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# MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MAJOR

**FRIDAY, MAY 24 & SUNDAY, MAY 26**

2 DAYS / 5 SQUADS

HOSTED BY

**AMF E. MEADOW**

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**\$2,000 1<sup>ST</sup> / \$1,000 2<sup>ND</sup>**

ALL GUARANTEED WITH 250 ENTRIES

**YOU COULD WIN UP TO \$3,000 BY BOWLING BOTH SCRATCH & HANDICAP EVENTS**

ENTRY FEE : \$80 PER SQUAD / \$140 FOR SCRATCH & HANDICAP

**SQUAD TIMES:**

FRIDAY, MAY 24: 7PM & 9PM

SUNDAY, MAY 26: NOON-2PM-4PM

3 SEPARATE SINGLES EVENTS

SCRATCH - 49 & UNDER HANDICAP - • SENIOR (50+) HANDICAP

3-GAMES ACROSS 6 LANES

1 IN 8 ADVANCE / 1 IN 4 CASH EACH SQUAD • MULTIPLE CASHING ALLOWED

ALL HANDICAP SQUAD LEADERS EARN A BYE (MIN. \$200)!

HIGHEST SERIES FROM ALL 5 SQUADS COMBINED IN SCRATCH DIVISION EARNS A BYE (MIN. \$200.)

SEPARATE FINALS FOR EACH EVENT LEADS TO A COMBINED FINAL SHOOTOUT

**WALK-INS  
WELCOMED!**

**DAILY  
HANDICAP  
WILDCARD**

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & TO PRE-REGISTER  
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## LIGBT MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MAJOR RULES AND FORMAT (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Welcome to LIGBT'S 2-day Memorial Day Weekend Major. This event is actually 3 tournaments in one: Scratch, Handicap ages 49 & under, & Handicap ages 50+. The top prizes are guaranteed to pay \$2,000-1st & \$1,000-2nd with 250 event entries. After each event runs their own final, the remaining scratch bowler, plus the 2 remaining bowlers from each handicap event, bowl in a 1 game shootout to determine the \$2,000 Memorial Day Weekend Major Champion.

**ENTRY FEE:** All entries and re-entries are \$80 per squad! If you want to bowl in both scratch and handicap your combined entry fee is only \$140! ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN: \$15 lineage/\$10 expenses/\$5 escrow/\$50 prize money – 100% returned.

**HOW TO PREPAY & PRE-REGISTER:** Bowlers can sign up on-line at LIGBTOUR.com or by phone (516.637.5955) up to 2 hours prior to the event. Walk-in entries are welcomed for all squads...no shutouts expected.

**REFUNDS:** Anyone prepaying & doesn't bowl is entitled to a full refund (minus credit card fees) as long as the tournament director is notified prior to the start of the tournament. Once a bowler starts scoring no refunds will be issued.

**MAJOR GUARANTEES:** The final shootout pays: 1. \$2,000, 2. \$1,000, 3. \$700, 4. \$400, 5. \$300 with 250 paid entries. Also guaranteed, regardless of entries, is all finalists earning a minimum of \$150, all handicap squad leaders, & highest scratch series, earning a minimum of \$150, and all cashers (1 in 4 per squad) earning \$80.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Scratch event has no eligibility restrictions- anyone can bowl. The two handicap events are amateur only. Exceptions to the "NO PBA Rule" may be made if the competitive balance is not affected. All bowlers with a composite average of 231 or higher the past 2 years may only compete in the scratch event. Youth bowlers are welcomed and can earn SMART money in lieu of cash as long as a parent's waiver is signed (available at the tournament.) All youth bowlers cashing receives a scholarship certificate, for the amount they won, at the event site. All winnings by a youth bowler are to be deposited in their SMART account within 24 hours of completion of the event.

