

MILITARY BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS



The 60th Annual!

Teams finishing 60th in each division receive a Free Entry!

Storm is giving away 60 Totes!

Logo Infusion is giving away 60 Towels!

60 Give-A-Way items from Boyd Gaming!



Open to men & women Vets, Retired, Active Duty & DOD!

Retired & Senior Retired

Sunday, Jan. 15 - Friday, Jan. 20, 2017

GOLD COAST
HOTEL & CASINO • LAS VEGAS

Active Duty & Vets

Monday, Jan. 16 to Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017

The ORLEANS
HOTEL & CASINO • LAS VEGAS

More events to bowl!

- Storm 3-game Sweepers
- Storm Mixed Doubles
- Storm No Tap Singles



PREPAY SWEEPERS & NO-TAP AND SAVE MONEY!

See Page 2 for details!

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

- Additional Prizes for players aged 70 & over at Gold Coast
- Additional Prizes for players aged 50 & over at Orleans
- Additional Prizes for Team Captains & Ladies

**Last year - over 1,200 prizes paid
in Team, Doubles & Singles!**

Recruit a new team & get your entry fee back!

New - after your team enters, recruit a new team - for any of the 3 divisions - & receive a \$160 refund of your entry fee! Start your recruiting now - no limit to the \$160 rewards you can earn!



Call toll free 1-800-257-6179

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www.militarybowlingchampionships.com

ACTIVE DUTY & VETS DIVISION MONDAY TO THURSDAY AT ORLEANS

This special division is for Active Duty, Vets with an Honorable Discharge and DOD to bowl together with the same camaraderie and reunion atmosphere that MBC contestants have grown to look forward to each year!

TEAM RULES FOR ACTIVE/VETS DIVISION

Based on the following rules, the 6-player teams may be comprised of any combination of:

- Any 2 teammates can bowl doubles together.
- PBA National Tour Champs and Exempt players are not eligible. Only 1 PBA member and 1 High Roller champ per team – or 2 High Roller champs per team.
- Players must present proof of status. The following is accepted and other forms of ID can be requested: Honorable Discharge Certificate, Active Duty Reserve ID card, VA Disability ID card, DD-214, DOD ID.

Active/Vets Division Opening Ceremonies – Tuesday 7:30 AM at Orleans

Squad A	Tuesday 8am – Team	Wednesday noon – Singles	Thursday 4pm – Doubles
Squad B	Tuesday noon – Team	Wednesday 4pm – Singles	Thursday 8am – Doubles
Squad C	Tuesday 4pm – Team	Wednesday 8am – Singles	Thursday noon – Doubles

Orleans squads oiled for each squad. TIP – Don't make travel plans until receiving squad time confirmation!

Gold Coast & Orleans hotels offer great room rates to MBC Contestants & their guests!



HOTEL & CASINO • LAS VEGAS

Saturday, January 14 • \$89

Sunday to Thursday • \$44

Friday, January 20 • \$89

(All rates shown do not include tax and fees)
Book by Dec. 13 to receive these special rates.

Call toll free

1-888-402-6278

and mention Military Bowling Championships
Or book online at www.orleanscasino.com/groups
and use ID 7MBTC01.

* There is a free shuttle from Orleans to Gold Coast
and back. Check each hotel for schedule.



HOTEL & CASINO • LAS VEGAS

Standard Rooms

Friday & Saturday • \$72

Sunday through Thursday • \$36

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Friday & Saturday • \$90

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SHIPPING YOUR EQUIPMENT BOTH WAYS!

Orleans Business Center
4500 W. Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89103
702-992-0599

Gold Coast Bowling Center
C/O K&K Pro Shop
4000 W. Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89103

**Free paddocks are available at both bowling
centers to store your equipment.**



SAVE \$\$\$ - PREPAY YOUR SWEEPERS!

All Sweepers and the No-Tap will
cost an additional \$5 if entered
after December 31st.

Also, there will be special prizes in
each of those events, by luck of the draw,
for players who prepaid their entries!

NEW RETIRED & SENIOR SCHEDULE AT GOLD COAST

Opening Ceremonies – Monday 7:30am at Gold Coast

Choose a squad and list on the application. **TIP – Don't make travel plans until receiving squad time confirmation!**

Ret A*	Monday 8am – Singles	Tuesday 3pm – Team	Thursday 11am – Doubles
Ret B	Monday 11am - Doubles	Wednesday 8am – Singles	Thursday 3pm – Team
Ret C	Monday 3pm – Singles	Tuesday 6pm – Doubles	Wednesday 4pm – Team
Ret D	Wednesday noon - Team	Thursday 6pm – Doubles	Friday 8am – Singles
Sen 1	Monday 7pm – Singles	Tuesday 11am – Doubles	Thursday 8am – Team
Sen 2	Tuesday 8am – Singles	Wednesday 7pm – Doubles	Friday noon – Team
Sen 3*	Monday 8am – Singles	Tuesday 3pm – Team	Thursday 11am – Doubles

*Ret A and Sen 3 are combined, first come, first served.

