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2018 City Tournament

THE TOURNAMENT WILL BE BOWLED ON A RECREATION PATTERN.

Beginning in March, call Kenmore Lanes (716/875-5340) for times the pattern will be available for practice.

Open (Men & Women) and Women's Championships Scratch Division in Open Tournament

Team ~ Doubles*/Singles ~ All Events ~ 6-Game Combine

**Bowler is eligible to bowl additional doubles-only events for \$25 per bowler once he/she has paid for a full doubles/singles/combine entry in the same tournament. See entry blank for details.*



Non-championship Alibi Doubles

Enter at tournament site.

\$2,000 MINIMUM FIRST PLACE PRIZE GUARANTEED

In Team Handicap event of Open Tournament

GROUP LEADER PERK – SIGN UP 3 OR MORE TEAMS

to earn free USBC membership and cash rewards!

Group leaders who sign up 3 to 5 teams earn a free USBC membership for the 2018-19 season;
6 to 9 teams, a free USBC membership for the 2018-19 season and \$50;
and 10 teams or more, a free USBC membership for the 2018-19 season and \$100 for every 10 teams.

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT!!!

All 4-Person Team entries received or postmarked by February 1, 2018 receive a 20% discount (pay \$80). Any entries received or postmarked after that date pay full price (\$100).

**Call (716) 668-4222 to make reservations.
Enter online at www.gbusbc.com.**

Kenmore Lanes

1691 Kenmore Avenue, Kenmore, NY

Opens April 24, 2018 thru May 12, 2018

(see dates and times)

Reserved entries close April 1, 2018 unless extended.

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Alibi Doubles Side Event

2018 GREATER BUFFALO USBC ASSOCIATION CITY TOURNAMENT OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP AND WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Select championship tournament in which you wish to bowl.

Open Championship (men and/or women, any combination) **Women's Championship** (women only)

Reservation Number - _____

Group Leader (3 or more teams) - _____

6-Game Combine - Doubles & Singles total for this entry.

All Events - First Team, First Doubles & First Singles total in same tournament.

TEAM NAME _____

Entering average is highest average from 3 seasons (winter or summer) listed below.

Bowler's Name	USBC ID Number	March 1, 2018 High Average (GBUSBC only)	2016-17 High USBC Average (National)	2015-16 High USBC Average (National)	HANDICAP EVENTS			OPTIONAL SCRATCH DIVISION OPEN TOURNAMENT ONLY				DOUBLES ONLY ONLY ELIGIBLE IF PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR A D/S/C ENTRY			
					Team \$25 (\$20 if paid by Feb. 1)	Doubles Singles Combine \$55	All Events \$5	Team \$10	Doubles Singles Combine \$25	Singles Combine \$15	All Events \$5	Handicap \$25	Handicap Scratch \$35	Total Cost Each Bowler	
1.															
2.															
3.															
4.															
5.															
6.															

Doubles Team #1	Doubles Team #2	Doubles Team #3
1.	1.	1.
2.	2.	2.

MAIL COMPLETED ENTRY BLANK WITH FULL REMITTANCE TO:
Greater Buffalo USBC Association
2448 Union Road
Cheektowaga, NY 14227

TOTAL PAYMENT
\$ _____

SQUAD CHOICES

Call (716) 668-4222 to reserve your time. Visit www.gbusbc.com to enter online.

Team Event

Doubles/Singles
If bowled on the same day, doubles is bowled first.

Singles (if split)
May be bowled on different day. Restrictions apply.

1st choice _____
 2nd choice _____
 3rd choice _____

Captains Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Phone _____ **Email** _____

Signature _____

All games in this tournament shall be played in strict compliance with regulations of the UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS governing tournament play.

**◆ ONLY MEMBERS OF THE GREATER BUFFALO USBC ASSOCIATION ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN THIS TOURNAMENT ◆
YOU MAY BOWL MORE THAN ONCE IN ANY EVENT OF THIS TOURNAMENT, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

- A) When more than two players bowl together more than once in the team event, only one of the competing teams shall be eligible for a prize
- B) The same four persons may not bowl together more than once in the team event. C) The same two persons may not bowl together more than once in the doubles event.

