TOURNAMENT RULES

This tournament will be a mail-o-graphic handicap doubles tournament, with optional events of scratch doubles, handicap singles, and scratch singles. A doubles team will consist of any combination. The format will be the 3 games bowled during league play.

1. **Eligibility:** All entrants must have a current TNBA and USBC membership card and bowl in a certified TNBA league prior to bowling. TNBA membership cards may be purchased at the site at a cost of $25.00. USBC membership cards may be purchased at a cost of $26.00 (USBC Rule 300c). TNBA league certification cost is $10.00. USBC rules will govern this tournament. Competition is restricted to members of the Greater Onslow County Bowling Senate who bowl in a certified league within the Onslow County USBC (OCUSBC) jurisdiction.

2. Closing Date: Entries must be received by no later than October 3, 2024.

3. Fees and Prizes: Entry fee will be $40.00 per Doubles Team: ($36 prize fund and $4 expense fee). Prize fund will be returned 100% based on a pay ratio at least (1) prize for every 8 entries (1:8).

4. Optional Events: The following Optional Events are available at $10.00 per event per person ($9.00 prize fund, $1.00 expense fee). Doubles Scratch (both must enter); Singles Scratch; Singles Handicap. All prize funds will be returned 100% at a ratio of (1) prize for every 8 entries (1:8).

5. **Ensure all certified checks and money orders be made payable to: Greater Onslow County Bowling Senate.** After an entry has been received by the Tournament management, fees will not be refunded (USBC Rule 314).

6. **Entering Averages: Bowlers are responsible for verifying the accuracy of their own averages whether submitted by the bowler, team captain or someone else.** Failure to use the proper average shall disqualify the bowler if the submitted average is lower than the actual average thereby resulting in a higher handicap. If the submitted average is higher than the actual average, prize winnings will be based on the submitted average.Bowlers must use their highest of the following:

A: Highest USBC certified 2023-2024 Onslow County USBC Association Yearbook average of 21 games or more (winter or summer).

B: Highest USBC certified 2023-2024 league average of 21 games or more from Bowl.com (winter or summer).

C: If no prior average, bowlers will use the highest current USBC sanctioned average of 12 games or more in a certified league within the Onslow County USBC (OCUSBC) jurisdiction as of October 1, 2024. The bowler must provide proof of average to the tournament director in the form of a current standing sheet.

D: Bowlers who do not meet any of the following will bowl scratch (230 average).

E: The 10-pin rule **will be** in effect. (USBC Rule 319a, 319b)

7. Handicap: Handicap shall be 90% of 230. Handicap will be figured on an individual basis.

8. Participation: Teams will consist of bowlers who are bowling in the same league at the same time on the same day. You **must** bowl doubles to participate in the optional singles portion of this tournament. (No pre-bowl, post-bowl, or blind scores will be permitted)

9. Multiple Participation: Multiple entries will be permitted. You may cash only once in singles and once with the same partner. (USBC Rule 315)

10. Protests: Any protest or correction pertaining to the prize fund results must be received in writing within ten(10) days after the distribution of the tournaments unofficial results with the tournament management, local senate, and USBC before tournament prizes are paid.

11. Tournament Director reserves the right to disqualify any bowler not in compliance with the rules of the tournament and will decide on all questions and disputes arising in the tournament. The tournament operates under the rules of TNBA and USBC. The decision of the Tournament Director will be final, subject to appeal to USBC. Premature termination of the tournament brought about by war, national emergency or emergency causes relating thereto fire, natural disaster, or any other reason beyond the control of the Greater Onslow County Bowling Senate shall cause the extent required hereby, all prizes to be prorated in accordance with the number of entrants who have bowled in each respective event up to the time of such termination.

12. PBA, WPBA, and PBA50 current and past **will be** permitted to bowl in this tournament. **Only one PBA bowler allowed per team.**

**13. MAIL-O-GRAPHIC**

 **a. The mail-o-graphic will use scores from TNBA certified leagues bowled during standard league play at Bowlarena, Bonneyman Bowl, and The New River Air Station Bowling center during the weeks of October 6-18, 2024.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ TNBA # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ USBC # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Average: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ SCR DBLS: \_\_\_\_\_ HDCP SGLS: \_\_\_\_ SCR SGLS: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ TNBA # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ USBC # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_