# MIDWEST SENIDR CLASSIC 

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The MSC is a bowling venue for fifty and older players (male or female).
One must be at least 50 on the day of the tournament.

We have 9 events per year, September through May. Entry fee is $\$ 90$ for members, $\$ 100$ for nonmembers, membership is $\$ 45$ per season.

Payout is 1 for 2 , same day.
The format is 7 random match games, with an $8^{\text {th }}$ game being a position round. A 4 or 5 game step ladder follows

Step ladder formula, top five, if no SS, SDS, or ROG is among the top 5 qualifiers, then the following formula is used:
If there are 6 or more SS, the high SS is seeded, If there are 4 or more SDS, the high SDS is seeded; If there are 4 or more RoG, the high RoG is seeded Seeds play each other in the $1^{\text {st }}$ ladder game. There must be at least one player under 59
For more specific stepladder rules go to our website and see rules

Age Classifications 50 through 58 is a regular
59 through 64 is a super senior(ss)
65 through 69 is a super duper(sds)
70 and older is a real old guy(rog)
To cash, generally, you must finish in the top $50 \%$ of your age bracket. There are rare exceptions to this statement.

The yearend tournament has added money to each payout position. To qualify for the year end event, one must be a member and have played at least 3 tournaments in the 2016-17 season.

One's age determines your classification. One does not have the option of moving into another age bracket.

For more specifics, go to www. midwestseniorclassic.com/

Any questions related to procedures, payout and scoring will be left to the discretion of the Director.

Each MSC tournament is certified by the USBC


1 to r: Larry Birkedahl, Champion Jerry Sikora, Brian Floen, John Hommes, Mike Wirz, Mike Schmid

## Jerry Sikora defeated the tournament leader, John

 Hommes, to win his $2^{\text {nd }}$ title. Sikora qualified $2^{\text {nd }}$, got lined up in the semifinal game, proceeded to defeat Mike Wirz and then didn't stop against John Hommes.Sikora averaged 244 in qualifying, had 8200 games and won 6 matches. With the win, Sikora moves into the top 5 on the PoY points list.

John Hommes was the qualifying leader which put him into position for an attempt to win his second title. Like Sikora, Hommes had 6 200s and won 6 matches. He averaged 250 for his 8 games and for his last 5 games of qualifying, he averaged 265. In the title game, he began with 4 strikes and then did not strike again. Nevertheless, he had a very good event.

In third place was 2 time PoY, Mike Wirz. He was the victim of Sikora in the quarter final game. He won a close match against Larry Birkedahl to advance. Wirz was $3^{\text {rd }}$ in qualifying. With this finish, he moves himself into the top 5 on the PoY list.

Fourth place went to Larry Birkedahl, playing his $1^{\text {st }}$ event of the season. He qualified in $5^{\text {th }}$ by a margin of 5 pins over $6^{\text {th }}$. Birkedahl shot 8 200 games and won 5 matches. He defeated 2 opponents in the first 2 ladder games to advance against Wirz. His previous best finish was a runnerup.

Fifth place finisher was multiple PoY, Brian Floen. Floen qualified in $5^{\text {th }}$. He had the high game of the tournament, a 290 game which helped him to qualify $4^{\text {th }}$. In the game against Birkedahl, he only had a double to finish with a 208 game, not enough to advance.

In the $1^{\text {st }}$ ladder game, Birkedahl defeated 3 time titlist Mike Schmid, 227 to 204 . Schmid had 2 splits in the game which led to his defeat.


## Previous winners at

## Sun Ray Lanes

Tom Havlish, Mike Wirz

For more info and pictures
Go to midwestseniorclassic.com/ Or
Mnbowling.com

## Brief glance at the 2016-2017 Season

4 tournaments to date 115 total entries
29 entries per event
51 different players have participated in at least one tournament
33 of 51 players have cashed
After 4 tournaments, field average is 212
1 800s and 3 300, 1-299
Yearend added prize fund to date: \$575

## J.D.'S fairly Useless Information

YOYOs: downer-268-183-269, halide-227-180-222, hanke-258-161-256-177, Hopkins-202-166-225, manske-205-181-248, mewhorter-279-182-224, poelzer-216-183-241, racette-233-148-246, schmeissing-205-171-256,

Greatest difference-consecutive games- -97

## Mewhorter 279 to 182

Honor scores: -0

| start--------ladder guy-----------671----peterson |
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Games >250 43
Games < 150-1

Field average: 217
high 3 game start-------------casher--------710----mewhorter
high game start -------------casher---------268-----downer
low 3 game start--------------casher--------671-----peterson low game start---------------- casher-----196----wright

