

Tournament Rules & Regulations

1) The tournament is sanctioned by the B.T.B.A. (Sanction No 33/0058) and the general playing and tournament rules will govern this event together with the following special rules. All bowlers must be current members of the BTBA and aged 50 or over on 14th April 2012. All competitors must produce their membership card when registering at the tournament. Failure to do so will result in payment of a £5.00 fine.

2) All competitors must register at least 30 minutes prior to their scheduled bowling time. The Tournament Manager will be Edwin Whitehead and his decision on all matters shall be final, subject to an appeal to the BTBA. A provisional ball shall be rolled in the event of a dispute which cannot be resolved immediately. All protests must be lodged verbally with the tournament director within 30 minutes of the game in which the infraction occurred, and subsequently confirmed in writing within 72 hours. The tournament manager shall not allow any unreasonable delay in the progress of any game. Players failing to make reasonable progress in their games will first be issued with a verbal warning. The second infraction will incur a penalty of the current frame being marked as zero. Subsequent infractions will result in games declared forfeit

3) All scoresheets must be maintained and signed by an opponent for the same pair of lanes (defined where possible as the player playing directly opposite on the same pair) as well as the player and opposing person signing are responsible for accuracy of the information recorded. Failure to do so may lead to the loss of ranking points and / or disqualification from the tournament.

4) All bowling balls must conform to B.T.B.A. specifications for weight, balance and hardness. Any ball used to any competitor may, at the Tournament Manager's discretion, be checked at any time during the tournament. Any bowler, whose conduct is considered to be derogatory to the best interest of the sport on or off the lanes, during the entire period of the tournament, may be disqualified from the tournament and reported to the B.T.B.A. The wearing of denim jeans, T-shirts, vests and shorts is prohibited for all competitors. No bowler will be permitted to smoke or consume alcohol once practice has begun for the squad they are bowling in.

5) In the event of a tie for the last place in any qualifying round, the player with the highest last game scratch will be awarded the place. If this results in a further tie, the team with the highest penultimate

game will go through and so on until the place is decided. This includes qualification for the final round. Bonus will be assessed purely on age. ONE pin will be awarded for every year OVER 50 (up to a maximum of 15). This is awarded to ALL BOWLERS throughout the event, including the Round Robin.

The PRIZE FUND will be divided amongst the divisions in accordance with the number of entrants in each division within BTBA guidelines. Please be advised entries **are not transferable**, however if you are unable to bowl, you should contact the Tournament Manager Edwin Whitehead as soon as possible on 07514 853644.

Entry Fee - Entries will only be accepted with an entry fee of £40 and on a first come first served basis, on or before the 8th April 2012. This payment includes £20 prize fund (returned 100%), lineage, tournament administration costs and £1 contribution to Team England Fund.

Tournament Format: All bowlers will bowl a 6 game qualifying block at doubles pace changing lanes every 2 games. Senior Team England ranking points will be awarded to qualified bowlers according to the scratch scores bowled in round 1. No ranking points will be awarded to non members. The highest 24 men and the highest 12 ladies will then bowl 4 games in the 2nd round (pro rata according to number of players entered – minimum 22 men and 10 ladies). The top 6 men and ladies will then qualify for a Round Robin final. Scores and age bonus pins will continue from the qualifying round. In the event of a tie for the last place in any qualifying round, the player with the highest last game will be awarded the place. If this results in a further tie, the player with the highest penultimate game will go through and so on until the place is decided.

Final: Each game is played for pinfall plus bonus for age. Extra pins will be awarded as follows: 20 pin for a win 10 pins for a draw. If there are any ties for cash placing the prize money will be shared equally. If the Championship is tied for first place an additional one game roll off will be played.

ENTRY FORM

Bowlers Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Tel: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Email: _____

B.T.B.A. Number: _____

SQUAD TIMES (please mark in order of preference i.e. 1st, 2nd, 3rd)
Priority for the 12:30 squad will be given to players living over 80 miles away

Saturday 14th April 2012 5:00pm (overflow only)

Sunday 15th April 2012 09:00am 12:30pm

* Please tick if applicable

* I live more than 80 miles from the centre and would ask to be given priority consideration for the 12:30pm squad.

Signed

Date

I have read the rules of the tournament and agree to be bound by them, and enclose herewith an entry fee of £40.00.

Cheques must be made payable to Lancashire T.B.A. and returned with completed entry form to: Edwin Whitehead, Bowlplex Blackburn, Peel Leisure Park, Lower Audley Street, Blackburn, BB1 1AQ

Closing date for entries is 8th April 2012
Entries will be confirmed by email if address supplied

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Senior Team England Open

14th & 15th April 2012

Bowlplex Blackburn

£880 Prize Fund

(Based on 44 entrants)

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This is a Senior Team England Ranking Event

