



GRAND STRAND USBC ASSOCIATION
2026 Annual City
Open Championship Tournament



TEAM EVENT
SATURDAY 2/14 OR SUNDAY 2/22
DOUBLES/SINGLES
SUNDAY 2/15 OR SATURDAY 2/21
ALL SQUAD TIMES 1:00PM
All squads at Little River Lanes

ENTRY FEE: \$30.00	OPEN TOURNAMENT WILL HAVE THESE TWO DIVISIONS:		
Per Person, Per Event	Event	Division A	Division B
Prize Fee\$15.00	Team	700 and above	699 & Below
Bowling Fee\$12.50	Doubles	350 and above	349 & Below
Expenses \$2.50	Singles	175 and above	174 & Below

HANDICAP IS 90% OF 230 MEN AND WOMEN
HANDICAPPED ALL EVENTS IS \$3.00

ENTRIES AT CENTERS OR ON:
grandstrandbowl.com
or our
Facebook page

ADDITIONAL MONEY OF \$200.00 WILL BE ADDED TO THE PRIZE FUND TO BE DISTRIBUTED BETWEEN THE OPEN TOURNAMENT DIVISIONS ON A PERCENTAGE BASIS.

FIRST TIME ENTRIES CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT on FEBRUARY 06, 2026

IF LANES ARE AVAILABLE LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER ABOVE DATE
UP UNTIL 1 HOUR BEFORE SQUAD STARTS
NO EXCEPTIONS!!





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ADULT RULES:

This tournament is certified with the United States Bowling Congress through the Grand Strand USBC Association. USBC rules will govern situations not covered in the following rules:

1. All adult members of the Grand Strand USBC aged **18 and older and that bowl in a sanctioned league in the Grand Strand at time of entry and participation** are eligible to enter this tournament.
2. The tournament shall offer events of four-person teams, doubles, singles, and all events. Three consecutive games shall be bowled in teams, doubles and singles events. The All Events score shall be total pins for the first three games bowled in each event (a total of 9 games). **All entrants in any doubles event must also bowl in the singles event, and vice versa except for re-entries.**
3. Re-entries are permitted in any event, subject to the following conditions, which apply to each entity:
 - a. No more than two (2) bowlers shall cash together on a four-bowler team.
 - b. In no case shall the same two-bowler doubles team be permitted to cash more than once.
 - c. In no case shall an individual be permitted to cash more than once in singles.
 - d. Re-entries in either doubles and/or singles must be scheduled to bowl doubles and singles on a prior squad before re-entering in these events.
4. Entries **close February 06, 2026**. All entries postmarked the first post office business day after the entry closing date shall be accepted. Full payment of all fees must accompany the entry forms.
5. **Entry fees are \$30.00 per bowler, per event**, plus an optional All Events fee of \$3.00. **Make checks or money orders payable to GSUSBC, and mail to the tournament director listed on the entry form. There will be no refunds.**
 - a. Returned checks will be subject to a \$30 service charge, in which case all entry fees and service charges must be paid in cash **prior** to bowling in the tournament.
 - b. Entry fees are broken down as follows: \$15.00 prize fund, \$12.50 bowling fee and \$2.50 expenses. All prize money will be returned 100% to bowlers in the event and division collected, will be paid at the ratio of at least 1 in every 5 entries in that event and division. All Events will be paid at the ratio of at least 1 in every 12 entries each division.
6. Bowlers must use their highest Grand Strand USBC certified league average, regardless of whether bowled as a regular member or a substitute. Averages will be accepted in the following order:
 - a. Highest Grand Strand USBC 2024-2025 winter yearbook average for at least 21 games.
 - b. Highest GSUSBC summer certified league average for the 2025 season for at least 21 games.
 - c. If no yearbook or summer average, use highest current GSUSBC certified league average for 21 games or more as of midnight **02/06/2026**.
 - d. If none of the above applies, entrant is required to use an assigned average of 230.
It will be the bowler's responsibility to ensure that the correct average is submitted, or scores may not count. **The Ten Pin Rule applies.**
7. This tournament is handicapped, and **handicaps are assigned at 90% of the difference between a bowler's average and the scratch score of 230 for men and women.**
In the Open Tournament there will be two divisions as follows:

EVENTS	DIVISION A	DIVISION B
Team	700 and above	699 & below
Doubles	350 and above	349 & below
Singles & All Events	175 and above	174 & below

8. **All bowlers must check in one hour prior to squad time.** In the team event, the team captain may collect all

USBC cards from his/her team and check them in without their presence. In the doubles/singles event the bowlers may check in individually. **PROPER BOWLING ATTIRE IS REQUIRED.** All bowlers must wear suitable attire. All apparel worn by bowlers must be respectable. Torn, holes or extremely baggy will not be allowed. No exposed undergarments will be permitted. No sexual or profane advertisements will be allowed on any attire or equipment. Not okay crop-tops, tank tops, short shorts, mini-skirts, mini-skorts, no sagging pants. Skorts or shorts are too short when their hemmed edge comes above a bowler's fingertips when the bowler is standing straight with arms down. Tournament management will determine if the attire worn by the participant is acceptable. If the attire is deemed unacceptable, the participant will be required to immediately change. If the participant is unable to change into compliant attire, they will be removed from the competition for that day.

