## 19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MARK NEEDY MEMORIAL ADULT / YOUTH HANDICAP DOUBLES TENPIN TOURNAMENT

1. THE 19th ANNUAL MARK NEEDY MEMORIAL ADULT / YOUTH HANDICAP DOUBLES TOURNAMENT IS OPEN TO CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS. 36 TEAMS MAXIMUM 2. THE TOURNAMENT WILL BE HANDICAP - 95% OF THE DIFFERENCE OF THE HIGHEST TEAM AVERAGE ENTERED IN THIS TOURNAMENT. A TEAM WILL CONSIST OF ONE (1) ADULT & ONE (1) YOUTH BOWLER. YOUTH BOWLERS WILL USE THEIR HIGHEST CURRENT 2023-2024 AVERAGE of 21 GAMES or MORE as of 12/01/23. YOUTH BOWLERS WHO DO NOT HAVE A CURRENT 2022-2023 AVERAGE of 21 GAMES or MORE as of 12/01/22 MAY BOWL USING 220 AS AN ENTERING AVERAGE. ADULT BOWLERS WILL USE THEIR HIGHEST 2022-2023 AVERAGE of 21 GAMES or MORE. ADULT BOWLERS WHO DO NOT HAVE A 2022-2023 AVERAGE of 21 GAMES OR MORE WILL USE THEIR HIGHEST CURRENT AVERAGE of 21 GAMES OR MORE as of 12/01/23. ADULT BOWLERS WHO DO NOT HAVE A 2022-2023 AVERAGE of 21 GAMES or MORE or CURRENT AVERAGE of 21 GAMES as of 12/01/23 MAY BOWL USING 240 AS AN ENTERING AVERAGE. ALL BOWLERS ENTERING THIS TOURNAMENT NOT USING A CURRENT AVERAGE FROM TURNER'S DUAL LANES MUST SHOW PROOF OF THEIR AVERAGE UPON CHECKING IN OR WILL USE 240 AS AN ENTERING AVERAGE. IT IS THE BOWLER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE PROOF OF HIS / HER AVERAGE. BOWLERS MUST NOTIFY THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR IF THEY ARE USING A MODIFIED HOUSE, CHALLENGE or SPORT LEAGUE AVERAGE AS AN ENTERING AVERAGE. MODIFIED HOUSE, CHALLENGE / SPORT AVERAGES WILL BE ADJUSTED USING THE USBC CONVERSION CHART. ANY / ALL BOWLERS WHO FALSIFY THEIR AVERAGE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. RULES 319b, 319c & 319e WILL APPLY TO THIS TOURNAMENT.

- 3. TEAMS WILL BE ASSIGNED THEIR STARTING LANE.
- 4. EACH BOWLER WILL BOWL FOUR (4) GAMES IN QUALIFYING.
- 5. BOWLERS WILL CHANGE LANES AFTER EACH QUALIFYING GAME.
- 6. THE TOP FIVE (5) TEAM TOTALS w/ HANDICAP FROM QUALIFYING WILL BOWL A STEPLADDER FINAL WITH/ HANDICAP. THE FIFTH (5th), FOURTH (4th) AND THIRD (3rd) PLACE QUALIFIERS WILL BOWL ONE (1) GAME WITH THE WINNING TEAM ADVANCING TO THE SEMI-FINAL MATCH. THE WINNING TEAM OF THE SEMI-FINAL MATCH WILL BOWL THE TOP QUALIFYING TEAM FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP. IF THERE IS A TIE THAT WOULD RESULT IN MORE THAN FIVE (5) QUALIFYING TEAMS, A 9th & 10th FRAME w/ HANDICAP WILL BE BOWLED BY EACH TIED TEAM TO BREAK THE TIE. \*IF A TIE RESULTS IN QUALIFYING, A 9th & 10th FRAME w/ HANDICAP WILL BE BOWLED BY EACH TIED TEAM TO DETERMINE STARTING POSITION. \*THIS ONLY APPLIES IF THE TIE IS BETWEEN FIRST & SECOND / SECOND & THIRD PLACE POSITIONS.
  7. PRIZE RATIO: AT LEAST 1 to 10. THE TOP FIVE (5) TEAMS FROM QUALIFYING WILL RECEIVE AN AWARD FROM ALADDIN AWARDS.
- 8. ALL BOWLERS MUST SHOW THEIR U.S.B.C. CERTIFICATION CARD WHEN CHECKING IN.
- 9. BOWLERS <u>MUST CHECK IN TOGETHER</u> AND SHOULD CHECK IN AT LEAST THIRTY (30) MINUTES BEFORE THE SCHEDULED STARTING TIME OF 10:00am.
- 10. TARDY BOWLERS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED PRACTICE BALLS AND GIVEN A ZERO (0) FOR EACH FRAME MISSED. BOWLERS / TEAMS WHO ARE NOT AT THE BOWLING CENTER BY THE SCHEDULED STARTING TIME OF 10:00am CAN BE REPLACED BY A SUBSTITUTE BOWLER / TEAM ON THE WAITING LIST WITH NO REFUND.
- 11. ENTRIES WILL OPEN DECEMBER 2nd, 2023 AND ARE NON-TRANSFERABLE. NO TELEPHONE RESERVATIONS. NO FAXED ENTRIES. CREDIT CARDS CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED BY TELEPHONE.
- 12. ENTRY FEE PER TEAM WILL BE \$25.00 \$12.50 BOWLING FEE, \$7.50 PRIZE FEE
- \$1.00 EXPENSE FEE & \$4.00 DONATED TO THE DUAL LANES SATURDAY MORNING YOUTH TENPIN LEAGUE.
- 13. WALK-IN'S WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM 9:00am 9:30am IF AVAILABLE.
- 14. ENTRY FEE MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM, NO REFUNDS
- 15. THE TOURNAMENT WILL START PROMPTLY AT 10:00am. PRACTICE WILL BEGIN AT 9:50am. PRACTICE BALLS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED BETWEEN QUALIFYING GAMES.
- 16. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO TURNER'S DUAL LANES. THERE WILL BE A \$25.00 FEE, PLUS ANY ASSESSED BANK CHARGES FOR RETURNED CHECKS.
- 17. U.S.B.C. RULES WILL GOVERN IN THE ABSENCE OF TOURNAMENT RULES.
- 18. TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ENTRY.
- 19. THE TOURNAMENT WILL BE HELD AT TURNER'S DUAL LANES, 1350 DUAL HIGHWAY, HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND 21740 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023 AT 10:00am.