

Dear Members:

The MBA started 2023 with 71 bowlers competing in the Auto Body Specialties Open at Casey's Lanes in LaPorte on January 22nd. We would like to thank Willy Schiable for once again sponsoring our event! The MBA really appreciates his continued support and please let him know how much you appreciate what he has done for our organization by letting him know or patronizing his business!! Also many thanks to out to Judy & Casey Arndt and their staff for their great hospitality as always! AJ Roche won his 5th MBA Title defeating our top seeded bowler Chuck Trennepohl in the final match.

This tournament was contested on the Kegel Challenge 2007 Weber Cup – Day 3 Pattern. This was a 41 foot pattern with a 5.00:1 Oil Ratio. This was the first time the MBA used this pattern and scores were just a bit above average as it took +98 to cash and +155 to make match play. Please note that all centers are instructed to put down the patterns as they appear on Kegel's website with no alteration. If you would like to review the Kegel oiling patterns, you can see them at www.patternlibrary.kegel.net and go to the Challenge Navigation Pattern section.

This was the 4th out of 5 tournaments with at least 70 bowlers! The only tournament with fewer than 70 was the Kalamazoo tournament where we had a major snow event with many bowlers dropping out due to the weather. We are very excited about the participation level!! We had 20 more bowlers this year than the last time we were at Casey's!

The tournament high game was 300 by Dustin Zehner in qualifying.

Our next event will be at Maple City Bowl on February 19th at 9:00 a.m. As always, check-in is at 8:15.

Qualifying Results:

Place	Name	Hometown	Class	Plus(Minus)	Cash
1	Chuck Trennepohl	Elkhart, IN	D	249	
2	Jeff Cichos	Ft. Wayne, IN	D	212	
3	Steve Tobolt	LaPorte, IN	F	211	
4	AJ Roche	South Bend, IN	B	208	
5	Bill Crane	Mishawaka, IN	C	200	
6	Rich Benninghoff	South Bend, IN	A	192	
7	Aaron Smith	Elkhart, IN	B	180	
8	Cameron Compton	Hixson, TN	D	174	
9	Brandon Rath	Stevensville, MI	E	171	
10	Ben Hill	Marshall, MI	B	169	
11	Dustin Zehner	South Bend, IN	A	161	
12	Dustin Maurer	Springfield, MI	D	155	
13	Eddie Sheler	South Bend, IN	D	149	\$130.00
14	Glen Hershberger	Elkhart, IN	H	148	125.00
15	David Cornell	South Bend, IN	H	146	120.00
16	Austin Pavy	New Chicago, IN	D	143	115.00
17	Robert Corvin	Bristol, IN	G	119	110.00
18	Dave Matheny	Coloma, MI	C	115	105.00
19	Jason Utter	St. Joseph, MI	D	108	97.50
20	Nate Fisher	LaPorte, IN	A	108	97.50
21	Jimmy Hampton	Chesterton, IN	C	107	90.00
22	Kevin Castillo	Elkhart, IN	F	105	85.00
23	Kevin Beckman	Watervliet, MI	D	101	80.00
24	Dale McClosky	Elkhart, IN	F	98	75.00
25	Sam Ferrah	Elkhart, IN	D	94	
26	Chris Schultz	LaPorte, IN	A	84	
27	Joe Buczynski	Osceola, IN	D	75	
27	Joe Hutchings	Marshall, MI	B	75	
29	Neil Vitale	Benton Harbor, MI	F	73	
30	Jasmine Collins	Michigan City, IN	G	67	
31	Don Buczynski	Osceola, IN	D	66	
32	Markis Smiley	Rochester, IN	E	57	
32	Don Heichel	LaPorte, IN	B	57	
32	Matt Roberts	Mishawaka, IN	E	57	
32	Jon Medich	South Bend, IN	C	57	
36	Matt Farley	Elkhart, IN	C	54	
37	Kevin Narregan	Baroda, MI	D	46	
38	Ron Jonas	LaPorte, IN	B	40	

