

The 4th Annual Shropshire Open

At AMF Shrewsbury Brixton Way, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY1 3AZ

Sunday 02nd July 2017

Closing date for entries Saturday 17th June 2017

Only £40 entry fee

Scratch & Handicap Singles



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1. The Tournament will be a Scratch & Handicapped Singles event.
2. The Tournament shall be sanctioned by the B.T.B.A. as tournament number **17/0076**. The Tournament is open to all members of the B.T.B.A. in good standing and members of other National Federations. Membership cards must be produced at registration. Non-members may participate upon payment of a £21 fine (to be used to join the B.T.B.A)
3. This is a B.T.B.A. Adult Tour Event (run by S.T.B.A.) B.T.B.A. Ranking points will be awarded based on the scratch scores at the end of the 6 games of qualifying, no subsequent games bowled will count towards the Masters Event
4. The Tournament will be played under the general playing rules and regulations of the B.T.B.A.
5. Competitors must declare their highest current average from any league, tournaments or B.T.B.A. tour average over 12 games.
6. All handicaps will be based on 90% of the difference between the competitor's highest average and 240. Proof of any entering average must be provided at registration. Those competitors without a proven average will only be allowed to compete with zero handicap.
7. There is no maximum handicap.
8. The Tournament Director reserves the right to reassess any entered average and to disqualify any individual who deliberately submits a false average, subject to appeal to the B.T.B.A any disqualified individual will not be entitled to any reimbursement of entry fees.
9. Late arrivals will only be allowed to compete at the Tournament Director's discretion, and must commence bowling at the frame in progress for their allocated squad, all previous frames being scored at zero.
10. Individuals must bowl at a reasonable pace. Any individual who in the opinion of the Tournament Director, is guilty of slow play will initially receive an official warning. Any subsequent offence will result in the next delivery by the individual being recorded as a foul.
11. The Tournament Director will be Pete Spearing, whose decision on the day will be final, subject to appeal to the B.T.B.A.
12. A provisional ball must be rolled if a dispute relating to pinfall cannot be resolved immediately
13. Protests must be made verbally to the tournament manager within 10 minutes of the end of the game concerned and confirmed in writing within 24 hours
14. Smoking and the consumption of alcoholic beverages is forbidden during play and lane change time
15. The Tournament Treasurer reserves the right to accept or refuse any entry. Late entries are also accepted only at the Tournament Treasurer's discretion. The Tournament Treasurer will be Paul Williams
16. The entry fee will be £40 per person. For each competitor, this includes a prize fund of £12 (which will be returned 100% in tournament prizes), a donation of £1 towards the Team England Fund, £5 to the B.T.B.A. Tour Pot &£3 S.T.B.A. Contribution. Cheques should be made payable to Shropshire Tenpin Bowling Association and sent, along with entry form to:

Tournament Treasurer: Paul Williams
Address: 16 Blakeway Mews
Gains Park
Shrewsbury
SY3 5AR
Mobile: 07814 028709
E-mail: prwilliams_21@hotmail.com

Tournament Format

First Round: Each competitor will play 6 games over two 3 game series, swapping lanes after the initial 3 game series. The top 8 Scratch competitors will progress to the Second Round (Scratch) and the top 8 Handicap scores from the remaining participants progress to the (Second Round). In the event of any tie for positions 1-8 in either the scratch or handicap section, the competitor with the highest last game will be placed in the higher position, in the event of a further tie the penultimate game will be used and so on.

Second Round: Competitors are now split in to Scratch and Handicap divisions, scoring only in the division they are in, each competitor will play a further 3 game series, with these scores being added to the competitors previous 6 games. The top 4 Scratch competitors will progress to the Scratch Stepladder final and the top 4 Handicap competitors progress to the Handicap Stepladder Final. In the event of any tie for positions 1-4 in either the scratch or handicap section, the competitor with the highest last game will be placed in the higher position, in the event of a further tie the penultimate game will be used and so on.



Finals: Stepladder finals, competitors will be seeded 1-4, Seed 4 to play Seed 3; the winner progresses to play Seed 2 with the winner of this match to progress to final to play Seed 1. The winner is determined by scratch pinfall over one game in the scratch section, in the handicapped section the winner will be determined by handicapped pinfall over one game. In the event of a tie a one ball roll off will determine who progresses, to be repeated until there is a winner.

Practice Rules: There will be a 5 minute practice before the first and second rounds. The incoming seeds for the stepladder matches will be allowed two balls per lane. A practice lane will be available for non-playing seeds to 'stay warm'. Only the incoming seed for the next stepladder match may use the practice lane.

Squad times

First Round – Squad A	8:55am
Re-oil	11:30am
First Round – Squad B	12.25pm
Re-Oil	3:00pm
Second Round	3:25pm
Finals	4:30pm
Presentation Time	5:30pm

Lane Allocations

Upon registration, players will be given a code number via a random draw.

Entry Allocation

The allocation of entries is on a "first come first served" basis, with the Tournament Treasurer's decision being final.

Prize Fund (based on 72 competitors)

Scratch/Handicap Section Winner	£125
Scratch/Handicap Runner up	£75
Scratch/Handicap 3rd place	£45
High Game Scratch	£75
High Game Handicap	£75
High Series Scratch	£75
High Series Handicap	£75

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PART A (to be returned on or before Saturday 17th June 2017)

Payment Method (tick as appropriate):

- Direct Transfer**

Please transfer to Shropshire Tenpin Bowling Association: Sort Code 20-77-85
Account Number 0324 2668

Reference Used (SO _____) ST for Shropshire Trials and the blank is to be used for your first initial and surname

- Cheque**

Please make payable to Shropshire Tenpin Bowling Association and enclose with entry form

- Request to pay on the day**

Summarise Reason for request: _____

Please note, pay on day requests will be considered by the Tournament Treasurer and will be granted only in exceptional circumstances.

PART B (to be handed in at registration)

Competitor Name	Highest Average	Source (League, etc.)

