

RIVERBEND USBC BA CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

ENTRIES CLOSE 10:00 PM FEBRUARY 8, 2009 NO RESERVED ENTRIES	PRIZE FEE.....\$ 9.25 TOURNAMENT FEE.....\$ 1.00 BOWLING FEE..... \$6.75 TOTAL.....\$17.00 (OPTIONAL PER EVENT) SCRATCH MONEY...\$5.00	TOURNAMENT OPENS FEBRUARY 21, 2009 TOURNAMENT CLOSES MARCH 8, 2009
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ALL DATES WILL BE ASSIGNED AS COMPLETED ENTRY FORMS AND FULL
ENTRY FEES ARE RECEIVED. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE

Tri-County Bowl
207 Krause
Jerseyville, IL 62052

PRIZE MONEY RETURNED 100%

ALL PRIZE MONEY PAID ON HANDICAP BASIS EXTRA PRIZE MONEY ADDED

RULES CONCERNING THE 4th RIVERBEND BA ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP

MANAGEMENT: The management for the tournament is vested in the hands of the officers of the Riverbend USBC Bowling Association Executive Committee. This group's decisions in all matters pertaining to this tournament shall be binding and final, subject to appeal in accordance with USBC rule 329. The USBC 2008/2009 playing rules book will be followed for any item not covered herein.

LOCATION: Tri-County, Jerseyville, IL

DATES OF TOURNAMENT: Saturdays and Sundays, February 21, 22 and February 28, March 1, if needed March 8 2009. All teams, doubles and singles are to be rolled in accordance with the schedule that will be posted in each bowling establishment of this area. There will be no changes made in the schedule after February 15, 2009.

ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS: The highest (USBC) average for the 2007-2008 seasons will be used. Bowlers who do not have an average from the last season will use their current average for 21 games or more as of February 8, 2009. Bowlers that do not have a current average must bowl using a 238 scratch. Bowlers are required to report to the tournament manager any adjusted tournament averages or prize winnings of \$600.00 or more in the past 12 months (USBC rules 319(e) and 319(d)). Non-members living within the jurisdiction of this association who are not of another association may enter by paying an unattached membership fee of \$21.00 per person.

PRIZES AND BOWLING FEES: Each entrant will pay a fee of \$17.00 per event at the time of entry with automatic entry into the handicap division. An **OPTIONAL** charge of \$3.00 will be made for "all events" payable before the entry deadline. You can bowl either scratch or handicap or both. There is an **OPTIONAL** \$5.00 per person per event scratch division available.

HANDICAPS AND AVERAGES: Each event, with the exception of scratch all events; will be bowled on a 90% handicap basis. Handicap figures are: Team, doubles and singles will be individually handicapped based on 238 per bowler. All handicaps will be computed from the highest average of the 2007-2008 seasons in any league. USBC Rule 319(a) will apply when a bowler has a current average ten pins or higher than his qualifying average for the 2007-2008 season. **BOWLERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AVERAGE SHOWN SUBJECT TO RERATING UNDER USBC RULE 319(d). And ALL BOWLERS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN-IN**

MANNER OF PLAY: In accordance with USBC Rule 317 the following tournament rules apply: Any five members of this association may compete in the team event. Not more than three players of a five-player team already entered may bowl together on another five player team. Bowlers may enter Singles or Doubles or both. They may enter Doubles more than once with a different partner. No one will bowl alone. Singles can be bowled only once. The tournament management will assign Lanes. A bowler's first score in each event shall be the score that counts towards their all-events total. No more than three players from one team can place more than once on the prize list for position standings (USBC RULE 317(a)). All prize fees are returned 100%. Prize ratio is one out of each eight entries. **ENTRIES CLOSE AT 10:00PM FEBRUARY 8, 2009.** Captains must check in at least 30 minutes before their scheduled time to bowl. Substitutions will be allowed in accordance with USBC Rules 324(a) and 324(b). Championship chevrons will be awarded to all first place winners. Team's names shall be in proper taste.

ELIGIBILITY: All members of the Riverbend USBC Bowling Association are eligible to enter. Bowlers belonging to other associations but bowl in Riverbend USBC Bowling Association certified leagues can bowl in the tournament. No Bowler will be eligible for participation in the all events unless he or she enters all three event, except under the following conditions: If a bowler has entered all three events within the prescribed time, and later, due to circumstances beyond his or her control is unable to take part in the tournament, the approved substitute will be eligible to participate in the all events, provided the transfer is made before the bowler involved has participated in any event of the tournament. The penalty for violating any of the aforementioned conditions shall be disqualification from the tournament.

TIES: In the event of a tie for first place, three games shall be bowled to decide the winner. The date will be set by the tournament committee and will be at the expense of the Association.

SPECIAL AWARDS: A special award will be awarded for the highest scratch singles total.

This is a **HANDICAP** tournament with an **OPTIONAL** scratch division available. Bowlers may cash in both divisions.