- If Gold Coast fills, Retired or Senior Retired teams may bowl in Active/Vets Division at Orleans
- As squads fill, teams will be placed in any available squad. (first-come, first-served)
- (Fresh oil before each Team & Singles event)



ADDED MONEY FROM STORM

Buy a new Storm Snap-Lock or RocketShip for \$100 each and Storm will add a portion of the proceeds to the prize fund! This special offer is for contestants only. Limit 2 of each.

SWEEPERS KICK OFF THE WEEK!

All sweepers are 3-games scratch. Scores are combined from the 2 squads. You may bowl twice but can only cash 1 once. Entry fee is \$25 per squad or \$30 after 12/31/16 and includes Sidepots. Sweepers have a 1 in 8 ratio for prizes.

Retired & Senior Divisions – Gold Coast

- Sunday, January 15th - 12 PM & 4 PM
- Eligible players may bowl in the Retired or Senior Retired Sweeper but not both.
- Separate purses for each division
- Lanes will be oiled between squads

Active/Vets Division – Orleans

- Monday, January 16th - 12 PM & 4 PM
- Lanes will be oiled between squads

Players are encouraged to prepay Sweepers to avoid being shut out and avoid the long check-in lines at the tournament!

NEW PRIZE CHECK DISTRIBUTION

Since 1982 High Roller events are famous for getting prizes paid as fast and accurately as possible!

But with constant growth of this event and with the added squads at Gold Coast there just aren't enough hours in a day!

So to generate over 1,200 Team, Singles, Doubles & All-Events prize checks, we need a little more time!

So prize checks for those events will all be put in the mail to the individual bowlers by Tuesday following the tournament. Sweepers, Mixed Doubles, the No-Tap and Sidepots will be paid in the tournament office the day after that event is completed.

Team Captains - for that reason, it is imperative that we have addresses for each contestant. Also, prize checks will not be issued to anyone who we don't have a Social Security number and date of birth

Frank Beach Award: High Roller created this award in his memory of the work he did for bowling and the military. The annual Frank Beach Memorial Award will be presented to the All-Events Winner from the Senior Retired Division.

Norm Edelman Award: Since 1962, Norm Edelman dedicated his life to bowling. A World War II Navy veteran, Norm was the founder of the High Roller and instrumental in High Roller's planning of the Military Bowling Championships. The award will be presented each year to the Individual All-Events champ of the Retired Division.



OUR MISSION

The Military Bowling Championships brings together military bowlers from home and worldwide assignments to participate in outstanding competition. The competition establishes a comradeship that Active Duty, Veterans and retired military members will always look forward to. See further details and history at www.militarybowlingchampionships.com.

HIGH ROLLER IS MANAGEMENT TEAM

For the 13th consecutive year, High Roller, Inc. works closely with the Tournament Committee, Team Captains, hosts and sponsors to ensure an enjoyable experience for all!

SPECIAL WOMENS' PRIZES

In the Retired & the Active Duty/Vets Divisions there will be 2 prizes each for the highest scoring Women's All Events. There will be 1 prize in the Senior Division.

WHO CAN BOWL?

- Active Duty, Veterans with Honorable Discharge, Retired, Guard or Reserve from any U.S. branch of Armed Forces or Department Of Defense (DOD) civilian, active or retired
- Players from any of the above categories may bowl in any Team Division that they fit by their personal status. EX: Retired DOD may bowl in Retired Division or Senior Division if eligible by age.

Before competition begins, each player must produce their Military ID or DOD ID and their USBC card. Players without a sanction card may purchase an "Associate" card on site. **All players that presented their Military or DOD ID cards since 2005 do not need to present them again as they are already on file. Players whose status changed from Active Duty to Retired must present valid ID.**

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

In February 2004, 350 players met to discuss the future of the MBC, then known as Worldwide Military. A committee was formed from players who have bowled many years. Here are the current members as of the 2017 event: **Kathy Brown** – Retired, **Danny Butcher** – Retired, **John Childers** – Retired, **Jim Cruz** – Retired, **Jed Davis** – Active Duty, **Jerry Gavin** – Retired, **David Greene** – Active Duty, **Tom Harlow** – Retired, **Max & Dottie McIlrath** – Retired, **Ron Mercer** – Retired, **Jeff Norton** – Active Duty, **Norm Palomares** – Retired, **Anthony Schmidt** – Active Duty, **Tony Szeluga** – Retired, **Brad Edelman** – High Roller advisor, **Dave Symes** – Storm advisor.