**QUALIFYING FORMAT:** Each squad consists of 3 games across 6 lanes. Handicap entrants receive handicap based on 90% of 220. For each division, each squad is its own qualifier and advances the top 1 in 8 (minimum \$150) and cashes 1 in 4 (\$80.) When determining the # of bowlers advancing in a squad the fraction must be greater than half to advance an additional person. In the 2 handicap events the 5 squad leaders (10 total), earn a bye and a minimum of \$200. The high series in the scratch event, for the 5 squads combined, earns a bye and earn a minimum of \$200. The handicap events award a wildcard bonus on Friday night and for the first 2 squads on Sunday. This bonus awards the highest 6-game series by a non-finalist a spot in the finals. Note: Handicap bowlers with 12 or less LIGBT house shot games prior to the major are not eligible to earn a bye or wildcard.

**FINALS FORMAT:** There will be 3 separate finals going on at the same time. Each final uses an elimination (beat half-the-field) format. All final rounds are 1 game with the top 50% per round, in each division, advancing to the next round. Each round increases in payout so the more rounds you advance the more money you earn. Handicap squad leaders and top scratch series enter the finals in Round 2 (minimum \$200.) The number of final rounds for each event depends on the # of finalists. If there is an odd # of bowlers in a round, the smaller # advances and the larger # is eliminated and cashes. If there is a tie in any final round a 9th/10th frame roll off breaks the tie. The LIGBT reserves the right to adjust the # of advancers in a round and will notify the field prior to that round.

**FINAL SHOOTOUT:** The last remaining bowler in the scratch final, and the 2 remaining bowlers from each handicap final, join together on the same pair of lanes to determine the Memorial Day Weekend Major Champion. All 5 bowlers roll 1 game (handicap finalists receive their single game handicap) to determine the final 5 positions. The final 5 shootout will be video-taped & shown on YouTube and W.O.N. Network.

**AVERAGES/HANDICAP:** In the 2 handicap finals, advancers use the same average/handicap they used in qualifying except when a finalist has 12 or fewer house shot games bowled with the LIGBT prior to the Major. These finalists use a new average for the finals that is prorated based on all of the LIGBT games bowled thus far and their incoming average. The tournament director reserves the right to adjust a finalist's average if the person is using an average that does not truly represent their ability.

**DOUBLE FINALIST:** If a bowler advances in both the handicap & scratch their games bowled in the finals count twice to see if they advanced in either event. If a bowler advances to the shootout from both scratch and handicap, they will cash twice in the shootout using their handicap game for one prize and their scratch game for the other prize.

**TIES:** If there is a tie for a cut score to advance to the finals the bowler with the higher handicap game advances (higher scratch game for the scratch event.) The same is true if there is a tie for the bye. If there is a tie for the wildcard spot (handicap events only) the bowler with the higher 3-game handicap series advances. If there is a tie in the final shootout all prizes will be split evenly by the tied bowlers except if the tie is for first place where it will be broken by a 9th/10th frame roll off.

**HOW HANDICAP IS DETERMINED:** Bowlers with an LIGBT house shot average will use that average for handicapping. Bowlers without an LIGBT house shot average, including new bowlers or anyone that has not bowled in an LIGBT house shot event in the past 12 months, will use their highest composite average, from the past 2 years. Bowlers without a sanctioned average can still bowl but must show proof (league sheet or league secretary) of 21 games or more. The tournament director reserves the right to re-rate any bowler, at any time, if they feel the bowler has an unfair advantage.

**ADDITIONAL RULES:** The LIGBT has a complete set of rules posted on LIGBTOUR.com. USBC rules apply when not covered by LIGBT rules. All bowling balls are permitted for use in this competition. Tournament director reserves all rights with all decisions final.

**CODE OF CONDUCT:** All entrants are required to act "professionally" when competing in LIGBT events. Offensive language and apparel are not allowed and can be a cause for suspension from future tournaments. Anyone that is not "sober" will be asked to leave the bowling center. Any LIGBT member speaking negatively about the LIGBT on any social media platform will be barred for life from future LIGBT events.

**LANE PATTERN:** Lanes will be stripped & oiled with the house shot prior to the 1st squad each day. Lanes will not be re-oiled for finals.