



# MIDWEST SENIOR CLASSIC



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Welcome to the Midwest Senior Classic Monthly Newsletter! For up-to-date results and tournament information, visit our website at [midwestseniorclassic.com](http://midwestseniorclassic.com). Each MSC Tournament is certified by the United States Bowling Congress.

To receive emails regarding the MSC, tournaments and monthly newsletter, please send your email address to: [perfuseguy@yahoo.com](mailto:perfuseguy@yahoo.com).

### About us:

The MSC is a bowling venue for fifty and older players, female or male. Please note that all participants must be at **LEAST 50** years of age on the day of the tournament to compete.

### Dues & Fees:

The MSC offers 12 Events per year, June through May. Entry Fees for each tournament are \$90 for Members and \$100 for Non-Members. The MSC Membership is \$45 per participant each season. Non-member fees are not applicable to the membership fee.

### How it Works:

Payout is 1 for 2, same day. The format is 7 random match games, with an 8<sup>th</sup> game being a position round. A 4 or 5 game Step Ladder follows. When there are 4 or more Super Seniors or if there are 4 or More Real Old Guys, one must be in the ladder. There must be at least one bowler over 59 years of age in the ladder.

To cash, one must finish in the top 50% of one's age bracket, otherwise you **DO NOT** cash. Cashing will be based on 1 for 2 for each age bracket. Only exception is: all players over 59 who finish in the natural prize list will cash.

The year-end tournament has added money to each payout position. To qualify for the year end event, a bowler must be a member and have played at **least 4** tournaments in the 2017-2018 season.

Any questions regarding payout and scoring will be left to the discretion of the Director.

### Age Classifications:

50 through 59 is a "Regular"  
60 through 67 is a "Super Senior" (SS)  
68 and Older is a "Real Old Guy" (ROG).  
One's age determines the bracket they are in.

Each tournament is certified by the USBC.



L to R: Mike Wirz, Randy Gerdes, Champion Rob Downer, Larry Birkedahl, Mike Schmid, Dave Lutz

The 1<sup>st</sup> tournament of the 24<sup>th</sup> season was won by Rob Downer. This was his 13<sup>th</sup> MSC title. He qualified 2<sup>nd</sup> and to get to the final game, had to defeat a redhot Mike Schmid. The final had both Wirz and Downer with a string of strikes. Downer's string of the final 8 carried him to victory. With this title, Downer begins his defense of his PoY title.

Wirz was the leading qualifier and was the only player to win all 8 qualifying matches. Wirz is looking for title #9. He began the title game with a spare and a 4 bagger and then was unable get past a strike. Nevertheless, another good tournament for him. His 8<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish.

Third place went to the RoG, Mike Schmid. This was his highest finish in a long time. Schmid has 3 titles on his resume. He defeated 3 quality players on the way to the semifinal, averaging 233. Downer had the last 5 to win.

Fourth place went to 4time titlist, Dave Lutz. Lutz was the defending champ at Huikko's. After 7 games of qualifying, it appeared that he would be in good position to defend, but in the next 2 games, nothing went right for him. A disappointing finish!

Randy Gerdes finished in 5<sup>th</sup>. He was 2<sup>nd</sup> high scratch qualifier. He had the misfortune of having to bowl the aforementioned "hot" Schmid, who threw a 268 at Randy. This infrequent MSC player now has 2 top 5 finishes to his credit.

Larry Birkedahl, last season's "Rookie of the Year" and a 1 time titlist, was the first victim of Schmid. A "greek church" in the 8<sup>th</sup> frame was his undoing.

# Sun Ray Lanes

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**Date:** Sunday, July 23<sup>th</sup> 2017  
**Paddock:** 08:15  
**Warm-up:** 09:00  
**Bowl:** 09:10  
**Address:** [2245 Hudson Rd, St Paul, MN 55119](#)  
**Phone Number:** (651) 735-3222  
**Directions:** Click the Address above to be directed to Google Maps.

Sun Ray has 24 Lanes, a Full Service Bar, Lounge, a Game Room, Pull Tabs and snack bar!

