



## NEW YEAR'S DAY SPECTACULAR!

3-GAME SCRATCH & HANDICAP HOUSE SHOT TOURNAMENT WITH ELIMINATION FINALS

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025 – 2 SQUADS: NOON & 2PM

A SCRATCH & HANDICAP SINGLES TOURNAMENT

3 SEPARATE DIVISIONS EACH FEATURING A 1 IN 4 CASHING RATIO!

EVENT #1: SCRATCH EVENT #2: 49 & UNDER HANDICAP EVENT #3: 50 & OVER HANDICAP

GUARANTEED PRIZES REGARDLESS OF ENTRIES!

## \$1,200/\$500/\$400/\$350/\$300

ALL FINALISTS GUARANTEED MINIMUM \$100! \* ALL SQUAD LEADERS GUARANTEED \$150!

NYD SPECTACULAR FORMAT

3-GAME SCRATCH & HANDICAP SINGLES
1 IN 4 CASH/1 IN 8 ADVANCE EACH SQUAD PER DIVISION
MULTIPLE ENTRIES AND CASHING ALLOWED
SQUAD LEADERS IN ALL 3 DIVISIONS EARN A BYE
WILDCARD BONUS IN ALL 3 DIVISIONS (TOP 6 GAME SERIES ADDED TO FINALS)
3 ROUNDS OF ELIMINATION FINALS LEADS TO 5-PERSON SHOOTOUT (ALL 3 DIVISIONS REPRESENTED!)

1ST ENTRY: \$85/RE-ENTRY: \$75 ENTER BOTH SCRATCH & HANDICAP FOR: \$140/\$130 RE-ENTRY

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PRE-REGISTER VISIT WWW.LIGBTOUR.COM OR CALL 516.637.5955









## **LIGBT NYD 2025 TOURNAMENT RULES – SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Welcome to the 2025 LIGBT New Year's Day special event which is the third event in our House Shot Series. For the first time we are making the NYD event a 2-squad tournament featuring 3 separate divisions: Scratch, 49 & under handicap, and 50+ handicap. All 3 prize lists pay out using a 1 in 4 cashing ratio.

**ENTRY FEE:** First entry is \$85 and re-entry is \$75. Entry fee breakdown: \$18 lineage/\$10 expenses/\$5 escrow/\$52 prize money-100% returned. Re-entry fee breakdown: \$18 lineage/\$10 expenses/\$5 escrow/\$42 prize money. Please note the LIGBT occasionally offers the host center and sponsors complimentary entries.

**REFUNDS:** Anyone prepaying for an entry, and does not bowl, will be entitled to a full refund minus credit card fees (\$3 per entry) as long as the tournament director is notified prior to the start of the squad. Once a bowler starts scoring no refunds will be issued regardless of reason.

**HOW TO PRE-REGISTER:** Bowlers can sign-up for the NYD event by visiting www.ligbtour.com and clicking "ENTER TOURNA-MENT." You can also call the LIGBT office and register by phone; 516.637.5955. If you don't want to pre-register you can still bowl by walking into the host center the day of the tournament. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of a squad.

**ELIGIBILITY:** LIGBT events are "amateur only." Exceptions to the "NO PBA RULE" are occasionally made if the competitive balance is not affected. Youth bowlers are welcomed and can earn SMART scholarship money in lieu of cash as long as a parent's waiver is signed (available at the tournament.) All winnings by a youth bowler will be deposited in their SMART account within 24 hours of completion of the event.

**GUARANTEES:** The top 5 prizes of \$1,200-1st, \$600-2nd, \$400-3rd, \$350-4th and \$300-5th will be paid regardless of entries. Also guaranteed is all 1 in 4 cashers each squad earning \$85. All squad leaders (6 total) are guaranteed to earn a minimum of \$150. All finalists are guaranteed to earn a minimum of \$100.

**QUALIFYING FORMAT:** Each squad consists of 3 games across 6 lanes. Handicap entrants receive handicap based on 90% of 220 and bonus pins they have earned. For each division, each squad is its own qualifier and advances the top 1 in 8 (minimum \$100) and cashes 1 in 4 (\$85.) When determining the # of bowlers advancing in a division the fraction must be greater than half to advance an additional person. Squad leaders in all 3 divisions (6 total), will earn a bye and a minimum of \$150. All 3 divisions will award a wildcard bonus which gives an extra finals spot to the highest 6-game series by a non-finalist in each division (3 total.) Note: Handicap bowlers with 12 or less LIGBT house shot games prior to the major are not eligible to earn a bye or wildcard.

**TIES:** If there is a tie for the cut score to advance to the finals the bowler with the higher handicap game (not including bonus pins) advances (higher scratch game for the scratch division.) The same is true if there is a tie for the bye. If there is a tie for the wildcard spot the bowler with the higher 3-game handicap series (without bonus pins) advances (higher scratch series for the scratch division.) If there is a tie for the cut score in a final round it will be broken by a 9th/10th frame roll off.

**DETERMINING YOUR STARTING AVERAGE:** First time bowlers, or members that have not bowled in a house shot event the past 12 months, will be issued an average by using their highest 2-year composite average. New bowlers must notify the LIGBT if they have been re-rated by any tournament in the past 10 years, or if their current average, of 21 or more games, is 10 pins or more higher than their highest 2-year composite average. Bowlers that don't have a 2-year history can still bowl but must show proof of a current average. If you don't have a league average you can still bowl with the tournament director issuing you an agreed upon average based on your ability.

**MINIMUM AVERAGE/MAXIMUM HANDICAP:** Male bowlers cannot receive more than 58 pins per game (155 average) in house shot events. Female bowlers cannot receive more than 67 pins per game (145 average) in house shot events.

**AVERAGE/HANDICAP USED IN HANDICAP FINALS:** Bowlers with more than 12 house shot games will use the same average in the finals as they used in qualifying. All finalists that have 12 or less house shot games will have their average adjusted for the finals based on all games bowled thus far in LIGBT house shot events.

**ADDITIONAL RULES:** The LIGBT has a complete set of rules posted on LIGBTour.com. USBC rules apply when not covered by LIGBT rules. Tournament director reserves all rights and all decisions are final. The LIGBT reserves the right to cancel any promotion or guarantee if it deems it necessary. There is no solicitation permitted at LIGBT events unless given permission by the tournament director.

**CODE OF CONDUCT:** All entrants are required to act "professionally" when competing in LIGBT events. Offensive language and apparel are not allowed and can be cause for suspension from future LIGBT events. Anyone that is not "sober" will be asked to leave the bowling center. Any LIGBT member speaking negatively about the LIGBT on any social media platform will be barred for life from future LIGBT events.

**SIDE ACTION:** \$5 handicap brackets will be offered. A \$10 optional handicap high game pot and handicap eliminator will also be available. Scratch pots and brackets will be run if requested. The LIGBT returns 100% of the pot and eliminator money collected.