

USBC 
GREATER FREDERICKSBURG



**12th Annual Greater Fredericksburg USBC Open
Championship Tournament**

March 18, 2017 and March 19, 2017

TOURNAMENT LOCATION:

**AMF Fredericksburg
12100 Kilarney Drive
Fredericksburg, VA 22407
Phone: (540) 786-2695**

Lineage	\$9.50
Expenses	\$3.00
Prize Fund	\$12.50
Each Event Total	\$25.00

USBC Certified

Handicap 90% of 240

**Multiple entries allowed in Singles, Doubles and Team Events.
Optional scratch events available**

Entry Deadline is March 12, 2017

**Tournament Manager ~ Courtney Tripp ~ 540-891-5293
email ~ amgfusbca@gmail.com**

The entrants whose names appear on the Tournament Entry or their authorized replacements hereby agree that the Greater Fredericksburg USBC Association, its officers, and agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling any event in the tournament through delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change or premature termination of the tournament which may be brought about by war, national emergency or emergencies or causes relating hereto from fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or other causes beyond the control of the Greater Fredericksburg USBC Association.

Entries available online at www.gfusbca.org

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Available Squad Dates and Times					
March 18, 2017 and March 19, 2017 at 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM					
* 9:00 AM Squads on Saturday are alcohol free due to Youth League					
Team		Doubles		Singles	
Choice #1	Date	Time	Choice #1	Date	Time
Choice #2	Date	Time	Choice #2	Date	Time

Type or Print Clearly

Retain the rules for reference

Entry Deadline is March 12, 2017

Captain: _____

Address: _____

_____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

By checking box out left, captain agrees to receive tournament confirmation via Email.

TEAM, DOUBLES, and SINGLES										OPTIONAL SCRATCH							
TEAM NAME:										- HANDICAP -							
TEAM LINE UP			Must bowl in order listed			USBC Number	Highest Winter Average 2015-2016	"X" If Multiple Entry	Team \$25	Doubles \$25	Singles \$25	A/E (Optional) \$5	Team * \$10	Doubles * \$10	Singles \$10	A/E \$5	Per Bowler TOTAL
Last Name	First	MI															
1	Phone #:								\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
2	Phone #:								\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
3	Phone #:								\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
4	Phone #:								\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Phone #:								\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Phone #:								\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
DOUBLES and SINGLES PARINGS ONLY								Totals	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Must bowl in order listed							"X" If Multiple Entry	OFFICE USE ONLY									
Last Name		First		MI				RECEIVED:					ENTRY #				
Pair 1							Total Received:					Squad Assignment					
Pair 2							Team		Dbl Sgl								

MAIL ENTRY TO: GFUSBC Tournament Manager
11160 Hamlet Court
Fredericksburg, VA 22407

Make checks payable to:
:GFUSBC

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- 1 **CHECK-IN** will begin one hour prior to scheduled squad time. Check-In will be on an individual basis and 2016-2017 USBC membership cards must be presented at Check-In. Announcements will be made 15 minutes before squad time. Practice will begin ten minutes before squad time. Bowling for score will begin at squad time.
- 2 **TARDINESS:** Any player arriving late shall begin play with the frame in progress. Zero (0) will be given for frames missed and shall begin play with the frame then being bowled.
- 3 **EMERGENCIES:** No change will be made in the entrant's scheduled time of bowling after March 18, 2017 except for an emergency. The Tournament Manager must approve all changes to the schedule.
- 4 **ELIGIBILITY:** All entrants must be Adult and certified by the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) and be a member of Greater Fredericksburg USBC (GFUSBC).
- 5 **DRESS CODE:** Bowlers are requested to wear suitable attire when participating in the GFUSBC Championship tournament – no obscene or pornographic pictures or language.
- 6 **ENTRY FEE:** Handicap Events will be \$25.00 per person per event with \$12.50 for Prize Fund; \$9.50 for Lineage and \$3.00 for Expense Fee. All-Events fee (optional) will be \$5.00 with \$4.50 for Prize Fund; and .50 for Expense Fee. Optional Scratch Events will be \$10.00 per event - \$9.00 Prize Fund and \$1.00 Expense Fee. All-Events Scratch (optional) will be \$5.00 with \$4.50 for Prize Fund and .50 for Expense Fee. Scratch Team requires all team participants to enter optional scratch. Scratch Doubles requires both participants to enter optional scratch. Bowlers entering singles must also enter doubles and vice versa. Entry fees may be remitted by Personal Check, money order or cash. -- All applicable bank fees will be charged for any personal checks returned by the bank. Payments in cash must be submitted in a secure manner. **NO ENTRY FEE WILL BE REFUNDED AFTER ACCEPTED.**
- 7 **MULTIPLE ENTRIES:** Multiple and Reentries will be allowed. There must be a change of at least two (2) team members in the Team Event. There must be a change of one (1) person in the Doubles Event. An individual may place multiple times. The first series bowled in each event will count towards all-events.
- 8 **HANDICAP:** 90% of the difference between the individual's average and 240.
- 9 **SUBSTITUTIONS:** If a scheduled entrant cannot participate, a substitute may be used, providing they are not in violation of the multiple entry rule. Substitutions, along with average verification must be reported at least ONE HOUR BEFORE bowling time to the Tournament Manager. The substitute shall take the place in the line-up of the original entrant. A substitute replacing a bowler who entered in all-events shall be entered in all-events automatically provided the substitute replaces the original bowler in all of the events and provided transfer of all-events has not been otherwise designated. The original bowler will forfeit the right to bowl in the event. In case of disability after a game has started, a substitute will be permitted and replace the disabled bowler in the event. The combined score will count for that event. In the case a tardy bowler arrives after a substitute has bowled, the substitute shall complete the series in progress. If the Division changes because of a substitution, the results shall be classified into the appropriate Division for that event.
- 10 **ENTRY DEADLINE** is March 12, 2017
- 11 **ENTERING AVERAGE:** Entrants will use: Highest USBC average of the 2015-2016 winter seasons of 21 games or more. If the bowler does not have a 2015-2016 average, use the highest average as of February 12, 2017* for 21 games or more from a current GFUSBC certified league; If entrant does not meet any of the aforementioned requirements for average, a 240 scratch average will be used (USBC Rule 319b). *February 12, 2017 league averages must be supported by an Average Verification form from all leagues the bowler has competed in with the league secretary's signature and supporting Bowler History – Standing Sheets are acceptable.
- 12 **AVERAGE VERIFICATION.** The following rules apply: USBC Rule 319.a.2 (current average 10 pins higher than the Highest average for the previous year).
 - a. It is the bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of their average, whether submitted by the bowler, their captain, or others. Failure to use the proper average shall disqualify the score if submitted average is lower than the correct average, resulting in more handicap. Prize winnings shall be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average. Average corrections must be submitted in writing within 48 hours after completion of the first event bowled.
 - b. Emergency substitutes without a verified average may bowl using a 240 average. Written verification of average will be due within seven days of the bowling date in order to correct average, handicap, and classification. 319c.
 - c. Average Adjustments (Rerating): The average of a bowler may be adjusted upward before participation in any event. If the assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, the entry fee shall be refunded.
- 13 **EVENTS:** Teams will consist of four bowlers. Team and Doubles can be any gender or mixed.

