



**WOMEN'S NATIONAL DUCKPIN ASSOCIATION**  
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Dear Member:

Welcome to the WNDAs 37th year of the Best in Women's Duckpin Bowling! Your Governing Body members have been hard at work during this off-season. We're looking forward to working together with each of you to make our 37th year the best it can be!

The WNDAs Annual Planning Meeting was held in February via WebEx meeting and there will be a few changes for the 2019 season. As always, we're open to any suggestions to help make our tour better!

Highlights from the meeting are as follows:

- Office Representatives
    - President – Tammy Ashworth
    - Vice President (South) – Jill Manns
    - Vice President (North) - Cindy Gillick
    - Treasurer – Stacey Gaegler
    - Statistician – Lauree Schreiber
  - Area Representatives for 2019
    - Baltimore and Vicinity - Becky Sieck
    - Connecticut - Mara Card
    - Mid-Maryland - Alyson Rineer
    - Metro Washington, MD/DC/Virginia - Dani McClay
    - Rhode Island/Massachusetts - Kayla Holbrook
    - Canada – Connie Ward
- Several of the current board members are planning to retire from their WNDAs duties at the end of this year. We need new women to step up become more active in the tour for the tour to continue next season. Please see Tammy in April if you have additional questions.
- Please make life easy for your statistician, mail your checks in prior to each tour stop. This allows us time to get the shift list properly prepared and money deposited. That will also ensure payout can be made on Sunday at the end of the tournament. As you know your board members are also bowlers, so again please be patient during the tournament while paperwork is completed and checks to be written.

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- We will return to the 7-game format at the Hagerstown event in 2019. This will again be a ball for ball tournament. They have set time restraints on us. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.
- Adopt-A-Bowlers and Promotional Bowlers were discussed at length. Each shall be defined as follows:
  - An Adopt-A-Bowler may participate in one WNSBA event every 5 years. These bowlers may or may not have been members of the WNSBA in the past. The fee for an Adopt-ABowler will be the cost of the tour event.
  - A Promotional Bowler may enter one event per season. The fee for a Promotional Bowler will be the cost of the tour event plus a \$25 non-member fee. If the Promotional Bowler decides to join the WNSBA, the \$25 non-member fee will be credited towards their membership fee.
- We will continue take 24 qualifiers at each tour event this season as long as we have 30 or more bowlers participate in the event.
- New bowlers without an established average will be assessed a 130 average. Bowlers will be reassessed after 24 games and receive a new average for the remainder of the 2019 tour season.
- The Pins Over Average (POA) division for the Sunday head-to-head matches was discussed. It was determined that if we should have 30 or more bowlers participate in an event we will have a single POA division on Sunday. All “out of the money” awards will be eliminated with the exception of High Qualifier. In the event that there are not enough qualifiers who bowl over their average to qualify for the POA division, the next highest scratch scores will be taken. The motion was made to take the next highest scratch scores in the event there are not enough qualifiers who have bowled over their averages to qualify. The motion passed unanimously.
- The Board discussed the addition of Friday night shifts, as this was a suggestion from the membership. The following conclusions were met:
  - Friday night shifts will only be offered if approved by the proprietor.
  - We must have a minimum of 9 bowlers in order to hold a Friday night shift.
- Returning for 2019 – Sponsorship fees. Obtain a sponsor for a \$200 fee and their logo will be placed at the top of our score sheets (the paper sheets everyone uses to keep their own scores) as well as on the WNSBA website as an “official sponsor.”

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- Uniform Requirements The bowler's name MUST appear on the back of the top in BLOCK, UPPERCASE or Script letting. The name MUST be placed horizontal with the lettering being no smaller than 1.5 inches and no larger than 3 inches. No vertical or angled letter is allowed.
- 2018 budget was discussed at length.
- Results are following:
  - Membership Fee will be \$55.
  - All Tour Entry fees will be as follows:
    - Hagerstown \$115
    - Johnson's, White Oak, Town Hall and Mt. Airy \$95
- We will continue with our fundraising efforts this year. The Maryland Lottery fundraiser will be held for the months of July and October headed by Kayla Holbrook this year, thank you for taking on this obligation. We will continue to either sell boards OR 50/50 raffles at each event. We will need everyone's help to ensure and/or enhance our prize lists, for which we all have a chance to win!
- Last year the WANDA hosted our fifth bull roast at final event for the 2018 season at Greenmount Bowl. The event was a success and a great time was had by all who attended. If there is any member who would be willing to chair this event, it would be greatly appreciated. At this time there is not date set for the event pending a chairperson.
- The 2019 Schedule is as follows:

**April 27 & 28 Johnson's Lanes Hamden, CT**  
**May 24 – 26 Turner's Dual Lanes Hagerstown, MD**  
**July 12 – 14 White Oak Lanes\* Silver Spring, MD**  
**August 2 – 4 Town Hall Lanes\* Johnston, RI**  
**August 30 & Sept. 1 Mt. Airy Lanes, Mt. Airy, MD**

\*These events are combined with the DPBA. We will have limited space, and therefore it will be imperative to get your money and entries in by or before the deadline for those events. Spots will be given on a first come first served basis, and will be based on your postmark and the date the Statistician reached the entry and the money in hand.



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- For 2019, as we are only hosting five events, bowlers must participate in only 2 events in order to qualify for Bowler of the Year and Rookie of the Year. At this time, this change is only temporary for 2019. Whether or not that requirement remains the same or changes again will be contingent upon the number of future scheduled events.
- We invite you to renew your membership with the WNSNA. Please submit your completed Membership Application along with your Membership Fee of \$55.00. (checks made payable to WNSNA) to the WNSNA Statistician at the following address: WNSNA Statistician 980 Tara Oaks Court Westminster, MD 21157

If you should have any questions please feel free to contact Tammy Ashworth via e-mail at [tashworth@wndatour.com](mailto:tashworth@wndatour.com), or 240-320-4426, or Lauree Schreiber at [lschreiber@wndatour.com](mailto:lschreiber@wndatour.com) or 443-983-2250.

I look forward to seeing everyone in April!

Best regards,

*Tammy Ashworth*  
President