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2012 TRI-STATE TOUR

Presented by the:
Greater Evansville USBC Association

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FIRST PLACE \$500 GUARANTEED (Last-to-cash check will be \$50 minimum)

FOUR GAME SWEEPER AND CUT TO TOP 32
TOP 32 ADVANCE TO SEEDED MATCH-PLAY BRACKET

OPTIONAL SCRATCH EVENT & SENIOR ONLY (AGE 50+) HANDICAP
EVENT WITHIN THE REGULAR EVENT

END OF YEAR TOURNAMENT (TOC) - FREE FOR TOP 48 QUALIFIERS

CHECKS EARNED BY TOP 20% OF BOWLERS ON FINAL POINTS LIST

BRACKETS, ELIMINATORS, SIDEPOTS, 300 GAME JACKPOT

All Events Start At 11:00am **Evansville time**—Check-in starts at 9:45am

2012 Monthly Tour Stops			
January 8, 2012	Arc Lanes	Evansville, IN	(812) 476-3003
February 12, 2012	Echo Lanes	Henderson, KY	(270) 826-2793
March 4, 2012	Laurel Lanes	Washington, IN	(812) 254-0632
April 7, 2012 (Saturday)	Eastown Recreation	Jasper, IN	(812) 481-2695
May 12, 2012 (Saturday)	Diamond Lanes	Evansville, IN	(812) 424-4677
June 3, 2012	Franklin Lanes	Evansville, IN	(812) 423-6204
July 8, 2012	Diamond Lanes South	Owensboro, KY	(270) 685-2695
August 5, 2012	Willow Bowling Center	Evansville, IN	(812) 422-6682
September 9, 2012	Gibson Lanes	Princeton, IN	(812) 385-8417
October 7, 2012	River City Recreation	Evansville, IN	(812) 477-5323
November 4, 2012	Ross Cottom Lanes	Harrisburg, IL	(618) 253-8417
2012 Tournament of Champions			
December 2, 2012	Diamond Lanes South	Owensboro, KY	(270) 685-2695

New Bowlers MUST bring Average Verification (Call us, Facebook or email with questions)

Check out Tournament Averages, Points Standings and Winners at
www.evansvillebowling.org (Tournaments Link and then Tri-State Tour Link)

Email Pre-Register/Questions to: tristatetour@gmail.com

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RULES



- Bowlers must be sanctioned with USBC and also pay a \$20 TST membership fee annually at their first event.
- **FORMAT:** Bowl four (4) games on a house shot moving after each game. Cut to the top 32 for match play where bowlers will be seeded by handicap pins and placed into a single elimination bracket. Ties for 32nd spot will be broken by match-play tiebreaker discussed below. Once the field is set, all ties for seeding will be broken by highest handicap game. The 32 bowlers will bowl one game matches (match-play format) with the highest handicap game advancing. Ties in match-play will bowl a four frame tiebreaker (frames 7 thru 10) using 40% (rounded down) of their one-game handicap. If still tied, bowlers will bowl a 9th and 10th frame tiebreaker using 20% (rounded down) until a winner is determined. During match play and tiebreakers a bowler who has all strikes can do no worse than tie their opponent. If there are 70+ bowlers we will pay 32 places. If there are 69 or less then we will pay 24 places. In the event we only pay 24 places, the last 8 places will be determined by the highest 5 game total of the non-winners of the first round of match-play. Payout will be at least 1 in 4 with a minimum of 24 checks. First place at each event is guaranteed to be at least \$500. Youth bowlers who wish to maintain their youth status must sign a waiver form so their earnings can be sent to the Smart Program in the form of scholarships.
- **HANDICAP** will be 85% to 220 based on the following order: (1) TST Tournament average (2) Highest 2010-2011 non-sport book average of 21+ games (3) Highest current average of 21+ games as of date of competition. (4) All others will be subject to the discretion of tournament manager. Bowlers using 2 thru 4 above will use that average for their first 3 events. Maximum handicap will be 40 pins per game. **Non GEUSBCA members MUST bring average verification with them.** Rules 319a 2 (10-pin re-rate rule if no prior year tournament average—bowler's first 3 events only), 319a 3 and 319c will be in force. Rules 319d and 319e will be waived. Management reserves the right to re-rate bowlers prior to each event.
- **TOURNAMENT AVERAGE:** For bowlers with 12 TST games from the prior year, a tournament average will be established and used beginning at each bowler's first event. It will be based upon 2011 and 2012 TST pins only and will be recalculated prior to each subsequent event. All others will begin using their tournament average after their third event. The tournament average will be determined by dividing total TST pins from both the 2011 and 2012 seasons by the total TST games bowled for that same time period. A bowler's tournament average may not be more than 15 pins below the AVERAGE of their top two current book averages (winter league, non-sport only—minimum of 21 games. Subject to tournament manager's discretion)
- **ENTRY FEE:** \$50 (\$13.50 lineage, \$3.00 for TOC, \$2.50 expense fee, and \$31.00 prize fund). Prize fees returned 100%.
- **OPTIONAL SCRATCH EVENT:** For an additional \$25 entry fee bowlers may enter a scratch side pot within the regular event. Payout will be 1 in 5 (rounded). Winners will be determined by total scratch pins from the 4-game sweeper. 100% of the additional entry fee will be returned as prize money. \$250 estimated for first based on 20 entries.
- **OPTIONAL SENIOR (AGE 50+) HANDICAP EVENT:** For an additional \$25 entry fee bowlers [age 50 & over] may enter a senior division handicap side pot within the regular event. Payout will be 1 in 5 (rounded). Winners will be determined by total handicap pins from the 4-game sweeper. 100% of the additional entry fee will be returned as prize money. \$250 estimated for first based on 20 entries.
- **OVERALL POINTS LIST:** Bowlers will receive points for each tournament bowled. The person with the most points will be recognized as the "Bowler of the Year" and will receive a \$100 bonus on their points check. Additionally, at least 80% of the paid memberships will be paid out based upon the point standings based on a 1 in 5 ratio. Points are determined as follows: Winner—500, 2nd—450, 3rd—400, 4th—350, 5th thru 8th—300, 9th thru 16th—250, 17th thru 32nd—200 and 33rd plus—100.
- **Tournament of Champions:** A TOC will be held at the end of the regular tour and will have a field of 48 people plus ties. The field will be determined as follows: the 2011 TOC winner (Randy Jenkins) and the winner of each 2012 event. The balance of the field will be determined by overall points list. To be eligible to bowl in the TOC a bowler must have bowled at least 50% (rounded up) of the regular events. This includes the 2011 TOC winner and the winner of each event. Alternates will be allowed if the field is less than 48 at the starting time.
- Brackets, eliminator, high game pots, and 300 game jackpot will be available. 300 game jackpot can be won in all games of non-TOC tournaments including match-play. Multiple 300s on the same day will split the jackpot.
- Registration will start 75 minutes prior to the start time with the event beginning promptly at 11:00am Evansville time.
- For more information call Randy Robertson at 812-479-1881 (work), 812-401-2257 (home), or 812-483-2386 (cell).