Michiana Bowlers Association Newsletter

February 11, 2023

39	Billy Hendrixson	Stevensville, MI	C	34	
39	Aaron Phillips	Grand Haven, MI	A	34	
41	Korbett Koselak	South Bend, IN	D	18	
42	Chris Hartung	Elkhart, IN	A	17	
43	Collin Fisher	LaPorte, IN	F	16	
44	Bruce Burkett	Decatur, MI	F	15	
45	Aaron Lintz	South Bend, IN	E	13	
45	Dakota Gross	South Bend, IN	H	13	
47	Tony Ferro	Elkhart, IN	C	10	
47	Shannon Packingham	Valparaiso, IN	G	0	
49	Vince Coleman	Elkhart, IN	E	(7)	
50	Alex Griggs	Valparaiso, IN	E	(8)	
51	Matt Hendrixson	Stevensville, MI	E	(10)	
52	Melissa Utter	St. Joseph, MI	E	(20)	
53	Andy Zellers	North Liberty, IN	H	(23)	
54	Bill Rath	Stevensville, MI	D	(24)	
55	Jim Stealy	Marshall, MI	C	(37)	
56	Jeff Pugh	LaPorte, IN	H	(41)	
57	Joshua Rose	South Bend, IN	H	(42)	
58	Bill Toops	South Bend, IN	H	(46)	
59	Dan Symonds	Berrien Springs, MI	F	(47)	
60	Phil Butzky	Michigan City, IN	C	(48)	
61	Terrence Smith	South Bend, IN	E	(53)	
62	Jerry Reed	South Bend, IN	D	(55)	
63	Russell Huneryager	Porter, IN	F	(57)	
64	Alex Walters	Mishawaka, IN	D	(60)	
65	Jerrold Melton	Bedford, IN	B	(69)	
66	Antonio Wilson	South Bend, IN	E	(79)	
67	Dustin Hochstedler	Granger, IN	E	(88)	
68	Dean Lykins III	Michigan City, IN	B	(94)	
69	Laron McGhee	South Bend, IN	H	(129)	
70	Jonathan Mars	Greenfield, WI	D	(148)	
70	Brad Winski	Trail Creek, IN	B	(148)	

Final Results

Opening Round

Cameron Compton def. Brandon Rath 191 – (182 + 5) 187
 Dustin Maurer def. Bill Crane (209 + 5) 214 – 190
 Brandon, Dustin, Bill, & Ben each received \$150

Richie Benninghoff def. Dustin Zehner 278 – 233
 Aaron Smith def. Ben Hill 212 – 200

Round 2:

Cameron Compton def. Steve Tobolt 188 – (175 + 3) 178
 AJ Roche def. Aaron Smith 267 – 216

Richie Benninghoff def. Dustin Maurer 236 – (160 + 5) 165
 Steve, Dustin, & Aaron each received \$200

Quarterfinals

AJ Roche def. Cameron Compton 241 – (224 + 1) 225
 Cameron & Richie each received \$250

Jeff Cichos def. Richie Benninghoff 239 – 191

Semifinals

AJ Roche def. Jeff Cichos 234 – 207

Jeff received \$300

Finals

AJ Roche def. Chuck Trennepohl 278 - 225
 AJ won his 5th title, received championship plaque and \$750
 Chuck received \$375



From Left – AJ Roche (champion); Willy Schiabe (sponsor); Jeff Cichos (MBA Officer); Chuck Trennepohl (Runner-Up)

Tournament High Games

Dustin Zehner – 300, 259	Rich Benninghoff – 299, 278	Aaron Smith – 287, 259	Jeff Cichos – 280
AJ Roche – 278, 267, 250	Brandon Rath – 269	Ben Hill – 268	Ron Jonas – 268
Joe Buczynski – 266	Bill Crane – 266	Chris Schultz – 265	Sam Ferrah – 264
Cameron Compton – 258, 255	Joe Hutchings – 258	Matt Roberts – 257	Dave Matheny – 256
Chris Hartung – 255	Don Heichel – 254	Jimmy Hampton – 253	Chuck Trennepohl - 253

Re-Rates (see rules below)

Jeff Cichos – D to C Class; 202 Average
 Cameron Compton – D to C Class; 206 Average
 David Cornell – H to G Class; 184 Average
 Dustin Hochstedler – E to F Class; 163 Average
 Bill Rath – D to E Class; 175 Average
 Melissa Utter – E to F Class; 173 Average
 Alex Walters – D to E Class; 170 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 re-rated 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**

Michiana Bowlers Association Newsletter

February 11, 2023

- 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, Feb 19, 9:00 ET

Country Club Lanes, Elkhart,, IN , Mar 19, 9:00 ET

Strikers Bowl (Kelley's), St. Joseph, MI, Apr 16, 9:00 ET

See you there,
Greg Spinner