First time casher-bruce schmiessing
Most wins---6------------- hommes, sikora, wirz, floen, wright
All deuces--hommes, sikora, birkedahl, holets, havlish -needed to make stepladder-win at least $6 \mathrm{gms}+$ average- 228

Needed to cash-average 215 and win at least 5 games
Player with highest opponent total---1864-oulman player with the lowest opponent total-1616-floen
group averages for this event
seniors-------------------------------------------- 230
super seniors--------------------------------------221
super duper seniors----------- --------------225
real old guys--------------------------------------210
Cashers per age bracket
Seniors-- -15--------------------------7
SS------------11--------------------------
SDS----------2--------------------------2
ROG------------------------------------

| PoY |  | average |  | Gms |  | Money |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| oulman | 74 | oulman | 238 | downer | 25 | oulman | 765 |
| downer | 73 | floen | 235 | oulman | 22 | downer | 740 |
| havlish | 52 | sikora | 234 | wright | 20.5 | havlish | 495 |
| wirz | 43 | peterson | 233 | havlish | 18 | sikora | 465 |
| sikora | 40 | hanke | 227 | wirz | 16 | wirz | 400 |
| wright | 39 | downer | 227 | lutz | 15 | nelson | 360 |
| holets | 35 | cleveland | 227 | blazej | 15 | wright | 340 |
| korth | 30 | hommes | 226 | schmeissing | 15 | holets | 335 |
| peterson | 30 | lutz | 225 | nelson | 14 | schiffler | 320 |
| hommes | 30 | schiffler | 225 | racette | 14 | hommes | 295 |
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|  |  |  |  | Senior |  |  |  |
| havlish | 52 | sikora | 234 | havlish | 18 | havlish | 495 |
| wirz | 43 | holets | 221 | wirz | 16 | sikora | 465 |
| sikora | 40 | racette | 218 | blazej | 15 | wirz | 400 |
| holets | 35 | havlish | 218 | racette | 14 | blazej | 365 |
| korth | 30 | wirz | 218 | holets | 13.5 | holets | 335 |
| korth | 29 | korth | 217 | gallivan | 13 | gallivan | 280 |

## Please note:

Copies of MSC rules and procedures are available on the web site.

