

"GUARANTEED"

\$1,000 1st TOURNAMENT

2nd - \$500 3rd - \$250 4th - \$200 5th/8th - \$100 9th/15th - \$50 min.

*****\$1,200 1st Prize Fund w/ 136+ entries*****

SHOOTOUT FORMAT FINALS @ 7:00PM SAT. (15-8-4-2)

1 Woman, 1 Senior, 1 Super Senior & 1 Scratch GUARANTEED

ALL QUALIFIERS WILL CASH (1:10 qualifying ratio)

SATURDAY ONLY

January 28, 2012 Columbia Lanes 1732 Bush River Rd. Columbia, SC (803) 798-1310	February 25, 2012 Centennial Lanes 4501 South Blvd. Charlotte, NC (704) 527-0333	March 10, 2012 Paradise Lanes 469 E Blackstock Rd Spartanburg, SC (864) 576-0066
March 31, 2012 Columbia Lanes 1732 Bush River Rd. Columbia, SC (803) 798-1310	\$2,500 1st Guaranteed April 28-29, 2012 Victory Lanes 125 Moorelake Dr. Mooresville, NC (704) 663-5300 - See Special Flyer -	



AMATEUR BOWLERS ASSOCIATION

The longest running handicap singles

Tournament in the Carolinas

***** NO MEMBERSHIP FEE*****

Dress Code: NO Tank Tops – "Short" Shorts – Cut Offs

SQUADS: 11:30am*, 1*, 2:30, 4 & 5:30pm–15 QUALIFIERS MINIMUM

**High h'dcp score on 11:30AM & 1PM squads will automatically qualify*

First time bowler to the ABA CANNOT use the last squad of any tournament as their first entry.

Their first entry must be a prior squad.



Optional
Scratch
Tournament
Rules at Desk

Daily high
hdcp game
payouts

BOWL THREE (3) TIMES

Additional entries @ 1/2 price

RECEIVE 2 BONUS HDPC PINS IF NOT QUALIFIED

First time bowler to ABA **MUST BRING AVERAGE VERIFICATION** for current AND last 2 years yearbook averages
Entry Fee: \$48 MC, VISA or American Express w/ a \$3 discount for cash ---- **\$45 CASH ENTRY FEE** ----NO CHECKS

Entering handicap is 70% of 220 – thereafter, a floating h'dcp system

Max. entering h'dcp: Women – 55 pins; Men 35 pins

For information, write: ABA, P.O. Box 241, Fairplay, SC 29643 – (864) 710-6168 – (864) 324-1476