PHOTO ID must be presented by each bowler at check-in.

Membership cards must be available upon request of the Tournament Manager. Dues of at least \$22 shall be assessed to each bowler not in possession of a USBC membership card. An associate membership will then be issued or fee returned upon submission of proof on or before June 1, 2018, that the bowler was previously a member of the USBC for the current season. If a bowler has a USBC card in a neighboring association, they will be permitted to purchase a GBUSBCA local membership for \$8.

A maximum of two local memberships not purchased through a 2017-18 GBUSBCA league or previous 2017-18 GBUSBCA tournament, may be issued to any one 4-person team and one membership to any doubles pair.

Any team or individual entered in this tournament failing to appear on the lanes when scheduled to bowl shall forfeit the entry unless the Tournament Manager finds sufficient reason for granting a postponement.

Any team or individual arriving late shall begin bowling with the score counting from the frame then being bowled and receive zero for missed frames.

The entrants whose names appear hereon or their authorized replacements hereby agree that the Greater Buffalo USBC Association and their officers and agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling in any event in this tournament through delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change, or premature termination of the tournament, which may be brought about by war, national emergency or emergencies, or causes beyond the control of the Greater Buffalo USBC Association.

TO THE GREATER BUFFALO USBC ASSOCIATION MANAGER

Entrants must be USBC members in good standing. By entering these tournaments, a bowler agrees to abide by all tournament and playing rules and regulations of the Congress, including all rules outlined on this form. Entrants specifically agree that if they or any replacements chosen by or for them are not eligible for participation in the Greater Buffalo USBC Association, their prize, bowling, and expense fees may be retained by the Greater Buffalo USBC Association as liquidated damages. The submission of the entry form certifies that each individual average reported by each player entered in this tournament as they appear on this entry conforms to entering average requirements.

ENTERING AVERAGE REQUIREMENTS (see bolded note)*

Entrants must use their highest USBC-certified average of 21 games or more from these three seasons: 2015-16 any association; 2016-17 any association; March 1, 2018, for Greater Buffalo USBC only. A bowler who attains 21 games after March 1 but before they bowl in this tournament may use the 21-game average if they have no 2015-16 or 2016-17 average; documentation will be required.

A male bowler who does not have an official average as outlined for any of the above will be accepted as a "210" average bowler and receive 15 handicap pins per game.

A female bowler who does not have an official average as outlined for any of the above will be accepted as a "200" average bowler and receive 25 handicap pins per game.

***It will be at the Tournament Manager's discretion to rate a bowler at a higher average if any current or previous season USBC or non-USBC average is discovered to be higher. Anyone with only a sport/challenge average (USBC or non-USBC) will be re-rated.**

RE-RATING REQUIREMENTS

See USBC Rule 319e. Any bowler who has been re-rated by any tournament or association must inform the tournament manager of this re-rating. See USBC Rule 319c. The average of a bowler may be adjusted upward before participation in any event. If the assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, the entry fee shall be refunded.

HANDICAP RULES

Handicap will be based on 100% of the difference between bowler's entering average and scratch score of 225 with no maximum handicap.

Handicap for the team event will be computed by adding the individual handicap of the four bowlers entered on that team. Likewise, handicap for the doubles event will be computed by adding the individual handicap of the two bowlers entered.

When an injury, an emergency, or other reason, may require a substitution after a game has started, USBC Rule 324b will prevail with proper handicap changes being calculated by the Tournament Manager. When a substitute enters a series or game already in progress, the handicap will be computed for each bowler on the basis of frames bowled.

PRIZE WINNINGS

A participant must report previous tournament winnings in excess of \$300 in any event of any tournament in the 12-month period immediately preceding the start of this tournament. Information provided must include tournament name, location, actual score, position of finish in the event, the event, and the amount won.

SUBSTITUTES

The captain of a team or their appointed representative shall have the privilege of submitting other qualified bowlers to take the place of those originally entered subject to the approval of the Tournament Manager. The substitute, if accepted, must bowl under his/her own name and at the scheduled time for each event. Any substitute in the team and/or doubles event must take the position of the original bowler.

ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN

All doubles entrants must also enter singles at least once and vice-versa. If bowling doubles/singles on the same day, doubles are bowled first. Singles may be bowled on a separate day. Restrictions apply.

	Team	Doubles	Singles	Combine	All-Events
Prize Fund (100% Return)	\$46.00	\$25.00	\$12.50	\$4.50	\$4.50
Lineage	21.00	10.50	5.25		
Tournament Expenses	33.00	14.50	7.25	.50	.50
Handicap Only Entry Fee	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
Scratch Prize Fund (Optional)	\$40.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
Handicap & Scratch Entry Fee	\$140.00	\$70.00	\$35.00	\$10.00	\$10.00

CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

All handicap and scratch champions will receive association championship crystals, which will be presented at our annual awards dinner in June of 2018. Scratch winners must have paid the scratch entry fee with the exception of all-events (USBC Rule 306d).

CASH PRIZES

Cash prizes will be awarded in all five events of the Open and Women's Tournament on the basis of scores with handicap and also for scratch scores in the Open Tournament. Prizes will be distributed in the ratio of one prize for every seven entries in the Team, Doubles, and Singles events. The first scores bowled in each event will count toward All Events. Six-Game Combine and All Events prize ratio will be one prize for every ten entries. One scratch prize of minimal amount will be awarded in each event of the Women's Tournament. Entrants may cash only one time in the Singles and Combine events in each tournament they enter.

LANE ASSIGNMENTS and CHECK-IN

Captains should submit an entry blank with the exact line-up to be used. Order of bowling will not be changed thereafter. If a substitute is necessary, the substitute will be inserted in the lineup where the original bowler was scheduled to bowl.

LANE ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE BY TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT. EACH INDIVIDUAL BOWLER IS REQUIRED TO CHECK IN WITH PHOTO ID 30-60 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE SQUAD START TIME.

POST-CLOSING DATE ENTRIES

Reserved entries close April 1 unless extended. Additional entries shall be accepted after the closing date if lanes are available, but entry fees must be paid in full at least one day in advance of the squad. There shall be no walk-ins the day of the tournament.

DELAY OF GAME (SMOKING)

There shall be no unreasonable delay permitted during tournament competition. Any bowler not present and ready to bowl when it's their turn will receive zero for the frame. The tournament official in charge will have the authority to decide in this matter.

FOREIGN SUBSTANCES (powder, rosin, etc.)

NO FOREIGN SUBSTANCE shall be allowed in the bowler's area. The use of any foreign substance that detracts from the possibility of other players having normal conditions is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, talcum powder, pumice and resin on shoes, and/or soft rubber soles or heels that rub off on the approach (USBC Rule 12).

Squad Dates & Times	Team	D/S	Split Dbls	Split Sgls
Tues., April 24 @ 7 pm	✓	NA	NA	NA
Wed., April 25 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	✓	✓
Thurs., April 26 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fri., April 27 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Tues., May 1 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wed., May 2 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Thurs., May 3 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fri., May 4 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Sat., May 5 @ 10 am	✓	✓	NA	NA
Sat., May 5 @ 2 pm*	✓	✓	NA	NA
Sun., May 6 @ 10 am	✓	✓	NA	NA
Sun., May 6 @ 2 pm*	✓	✓	NA	NA
Mon., May 7 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Tues., May 8 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Wed., May 9 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Thur., May 10 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Fri., May 11 @ 7 pm	✓	✓	NA	NA
Sat., May 12 @ 10 am	✓	✓	NA	NA
Sat., May 12 @ 2 pm*	✓	✓	NA	NA

***Some or all lanes on the 2 pm squads may not have fresh oil.**

NOTE: Those who choose to split their D/S entry may be moved 90 minutes later than the squad start time.

**TOURNAMENT SITE:
KENMORE LANES
1691 Kenmore Ave.
Kenmore, NY 14217**

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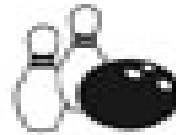
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