

Dear Members:

Our latest stop for Season #50 was at Country Club Lanes for the CK's Pro Shop Open. We would like to thank Carl Kelley for sponsoring this event. We would also like to thank David & Amy Claxton and their staff for hosting the tournament! We had 69 bowlers bowl this event with Richie Benninghoff winning his 8th MBA Title defeating Jordan Johnston in the title match 279 – 213 in the title match.

The pattern for this tournament was the 2021 Laurel Long Pattern. This was a Kegel Challenge pattern and was 46 feet in length with an oil ratio of 4.23:1 and was the first time we have used this pattern. This pattern started out very tough but many bowlers were able to find the line as the qualifying round progressed. Chelsea Farrell had the tournament high game of 280 during the qualifying round.

Qualifying Results:

| Place | Name | Hometown | Class | +/- | Cash |
|-------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|-----|----------------|
| 1 | Jordan Johnston | Chesterton, IN | A | 232 | |
| 2 | Chelsea Farrell | Elkhart, IN | C | 217 | |
| 3 | Antonio Wilson | South Bend, IN | F | 198 | |
| 4 | Richie Benninghoff | South Bend, IN | A | 185 | |
| 5 | Aaron Phillips | Grand Haven, MI | A | 179 | |
| 6 | Damian Banghart | Warsaw, IN | B | 169 | |
| 7 | Markis Smiley | Rochester, IN | E | 162 | |
| 8 | Colin Albright (y) | Elkhart, IN | F | 154 | |
| 9 | Eddie Sheler | South Bend, IN | F | 148 | |
| 10 | Jason Flaugh | Avilla, IN | A | 144 | |
| 11 | Nate Fisher | LaPorte, IN | A | 141 | |
| 12 | Phil Vincze | Elkhart, IN | B | 125 | |
| 13 | Lucas Claxton | Elkhart, IN | E | 123 | \$150 SMART |
| 14 | Dale McClosky | Elkhart, IN | F | 122 | 130 |
| 15 | Tony Ferro | Elkhart, IN | F | 120 | 125 |
| 16 | Zach Hess | Dowagiac, MI | F | 118 | 120 |
| 17 | Scott Gilmore | West Lafayette, IN | B | 110 | 115 |
| 18 | Joey Martin | South Bend, IN | A | 103 | 110 |
| 19 | AJ Roche | South Bend, IN | B | 88 | 105 |
| 20 | Nathan Schoen (y) | South Bend, IN | D | 87 | 100 SMART |
| 21 | Sam Ferrah | Elkhart, IN | C | 85 | 95 |
| 22 | Steve Tobolt | LaPorte, IN | F | 77 | 90 |
| 23 | Kahne Kelley | Elkhart, IN | C | 75 | 85 |
| 24 | Jim Stealy | Marshall, MI | D | 73 | |
| 25 | Matt Roberts | Mishawaka, IN | F | 69 | |
| 26 | Michael Ferro | Elkhart, IN | C | 68 | |
| 27 | Matthew McQueen | Mishawaka, IN | F | 67 | |
| 28 | Chris Hartung | Elkhart, IN | A | 66 | |
| 29 | Dan Symonds | Berrien Springs, MI | F | 53 | |
| 30 | Pete Senf | Ft Wayne, IN | B | 49 | |
| 31 | Austin Hagy | Elkhart, IN | B | 46 | |
| 32 | Chris Toyias | Waterloo, IN | A | 45 | |
| 33 | Scott Tapley | Goshen, IN | B | 44 | |
| 34 | Wyatt Mains | Three Rivers, MI | A | 40 | |
| 35 | Jeremy Siade | South Bend, IN | F | 34 | |
| 36 | Erica Kauffman | Goshen, IN | F | 26 | |
| 36 | Ben Hill | Marshall, MI | C | 26 | |
| 38 | Jim Nadolny | Mishawaka, IN | D | 22 | |
| 39 | Kevin Beckman | Watervliet, MI | E | 18 | |
| 40 | Chuck Trennepohl | Elkhart, IN | C | 15 | |
| 41 | Vincent Coleman | Elkhart, IN | F | 14 | |
| 42 | Joe Hutchings | Marshall, MI | B | 13 | |
| 43 | Kyla Albright (y) | Elkhart, IN | G | 11 | |
| 44 | Jeremy Delcamp | Bristol, IN | B | 8 | |
| 45 | Shane Niles | South Bend, IN | E | 5 | |
| 46 | Jim Artley | Elkhart, IN | D | 2 | |