|  | Income |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Entries |  | 33 | $\$ 90.00$ | 2790 |
| Entry Fees | non- <br> members | $?$ |  | 0 |
| New Memberships | memberships | 0 |  | 0 |
| TOTAL |  |  |  | 2970 |
|  | Outgo |  |  |  |
| Prize Fund | entries | 33 | $\$ 70.00$ | 2310 |
|  <br> expenses | entries | 33 | 13 | 429 |
| To yr end <br> tourney | entries | 33 | $\$ 5.00$ | 165 |
| membership to <br> director | entries |  | $\$ 45.00$ | 0 |
| Bumped players | entries | 33 | $\$ 2.00$ | 66 |
| non member fee |  | 0 | $\$ 10.00$ | 0 |
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|  | Totals |  |  | 2970 |
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|  | Entries to <br> date | 115 | 5 | 575 |
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|  |  | Concord Lanes |  |  |  |  |  |
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| pos | pts | Players | Scratch | Bonus | Total | Pd | \$\$\$ |
| 1 | 25 | Jerry Sikora (SS) | 1951 | 240 | 2191 | yes | \$330 |
| 2 | 23 | John Hommes | 2007 | 240 | 2247 | yes | \$255 |
| 3 | 21 | Mike Wirz (SS) | 1886 | 240 | 2126 | yes | \$205 |
| 4 | 19 | Larry Birkedahl | 1871 | 200 | 2071 | yes | \$185 |
| 5 | 17 | Brian Floen | 1876 | 240 | 2116 | yes | \$160 |
| 6 | 15 | Bruce Schmiesing | 1846 | 220 | 2066 | yes | \$150 |
| 7 | 14 | Ken Holets (SS) | 1854 | 200 | 2054 | yes | \$140 |
| 8 | 13 | Dana Wright | 1813 | 240 | 2053 | yes | \$125 |
| 9 | 12 | Rob Downer | 1807 | 200 | 2007 | yes | \$110 |
| 10 | 11 | Tom Havlish (SDS) | 1844 | 160 | 2004 | yes | \$100 |
| 11 | 10 | Steve Mewhorter (SS) | 1837 | 160 | 1997 | yes | \$95 |
| 12 | 9 | Ed Peterson | 1836 | 160 | 1996 | yes | \$95 |
| 13 | 8 | Tim Racette (SS) | 1784 | 200 | 1984 | yes | \$90 |
| 14 | 7 | $\underset{* * * * * *}{\text { Clark Poelzer (SDS) }}$ | 1768 | 160 | 1928 | yes | \$90 |
| 15 | 6 | Mike Schmid (ROG) | 1719 | 160 | 1879 | yes | \$90 |
| 16 | 5 | Tom Gallivan (SDS) | 1700 | 160 | 1860 | yes | \$90 |
| 17 | 5 | $\underset{* *}{\text { George Blazej (ROG) }}$ | 1718 | 120 | 1838 | no | \$90 |
| $\begin{array}{cc} & \text { Total } \\ \text { pay } \\ 33 \text { entries } & \text { out }=\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$2,400 |
| Stepladder Games |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| title |  | Jerry Sikora (SS) |  |  |  | 247 |  |
| title |  | John Hommes |  |  |  | 208 |  |
| 4 |  | Jerry Sikora (SS) |  |  |  | 257 |  |
| 4 |  | Mike Wirz (SS) |  |  |  | 192 |  |
| 3 |  | Larry Birkedahl |  |  | 208 |  |  |
| 3 |  | Mike Wirz (SS) |  |  | 211 |  |  |
| 2 |  | Larry Birkedahl |  | 227 |  |  |  |
| 2 |  | Brian Floen |  | 203 |  |  |  |
| 1 |  | Larry Birkedahl | 227 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 |  | $\text { Mike }_{* * *} \text { Schmid (ROG) }$ | 204 |  |  |  |  |
| Honor Counts: None |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| pos | pts | Players | Scratch | Bonus | Total |  |  |
| 18 | 5 | Dave Oulman (Bumped) | 1824 | 160 | 1984 |  |  |
| 19 | 5 | Kurt Hanke (Bumped) | 1792 | 180 | 1972 |  |  |
| 20 | 2 | Terry Halida | 1784 | 140 | 1924 |  |  |
| 21 | 2 | Dave Lutz | 1780 | 140 | 1920 |  |  |
| 22 | 2 | Warren Manske | 1759 | 160 | 1919 |  |  |
| 23 | 2 | Jeff Segerstrom (SS) | 1747 | 160 | 1907 |  |  |
| 24 | 2 | Leif Carlson (SS) | 1715 | 160 | 1875 |  |  |
| 25 | 2 | Ken Schrapp (SS) | 1732 | 120 | 1852 |  |  |
| 26 | 2 | John Stoebner (SS) | 1670 | 160 | 1830 |  |  |
| 27 | 2 | Tom Corbett (SS) | 1641 | 160 | 1801 |  |  |
| 28 | 2 | Gary Ring (ROG) | 1656 | 120 | 1776 |  |  |
| 29 | 2 | Todd Schneiderhan | 1657 | 80 | 1737 |  |  |
| 30 | 2 | Larry Hopkins (SS) | 1645 | 80 | 1725 |  |  |
| 31 | 2 | Roger Blad (ROG) | 1632 | 40 | 1672 |  |  |
| 32 | 2 | Bill Nelson | 1551 | 80 | 1631 |  |  |
| 33 | 2 | Greg Schroeder (Injury Out) | 625 | 0 | 625 |  |  |

## Rants and Raves,

Thanks to Concord Lanes and their staff for hosting us. The shot was good and the staff did an excellent job. Thanks to the players who braved the cold weather.

Please note the February date change from the $19^{\text {th }}$ to the $26^{\text {th }}$. Why the change?, 6 members who are regular entries are vacationing on the $19^{\text {th }}$.

The big question, "WHY ARE ENTRIES NOT INCREASING"?

If you have a suggestion you think would improve entries, OR, comments on what you like or dislike about the MSC, please do not hesitate to offer them.

A sealed suggestion box with comment cards will be available at the next 2 or 3 tournaments.

Your comments will be anonymous, as we are asking you not to include your name.

If change is necessary,the membership can decide whether or not changes can be made or need to be made.

Suggestions regarding changing or tweeking any aspect of the MSC format are welcome.
Two suggestions were offered at Concord: A; drop qualifying to 7 match games; B; each player scores points for every player they beat on their pair

## Please share your

 thoughts. The goal is to have a tournament format that most like.As you know, the MSC has no dress policy other than banning the wearing of trousers with holes.
We suggest wearing long shirts that either can be tucked into your pants waist or hang below the rear pocket of ones trousers The goal, to avoid "PLUMBER BUTT"...

