



A SCRATCH & HANDICAP  
TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, MARCH 1st • NOON & 2PM

HOSTED BY

**AMF GARDEN CITY**

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ENTRY: \$85 /\$75 RE-ENTRY  
BOWL BOTH SCRATCH & HANDICAP FOR \$150/\$130 RE-ENTRY

**GUARANTEED PRIZES**  
WITH 100 ENTRIES!

**WILCARD  
BONUS FOR  
BOTH HANDICAP  
DIVISIONS!**

**\$1,000-1<sup>ST</sup> & \$550-2<sup>ND</sup>  
\$400-3<sup>RD</sup>, \$300-4<sup>TH</sup>, \$250-5<sup>TH</sup>**

**CASH IN BOTH  
SCRATCH &  
HANDICAP!**

ALL FINALISTS EARN A MINIMUM OF \$150!

**FORMAT**

**3-GAMES ON A MODIFIED HOUSE SHOT  
3 SEPARATE DIVISIONS & FINALS**

**SCRATCH/HANDICAP 49 & UNDER/SENIOR HANDICAP (50+)  
1 IN 8 ADVANCE EACH SQUAD/1 IN 4 CASH EACH SQUAD  
EACH DIVISION HAS THEIR OWN ELIMINATION FINALS**

**5 PERSON COMBINED FINAL SHOOTOUT  
LAST REMAINING SCRATCH BOWLER & LAST 2 FROM EACH  
HANDICAP DIVISION SHOOT FOR THE TOP 5 PRIZES**

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO PRE-REGISTER VISIT [WWW.LIGBTOUR.COM](http://WWW.LIGBTOUR.COM)



## LGBT HOUSE SHOT SPECTACULAR RULES AND FORMAT (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Welcome to LGBT'S House Shot Spectacular. This event offers 3 separate divisions: Scratch, Handicap ages 49 & under, & Handicap ages 50+. Each division runs their own qualifying and final with the remaining scratch finalist, plus the 2 remaining finalists from each handicap division competing in a 1 game shootout to determine the \$1,000 House Shot Spectacular Champion.

**ENTRY FEE:** First entry is \$85 or \$150 if you want to bowl both scratch and handicap. Re-entry is \$75 or \$130 to compete in both divisions. \$85 ENTRY FEE  
**BREAKDOWN:** \$15 lineage/\$10 expenses/\$60 prize money – 100% returned (\$50 prize money for \$75 re-entries.)

**HOW TO PREPAY & PRE-REGISTER:** Bowlers can sign up on-line at [LGBTTOUR.com](http://LGBTTOUR.com) or by phone (516.637.5955) up to 2 hours prior to the event. On-time walk-in entries are welcomed if space is available. LATE ARRIVALS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BOWL. Please check-in 15 minutes prior to the start of the squad.

**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.

**SPECTACULAR GUARANTEES:** The final shootout is guaranteed to pay with 100+ entries: 1. \$1,000, 2. \$550, 3. \$400, 4. \$300, 5. \$250. Guaranteed regardless of entries: All finalists earning \$150 and all cashers (1 in 4 each squad) earning \$85.

**ELIGIBILITY:** LGBT events are "amateur only." Exceptions to the "NO PBA Rule" may be made if the competitive balance is not affected. Amateurs 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.

**QUALIFYING FORMAT:** Each squad consists of 3 games across 6 lanes. Handicap entrants receive handicap based on 90% of 230. For each division, each squad is its own qualifier with 1 in 8 advancing and 1 in 4 cashing (\$85.) When determining the # of bowlers advancing in a squad the fraction must be greater than half to advance an additional person. When determining who advances and cashes in each squad in the 2 handicap divisions you add the bowler's 3 scratch games plus handicap plus bonus pins. In the 2 handicap divisions, a wildcard bonus is offered advancing the highest 6-game series by a non-finalist, from the 2 squads combined, to the finals. A scratch wildcard bonus will be offered if scratch total entries exceed 25. Note: Handicap bowlers with less than 12 LGBT house shot games prior to the House Shot Spectacular are not eligible to earn the wildcard spot. There are no byes awarded 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. The number of final rounds for each division depends on the # of finalists. 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 the tie will be broken with a 9th/10th frame roll off.

**FINAL SHOOTOUT:** The last remaining bowler from the scratch division, and the 2 remaining bowlers from each handicap division, will join together on the same pair of lanes to determine the House Shot Spectacular Champion. All 5 bowlers roll 1 game (handicap finalists will receive their single game handicap) to determine the final 5 positions. The final 5 shootout will be video-taped & shown on LGBT's YouTube channel.

**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 LGBT prior to the event. These finalists use a new average for the finals based on all LGBT house shot games bowled thus far. 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.

**MINIMUM AVERAGE/MAXIMUM HANDICAP:** Male bowlers cannot receive more than 72 pins per game (150 average) in house shot events. Female bowlers cannot receive more than 81 pins per game (140 average) in house shot events. The maximum handicap rules apply to everyone in all events and not just for new bowlers.

**DOUBLE FINALIST:** If a bowler advances in both handicap & scratch events their games bowled in the finals would count twice to see if they advanced in either division. If a bowler advances to the shootout from both scratch and handicap divisions, they cash twice in the shootout using their handicap game for one prize and their scratch game for the other prize. Double finalists bowl on the same lanes with 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.) If there is a tie for the wildcard bonus the bowler with the higher 3-game block earns the bonus. If there is a tie for the cut to advance in a final round a 9th/10th frame roll off breaks the tie. 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 it will be broken by a 9th/10th frame roll off

**HOW HANDICAP IS DETERMINED:** Bowlers with an LGBT house shot average use that average for handicapping. Bowlers without an LGBT house shot average, including new bowlers or anyone that has not bowled in an LGBT house shot event in the past 12 months, use their highest composite average from the past 2 years minus 10 pins. 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 LGBT has a complete set of rules posted on [LGBTTOUR.com](http://LGBTTOUR.com). USBC rules apply when not covered by LGBT rules. All bowling balls, including urethane, permitted for use in this competition. Tournament director reserves all rights with all decisions final.

**LANE PATTERN:** Lanes will be stripped & oiled with an announced modified house shot (recreational pattern) prior to the 1st squad. Lanes will not be re-oiled for the finals.