

**SQUAD LEADER INCENTIVE
FOR 10 OR MORE ENTRIES**

(See Rule #4)

HANDICAP IS 90% OF 225

\$40.00 ENTRY FEE

\$27.00 Prize Fund

\$12.00 Lineage

\$1.00 Expenses

**OPTIONAL EVENTS:
SCRATCH SERIES &
DOUBLES HANDICAP**



**CLEVELAND
OHIO**

**RESERVED ENTRIES CLOSE
FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2025**

**WALK-INS ACCEPTED ONE
HOUR PRIOR TO SQUAD TIME
BASED ON LANE AVAILABILITY**

\$5.00 LATE FEE

**CHECK-IN ONE HOUR PRIOR
TO SQUAD TIME**

RON HEPPNER SENIOR SINGLES TOURNAMENT

May 14 & 15, 2025

Squads @ 2:00 PM & 6:45 PM

Yorktown Lanes

6218 Pearl Road, Parma Heights, Ohio 44130

**EVENT FOR CLEVELAND OHIO USBC ASSOCIATION BOWLERS 50 YEARS OF AGE & OLDER
UNLIMITED ENTRIES ≈ CASH ONLY ONCE**

AGE AT TIME OF BOWLING DETERMINES CLASS

Class	Age Group	Class	Age Group	Class	Age Group
Class S	75 & Over	Class B	65 – 69	Class D	55 – 59
Class A	70 – 74	Class C	60 – 64	Class E	50 – 54

OPTIONAL EVENTS

(Entered & paid onsite on the date bowled.)

SCRATCH SERIES – ONE DIVISION – 50 & OVER – \$10.00 ENTRY FEE PER SET

DOUBLES HANDICAP SERIES – ONE DIVISION – 50 & OVER – \$20.00 ENTRY FEE PER DOUBLES SET

COUSBC Ron Heppner Senior Singles Tournament Rules (2024-2025 Season)

- ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT:** This tournament is USBC certified and open to members of the Cleveland Ohio USBC (COUSBC) 50 years of age and over as of the date of the tournament. Non-members may enter by purchasing an associate membership (\$28.00) or paying local association dues (\$11.00). Membership dues must be submitted with the entry form. All entries must be completed in full and include the bowler's national USBC ID number. An entry is not considered final until all monies are paid in full.
- This is a singles event with six classes. **Your class will be determined by your age on the date you bowl.** Class S – 75 & over; Class A – 70 to 74; Class B – 65 to 69; Class C – 60 to 64; Class D – 55 to 59; Class E – 50 to 54. Proof of age may be required at time of check-in.
- Entry fees are as follows: Tournament: \$40.00 (Lineage: \$12.00; Expenses: \$1.00; Prize Fund: \$27.00).** Entry fees may be paid by cash, check or money order (payable to the Cleveland Ohio USBC Association (COUSBC)). Checks returned for non-sufficient funds (NSF) will be charged a \$35.00 fee plus the amount of the check. Only cash will be accepted for any NSF check. There will be no refunds (exception for COVID; see Rule #18). No checks will be accepted after May 2, 2025. **Entry fees for the Optional Scratch (\$10.00) and Optional Doubles (\$10.00 per person) will be paid onsite on the date you bowl.**

