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SUMMER MAJOR

HOSTED BY AMF GARDEN CITY

987 STEWART AVENUE • GARDEN CITY, NY • 516.222.0808 2 DAYS/5 SQUADS: MAY 27 & 29

\$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 IS \$65 PER SQUAD



SQUAD TIMES:

FRIDAY, MAY 27: 8PM & 10PM • SUNDAY, MAY 29: NOON - 2PM - 4PM DESPERADO AT 6PM WITH FINALS TO FOLLOW

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

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

LIGBT SUMMER MAJOR RULES AND FORMAT (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Welcome to LIGBT'S 2-day Summer 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 just 250 main event entries. After each event runs their own finals, the remaining scratch bowler, plus the 2 remaining bowlers from each handicap event, will bowl in a 1 game shootout to determine the \$2,000 Summer Major Champion.

ENTRY FEE: The LIGBT is making the Summer Major an **INFLATION BUSTER TOURNAMENT!** All entries and re-entries will be reduced to a low \$65 per squad! **ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN:** \$14 lineage/\$6 expenses/\$45 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.

MAJOR GUARANTEES: The final shootout will pay: 1. \$2,000, 2. \$1,000, 3. \$500, 4. \$350, 5. \$300 with 250 main event 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 will consist of 3 games across 6 lanes. Handicap entrants will receive handicap based on 90% of 210. For each tournament, each squad is its own qualifier and advances the top 1 in 8 (minimum \$100) and cashes 1 in 4 (\$65.) In the 2 handicap events the 4 squad leaders (8 total), will earn a bye and a minimum of \$150. There are no byes awarded in the scratch event. The handicap events will also award 2 wildcard bonuses on Friday night and one on Sunday. This bonus awards the highest 6-game series (2 on Friday) by a non-finalist(s) 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.

DESPERADO: After the last qualifying squad (Sunday, 5/29-4pm) all handicap entrants that bowled at least one squad, and have yet to make the finals, have one more opportunity to advance and win the tournament. The Desperado entry fee is only \$40 but is free if you bowl any 4 squads or all 3 Sunday squads. The Desperado format is one game with 1 in 8 entries, in each handicap event, advancing to their respective finals.

FINALS FORMAT: There will be 3 separate finals going on at the same time. Each final will use 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. 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 will advance and the score by the tied bowlers in the next round will 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 will break 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 of lanes to determine the Summer Major Champion. All 5 bowlers will 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 You Tube.

AVERAGES/HANDICAP: In the 2 handicap finals, advancers will 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 will use a new average for the finals that is based on all of the LIGBT games bowled thus far minus 25 pins. 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 events their games bowled in the finals would count twice to see if they advanced in either event. If a bowler advances to the shootout from both scratch and handicap events, 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 the cut score to advance to the finals the bowler with the higher handicap game will advance (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 Desperado a 9th/10th frame roll off will break the tie. 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 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, will use their highest composite average, from the past 2 years, minus 10 pins. Bowlers must inform the tournament director if their current average is 10 pins or higher than their highest composite average the past 2 years or if they have been re-rated by another tournament. 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.