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|----|---------------------|-------------------|---|-------|--|
| 47 | Dalton Dobryzkowski | Niles, MI | G | 1 | |
| 48 | Robert Corvin | Bristol, IN | H | (4) | |
| 48 | Mike Hartman | South Bend, IN | D | (4) | |
| 50 | Phil Butzky | Michigan City, IN | D | (7) | |
| 51 | Ken Smith | Lakeville, IN | G | (20) | |
| 52 | Russell Huneryager | Porter, IN | F | (23) | |
| 52 | Steve DePoy | Jackson, MI | D | (23) | |
| 54 | Shannon Packingham | Valparaiso, IN | G | (32) | |
| 55 | Don Buczynski | Osceola, IN | E | (33) | |
| 56 | Doug Walter | LaPorte, IN | C | (36) | |
| 57 | Glen Hershberger | Elkhart, IN | G | (39) | |
| 58 | Kory Hartung | Elkhart, IN | H | (40) | |
| 59 | Jerry Knowles | Stevensville, MI | D | (44) | |
| 60 | Joshua Rose | South Bend, IN | H | (51) | |
| 60 | Raymond Chea | South Bend, IN | H | (51) | |
| 62 | Bill Rath | Stevensville, MI | F | (56) | |
| 63 | Brandon Baker | Osceola, IN | B | (67) | |
| 64 | Billy Hendrixson | Stevensville, MI | C | (73) | |
| 65 | Andrew Gaul | Niles, MI | E | (75) | |
| 66 | Kevin Castillo | Whiting, IN | D | (85) | |
| 67 | Jerrod Kauffman | Goshen, IN | B | (90) | |
| 68 | Jerry Baker | Ft Wayne, IN | C | (109) | |
| 69 | Stephanie Rice | Elkhart, IN | H | (188) | |

Match Play Results

Round 1

Colin Albright (y) def. Eddie Sheler 227 – 189
 Phil Vincze def. Aaron Phillips (224 + 5) 229 – 189
 Eddie, Damian, Aaron, & Jason each received \$175

Nate Fisher def. Damian Banghart 202 – 176
 Markis Smiley def. Jason Flaugh (198 + 12) 210 – 206

Round 2

Antonio Wilson def. Colin Albright (y) 200 – (177 + 7) 184
 Richie Benninghoff def. Markis Smiley 203 – (171 + 12) 183
 Nate & Markis each received \$200; Colin received \$200 SMART

Phil Vincze def. Nate Fisher (218+ 5) 223 – 198

Quarterfinals

Richie Benninghoff def. Antonio Wilson 258 – (242 + 11) 253
 Antonio and Chelsea each received \$250

Phil Vincze def. Chelsea Farrell (170 + 5) 175 – 143

Semifinals

Richie Benninghoff def. Phil Vincze 225 – (187 + 5) 192
 Phil received \$300

Finals

Richie Benninghoff def. Jordan Johnston 279 – 213
 Richie won his 8th MBA Title, received the championship plaque, and \$800
 Jordan received \$400



From Left: Carl Kelley (Sponsor), Richie Benninghoff (Champion), Jordan Johnston (Runner-Up), David Claxton (Owner CCL),

Items of Note:

Chelsea Farrell – 280
Scott Tapley – 279
Pete Senf – 265
Aaron Phillips – 259
Nate Fisher – 254

Richie Benninghoff – 279, 262, 258, 258, 258
Wyatt Mains – 267
Damian Banghart – 264
Jason Flaugh – 258
Colin Albright – 253

Jordan Johnston – 279, 257, 257
Antonio Wilson – 267
Phil Vincze – 264
Joe Hutchings – 257
Jeremy Delcamp – 253

Re-Rates

Jerry Baker – C to D Class; 181 Average
Billy Hendrixson – C to D Class; 182 Average
Jim Nadolny – D to E Class; 173 Average
Shane Niles – E to F Class; 172 Average
Shannon Pakingham – G to H Class; 158 Average
Bill Rath – F to G Class; 168 Average
Nathan Schoen – D to C Class; 201 Average
Pete Senf – B to C Class; 191 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 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 **cached** 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:

January 5 2025 – Masters Invitational; Parkway Lanes, Mishawaka, IN 9:00 Eastern
January 19, 2025 – Olympia Lanes MC (formerly City Lanes); Michigan City, IN 9:00 Central
February 16, 2025 – Casey's Lanes; Laporte, IN 9:00 Central

Thank you all,
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