

55th Annual **E LUKE FORREST MONMOUTH COUNTY MASTERS TOURNAMENT**

Conducted by
MONMOUTH COUNTY USBC
Certified By The United States Bowling Congress
The Lanes at Sea Girt

2106 Highway 35, Sea Girt, NJ 08750-1002 (732) 449-4942

- Winner is eligible for paid entry into the National USBC Masters Brackets

BONUS min \$850 to first place based on 180 bowlers from The Lanes at Sea Girt

ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY JANUARY 20, 2018 AT NOON	QUALIFYING ROUNDS (1st) SUNDAY, JAN 21, 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM (2nd) SUNDAY, JAN 21, at 4:00 PM FINALS SUNDAY, JAN 28, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Prize Fee Returned -- 100% Prize Ratio = 1 in 7 Prize Fee.....\$34.00 Bowling Fee.....20.00 Expense Fee.....6.00 ENTRY FEE \$60.00
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RULES AND REGULATIONS

<p>CONTROL: The Monmouth County Masters Tournament is an official function of the Monmouth County USBC conducted on a scratch basis. Rules of the United States Bowling Congress will be strictly enforced.</p> <p>ELIGIBILITY: All members of the Monmouth County USBC must have a current USBC season membership card. All participants must have currently bowled 21 or more Monmouth County League certified games in the same league, at least two weeks prior to the start of the tournament. An entrant's average is not a factor for eligibility nor is it a barrier toward winning the County Masters Championship. The prior year's Masters Champion if not eligible will be allowed to bowl to defend his title, but will not be allowed to bowl in the qualifying rounds. Youth bowlers will not be allowed to bowl in this tournament. All bowlers must be a member of an adult league.</p> <p>DRESS CODE: Participants must wear full length trousers and a bowling, sport or dress shirt with collar (butterfly). • Dress slacks, casual trousers and jeans are permitted. • No T-shirts, mock turtle necks, shorts, skirts, culottes, capris, hats, or sweat pants allowed.</p> <p>MASTERS CHAMPION: The tournament champion will be eligible to fill a reserved space in the National USBC Masters provided the bowler meets all USBC eligibility requirements with the entry fees of \$500.00 paid for by the MC-USBC. The tournament champion shall be exempt from qualifying for the next County Masters Tournament and eligible to be seeded No. 8 into the finals, unless he scores higher in the qualifying rounds. If the champion is not able to participate in the National USBC Masters, then the runner-up will be asked before the first entry deadline. No other finalists will be considered.</p> <p>QUALIFYING ROUNDS: This tournament will be conducted on an elimination basis through two qualifying rounds of three games each. Each entrant shall bowl one block of three games across six lanes with each player moving to the right after each game to an assigned lane. For the second qualifier, the field will be cut to the top 64, if there are more than 149 entries, including ties for the 64th position. If the number of entries is below 150, then the field will be cut to the top 1/3 (33%), plus ties for the last position. They will bowl a second block of three games in the same manner as the first. The fifteen players with the highest total pinfall for the six games bowled shall qualify for the Finals match game play.</p> <p>FINAL ROUND: The fifteen players from the qualifying rounds plus the defending Monmouth County Masters Champion shall enter the final round competition. Final round competition will be match game play conducted under a double elimination method. Each match shall be over two games total pins to decide the winner.</p> <p>Double elimination competition requires a player to lose two matches to be eliminated. All sixteen players bowl the first match in the Winners Bracket. Each player losing a match in the Losers Bracket is eliminated. The final match is between the undefeated player of the Winners Bracket and the one defeated player of the Losers Bracket. If the player from the Winners Bracket wins the match, the bowler will be the Masters Champion. If the player from the Losers Bracket wins the match, a second match is required to determine the Masters Champion.</p> <p>Pairings for the initial match in the Winners Bracket will be seeded according to total pinfall of the six qualifying games, (e.g., No. 1 vs. Qualifier No. 16; No. 2 vs. No. 15; etc.). After the initial match, pairings and lane assignments will be in</p>	<p>accordance with the double elimination bracket system which will be displayed at the tournament site. Only one bowler will be assigned to a lane. The order of bowling shall be with the player on the odd numbered lane starting first, finishing on the even numbered lane, and starting the next game on the even numbered lane.</p> <p>TIES: Ties for last place into the second qualifying round will be allowed to bowl. Ties for 16th place, into the finals, will bowl one complete game to break the tie. If a tie still exists an extra 9th and 10th frame shall be bowled until the tie is broken. In case of a tie in a final round match, an extra 9th and 10th frame shall be bowled until the tie is broken.</p> <p>REPLACEMENTS: All participants accepted and scheduled shall bowl as scheduled. An original entrant may not delegate his/her own replacement. If unable to bowl when scheduled, in order to make space available for a replacement, the entrant shall personally notify the tournament manager. Eligible replacements will be drawn from the waiting list. Failure to comply with this rule will result in the forfeiture of entry and all fees paid.</p> <p>SUBSTITUTES: No substitutes will be allowed after a player has started a series or block of games. If a participant fails to appear for the start of the first qualifying round the bowler will receive no score for the frames missed. All players eliminated by score, from the first qualifying round may not continue as a substitute or replacement in the second qualifying round. • Failure of a participant to appear for the start of the second qualifying round, the player will receive no score for the frames missed. The tournament manager may fill such a space with a pacer. • When a player fails to appear for the start of the first match of the final round, an alternate will be permitted to replace him/her. Such alternate will be the next high man/woman from the six game qualifying field immediately available. If an alternate is not available to replace an absent player in the first match, the same procedure will be allowed to extend into the second match. • After the start of the second match of the final round no substitutes will be allowed. Non-appearance will constitute forfeiture of the match. If forfeiture occurs in the Winners Bracket, the absent player automatically goes to the proper position in the Losers Bracket.</p> <p>MISCELLANEOUS: • Lane assignments will be made by random draw by the tournament official with three players per lane for the first qualifying round. Four players may be assigned to a lane in the second qualifying round. • For qualifying rounds all players will be allowed ten minutes of practice on the starting pair only. For final round matches, each player will be allowed ten minutes of practice for the first match, and two practice deliveries on each lane used in each subsequent match. • Each entrant will be given a prize list at check-in time. • The MCUSBC will donate annually the "KEN DANIELS / E LUKE FORREST MEMORIAL TROPHY" for presentation to the Master Champion. A second place plaque will also be provided..</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The USBC Conduct Rule will be strictly enforced. • A USBC Masters pattern will be selected and announced prior to the tournament. • Check www.monmouthcountybowling.com for squad times and results.
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