

**HELENA USBC ASSOCIATION
YOUTH MASTER/MASTERETTES SCHOLARSHIP TOURNAMENT
USBC SANCTIONED**

WHEN: JANUARY 18 & 19, 2025

WHERE: SLEEPING GIANT LANES HELENA MONTANA

This is a scratch and handicap tournament. The tournament is open to all USBC Youth members only. Your USBC Youth coach or association manager must verify averages. USBC Youth membership cards are required at check-in time. All USBC Youth rules will apply and be enforced in this tournament. Tournament Manager and Committee decisions are final UNLESS AN APPEAL IS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 329.

Entries will close ½ hour before the last shift on Saturday. Re-entries will be accepted up to ½ hour before the last shift starts. You may bowl all qualifying shifts. Your highest score will be used for placement.

In the scratch division, boys and girls will be matched against each other, bowling all games scratch. In the handicap division boys and girls will be matched against each other, with handicap for boys and girls being 90% of 200.

AVERAGES: January 1, 2025 sanctioned league averages with a minimum of 21 games will be used to determine the handicap for the handicap division bowlers. If no January 1, 2025 sanctioned league average exists, the highest 2023/2024 year end average of at least 21 games will be used. If no established sanctioned league exists, bowlers must bowl scratch.

TROPHIES: Trophies or plaques will be awarded to the first five places in each division. A high game and high series plaque will be awarded for Saturday only.

SCHOLARSHIPS: There will be a \$500 scholarship for the first place finisher in each division, a \$400 scholarship for the second place finisher in each division, a \$300 scholarship for the third place finisher in each division, a \$200 scholarship for the fourth place finisher in each division, and a \$100 scholarship for the fifth place finisher in each division. A \$100 Scholarship will be given to the highest placing girl in the scratch division if there is not a girl in the top 5.

FORMAT: Qualifying rounds will be Saturday at 9:00 AM (fresh oil) and at 12:00 PM (fresh oil). All bowlers will bowl 4 games. The top 16 bowlers from each division will advance to finals on Sunday in their respective divisions. Each bowler will be responsible for checking his or her own standings. QUALIFIERS WILL NOT BE NOTIFIED BY TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS.

DRESS CODE: All bowlers must have suitable attire. Clothing should be neat and clean. NO caps, hats, shorts, tank tops, skirts, skorts, walking shorts will be worn while bowling. SLACKS/JEANS ONLY. Any bowler wearing clothing deemed offensive or inappropriate (i.e. logos, pants hanging off the hips, mid-drift shirts, etc.) will be asked to change. Cell phones and music devices will not be allowed during the competition. Youth participants will not wear apparel or use bowling equipment depicting alcohol, tobacco, gambling, an illegal substance or inappropriate language/gestures during competition. Penalty: First offense will result in a verbal warning and apparel change or removal of equipment. Failure to comply will cause the bowler's scores to be disqualified and the bowler to be removed from the competition.

TIE BREAKERS: If a tie exists between the 16th and 17th place following qualifying on Saturday, in each respective divisions, it will be settled by a 1 **GAME** roll-off at 8:00 AM prior to the start of the 2nd qualifying round on Sunday morning. If a tie in the top 8 exists after the 2nd qualifying round, placement will be decided by

a **1 game** roll-off. During match play on Sunday all ties will be settled by a 8th, 9th and 10th frame roll off between the tied bowlers.

FINALS: the finals will begin at 8:45 AM on Sunday. Check in time no later than 8:30 AM, Sleeping Giant Time, and if a bowler is not checked in at that time, the alternate will bowl in your place. All 16 qualifiers in both divisions will all bowl 3 games. The top 8 for each division after 3 games will advance to Match Play. Scores from Saturday do not carry over to 2nd qualifying round on Sunday.

MATCH PLAY: The first match play round will match the # 1 qualifier with the # 8 qualifier, and continue with the # 2 qualifier bowling against #7 and so forth in each division. Each round thereafter will match winners against winners and losers against losers in 2 separate brackets. Bowlers will continue to bowl until they lose twice. Match play continues until champions are crowned in both divisions. Match Play will be 1 game matches.

ENTRY FEES: \$50.00	RENTRY: \$35.00	PLEASE SEND ENTRIES TO:
Bowling: \$29	\$16.00	helenausbc@msn.com
Scholarships: \$19.50	\$17.50	-or - Nancy Collick
Prizes: \$ 1 (trophies)	\$ 1.00	314 N. Fee St
Expenses \$ 0.50	\$ 0.50	Helena MT 59601

Prize fund will be returned 100%

NAME _____ USBC # _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-Mail _____

(will be used for entry confirmation)

SHIFTS & DIVISIONS

(Please check one)

9:00 AM _____

12:00 PM _____

SCRATCH _____

HANDICAP _____

(Please check one)

JANUARY 1, 2025 AVERAGE _____

(21 Games Minimum)

(Handicap Bowlers Only)

END OF 2023/2024 SEASON AVERAGE _____

(If no January 1, 2025 average)

(Handicap Bowlers Only)

Coach or Association Manager Verification of Average