

Dear Members:

The MBA's third stop of the season was the Motiv Bowling Ball Open at Continental Lanes in Kalamazoo, MI with 66 bowlers competing. We would like to thank our corporate sponsor, Motiv Bowling Balls for sponsoring our tournament. Thanks also go out to Randy Rowison, General Manager of Continental Lanes for hosting the tournament. This tournament was contested on the Kegel Challenge – SYC Iowa Medium which was a 43-foot pattern. This was our first time using this pattern and scores were a bit higher than usual. It took a score of +90 to cash and +138 to make match play. Damian Banghart had the high tournament game with a 279 in the qualifying round.

Jason Flaugh won his first MBA Title while bowling his first tournament from the #1 seeded position. Alex Walters was the runner-up after finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> place at this house last season! Our next event will be at Chippewa Bowl on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Check-in is at 8:15. This tournament will be contested on the Kegel Challenge – 2008 EBT English Open Pattern. This is a 40 foot pattern with an oil ratio of 4.09:1. This is first time that the MBA will be using this pattern as there are several new patterns this season!

Here are the top qualifying results.

Place	Name	Hometown	Class	Plus(Minus)	Cash
1	Jason Flaugh	Avilla, IN	A	293	
2	Dave Matheny	Coloma, MI	C	245	
3	Alex Walters	Mishawaka, IN	E	222	
4	Brandon Rath	Stevensville, MI	D	197	
5	Kevin Beckman	Watervliet, MI	E	192	
6	Melissa Utter	St. Joseph, MI	G	179	
7	Dennis Weatherman	Stevensville, MI	C	178	
8	Chad Vendeville	Otsego, MI	C	168	
9	Dustin Maurer	Springfield, MI	E	161	
10	Bill Rath	Stevensville, MI	E	156	
11	Cory Hersha	S Whitley, IN	B	141	
12	Caleb Pitts (y)	Valparaiso, IN	G	138	
13	Adam Dee	Ada, MI	A	131	\$130
14	Jerry Knowles	Stevensville, MI	D	128	115
15	Sam Ferrah	Elkhart, IN	D	115	110
16	Isaiah Winters	Big Rapids, MI	E	114	105
17	Ted Rosenquist	Valparaiso, IN	A	108	95
17	Chris Toyias	Waterloo, IN	B	108	95
17	Jason Utter	St. Joseph, MI	E	108	95
20	Keith Singleton	Buchanan, MI	H	95	85
21	Jordan Lewis	Mishawaka, IN	H	91	80
22	Dakota Gros	South Bend, IN	G	90	75
23	Bruce Burkett	Decatur, MI	F	88	
24	Ben Hill	Marshall, MI	B	87	
25	Jose Cuellar	Valparaiso, IN	C	86	
26	Brenden Kosanke	Otseto, MI	B	79	
26	Kevin Narregan	Baroda, MI	F	79	
28	Phil Vincze	Elkhart, IN	H	77	
29	Bill Froberg	Stevensville, MI	A	76	
30	Albert Giersberg	Elkhart, IN	D	73	
31	Joe Hutchings	Marshall, MI	B	71	
32	Logan Pitts (y)	Valparaiso, IN	E	66	
33	Matt Farley	Elkhart, IN	D	65	
34	Eddie Sheler	South Bend, IN	E	61	
35	Jasmine Collins	Michigan City, IN	H	60	
36	Travis Ruthruff	Mishawaka, IN	D	58	
37	Jeff Artley	Elkhart, IN	D	57	
38	Dan Symonds	Berrien Springs, MI	F	55	
39	Damian Banghart	Warsaw, IN	A	54	
39	Michael Cabot	Kentwood, MI	B	54	
41	Austin Pavy	Hobart, IN	D	52	
42	Brian Dresbach	South Bend, IN	E	51	
42	Kory Hartung	Goshen, IN	H	51	
44	Jed Winters	Big Rapids, MI	F	49	
45	Matt Roberts	Mishawaka, IN	E	44	
46	Dale McClosky	Elkhart, IN	F	39	

