

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME - NO MEMBERSHIP FEE



FALL 2024



SEASON 17 SCHEDULE

DATE(S)	HOST	TYPE OF EVENT	FORMAT/SQUADS
OCTOBER 20	AMF E. MEADOW	SPORT SHOT SERIES #1	HANDICAP SINGLES: NOON & 2PM
OCTOBER 27	AMF E. MEADOW	HOUSE SHOT DOUBLES	HANDICAP DOUBLES: NOON
NOVEMBER 3	AMF BABYLON	HOUSE SHOT SERIES #1	HANDICAP & SCRATCH SINGLES: NOON
NOVEMBER 17	AMF GARDEN CITY	SPORT SHOT SERIES #2	HANDICAP SINGLES: NOON & 2PM
NOVEMBER 24	STRIKE 10 DEER PARK	HOUSE SHOT SPECTACULAR	HANDICAP & SCRATCH SINGLES: 12-2-4PM
DECEMBER 1	AMF E. MEADOW	SPORT SHOT DOUBLES	HANDICAP DOUBLES: NOON
DECEMBER 8	AMF GARDEN CITY	HOUSE SHOT SERIES #2	HANDICAP & SCRATCH SINGLES: NOON
DECEMBER 22	AMF BABYLON	SPORT SHOT SERIES #3	HANDICAP SINGLES: NOON & 2PM
JANUARY 1	AMF E. MEADOW	HOUSE SHOT SERIES #3	NYD HANDICAP & SCRATCH SINGLES: NOON & 2PM

\$1,000 TOP PRIZE AT ALL SINGLES EVENTS/\$2,000 TOP PRIZE AT ALL DOUBLES EVENTS!
AFFORDABLE ENTRY FEES (CASH/CREDIT CARD/VENMO/ZELLE ACCEPTED)
HOUSE SHOT SINGLES EVENTS FEATURE 2 HANDICAP AGE DIVISIONS: 49 & UNDER/50+
HOUSE SHOT EVENTS RUN SCRATCH & HANDICAP (1 IN 4) PRIZE LISTS!
MOST HOUSE SHOTS ARE 4-GAMES/1-SQUAD & SPORT SHOTS ARE 3-GAMES/2-SQUADS

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & TO PRE-REGISTER
 PLEASE VISIT WWW.LIGBTOUR.COM OR CALL 516.637.5955**



**LIGBT GENERAL TOURNAMENT RULES- SUBJECT TO CHANGE
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Welcome to LIGBT's Season 17 Fall Schedule. We have a total of 9 "amateur only" events; 7 singles competitions and 2 doubles tournaments, with one of them featuring a sport shot pattern. All amateur bowlers are welcomed at LIGBT events and there is no membership fee required.

ENTRY FEE: The cost to bowl varies with each event. Most house shot tournaments are \$100 while sport shot events are \$85 & \$75. Please see the specific tournament flyer for entry fee details. Cash, debit and credit cards (\$4 fee), or Venmo/Zelle are accepted forms of payment.

ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN: Most centers are charging \$5 or more per game. The LIGBT takes a maximum of 15% for expenses. \$5 of each entry goes into an escrow fund for special events and to cover any prize fund shortages. 100% of the remaining entry fee is returned to that day's prize fund. The LIGBT is completely transparent and posts a financial breakdown on LIGBTour.com after each event.

HOW TO PRE-REGISTER/PREPAY: Bowlers can sign up on-line at www.ligbtour.com or by phone (516.637.5955) up to two hours prior to an event. Walk-ins are welcomed at LIGBT events-most events do not shut out. There is no additional fee for walk-in entries. NOTE: ALL TOURNAMENTS BEGIN AT NOON!

REFUNDS: Anyone prepaying and does not bowl will be entitled to a full refund (minus credit card fees) as long as the director is notified prior to the start of the tournament. Once a bowler starts scoring no refunds will be issued for any reason.

GUARANTEES: All LIGBT handicap singles tournaments guarantee top prizes of \$1,000-\$500-\$300-\$250 REGARDLESS OF ENTRIES. All singles events payout using a 1 in 4 ratio with last cashing spot no less than that day's entry fee. Doubles events pay \$2,000 & \$1,000 with 60 fully paid teams (we averaged 94 teams' last season!) Please note the LIGBT prefers not to increase the top prize with large entry counts and instead pays out higher prizes to multiple cashing spots.

FORMATS: The LIGBT runs a variety of formats during the year. House shot singles events are usually 4 games (1 squad) with 3 separate divisions: Scratch, 49 & under handicap (90% of 220), 50+ handicap (90% of 220.) Sport shot handicap (90% of 210) singles events, are 2 squads with re-entries, using 3-games with an elimination final. Sport shot events feature special bonuses for women and seniors (50+.) Doubles tournaments are 4-games, on a house shot, with no final.

ELIGIBILITY: All 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 (singles events only) and can earn SMART scholarship money in lieu of cash as long as a parent's waiver is signed (available at the tournament.)

NEW BOWLERS STARTING AVERAGE: **House Shot Events:** First time bowler average is their highest 2-year composite league average. **Sport Shot Events:** First time bowler average is their highest 2-year composite league average MINUS 20 pins. Bowlers without a 2-year average history may still compete with their starting average determined by the tournament director. Any member, that hasn't competed in an LIGBT event the past 12 months, will be subject to an average review and may be issued an updated average.

MINIMUM AVERAGE/MAXIMUM HANDICAP: Male bowlers cannot receive more than 54 pins per game (150 average) in sport shot events and 58 pins per game (155 average) in house shot tournaments. Female bowlers cannot receive more than 63 pins per game (140 average) in sport shot events and 67 pins per game (145 average) in house shot events.

CALCULATING AVERAGES: LIGBT averages are calculated like a league and are determined by the games you bowl in the events. Please visit www.ligbtour.com to see how LIGBT computes a bowler's average after their first event. Once a bowler is issued a starting average, their average/handicap is determined based on their last 36 games bowled in LIGBT house shot tournaments or sport shot tournaments. The two averages are completely separate. THE LIGBT NO LONGER ADJUSTS A BOWLER'S AVERAGE BASED ON CASHING PERCENTAGES.

NEW BOWLERS: Bowlers who have yet to register 12 "eligible" games are considered new members. New members cannot earn byes or wildcard bonus. If a new member advances to the finals their average will be adjusted using the "new bowler's average" formula (see LIGBTour.com.)

ADDITIONAL RULES: The LIGBT has a complete set of rules posted on LIGBTOUR.com. USBC rules apply when not covered by LIGBT rules. All bowling balls are permitted in LIGBT competition. Tournament director reserves all rights and tournament director decisions are final.

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 falsely about the LIGBT on any social media platform will be barred from future LIGBT events.

OILING: In 1-squad tournaments lanes are oiled prior to the squad. In multi-squad events the lanes are oiled prior to the first squad each day. Lanes are not re-oiled for finals.