

# THE RHODE ISLAND DUCKPIN BOWLING PROPRIETORS'

## 2017 SPRING/SUMMER TOURNAMENT SERIES

This year's Spring/Summer schedule will consist of five 5-game handicapped singles events and The 33<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rhode Island Classic Tournament, in which bowlers will earn qualifying spots in the **2017 Tournament Series Finals**, to be held after the conclusion of the 2017 Spring/Summer Tour.

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### ***The 2017 Spring/Summer Tournament Series schedule is as follows:***

May 19-21, 2017	Bowling Academy
June 9-11, 2017	Meadowbrook Lanes
June 23-25, 2017	Dudek Lanes
July 14-16, 2017	Dudek Lanes
July 28-30, 2017	Town Hall Lanes

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August 11-13, 18-20, 2017	Mac's Bowlaway
The 33 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Rhode Island Classic Tournament	

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**August 25-27, 2017      SERIES FINALS      Town Hall Lanes**

### **ENTRY FEE FOR EACH SINGLES EVENT: \$35.00**

(Lineage: \$15.00, Director's Fee: \$2.50, Tournament Series Finals Fund: \$4.00, Event Prize Fund: \$13.50)

### **MINIMUM GUARANTEED PRIZES FOR EACH SINGLES EVENT:**

45 Entries or Less:	1st: \$200.00	2nd: \$100.00	3rd: \$50.00
46 to 55 Entries:	1st: \$250.00	2nd: \$125.00	3rd: \$65.00
56 to 65 Entries:	1st: \$300.00	2nd: \$150.00	3rd: \$75.00
66 to 75 Entries:	1st: \$350.00	2nd: \$175.00	3rd: \$90.00
76 to 85 Entries:	1st: \$400.00	2nd: \$200.00	3rd: \$100.00
86 to 95 Entries:	1st: \$450.00	2nd: \$225.00	3rd: \$115.00
96 to 105 Entries:	1st: \$500.00	2nd: \$250.00	3rd: \$125.00

*\*\*If more than 105 entries, the guarantees increase accordingly.*

*\*\*Exactly 1 in 10 will be paid in each Singles Event of the Series.*

*\*\*Exactly 1 in 10 will earn a qualifying spot in the 2017 Tournament Series Finals in each Singles Event of the Series*

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See the reverse side for Official Tournament Rules and Eligibility Requirements.

Note: Additional Tournament Series stops may be added. Check [www.ridba.net](http://www.ridba.net).

# OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT RULES AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- I. A) Bowlers must be current members of the National Duckpin Bowling Congress and have proof of average.
- B) Rhode Island entrance average will be:
  1. 2015-2016 Composite Average of all sanctioned games bowled in RI or MA adult leagues and tournaments (21 games or more).
  2. If above does not apply, bowlers will use their 2015-2016 Tournament Series Average (21 games or more).
  3. For bowlers using NDYA averages, bowlers use the highest of: average from an NDYA youth league (21 games or more), an NDYA Youth/Adult league (21 games or more), their NDYA Tournament average (21 games or more), or their Composite Average of all NDYA games (21 games or more).
  4. If above does not apply, then 2014-2015 Composite Average of all sanctioned games bowled in RI or MA adult leagues and tournaments will be used (21 games or more).
  5. If above does not apply, then 2016-2017 highest adult sanctioned winter league average will be used (21 games or more). Proof of average is mandatory.
  6. If above does not apply, then 2016 highest sanctioned adult summer league or tournaleague average will be used (21 games or more). Proof of average is mandatory.
  7. If above does not apply, then 2016-2017 Tournament Series average will be used (21 games or more).
  8. If above does not apply, then 2017 highest adult summer league will be used (21 games or more). Proof of average is mandatory.
  9. If above does not apply, then the bowler bowls scratch (160 average).
- C) Out of state bowlers who are not covered by Rule B) 1. will use a composite average comprised of all sanctioned games bowled in their home area plus all sanctioned games bowled in RI or MA (total pinfall / number of games = composite average).
- D) Non-sanctioned bowlers may bowl upon payment of membership fee.
- II. Bowlers who rolled 21 games or more in the 2015-2016 Tournament Series and averaged more than their 2016-2017 entrance average will have their 2016-2017 entrance average re-rated upwards by 1/2 the difference, with all fractions rounded down.
- III. Bowlers who roll 21 games or more in the 2016-2017 Tournament Series and average more than their 2016-2017 entrance average determined by Rule II will have their average re-rated upwards by 1/2 the difference, with all fractions rounded down.
- IV. Presenting a true average is the responsibility of the bowler.
- V. Bowler must pay entry fee in advance of beginning any event.
- VI. Bowlers may re-enter as many times as they want in each event and cash as many times as they enter, but can cash only once in the guaranteed prize list.
- VII. A bowler qualifies for the Tournament Series Finals by finishing in the regular prize list in any Tournament Series event. A bowler can qualify for the Finals once. If a bowler cashes more than once in the Series, then qualifying spots will be given to bowlers who have yet to qualify for the Finals based on order of finish in each event. If there is a tie for the last qualifying spot in a series event, then all bowlers tied for that spot will be allowed to bowl in the Tournament Series Finals.
- VIII. A bowler must bowl in at least 5 Tournament Series events (Fall/Winter Tour and Spring/Summer Tour combined) AND bowl a minimum of 21 Tournament Series games in order to retain their spot in the Finals. If a bowler fails to satisfy these requirements, then that bowler will lose his or her spot in the Finals. Any spot forfeited because of this rule will not be replaced.
- IX. All previous Tournament Series Finals Champions will receive an automatic spot in the Tournament Series Finals, provided they satisfy the requirements outlined in Rule VIII.
- X. Handicap for all single-division events will be 80% based on 160 average limit.
- XI. Total pinfall plus handicap determines order of finish.
- XII. A point system will be utilized for individual bowlers. A bowler will receive 10 points for a win, 7 points for 2nd, and 5 points for 3rd. If additional places are paid, a bowler receives 3 points if paid \$55.00 or more, 2 points if paid from \$42.00 to \$54.99, and 1 point if paid less than \$42.00. Upon accumulation of 18 points, the bowler will use their 2015-2016 RI Tournament Series Average (minimum of 21 games) if it is higher than the original entrance average of that bowler. This point system runs from Fall 2015 through Summer 2016.
- XIII. Questions not covered by the above rules will be governed by NDBC.