Nebraska Youth Bowling Partnership Presents The 2023-2024 Nebraska Youth Open & U23 Bowling Tour







Special Iowa Tour Stop, Sunday, 10/1/2023 Thunderbowl, Council Bluffs, IA

Dual Pattern Event (different oil patterns on even and odd lanes)

Divisions Offered

U12 Boys/Girls Scratch; birthdate 8/1/2011 or later **U15 Boys/Girls Scratch**: birthdate 8/1/2008 to 7/31/2011 U18 Boys/Girls Scratch: birthdate 8/1/2005 to 7/31/2008 **U23 Boys/Girls Scratch**: birthdate 8/1/2000 to 7/31/2005 Mixed Handicap: birthdate 8/1/2005 or later; average < 176

\$5000 added prize money from the Council Bluffs USBC. Entries limited to 128. Enter early to guarantee your spot. This event will likely sell out.

Entry Fee: \$65* per bowler Optional Junior Gold Qualifying, High Game Pots, and Side Brackets available. Walk-ins will be accepted on a space available basis.

Bowl 5 qualifying games on a dual pattern sport shot. Cut to the top 8 in each division for seeded bracket finals with single elimination. All finals places will "cash."

*Registrations received after 9/27/2023 and walk-ins, if available, will be \$75. Absolutely no email, text, phone, or social media messaging entries will be accepted. Inquiries are welcome via these media, but you must register online or walk-in.



This event will have an optional Junior Gold Qualifier, provided there are enough entries.

Questions or for more information:







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Abbreviated Rules and Information (as of 9/4/2023)

Full rules available on site the day of the event or by request.

- Eligibility: Open to all USBC sanctioned youth bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2005 or later and all adult bowlers whose birth date is between 8/1/2000 and 7/31/2005. All bowlers who turn 18 on or before 7/31/2023 must be sanctioned as adults before bowling this event.
- 2 **Cost**: \$65 tournament entry (\$75 late registration); \$5 optional brackets, no limit; \$5 optional high game pots; optional Junior Gold entry fee. Fee breakdown: \$25 lineage, \$34 awards and scholarships, \$6 expenses. Bowlers who wish to bowl additional Tour Stops during the season will be assessed a \$50 yearly membership fee, due on the bowler's second event of the season.
- 3 Junior Gold Qualifying (optional): This event will hold a Junior Gold Qualifier, provided the minimum number of entries is met.
- 4 Entries Pre-registered/pre-paid entries will be accepted first. Walk-ins will be accepted based on availability. See rule #7 for registration information.

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- Mixed Handicap: birthdate 8/1/2005 or later, average under 176; 80% of 200. The maximum handicap will be 90 pins per game.

Note: Divisions may be combined if there are fewer than 10 entries per division. Divisions will be combined first within age groups and then across age groups as needed to make a full division.

Handicap Division bowlers whose first event of the current Season is Tour Stop 4, will use their highest book average on bowl.com for the 2022-2023 season. If the bowler does not have an established average on bowl.com, please provide a current league standing sheet. Bowlers unable to provide a valid average will bowl scratch. Returning Tour bowlers will use either their current Tour average or rerated average, based on the number of games bowled thus far in the Tour Season. Averages are rerated every 10 games.

- 6 **Dual pattern, sport shots:** There will be two sport shot oil patterns used with one pattern on the even lane of each pair and the other pattern on the odd lane of each pair. Patterns will be released one week prior to the event on our Facebook page and will be emailed to all registered participants.
- 7 Registration: Pre-registration is encouraged. Once the event is full, a wait list will be started. Walk-ins will be accepted based on availability per squad. Walk-ins and online entries received after 9/27/2023 will be \$75. No-shows and same-day cancellations will be assessed a \$25 fee, payable before the bowler may enter another NEYBP event. (Extenuating circumstances will be taken into consideration on a case-by-case basis.)
 - Register online at <u>TournamentBowl.com</u> or scan the QR code above. No text, social media messenger, phone, or email entries will be accepted. (Inquiries are welcome, but no registrations taken.)
- Format: All bowlers will bowl a five-game qualifier, moving lanes after each event. Movement will be finalized the day of the event. After the five games, a cut to the top 8 bowlers in each division will be made. The top 8 bowlers will bowl in seeded bracket finals with #1 vs #8, #2 vs #7, etc., for single game elimination. Ties for qualifying positions will be broken by the highest single game. Ties in the bracket finals will be broken by a 9th and 10th frame roll. If a tie still remains after the 9th and 10th frame roll-off, a single ball roll-off on the same lane will be used and will continue until a winner is determined. The higher original seed will get choice of starting lane for all bracket games and roll-offs.
- 9 **Scholarships and Payouts:** \$5000 additional prize money donated by the Council Bluffs USBC. Scholarships/payouts will be awarded at a minimum of a 1:5 in each division. The amount of scholarship/payout available will finalized the day of the event. Scholarship money will be deposited into bowlers' SMART accounts within 30 days of the conclusion of the tournament. Additional scholarship/payout money may be added on the day of the tournament. U23 bowlers, birthdate between 8/1/2000 and 7/31/2005, will have the option to take their payouts in cash or scholarship. It is the college bowlers' responsibility to know their limits for cash/scholarship awards to maintain collegiate eligibility.
- 10 Tournament Date: Sunday, 10/1/2023; Check-in will begin at 8:15 am with announcements and bowling starting at 8:50 am.
- 11 Dress Code: Collared shirts or bowling jerseys for boys and girls; slacks or dress shorts for boys; slacks, dress shorts, or skorts for girls. Shorts and skirts/skorts must be at least mid-thigh length in the front, back, and sides when standing, and a skort must completely cover the shorts underneath at all times, including when bowling. No jeans, shorts, sweatpants or yoga-type pants, hats, or sleeveless shirts will be allowed. Any apparel depicting cigarettes, alcohol, drugs or weapons will not be allowed. Tournament director reserves the right to disallow any apparel that does not meet these criteria and tournament director's decision is final.
- Any rules not listed here will be covered by USBC playing rules and/or Junior Gold qualifying rules. Failure to abide by any rules and regulations may lead to disqualification from the event. All matters not covered by these rules and regulations will be determined by the Tournament Director. All decisions are final.
- By entering an NEYBP event you agree to any photos/videos of you at the event to be posted on the NEYBP website, Facebook page, or other NEYBP social media sites. Live streaming of events may also occur.