## 2017-2018 Tournament Schedule

### Dates and Sites

Sunday, June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Huikko's
Sunday, July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sun Ray
Sunday, August 27 <sup>th</sup>	Texa Tonka
Sunday, September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Hudson
Sunday, October 29 <sup>th</sup>	Drkula's
Sunday, November 26 <sup>th</sup>	Andover
Sunday, December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Louisville
Sunday, January 21 <sup>st</sup>	Appleplace
Sunday, February 25 <sup>th</sup>	Monticello
Sunday, March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Mermaid
Sunday, April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Southway
Sunday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Cedarvale

### Previous Winners' at Sun Ray Lanes



**Tom Havlish**  
**Mike Wirz**  
**Ron Cleveland**

## A Brief Glance at the 2017-2018 Season

- 1 Tournament
- 27 Total Entries
- 27 Different Players have Participated in at Least One Tournament
- 1 Different Winners
- 0 First Time Winner
- 0 Two-Time Winner
- After 1 Tournament, the Field Average is 213, 0 800s, 0 300s

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Huikko's						
June 25th, 2017						
Pos.		NAME	QUAL	BON	TOTAL	Prize Money
1	25	Rob Downer	1904	240	2144	\$275
2	23	Mike Wirz	1854	320	2174	\$200
3	21	Mike Schmid-ROG	1643	160	1803	\$170
4	19	Dave Lutz	1819	280	2099	\$155
5	17	Randy Gerdes-SS	1877	200	2077	\$145
6	15	Larry Birkedahl	1778	260	2038	\$130
7	14	John Hommes	1817	200	2017	\$110
8	13	Dana Wright	1738	240	1978	\$105
9	12	Dave Oulman	1810	160	1970	\$100
10	11	Clark Poelzer-SS	1760	200	1960	\$95
11	10	Bruce Schmiesing	1794	160	1954	\$90
12	9	Ed Peterson	1787	160	1947	\$90
13	8	Ken Holets-SS	1763	120	1883	\$90
14	7	Gary Ring-ROG	1618	120	1738	\$90
15	6	Ron Cleveland	1696	200	1896	\$45
16	2	Karl Kampa	1719	160	1879	
17	2	Roger Thompson-SS	1703	160	1863	
18	2	John Stoebner	1775	80	1855	
19	2	Ted Sopp	1712	80	1792	
20	2	Craig Schiffler	1708	80	1788	
21	2	Tom Jones	1618	160	1778	
22	2	Mike Houck	1586	160	1746	
23	2	Tim Racette	1583	120	1703	
24	2	George Blazej-ROG	1563	120	1683	
25	2	Steve Caughey	1567	40	1607	
26	2	Bob Stearns-ROG	1513	80	1593	
27	2	Bob Micek	1479	40	1519	
						\$1,890
Step Ladder						
5		Downer	#REF!			258
5		Wirz	#REF!			217
4		Downer	42911		237	
4		Schmid	42911		216	
3		Schmid			220	
3		Lutz			153	
2		Schmid		268		
2		Gerdes		203		
1		Schmid	205			
1		Birkedahl	188			

2016-2017 Statistis							
PoY		average		Gms		Money	
downer	25	downer	238	wirz	8	downer	275
wirz	23	gerdes	235	lutz	7	wirz	200
schmid	21	wirz	232	birkedahl	6.5	schmid	170
lutz	19	lutz	227	downer	6	lutz	155
gerdes	17	hommes	227	wright	6	gerdes	145
birkedahl	15	oulman	226	gerdes	5	birkedahl	130
hommes	14	schmiesing	224	hommes	5	hommes	110
wright	13	peterson	223	poelzer	5	wright	105
oulman	12	birkedahl	222	cleveland	5	oulman	100
poelzer	11	stoebner	222			poelzer	95
Senior							
schmid	21	gerdes	235	gerdes	5	schmid	170
gerdes	17	poelzer	220	poelzer	5	gerdes	145
poelzer	11	holets	220	schmid	4	poelzer	95
holets	8	thompson	213	oulman	4	holets	90
ring	7	schmid	205	thompson	4	ring	90
		ring	202				

