

# **Greater Lake County USBC Tournament Committee Report June 6, 2021**

Lakes Bowl--Round Lake, Illinois

Committee Chair: Michael Jacobs

Committee Members: Pat Christensen, Jovita Miller, Sue Hallwas, Pat Cornell, Dan Thul, Kevin Bell, Erin Beck, Jill Katz, Donna Sternberg, Angie Cevallos, Chuck Lindal, Kenneth Robinson, Dan Hawkins, and Laverne Caples.

Additional participation was provided by: Brenda Cornell, Kevin Bell, Jennifer Vackar, Mark Evans, and Dale Lehman.

During the 2020-2021 season, the GLCUSBC hosted eight adult and three youth events. Due to the COVID closure, we canceled the Scratch Singles Showdown and did not slate the Team Baker event. The Mixed event was interrupted and we decided to delay and resume this event once the state reopened. It gave the teams, who had previously signed up, the opportunity to complete this event.

The Tournament Committee revised eligibility rules to recognize our membership's previous season's participation in our association. As we expected, entries into our events were down this season due to COVID concerns. The GLCUSBC Tournament Committee tried to maintain health and safety concerns for our membership by creating additional squad dates and times for several events. We also supported existing mask mandates and worked with our proprietors to create social distancing needs subject to lane use and participation during these events.

The Tournament Committee remains open to all membership questions and concerns about the operations and procedures of our events. Changes this season included the addition of a Super Senior Division for bowlers 75 and older in the 27th Annual Senior Singles and Doubles event. The President's Cup event invitation increased the field from 20 to 24 bowlers in both the Handicap and Scratch divisions.

This season some of our youth members have been asking for additional events to bowl. The request includes longer formats with multiple cuts made to the field during competition and match play formats to increase the competitive challenge of the event.