"On the World Wide Web": <http://www.bowling300.com>

\$1000 1ST ABA SHOOTOUT RULES

1. **ABA SHOOTOUTS** are open to bowlers 18 or older; however, **NO** members of ANY Professional Bowling Organization will be allowed to participate. ABA Tournament Directors reserve the right to re-rate or refuse any bowler or entry.
2. **ABA Dress Code: NO** Tank Tops, “Short” Shorts, or Cut-Offs on the lanes. Strictly enforced.
3. **Entering Handicap: 70% of 220;** thereafter, a floating handicap system is used (*you gain or lose handicap pins based on qualifying and amount of money earned*). Maximum entering handicap for Women is 55 pins and for Men is 35 pins.
4. **Qualifying Format:** Bowl 3 games across 6 lanes. Total Pins, with handicap, is used to determine bowlers cut into the finals. No carry-over of scores from qualifying to the finals. Order of qualifying -- auto positions, regular h’dcp, then Out-of-Cut positions (high h’dcp woman, senior (50-59), super senior (60+), and then 1* scratch position). *An extra position will be taken at 141 entries (scratch woman out-of-cut) and another position at 151 entries (regular handicap.)
5. **Finals:** All qualifiers will bowl SHOOTOUT format to determine the winner. All qualifiers (15/16) will bowl one game with the top eight scores advancing to the next match. Those eight bowlers bowl one game with the top four scores advancing to the next match. Those four bowlers bowl one game with the top two scores advancing to the final match. Those two bowlers bowl one game to determine 1st and 2nd place. All scores include handicap. Ties advance to the next game of the shootout except when cutting to the top four or final two, then a one game roll-off will be used. In events where there are 17 to 20 qualifiers, the first game of the shootout will cut the field in half (*ex. - 17/18 cuts to top 9, 19/20 cuts to top 10*), then the second game will cut to the top 5 and the third game to the final 2. In events with 21 or more qualifiers, the first game will cut to the top 16, then 8-4-2.
6. **Entry Fee:** \$48 entry fee with a \$3 discount for cash -- **\$45 CASH ENTRY FEE.** (\$29 prize fund and \$16 expenses) MC, VISA, & American Express are accepted - **NO CHECKS.**
Qualified Entry Fee: \$23 entry fee with a \$3 discount for cash - **\$20 CASH ENTRY FEE.**
7. **Handicap Gain:** Bowlers not qualifying shall receive one additional pin handicap (**2 pins IF bowled h’dcp 3 or more times**) into their next ABA tournament. NOTE: The Tournament Director reserves the right to only award one additional pin with 3 or more entries **IF** it appears the bowler is throwing games away just to gain handicap. Also, any low games may not count toward ABA average.
8. **Handicap Loss:** Handicap loss will once again be based on money earned using the following formula: Money Won – Money Spent = Money Earned. No handicap loss for earnings of \$45 or less. Handicap loss charts will be posted and available at all tournaments.
9. Maximum of six (6) bowlers per pair, EXCEPT for the last squad of the day - no limit.
10. **Lane Rotation:** 5 pairs or less, move 1 pair to the right, 6 pairs or more move 2 pairs to the right, 14 pairs or more move 2 pairs to the right PLUS split the house.
11. A set of ABA Tournament Rules is available at the desk.
12. First time bowlers to the ABA must provide proper average verification for the current season and previous two (2) years.
13. **First time bowlers to the ABA CANNOT use the last squad of any tournament as their first entry. Their first entry must be a prior squad.**
14. **NO-TAP:** Some tournaments may be No-Tap (*9 pins on 1st ball counts as a strike*). No handicap will be used in this format. The ‘free-strike’ system will be used based on bowlers’ current ABA average. **NO HANDICAP LOSS. 1 PIN GAIN FOR ALL NON-QUALIFIERS.**
15. **SWEEPER:** Some tournaments may be a 7-game sweeper. **NO HANDICAP LOSS. 1 PIN GAIN FOR NON-CASHERS.**
16. Bowlers that request withdrawal at any time during a squad will receive entry fee minus lineage for games bowled, will not receive bonus pins for squad, and will not be allowed re-entry for the remainder of that tournament.
17. The Tournament Directors’ decisions are FINAL, without appeal.
18. **NO SMOKING** in the bowlers pit area.

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Centennial Lanes, Charlotte, NC
From I-77 take Woodlawn Rd. (exit 6) east to South Blvd. Left on South Blvd. and lanes will be approx. 3 blocks on the right.

Paradise Lanes, Spartanburg, SC
Fr. I-26 take Reidville Rd. (exit 22) east to E. Blackstock Rd. (Hwy. 215). Turn right onto E. Blackstock Rd. and lanes will be 0.6 mile on the left.

Victory Lanes, Mooresville, NC
Fr. I-77, take Hwy. 150 (exit 36) west, (*NB I-77, turn left*). Go approx. 0.5 mile, turn right onto Bluefield Rd. (between Citgo sta. & Walgreen’s). Lanes will be approx. 0.3 mile on the left.

Columbia Lanes, Columbia, SC
From I-26 take Bush River Rd. (exit 108) west 6 blocks. From I-20 take exit 63 east 2 blocks. Lanes are behind EL CHICO