

SSBA 50/50 SCRATCH DOUBLES BOWLING TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, 06 DECEMBER 2026 AT 9:00 A.M. CADILLAC XBC, WATERLOO, IA

OBJECTIVE: To provide and conduct an annual scratch doubles bowling tournament for USBC certified bowlers.

ELIGIBILITY: Tournament participation is open to all bowlers in good standing with the USBC. One member of each doubles team must be age 50 or older and the other team member must be younger than age 50 as of the scheduled tournament date. Only one division will be conducted with men and women competing together. Eligible entrants without USBC membership cards must apply for associate membership and pay respective fees. (Rule 300c)

Professional bowlers meeting all other eligibility requirements are allowed to enter.

USBC CERTIFIED: This tournament is USBC certified.

TOURNAMENT ENTRY PROVISIONS: This tournament is limited to 72 doubles entries. **ONLY THE FIRST 72 PAID ENTRIES ARE GUARANTEED A RESERVED SPOT IN THE DOUBLES TOURNAMENT. WE ENCOURAGE PAYMENT OF TOTAL ENTRY FEES (INCLUDING SIDEPOTS) TO MINIMIZE TIME REQUIRED AT CHECK-IN. HOWEVER A \$100.00 PAYMENT WITH ENTRY IS SUFFICIENT TO GUARANTEE YOUR RESERVED SPOT.**

Additional entries go on a waiting list in a first come/first served priority and will be provided a spot as available.

Submit entries to: John Brinker	Gary Brinker	Joe Engelkes
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Cell 319-239-8513	cell 319-415-8519	cell 319-269-6909

EMAIL: For John Brinker: brinker34@yahoo.com For Gary Brinker: ssbabrinker@gmail.com

TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE: \$70.00 per bowler for a total of \$140.00 per doubles team.

Optional \$5.00 jackpots for high games rolled during the five qualifying games are available for all bowlers.

Make checks payable to SSBA or Seniors Scratch Bowling Association

BRACKETS: Multiple brackets available for the five qualifying games with brackets starting in games 1, 2 and 3.

TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN: Prize Fund = \$90.00 Bowling = \$40.00 Expense = \$10.00

TOURNAMENT PAY OUT RATIO: Major Prize Fund At Least 1 to 3 Major prize fund fees collected will be returned 100% to the participants (Rule 308). **Any added prize money obtained from sponsorship, donations, or fund raising efforts will be evenly distributed throughout all places cashing in the major prize fund.**

Optional High Game Jackpots Payout Ratio of 1 to 10 All jackpot fees collected will be returned 100%.

All major prize list money will be paid out on tournament day if possible.

TOURNAMENT STARTING LANE ASSIGNMENT: Doubles teams will be assigned starting lanes by tournament officials. **Four sets of doubles will be assigned to each pair of lanes.** Entries close at tournament starting time. Please check-in with tournament officials starting about 8:00 A.M. on tournament date, but not later than 30 minutes before tournament scheduled starting time of 9:00 A.M. as a courtesy to assist tournament officials with completion of pre-tournament paperwork so qualifying can start promptly on time.

TOURNAMENT QUALIFYING FORMAT: All tournament scores are scratch (no handicap). Each doubles team will bowl five (5) qualifying games, moving to a different pair of lanes after completion of each game. All bowlers will alternate between the even numbered and odd numbered lane as their starting lane for each successive qualifying game. Bowlers will be responsible for keeping their own scores (as required when automatic scorekeepers are not available), checking the accuracy of their scores, transferring their scores to the tournament recap sheet, and submitting the recap sheet to tournament officials.

The tournament recap sheets are the official score sheet and must be completed and submitted to tournament officials.

TOURNAMENT FINALS FORMAT: The lanes will be re-oiled for the step ladder finals. Based on total pins scratch from the five (5) qualifying doubles team games, the top five (5) doubles teams will advance to a stepladder format finals to determine the tournament champion. In case of any ties for any of the top four (4) qualifying spots, or for 5th and 6th high qualifying there will be a 9th and 10th frame roll-off (coin toss to determine starting lane choice) with high total pins determining the qualifying placement. If necessary the 9th and 10th frame roll-off will be repeated on opposite lanes until the tie is broken. Each bowler will be allowed two (2) practice balls on each lane. In case of a tie for 4th and 5th place qualifying spots, there will be a coin toss to determine qualifying placement.

SQUAD TIMES FOR QUALIFYING: Qualifying will begin at **9: 00 A.M.** and will be completed in one (1) squad. This tournament is a one (1) day tournament to be completed on the respective scheduled tournament date.

TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT: All situations not covered under above rules will be decided by USBC rules.

Tournament management has supervisory control of the tournament operations and authority to decide and settle any disputes or complaints. (Rule 303) Tournament management has the authority to reject acceptance of any entry.

TOURNAMENT DATE: Sunday 06 December 2026

TOURNAMENT START TIME: 9: 00 A.M.

HOST BOWLING CENTER: CADILLAC XBC, 650 LaPorte Road, Waterloo, IA 50702, (319) 234-6888

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