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47	Don Buczynski	Osceola, IN	E	38	
48	Brian Rak	Portage, IN	B	37	
49	Richie Benninghoff	South Bend, IN	A	36	
50	Chuck Trennepohl	Elkhart, IN	C	33	
51	Corey Fister	St. Joseph, MI	F	32	
52	Chris Hartung	Elkhart, IN	B	28	
53	Joe Buczynski	Osceola, IN	C	21	
54	Glen Hershberger	Elkhart, IN	G	18	
55	Aaron Phillips	Grand Haven, MI	A	16	
56	Robert Corvin	Bristol, IN	G	12	
56	Alexandder Davis		B	12	
58	Kris Lyles	Valparaiso, IN	B	7	
59	Melissa Cook	Berrien Springs, MI	F	(5)	
59	Russell Huneryager	Porter, IN	F	(5)	
61	Seth Adams	Mishawaka, IN	H	(23)	
61	Jeff Cichos	Ft Wayne, IN	C	(23)	
63	Jim Artley	Goshen, IN	B	(64)	
64	Billy Hendrixson	Stevensville, MI	C	(97)	
65	Antonio Wilson	South Bend, IN	E	(98)	
66	William Davis	South Haven, MI	C	(111)	

(y) – Youth

### Round 1

Dustin Maurer def. Chad Vendeville (200 + 9) 209 – 206  
 Kevin Beckman def. Caleb Pitts (y) 161 – (128 + 17) 145  
 Chad, Cory, & Bill each received \$150; Caleb received \$150 SMART.

Melissa Utter def. Cory Hersha (231 + 16) 247 – 239  
 Dennis Weatherman def. Bill Rath 210 - (184 + 9) 193

### Round 2:

Alex Walters def. Dustin Maurer 264 – (207 + 9) 216  
 Dennis Weatherman def. Brandon Rath 193 – 157

Kevin Beckman def. Melissa Utter 190 – (138 + 11) 149  
 Dustin, Melissa, & Brandon each received \$175

### Quarterfinals

Alex Walters def. Dennis Weatherman 249 – 211  
 Dennis and Kevin each received \$200

Dave Matheny def. Kevin Beckman 195 – (148 + 4) 152

### Semifinals

Alex Walters def. Dave Matheny 227 – 183

Dave received \$250

### Finals

Jason Flaugh def. Alex Walters 269 - 202

Jason received championship plaque and \$650 and Alex received \$325. Both bowlers have qualified for the Masters Tournament



From left: Randy Rowson (GM Continental Lanes); Greg Spinner; Jason Flaugh; Alex Walters

**Tournament High Games**

Damian Banghart – 279	Dennis Weatherman – 278	Jason Flaugh – 276, 269, 258, 256, 256
Dave Matheny – 269	Richie Benninghoff – 267	Brandon Rath – 265
Alex Walters – 264	Jose Cuellar – 263	Eddie Sheler – 258
Phil Vincze – 258	Adam Dee – 257	Ted Rosenquist – 256
Jason Utter – 255	Isaiah Winters – 253	Kevin Narregan - 250

**Re-Rates:**

Damian Banghart – A to B Class; 195 Avg	Keith Singleton – H to G Class; 174 Avg
Albert Giersberg – D to E Class; 179 Avg	Jason Utter – E to D Class; 199 Avg
Dakota Gross – G to F Class; 180 Avg	Melissa Utter – G to F Class; 182 Avg
Joe Hutchings – B to A Class; 217 Avg	Chad Vendeville – C to B Class; 216 Avg
Dave Matheny – C to B Class; 209 Avg	Alex Walters – E to D Class; 207 Avg
Dustin Maurer – E to D Class; 195 Avg	Isaiah Winters – E to D Class; 199 Avg
Caleb Pitts – G to F Class; 183 Avg	Jed Winters – F to E Class; 198 Avg
Brandon Rath – D to C Class; 203 Avg	

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](http://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 **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**
- 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:**

Chippewa Bowl, South Bend, IN Dec 17, 9:00 ET  
 Masters Invitational – Parkway Lanes, Mishawaka, IN Jan 7 9:00 ET (Only open to past champions/runners-up)  
 Signature Lanes, Elkhart, IN Jan 21 9:00 ET  
 Casey's Lanes, LaPorte, IN Feb 18 9:00 Central Time

See you there,  
 Greg Spinner

