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Michigan State Women's and Open Tournaments

IT'S HERE!!!!

Finally, after working with USBC on the set up and training for our office personnel, the on-line link to register your dates for state tournaments is now available.

[On-line registration state tournaments](#)

...you will need to sign in with your bowl.com community log on email address
...you will need your bowler's ID and credit card

Michigan State USBC Senior Tournament

The Michigan State USBC Senior tournament has moved it dates!!!



**Tournament will be held:
October 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30 & 31
Monitor Lanes/1700 S Euclid Ave/Bay City**

What a great time to bowl and do a color tour!!

The main reason for this change is Michigan was one of the few state that had their tournament in the spring, so this move will enable us to get our All Event winners sent in for advancement to the national tournament in a timely manner. It will also give the All Events winners more time to plan their trip to the national tournament.

If you are 50 years and older this is the tournament for you.

There are six divisions according to age groups. The entry is below, on our website, or check with your local center/association as entries have been distributed. More details on the entry below.

[Senior Tournament Entry 2021](#)

Michigan Mixed Team and Doubles Tournament

**This tournament will be held:
October 2,3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23 & 24**

The Bowling Alley Ionia (420 North Dexter Street, Ionia) will host this event. Squad times are 11:00 & 2:30 on Saturdays and 9:00 & 12:30 on Sundays

Sponsored by the Michigan State Bowling Council

Questions?? Send your email to:
MiStateMixedDoubles@yahoo.com

Hope to see you there!!

Click on the link below for your entry.

[Entry for Michigan Mixed Team & Doubles Tournament - 2021](#)



Youth Masters

The Youth Masters will be held November 13th & 14th at Westgate Bowl in Comstock Park

8 game qualifying will start at 11:00 am (practice at 10:45)

Match play begins on Sunday at 9:00 am

Winners will receive an opportunity to advance to the Junior Gold Championships based on number of entries.

This tournament is run by the Michigan State USBC and is open to all USBC Youth that are members of certified programs in a bowling center within the state of Michigan.



[2021 Youth Masters Entry](#)

Reminder for Queens Tournament

[Queens 2021 Tournament Entry](#)

Queen's tournament - November 20th & 21st
M-66 Battle Creek

The premier scratch event for our women bowlers - It is a recognized state title - Send your entries in soon



New Michigan State USBC Board Members

John McMullen

John has been bowling for over 40 years. He started bowling in 1974 in the junior league at Washtenaw Lanes. His coach was Nancy Osugi. After a couple years in junior leagues, he joined his first adult men's league in the Ann Arbor Men's Association. A few years later, he was elected to the Ann Arbor Board of Directors, serving on this board from 1993 to

2006. In 1998, he became a Vice President and then in 2003, he was elected as President, a position he held until 2006. When the merger happened, he was elected as President on the new Arbor Valley USBC and held that position until 2012. He continued to serve as a director from 2013 to 2018.

In 2012, he was elected to the Michigan States Men's Association as a director. He served for 6 years on the following committees: Equipment, Hall of Fame, and By-laws. On the lanes, John also has some wonderful accomplishments:

four 300 games, one 299 game and one 298 game. He has had several 700's and ten – 11 in a row games, bowled in 25 national tournaments and 20 state tournaments.

We welcome John to the Michigan State Board of Directors.



Jason Fader

He started bowling at 12 years old in the YABA program at Brentwood Lanes in Caro. After spending his Friday nights at Brentwood while his parents bowled, he thought he should give bowling a try. His Aunt Joann offered to coach him and he was hooked. Twenty-seven years later, thinking that he may never get a perfect game, he finally shot his first 300 game on his Friday night league. He followed that up with another perfect game the following spring at the Twin Soo Tournament. He also has a high series of 779....but he is still on the hunt for that elusive 800.



Bowling is a family affair with both Jason and his wife bowling in multiple leagues, as well as being members of the Bay Area USBC Board of Directors. His oldest son and daughter are also avid bowlers coming up through the local association's youth program and Bay City Western's High School program. His daughter, Madison will be bowling for Alma college starting this fall. "I am thrilled to be involved in bowling at the state level now, and for years to come. I can't wait to get on the concourse at one of the centers hosting a state tournament to interact with the participants."

We welcome Jason to the Michigan State Board of Directors...

DID YOU KNOW.....

That a youth bowler who bowls for prize money and/or merchandise may be jeopardizing ALL of their high school sports, even if they do not bowl in their high school program. MHSSA (Michigan High School Athletic Association) rules are different than USBC. If a youth bowler bowls and signs a waiver to compete in a SINGLES competition - **ANY** monies earned must be deposited in the form of scholarships with the SMART Program at USBC

Note: All scholarships offered through associations or tournaments must be submitted to SMART.

BVL

FAIRFAX, Va. (August 18, 2021) – BVL (Bowlers to Veterans Link) has awarded a \$100,000 grant to Vet Center, a national community-based counseling center program that helps veterans transition from military to civilian life.



BVL Chairman John LaSpina made the announcement during a BVL segment on the national Fox & Friends morning show as part of the National Bowling Day celebration on August 14th. LaSpina presented the \$100,000 check to Center Chief Officer Mike Fisher

Under the BVL Grants for Vet Centers program, the \$100,000 grant will fund multiple Vet Centers that align with BVL's recreation therapy mission. Grant applications would be sent out to all Vet Centers to apply for BVL grants, up to \$10,000 per program.

"Returning home from a deployment is often a challenging experience for many veterans and programs like the Vet

Center plays an important role by offering therapeutic services that will make that transition an easier one," said BVL Chairman John LaSpina. "We can provide this support to the Vet Center because the amazing bowling community continues to step up for veterans and raise funds for BVL, even during the most challenging times."

Vet Centers, which are located in all 50 states and US territories a provide a wide range of social and psychological services, including professional readjustment counseling to eligible Veterans, service members – including National Guard and Reserve components – and their families. The funding would support counseling, community engagement, and referral service programs to help reach more veterans, including those who are homeless, and provide an entry point to recreation therapy services at the Vet Centers that would be free of charge to the participating veterans.

Vet Center counselors and outreach staff, many of whom are veterans themselves, are experienced and prepared to discuss the tragedies of war, loss, grief, and transition after trauma. To learn more about Vet Center programs, visit <https://www.vetcenter.va.gov/> or find the nearest Vet Center at https://www.va.gov/find-locations/?facilityType=veter_center. Teams are also available 24/7 by phone at 1-877-927-8387.

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For more information on BVL, visit www.BVL.org.

About BVL (Bowlers to Veterans Link):

BVL is bowling's oldest and own charity and is consistently acknowledged for efficient and effective programming delivered with extremely low overhead, providing more than \$53 million in grants to VA hospitals and clinics since 1942. BVL has been recognized as one of "America's Best Charities" by Independent Charities of America, earned a "Top-Rated" Nonprofit distinction from GreatNonprofits, and is also a member of the Combined Federal Campaign

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