ALL-EVENTS (optional): All entries will be in one division. The cumulative individual total of handicap scores from the first event bowled in each of the events will be used for All-Events.
- 14 **FORMAT:** Line-up will be in the same order as listed on the Entry Form. Center scoring system will be used as the official scores. Pacers are not permitted.
- 15 **PRIZES:** Prize money will be returned 100%. Prize money shall be sent to the team captain within 30 days after the tournament ends. The team captain shall distribute the prize money within 30 days of receipt. Prize checks will be void 90 days after the date of issuance. Prizes will be paid on a ratio of at least one (1) prize for each six (6) entries. Optional All Events will be paid on a ratio of at least one (1) in ten (10). Each division champion will receive a trophy. In the event of a tie for championship, Co-champions' will be declared and prize money will be divided equally. Duplicate awards will be presented. The bowler who places first in the handicap all-events shall be entitled to the title and trophy (regardless if the bowler has not paid the optional all-events fee).
- 16 **PROTESTS:** Protests concerning eligibility or general playing rules must be conveyed in writing to the Tournament Director before prize payments are made. Any dispute or disagreement shall be immediately referred to and decided by the Tournament Director.

All decisions of the Tournament Director are final unless an appeal is made in accordance with USBC Rule 329. A score sheet cannot be changed after the official scorer, captain or entrant has signed it, except that obvious errors in scoring, handicap, and classification may be corrected by a tournament official.
- 17 **RESTRICTIONS:** No Alcohol will be allowed on Saturday Morning squads.

BANNED SUBSTANCES: The use of such substances as talcum powder, pumice, rosin, etc., on shoes, or the use of soft rubber soles and heels that rub off and in any manner may alter the normal conditions of the approach, is strictly prohibited.
- 18 **TOURNAMENT LOCATION:** AMF Fredericksburg
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Phone: (540) 786-2695
- 19 **Make Checks Payable to:** GFUSBC
Mail Entries to GFUSBC Tournament Manager
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TOURNAMENT SUBSTITUTION FORM

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Substitutes should be reported as soon as possible. Complete this form and present it at the tournament office at least ONE HOUR prior to bowling time or mail it along with the verification of average (as necessary) to the Tournament Manager, 11160 Hamlet Court Fredericksburg, VA 22407

TEAM SUB: YES NO ENTRY # _____ Date/Hour of Team _____ Replacing: _____

DOUBLES SUB: YES NO ENTRY # _____ Date/Hour of Doubles _____ Replacing: _____

SINGLES SUB: YES NO ENTRY # _____ Date/Hour of Singles _____ Replacing: _____

USBC#: _____ Average: _____ Source: _____ Verified: _____

NAME: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Original bowler's ALL EVENTS are to be transferred to _____

CAUTION: All Events can be transferred ONLY TO A SUBSTITUTE PRIOR to the substitute's participation. Substitute is eligible for All-Events only if replacing original entrant in every event in tournament competition.

* If the substitutes average is not on www.bowl.com, then written verification with standing sheet or bowler history of their average will be required from the league secretary. If verification of the average is not presented by bowling time, the substitutes entering average will be 240 and will remain at that average unless verification is submitted within seven (7) days after bowling

ADVANCE SUBSTITUTION NOTIFICATION IS REQUESTED TO AVOID TOURNAMENT DELAYS

AVERAGE VERIFICATION

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Entry # _____ This is to certify that _____

had an average of _____ for _____ games as of _____ in the

(Date)

_____ league.

Signed _____ Date _____

(League or Association Secretary)

Bowler history required with verification for February 12, 2017 Average.

VALID AVERAGE for other than 2015-2016 USBC BOOK AVERAGES:

1 - Use highest February 12, 2017 average of 21 games or more from a current GFUSBC certified league

2 - If no 21 game average as of February 12, 2017, bowler will be classified at 240 scratch.