4. Squad leaders will receive \$40.00 (payable on the scheduled bowling date) for ten (10) or more entries they submit. **NOTE: All entries must be submitted together in the same envelope ... NO EXCEPTIONS.**
5. Entrants will bowl three (3) games league-style on the same pair of lanes on a standard pattern.
6. Multiple participation is allowed; however, **a bowler may only cash once.**
7. Handicap will be 90% of 225. All prize money will be returned 100% as follows: **Handicap:** At least one (1) in five (5) will cash. **Scratch:** At least one (1) in five (5) will cash. Maximum score will not exceed 300 for game or 900 for series.
8. AVERAGE RULE: All individuals must use:
 - a. Their highest USBC certified average (21 games or more) from the 2022-2023 or 2023-2024 season (including summer averages).
 - b. If the bowler does not have a USBC certified average from the 2022-2023 or 2023-2024 season, they will use their highest current (2024-2025) average of at least 21 games at the time of bowling. The current average must be verified in writing from the league secretary or the bowler can provide a current standing sheet, which lists the bowler's full name, # of games and current average.
 - c. If the bowler does not have an average as required in 8a or 8b, a 225 average will be used.
 - d. **Rule 319a-2 (10-pin rule) will NOT apply.**
 - e. All averages established on a Sport or Challenge condition must be adjusted utilizing the corresponding USBC Average Conversion Chart (based on league type) found on bowl.com and used if converted average is highest.
 - f. Any falsification of average will result in the entrant being disqualified from the tournament.
9. Tournament winners are determined by the highest handicap series in each event (singles & optional doubles) and scratch series in the optional scratch event. Winners will be invited to the annual awards banquet at the end of the season.
10. Check-in will be one (1) hour prior to squad time. Squad times are 2:00 PM and 6:45 PM on Wednesday and Thursday. Walk-ins are permitted one (1) hour prior to squad time (based on lane availability); a \$5.00 late fee may be charged. The late fee will be waived for re-entries.
11. Eligible substitutes will be permitted to bowl in the tournament.
12. Bowlers arriving after the squad has begun will be permitted to bowl but must begin in the current frame being bowled. All tardy bowlers not ready to bowl when the squad begins will receive zero (0) for all frames missed.
13. Tournament officials will collect money for brackets and jackpots.
14. The entrant whose name appears on this entry, or their authorized replacement, hereby agrees that the COUSBC, its officers and agents shall be liable only to the extent of returning the entry fee if and when this entrant shall be prevented from bowling in the tournament through delay, unexpected yet necessary schedule change, or premature termination of the tournament, which may be brought on by war, national emergency or emergencies caused by unexpected weather conditions or causes relating thereto or resulting therefrom fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties or causes beyond the control of the COUSBC.
15. If a lane equipment malfunction occurs during tournament competition that requires participants to be moved to a new pair of lanes, the participants will start their tournament competition from the point of the interruption with no practice/shadow balls on the new lanes.
16. ETIQUETTE: Individuals are responsible for their own conduct during tournament competition. Disruptive and unsportsmanlike conduct, profane language and obscene gestures will not be tolerated. Proper attire must be worn. No cut-off shirts, tank tops, spaghetti straps, low-cut tops, bare midriffs, short shorts or cut-offs will be allowed. No obscene printing on anything. Length of skirts, dresses, skorts or shorts must be below the competitor's fingertips when they are standing and their arms are hanging down at their side. Length of skirts, dresses, skorts, and shorts MUST be long enough to not see your bottom area (even if covered by under shorts) at any time, standing or bent over. Tops of shorts/pants must be worn at waist level. Appropriate hats are permitted. One courtesy will be observed by bowlers and enforced throughout the tournament. Failure to comply can result in disqualification from tournament competition.
17. Bowling equipment must meet USBC specifications. No balance holes will be permitted. All holes drilled must be used for gripping purposes on every delivery. **NOTE: House balls are exempt from this rule. The use of any powder or foreign substance on shoes, on the approach, on the facility floor, on the carpet, or on a bowling towel is not allowed. Use of all liquids, sprays and sanding pads must be done prior to the first ball of tournament competition.** **NOTE: Any cleaner that is used prior to the start of competition must be approved by USBC (refer to the "Approved Cleaners" list in the Equipment Specifications manual on www.bowl.com) and in its original container which displays the USBC Approved Before/After logo. Once competition has begun, the outer surface of the bowling ball may only be cleaned with a dry towel (USBC Rule 18). (Competition starts once any bowler throws a ball for score in the tournament.)** If a bowler is seen altering the ball surface during the tournament, the ball will be disqualified for the remainder of the tournament as soon as this is discovered. If the bowler incurs a second equipment offense, the bowler will be disqualified from the current event with NO refund of entry fee. **NOTE: Should a foreign substance appear on the outer surface of a bowling ball which cannot be removed with a dry towel, an approved cleaner may be used with consent from the tournament manager.**
18. **COVID Precautions:** If you are feeling sick, have a fever over 100 degrees or have come in contact with someone who has had a confirmed case of COVID within the last 14 days leading up to this tournament, please contact the COUSBC office to withdraw from the event. You will receive a full refund.
19. Any rule violation will be subject to disqualification. Errors in scoring must be reported immediately. Any protest affecting eligibility or playing rules must be confirmed in writing to the Tournament Manager with 72 hours of the infraction or prior to tournament prizes being paid, whichever occurs first. USBC Rule 303 will apply (Authority of Tournament Management). The Tournament Manager along with the Board of Directors of the Cleveland Ohio USBC will have the right to settle all disputes not covered in the above rules or in USBC rules. All decisions of the Tournament Manager are final, unless an appeal is made in accordance with Rule 329. All USBC rules will apply.
20. All participants agree to allow his/her name and likeness to be used on social media in regard to this event.
21. Questions should be directed to the COUSBC office (216-898-9115 or 216-898-9117).



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2024 – 2025 Season**

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PLEASE INDICATE DATE & SQUAD TIME AND SUBMIT ENTRY FORM WITH ENTRY FEE TO:

CLEVELAND OHIO USBC ASSOCIATION, 14950 SNOW ROAD, SUITE 100, BROOK PARK, OHIO 44142

(You will be contacted only in the event your selected date/time is filled.)

2024 – 2025 Ron Heppner Senior Singles Tournament

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 2:00 PM _____ 6:45 PM _____

Thursday, May 15, 2025 2:00 PM _____ 6:45 PM _____

NAME _____ USBC # _____

ADDRESS _____
(Street, City, State, Zip Code)

HOME NUMBER _____ CELL NUMBER _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

BIRTHDATE _____ AGE AS OF TOURNAMENT DATE _____

2022-2023 AVERAGE _____ 2023-2024 AVERAGE _____ CURRENT AVERAGE _____

I WANT TO BOWL WITH (NAME OR GROUP) _____

(Entries must be mailed together in the same envelope ... NO EXCEPTIONS.)

ENTRY FEE \$40.00

DATE RECEIVED _____ TOTAL PAID \$ _____ CASH / CHECK / MO _____ CLASS _____