9. Any player or team arriving after the squad has started bowling will be allowed to bowl, and the scores will count beginning in the frame then being bowled. **No scores will be given for frames missed**, and no make-up frames are permitted.
 - a. **Substitutes will be allowed, and should arrive an hour and 1/2 prior to squad time**, so the tournament directors can make handicap, recap and monitor changes. Both substitute and team captain must complete a sub form.
 - b. In an emergency, after a game has started, a substitute (if one is available) shall be allowed in the team and doubles events only. The combined scores are to count in either of these events. If no substitute is available, only the actual score of the frames bowled shall count.
 - c. Pacers will not be allowed.
 - d. Substitutes will not be required to reimburse the original entrant for entry fee paid, nor shall the substitute be expected to give the original entrant any prize money or award he or she may win.
10. Winners of first place ties in any handicapped event (except All Events) shall be determined by a one-game roll-off within seven days, at a time to be scheduled by the tournament director. GSUSBC will pay lineage fees, and total pins plus handicap will decide the winner. First place ties for All Events will have the prize money combined and divided equally.
11. Entries will be scheduled according to requests, **if possible**, and in the order received. **Line-ups will be the same as listed on the entry forms, and will not be changed** except for an emergency.
 - a. Each event will be bowled on a pair of lanes.
 - b. No more than two pairs of doubles will be assigned to a pair of lanes.
12. Doubles event will be bowled first, followed by singles. Doubles and singles will be bowled on the same pair of lanes.
13. When players are scheduled alone on a pair of lanes, they must bowl as though they were actually contested. Players shall complete a frame on one lane before the leadoff player commences the next frame on the adjoining lane.
14. The Tournament Directors shall decide any question not covered by tournament rules (USBC Rule 303). Any protest involving eligibility, playing rules, etc., must be filed in writing with the Tournament Directors no later than 48 hours after the tournament has ended. Errors in scoring must be reported to a tournament official within 24 hours after the games are bowled.
15. The GSUSBC Board of Directors shall hear and decide any protests concerning the tournament.
16. The entrants, whose names appear on any entry into GSUSBC tournaments, or their authorized replacements, hereby agree that the GSUSBC, its officers and agents, shall be liable only to the extent of returning entry fees, if and when these entrants shall be prevented from bowling any event in the tournament through premature termination of the tournament, which may be brought about by war, national emergency, or causes relating to, fires, strikes, lockouts, labor difficulties, or other causes beyond the control of the Grand Strand USBC Association. The entrants whose names appear on this application and/or their authorized replacements hereby agree that the GSUSBC, and its officers and agents, shall not be liable for any injury, accident, or illness resulting from participation in GSUSBC certified tournaments, absent willful or gross negligence on the part of GSUSBC. Additionally, GSUSBC has permission to photograph participants for use by GSUSBC. Any participant that cannot legally be photographed must inform the tournament director prior to the start of the tournament.



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Amount Enclosed
\$

Open TOURNAMENT Entry Form

(Men, Women, or Mixed Entries)

Little River Lanes

Entry No.

Team Captain Information (Please Print)

Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Home Phone: Cell:

Entry Fees

Team Event..... \$120.00 per Team

Doubles Event..... \$60.00 per Team

Singles Event..... \$30.00 per Person

Hdcp. All Events (opt.)..... \$ 3.00 per Person

SELECT DATES

TEAM EVENT

DATES

Saturday 2/14 or
Sunday 2/22

SQUADS 1:00 PM

1st

2nd

DOUBLES & SINGLES EVENT

(No Doubles only or Singles only entries accepted, unless a re-entry)

DATES

Sunday 2/15 or
Saturday 2/21

SQUADS 1:00 PM

1st

2nd

TEAM NAME:

Please supply a team name!!!! Otherwise you will be just a number

Team Line-Up

List Bowling Order – Line-up will NOT be changed

Average

National ID Number

Check if entering
All Events

Check if
Re-Entry

1.

2.

3.

4.

Doubles Pair #1

1.

Average:

National ID No:

2.

Average:

National ID No.

Doubles Pair #2

1.

Average:

National ID No:

2.

Average:

National ID No.

Make Checks Payable to: **GSUSBC**

Mail to: Dorothy Davis - Tournament Director

708 Pipit Place Calabash, NC 28467

Phone 316-644-1780

E-Mail: grandstrandusbca@gmail.com

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Team

Squad #

\$

Doubles

Squad #

\$

Singles

Squad #

\$

A/E

\$