FREE PRACTICE SESSION AND DISCOUNTED OPEN PLAY

Gold Coast – Sunday 9 AM to 10:30 AM

Orleans – Monday 9 AM to 10:30 AM

During the week, when open lanes are available, players pay just \$1.50 per game. Present either Military ID or Tournament Confirmation.

TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING

Not mandatory but recommended for brief general info session.

Retired & Senior Division – Gold Coast, Sunday 10:15 AM

Active/Vets Division – Orleans, Sunday 5 PM

DRESS CODE: A "casual but respectable" appearance is expected from each contestant while bowling. The Dress Code will not be implemented to make any contestant uncomfortable but all players should appear presentable to their peers, the many guests and sponsors. The Tournament Committee recommends long pants and customary bowling shirts, however shorts, hats and t-shirts will still be acceptable attire but must be in good condition and not considered offensive to other players or their guests.

Tournament Rules:

- **Playing Rules** – Rules of the Military Bowling Championships. (MBC) stated herein, and those of the USBC will govern all participants. The High Roller (HR) manager will have the right to resolve all questions and disputes. All decisions shall be final unless an appeal is made in accordance with Rule 329.
- **General** – The MBC is primarily a team event with teams comprised of 6 players. Individuals can only be on one team. Team, Doubles and Singles are 4-game events. Squads may be added.
- **Competition** – All events are scratch. Competition is in 3 Divisions: Active/Vets, Retired or Senior Retired. If a team has at least 1 Active Duty or Vet who is not retired, that team will bowl in the Active Duty division. If a team is comprised of Retired and Senior Retired members, that team will bowl in the Retired division. To bowl in the Senior Retired division, all team members must be at least 60 years old by January 16, 2017, and be retired. HR manager must approve any roster changes prior to bowling. In Team, Singles & Doubles, each participant may enter only once.
- **Substitutions** – Once competition has begun, subs are allowed providing the sub is not on another team. A player who is replaced may not bowl in any other events except the Mixed Doubles. Players can only compete in one division.
- **All-Events** – Purses are determined by adding scores from Team, Singles & Doubles separately by each division.
- **Prizes** – All prizes will be mailed within 10 days of tournament end. Prizes earned will be paid with High Roller check. Of the \$160 entry fee, \$30 is lineage, \$10 is for tournament expense, approximately \$18 is for operational expense and approximately \$102 is prize money returned 100%. Prizes include trophies, plaques, pennants, lapel pins, gifts and other awards and displays.
- **Tournament Conduct** – The HR manager shall have the right to reassign participants, if for any reason, the MBC cannot be completed on all or some of the lanes, or on the dates drawn in any round. If by fire, war, weather conditions, gas shortage, water damage, labor unrest, terrorism acts or threats, mechanical malfunctions, acts of God, etc., it becomes impossible to conduct the MBC and/or companion events, all unused portions of entry fees shall be returned.
- **IRS Reporting** – It is the tournament's legal obligation to report an individual's earnings (not profit) of \$600 and over, including Brackets and Sidepots. 1099 forms will be issued to those players along with an accounting of their tournament expenses.
- **Refunds** – All entry fees can be refunded 100% with notice to the HR manager of at least 24 hours before bowling starts. Hotel fees can be refunded with 48 hours notice of scheduled check-in date. Once competition begins, refunds are at the discretion of the HR manager. Once a player has competed in any event, including Sweepers, they may not receive a refund for Team, Singles or Doubles unless replaced.
- **Event Status** – Regardless of personal status or age, each player bowls singles and doubles in the same division that they bowled the team event.
- **Sweeper Status** – Players may bowl in the Sunday Sweeper by personal status instead of their team's division but only in one center. At Gold Coast, players can bowl in Retired or Senior Retired Sweeper but not both.
- **Closing Date** – Closing date to enter is January 17, 2017, or upon full field.

NO BREAKFAST AWARDS PARTY THIS YEAR

Attendance for the annual Breakfast has been declining over the years. Since we have added a day of bowling and pushed back the Breakfast until Saturday, attendance really took a dive! With new procedures that most prize checks will now be mailed (see separate article) we would expect even more participants skipping the Breakfast. So with that in mind plus the cost of the Breakfast increasing each year, the Committee has voted to cancel it for 2017.

