a Doubles team.
5. **Substitutes** may be utilized when necessary, and the substitute meets all rules of eligibility. No substitute will be accepted in the All-events category when any one event, or portion of any event, has been bowled by the original participant or substitute. Substitutes must bowl in the same position as the original bowler as listed on the original entry. Substitutions must be made at least 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time of bowling.

6. **Handicaps** for each event shall be 90% of the difference between the entering average and 220 (Singles), 440 (Doubles), and 880 (Team) and computed on a 3-game series.
 - a) A handicap score shall be capped at 300 (game) and 900 (series).

7. The following general playing and tournament rules must be adhered to during this Tournament:
 - a) Failure to comply with the playing and tournament rules shall be a cause for disqualification.
 - b) Practicing on the scheduled tournament lanes will not be permitted.
 - c) All bowlers should be ready to bowl at their scheduled time of tournament play. Should any bowler be late or absent, they will be permitted to enter the game in the frame that is currently being bowled. Missed frames cannot be made up and will be scored as zero.
 - d) Doubles will be bowled first, followed by Singles.
 - e) **Improper conduct while bowling in the tournament shall be cause for disqualification.**
Proper bowling etiquette will be adhered to at all time if not it shall be a cause for disqualification ie: public drunkenness, unruly conduct, delay of game, etc.
 - f) The tournament director shall schedule make lane assignments for each event of the tournament. Once published, lane assignments cannot be changed.
 - g) Bowlers wishing to be scheduled to bowl together must submit their entries together with a request that they wish to be paired together (as noted on entry form).
 - h) Prize fees shall be paid 100% in cash awards. Allocation of the prize list in each event will be 75% to the handicap and 25% to the scratch. Minimum prize in any event shall be no less than the prize fee for that event.
 - i) Awards: All Handicap and Scratch Champions will receive an appropriate award in each event.
 - j) In the event of a tie, co-champions will be declared. Ties in the prize listing will split prize monies for that finish position. (ex. 2nd place tie = 2nd and 3rd place winnings will be combined and split between the 2).
 - k) Decisions of the Tournament management shall be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with Rule 329.
 - l) A reimbursable entry will be paid at the conclusion of the tournament, (for all fours events – team, doubles, singles and all-events) will be given to a sponsor of eight (8) teams or more who: (1) Schedules the teams on one squad or same weekend. (2) Enters the team members in team, doubles, and singles.
 - m) If there are less than 130 entries in the Team event, 260 entries in Doubles, 520 in Singles, the prize fund will be adjusted accordingly to reflect the amount of funds collected. **ALL PRIZE FUNDS WILL BE RETURNED 100% PER EVENT.**

9. **Covid-19** This tournament shall comply with all local and state regulations regarding the virus, ,and the tournament committee requests that bowlers **DO NOT** bring any guests along with them to this tournament.
 - a) The mask must completely cover the nose and mouth.
 - b) Bowlers may lower their masks while on the approach but must return the mask to its proper position prior to leaving the foul line.
 - c) The only exception to having the mask in its proper position is while the bowlers are eating food or drinking fluids.
 - d) Even if the bowler has had the vaccine shot, they must follow this rule.

10. The GP USBC will be offering brackets and scratch side pots during each squad. No other side action will be allowed by individuals.

For more information or questions, contact the GP USBC office at 412-824-4850
