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ENTRY**

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MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MAJOR

FRIDAY, MAY 26 & SUNDAY, MAY 28

2 DAYS / 5 SQUADS:

HOSTED BY

AMF GARDEN CITY

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\$2,000 1ST / \$1,000 2ND

ALL GUARANTEED WITH 250 ENTRIES

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

ENTRY FEE : \$65 PER SQUAD

SQUAD TIMES:

FRIDAY, MAY 26: 8PM & 10PM •
SUNDAY, MAY 28: 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!
SEPARATE FINALS FOR EACH EVENT LEADS TO A COMBINED FINAL SHOOTOUT

**WALK-INS
WELCOMED!**

**FRIDAY
DOUBLE
WILDCARD**

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & TO PRE-REGISTER
PLEASE VISIT WWW.LIGBTOUR.COM OR CALL 516.637.5955**

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 entries. After each of the 3 events run their own finals, the remaining scratch bowler, plus the 2 remaining bowlers from each handicap event, will bowl in a one game 5-person shootout to determine the \$2,000 Memorial Day Weekend Major Champion.

ENTRY FEE: The LIGBT is making the Memorial Day Weekend Major an INFLATION BUSTER TOURNAMENT! All entries and re-entries are just \$65 per squad! If you want to bowl in both scratch and handicap your combined entry fee is only \$120! ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN: \$15 line-age/\$7 expenses/\$43 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 any of the squads, if space is available.

REFUNDS: Anyone prepaying & doesn't bowl is entitled to a full refund (minus 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.

GUARANTEES: The final shootout pays: 1. \$2,000, 2. \$1,000, 3. \$500, 4. \$400, 5. \$300 with 250 paid entries. Also guaranteed, regardless of entries, is all finalists earning minimum of \$100, all handicap squad leaders earning a minimum of \$150, and all cashers (1 in 4 per squad) earning \$65.

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 can 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 will receive a scholarship certificate, for the amount they won, at the event site. All winnings by a youth bowler will 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 all 3 tournaments, each squad is its own qualifier and advances the top 1 in 8 (minimum \$100) and cashes 1 in 4 (\$65.) 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), will earn a bye and a minimum of \$150. There are no byes awarded in the scratch event. The handicap events also award 2 wildcard bonuses on Friday night and one on Sunday. This bonus awards the highest 6-game series (2 on Friday/1 on Sunday) by a non-finalist(s) a spot in the finals. Note: Handicap bowlers with less than 15 LIGBT house shot games prior to the major are not eligible to earn a bye or wildcard. There is no desperado in this event.

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 event, advancing to the next round. Each round increases in payout so the more rounds you advance the more money you earn. Handicap squad leaders enter the finals in Round 2 (minimum \$150.) The number of final rounds for each event depends on the # of finalists but is maxed at 3 rounds plus shootout. If there is an odd # of bowlers in a round, the smaller # will advance and the larger # will be eliminated and cash. If there is a tie in any final round all ties advance and the score by the tied bowlers in the next round break the tie and also determine if the bowler(s) advance to the next round. If the tie occurs in the last round prior to the shootout a 9th/10th frame roll off breaks the tie to see who advances to the shootout. 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 event, and the 2 remaining bowlers from each handicap event, will join together on the same pair to determine the champion. All 5 bowlers roll 1 game (handicap finalists receive their single game handicap) to determine the final 5 positions. The final 5 shootout is video-taped & shown on YouTube.

AVERAGES/HANDICAP: In the 2 handicap finals, any bowler that used an adjusted average in qualifying must use their actual house shot average in the finals. All finalists with less than 15 house shot games prior to this event will have their average adjusted in the finals based on the games bowled thus far in LIGBT house shot events. All bowlers will be informed prior to the start of the finals if their average/handicap has been adjusted. 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 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 events, they cash twice in the shootout using their handicap game for one prize and scratch game for the other prize. Bowlers advancing in both scratch and handicap bowl on the same lanes as the other scratch finalists.

TIES: If there is a tie for the 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 (handicap events only.) 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 are split evenly by the tied bowlers except if the tie is for first place where a 9th/10th frame roll off breaks the tie.

HOW HANDICAP IS DETERMINED: Bowlers with an LIGBT house shot average use that average for handicapping. Bowlers without a LIGBT house shot average, including new bowlers or anyone that has not bowled in an LIGBT house shot event in the past 12 months, 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 will be 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.