

# GEORGIA YOUTH BOWLERS TOUR

## 2012-TOURNAMENT of CHAMPIONS

USBC CERTIFIED-4213 SMART ACCT 10962

**Eligibility:** Must be a USBC Certified youth bowler and have participated in **at least one** Georgia Youth Tour event.

**Age Divisions:** 11 and Under (Coed), 12 to 15 Boys, 16 to 21 Boys, 12 to 15 Girls, 16 to 21 Girls. Ages are determined as of August 1<sup>st</sup> of 2011

**Format:** Bowlers will bowl nine games moving one pair of lanes to the right after each game. The bowler will bowl 5 games then break and then bowl 4 more games. After 9 games each division will be cut to the top 50%. These bowlers will return on Sunday and bowl 3 additional games, after these games each division will be cut to the top 5 for TV style step ladder final, the top 3 places in the step ladder final will receive a scholarship award, additional stepladder scholarships may be awarded depending on the number of entries. Scholarship award amounts are based on the number of entries and may vary from event to event. This event will be a Junior Gold Qualifying event. All ties will be broken by a 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> frame roll off. NOTE: The nine game totals will be carried over into Sunday. In the event there are 5 bowlers or less in a division after the nine games these bowlers will return on Sunday and bowl 3 games to determine the stepladder seating. NOTE: Bowler(s) must bowl the first day to be eligible for the stepladder on the second day.

**Junior Gold:** This event will also be a Junior Gold qualifying event, to be eligible for the Junior Gold qualifying portion of this event you **MUST** be a USBC certified youth bowler and a Junior Gold member in good standing. If you are not a Junior Gold member you **MUST** present a current verifiable 21 game average of 175 for boys and 150 for girls and fill out the Junior Gold membership form and pay all applicable dues prior to the entry deadline. Junior Gold membership card and/or average verification will need to be presented at the time of check in. We will qualify a minimum of one in 10, if there are a minimum of 4 girls and 6 boys one male and one female will qualify for the Junior Gold National Championship. A minimum of six Junior Gold bowlers must be present at each event for the event to be a Junior Gold qualifying event. In the event only six Junior Gold bowlers are present only one (1) Junior Gold bowler will qualify for the National Tournament. The bowler(s) with the highest nine game total will qualify for the Junior Gold National Championship. (NOTE: The 3 games on Sunday and the step ladder games will not be included in the nine game totals.)

**Dress Code:** All bowlers must wear a shirt with a collar, with jeans or pants, the jeans and pants must be worn up around the waist, this applies to both boys and girls. The bowlers may **NOT** wear hats, head coverings etc., tank tops, spaghetti straps, halter tops, T-shirts, bare mid-drifts, shorts, skirts, culottes, capris, baggy jeans or pants, pajama pants, sweat pants, jeans or pants with holes in them or anything that may be considered offensive. All bowlers **MUST** be in their bowling attire before check in; if the bowler is not dressed appropriately he or she will not be allowed to check in. **The tournament director and advisor will enforce the dress code; do not risk disqualification for ignoring this rule.**

**Scholarships:** All awards will be returned 100% in the form of Junior Gold National entries and/or scholarships, all scholarships will be awarded through the SMART program. The Tournament Committee may request the bowlers' certification number at the time of the scholarship award to help expedite the process but it is not required in order for the bowler(s) to receive a scholarship award.

**Entries:** Check-In starts at 9:00 bowling begins at 10:00. All bowlers must **COMPLETELY** fill out an entry form and return it to the GYBT/Larry Harper at **400 Cambridge Way, Covington GA 30016-5535** and show a

current USBC certification card, (Junior Gold card or average verification if applicable) at the time of check in. All bowlers **MUST** have their completed entries returned to the tournament office no later than **June 9, 2012**. **ABSOLUTELY NO Entries will be accepted after this date.** If you arrive late you will be allowed to bowl but will receive a **zero** for the frames missed. Bowlers will have **15 minutes** to turn their scores into the tournament office after the completion of the shift or they could risk disqualification. **NOTE:** If checks are returned for insufficient funds the bowler(s) entry shall be null and void and the bowler will not be allowed to bowl.

**Conduct:** The use of profanity, alcohol or tobacco products by any youth bowler will not be permitted from the time they check in to time they turn in their score sheet. The first violation of this rule will be a warning the second violation will be disqualification without a refund. Any rules not specifically listed will be governed by the USBC. We also ask that all adults refrain from the use of profanity, alcohol or tobacco products until all youth bowlers have completed their bowling. Any bowler or spectator not conducting themselves in an appropriate sportsman like manner will be; disqualified in the case of the bowler or asked to leave the tournament area in the case of a spectator.

**Tournament Committee:** The tournament committee will handle all disputes and rule violations; the Tournament Committee's decision is final unless an appeal is made in accordance with Rule 329. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to change the format of the step ladder or cancel a tournament (this includes practice) without prior notice. Please note that the number of recipients of the Junior Gold National Championship entry and scholarships are based off a minimum participation of 20 bowlers.