Sweepers & No-Tap cost \$5 more after 12/31/16



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(2 miles from Gold Coast to Orleans)

HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES

For contestants & their guests

Tuesday, 7 PM Wednesday, 7 PM

Thursday, 7 PM

- \$40 per team
- Unlimited re-entries, 1 in 8 cash
- Cash once with each partner
- Each team must contain at least 1 MBC contestant

Players must provide most recent USBC card number or bowl scratch.

Highest winter average of at least 21 games 2014-15 or 2015-16 will be used. Handicap is based on 90% of 220 for each player, added together for a team handicap.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL SCRATCH SWEEPERS

Sweepers are only for MBC contestants.

OPEN AGE – 2 squads

Wed 7pm & Thurs 7pm

Combined for 1 prize list

Bowl twice – cash once

For all players • 3-gamer • 1 in 5 cash
\$40 entry fee includes Sidepots

FOR AGE 50 & OVER – 2 squads

Wed 7pm & Thurs 7pm

Combined for 1 prize list

Bowl twice – cash once

For players aged 50 & over • 3-gamer • 1 in 5 cash
\$40 entry fee includes Sidepots

HANDICAP NO-TAP SWEEPER

Tues. 7 pm

3-GAMES – \$25 entry fee • 1 in 8 cash

TEAMS THAT NEED A PLAYER OR PLAYERS THAT NEED A TEAM

- To find the list on the website, go to www.militarybowlingchampionships.com, click on Find A Bowler that is listed on the left side.
- If you pick up a bowler from that page, please notify us so we can remove his/her name.
- You can also make arrangements with that bowler to send their application and entry fee directly to us if that is easier. We will notify you when we receive it.

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☐ **Please put me on a team!**

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____

(Mr.) (Ms.) Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birth date _____ SSN# _____ - _____ - _____

(Players cannot receive prize checks w/o SS# on file and cannot receive an age related prize w/o birth date on file.)

Email _____

Home Phone _____ Work or Cell _____

USBC# _____ Where are you staying? _____

Team Captains - turn in an application for each team member. PLEASE – NO STAPLES

This Team is (division): ☐ Active / Vets ☐ Retired ☐ Senior Retired (all age 60 or over)

LINEUPS FOR ALL 3 EVENTS

IMPORTANT Team Captain Only – List squad choices:

1st Choice _____ 2nd _____

☐ Check here if you want us to send a confirmation to each team member
(only if we have complete info and entry fees)

TIP – don't make travel plans until confirming squad times.

Only Team Captain form needs the Doubles Section filled out. This will be the same lineup used for all 3 events, left lane & right lane.

Doubles #1 _____ and _____

Doubles #2 _____ and _____

Doubles #3 _____ and _____

MIXED DOUBLES \$40 per team



Your Name: _____

1st Partner: _____ USBC# _____

Circle squad – Tues: 7 PM Wed: 7 PM Thurs: 7 PM

2nd Partner: _____ USBC# _____

Circle squad – Tues: 7 PM Wed: 7 PM Thurs: 7 PM

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**Personal checks and business checks
accepted until January 5, 2017
Make checks payable to: High Roller**

OPTIONAL EVENTS

☐ **Tournament Entry** – \$160

☐ **Add sidepots for 3 events** – \$15

☐ **Monday Active/Vets Sweeper (Orleans)** –
\$25 (includes sidepots), ☐ 12 PM ☐ 4 PM
New - Players can bowl in Retired or Senior Retired
Sunday Sweeper if eligible but not both.

☐ **Sunday Retired Sweeper** – \$25
(includes sidepots) ☐ 12 PM ☐ 4 PM

☐ **Sunday Senior Retired Sweeper** – \$25
(includes sidepots) ☐ 12 PM ☐ 4 PM

☐ **Open Age Sweeper (Orleans)** – \$40
Wed 7 PM Thurs 7 PM

☐ **Age 50 & Over Sweeper (Orleans)** – \$40
Wed 7 PM Thurs 7 PM

☐ **No-Tap Sweeper (Orleans)** – \$25, Tuesday, 7 PM

☐ **Mixed Doubles (Orleans)** – \$40 per team

Sweepers & No-Tap cost \$5 more after 12/31/16

Amount submitted \$ _____

Participant's Agreement: I have read and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the 2017 Military Bowling Championships.

(Participant Signature)

- Avoid long lines! Pay for Sweepers, Mixed Doubles, No-Tap & Sidepots in advance.
- Please pay optional Brackets when checking in.
- Sweepers & No-Tap are only for contestants of the MBC.
- Guests are welcome in the Mixed Doubles.
- See new Sweeper eligibility in Rules.