

GUAM SENIOR BOWLER OF THE LANES 2013 RULES & REGULATIONS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2013 at 11:00 am	SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2013 at 11:00 am
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2013 at 11:00 am	SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2013 at 9:30 am
SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2013 at 11:00 am	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2013 at 9:30 am
SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2013 at 11:00 am	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2013 at 11:00 am
SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2013 at 11:00 am	SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2013 at 11:00 am
SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2013 at 11:00 am	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2013 at 9:30 am

General Tournament Description

This is a monthly senior bowling tournament with both a gender and age handicap. Men and women will bowl in one division with monetary prizes based on entries paid in. Tournament will be held at 11AM Sunday once a month at Central Lanes unless otherwise noted on the Tournament bulletin. Monthly reminders will be sent out via e-mail or announced at the alley prior to the event.

Eligibility

Open to all bowlers 50 years of age and above or will be 50 no later than December 31, 2013. Please bring proof of age (i.e. passport or driver's license) for clearance when entering this tournament for the first time. Guam Senior Bowlers Federation reserves the right to refuse entrance to this tournament if there are questions regarding age and/or average of participant.

Waiver

All participants shall sign a waiver of liability to the Guam Senior Bowlers and to Central Lanes upon their first participation in this tournament good for the year 2013. Participants hereby acknowledge that they are assuming all risks and hold the GSBF and Unity Development Corp (dba Central Lanes) free from litigation for any injuries resulting from accidents during competition.

Dress Code

This is a tournament with only one dress code: Bowlers are to wear preferably **ANY** bowling shirt or a shirt **WITH** a collar. Comfortable attire including jeans and shorts will be allowed.

Tournament Format

A six (6) game format. Top ten (10) bowlers with the highest total pin count after six (6) games including handicap (if any) shall go to a stepladder “shoot-out” roll-off to determine the winner. The top two seeds shall receive a two game bye.

Handicap(s)

The handicap for this tournament shall be based on 80% of 200 average based on the highest average from the following:

- 1) Participant’s Year end Guam Senior Bowler of the Month average from the 2011 Senior Bowler of the Month with a minimum participation of four tournaments or
- 2) The year-end average from participation in a Guam Bowling Congress (GBC) league from 2011 with a minimum of twenty-one games based on the GBC records.
- 3) Handicap Scale is as follows:
 - a. 190 & Above – 0
 - b. 180-189 – 5
 - c. 170-179 – 10
 - d. 160-169 – 15
 - e. 150-159 – 20
 - f. 140-149 – 30
 - g. 139 & below – 40 maximum

Participants without a GBC average shall be given a handicap of ten (10) pins and shall establish an average based on the initial six game series to determine their tournament handicap should they choose future participation.

All handicaps of participants will be re-calculated every three months. All participants may lower their average to a maximum of ten pins per recalculation period and receive a handicap that is equal to that average. Example: A bowler averaging 165 can only lower his average to 155 and get the handicap for that 155 average even if his actual average is lower than 155 during the period.

Additional handicap based on **AGE** shall be as follows:

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| a. 50-54 Years of Age | = | 0 Handicap |
| b. 55-59 Years of Age | = | 3 Pin handicap |
| c. 60-64 Years of Age | = | 5 Pin handicap |
| d. 65-69 Years of Age | = | 7 Pin handicap |
| e. 70-74 Years of Age | = | 10 Pin handicap |
| f. 75 Years of Age and older | = | 15 Pin handicap |

Women shall be granted an additional five (5) pins handicap per game.

Bowlers will be awarded points based on their monthly placements as follows:

- a. 1st Place finish: 30 points
- b. 2nd Place finish: 20 points
- c. 3rd Place finish: 15 points
- d. 4th Place finish: 10 points
- e. 5th Place finish: 10 points
- f. 6th Place finish: 10 points
- g. 7th Place finish: 5 points
- h. 8th Place finish: 5 points
- i. 9th Place finish: 5 points
- j. 10th Place finish: 5 points
- k. Tournament Participation: 2 points

IF A BOWLER WINS THE TOURNAMENT TWICE WITHIN THE YEAR, THEIR HANDICAP WILL BE RECALCULATED BASED ON THEIR PERFORMANCE WITHIN THE MONTHS PARTICIPATED. THIS PROCEDURE WILL BE REPEATED IF THE BOWLER WINS TWICE AGAIN.

Shoot-out Rules:

Top ten bowlers shall be divided into two brackets as follows:

Bracket 1) Seed #1, 4, 8, 9, & 10

Bracket 2) Seeds 7,6,5,3, and the #2 seed

Shoot-out Round 1

Bowlers 10, 9, and 8 (Bracket 1) and bowlers 7,6,5 (Bracket 2) shall roll one game with tournament handicap together on one pair of lanes. Bowler with highest pinfall including handicap shall move to next shoot-out round. Bowlers with the next highest pinfall shall finish 9th and 10th respectively.

Shoot-out Round 2

Bracket 1 winner of Round 1 vs. 3rd seed

Bracket 2 winner of Round 1 vs. 4th seed

Semi-Final Round

Lowest seed winner of the shoot-out brackets vs. #1 seed 2nd lowest seed winner of the shoot-out brackets vs. #2 seed

Championship Round

Semi-Final winners will meet for the championship.

Tie-Breaking Procedure In the event of a tie during the shoot-out, semi-final, or championship rounds, a two-frame roll-off shall be used to determine the winner. In case of a tie after the extra frames, each bowler shall throw one ball on an additional frame till with the highest count to determine the winner. (Example: One bowler rolls a seven on the first throw following a tied two frame roll-off while the other rolls a six. The one rolling the seven count will move on to the next round.)

Protests

Any protest or question regarding tournament infractions and/or procedures shall be brought to the attention of the tournament director for a ruling. The decision of the tournament director is final.

Entry Fee and Prize Fund Payout

Entry fee – **\$45 for inactive or non-GSBF members, \$40 for GSBF members.**

A \$5 per participation will be credited to non-members who wish to become members or inactive members who become reinstated. Annual membership dues for all GSBF members are \$60 per year payable by the end of January every year.

Guarantee Payout based on minimum 20 Entries: - **\$ 150.00 - \$ 100.00 - \$ 75.00 - \$ 50.00**

Guarantee Payout based on minimum 10 Entries: - **\$ 100.00 - \$ 50.00 - \$ 40.00 - \$ 40.00**

GRAND FINALS: The 16 bowlers for the December Grand finals shall be composed of the winners from January to November of 2012 and the 2011 Grand Finals champion. The remaining slots shall go to the next competitor(s) who have achieved the highest points based on GSBOTM points system. **Monthly winners are required to participate in at least three (3) tournaments in order to qualify for the Grand Finals. Failure to do so will result in a fine of \$ 10 for each month not meeting the three-month minimum. Maximum fine is \$20. All fines will go towards the Grand Finals fund. Example: January winner needs only to participate in two more tournaments to avoid the fine, but he is still one of the top 16 bowlers for the Grand Finals. GSBF reserves the right to cancel the tournament if there are fewer than the minimum 10 entries.**