

From the Board of Directors of the OSUSBC:

It has come to our attention that some have questions about the payout from this year's Open Championships compared to previous seasons.

First let us explain how the tournament structure changed from last year to this year. After instituting the online reservation form for the Open and the operational struggle we had with the different entry fee amounts of Division 1 and the other two Divisions (Division 1 was \$39 per person and the other two were \$29) our Former Association manager suggested, and the Board adjusted the entry fees for this year's tournament. We determined it would be easier to have all entrants pay the same amount regardless of the Division. This made the online system more efficient and caused less confusion. We therefore decreased the Division 1 entry fee to \$34 and raised the other Divisions to \$34.

Breakdown of the Entry Fee	\$12.00 Lineage
	\$ 8.50 Expense
	\$13.50 Prize Fund

This saw a decrease of prize fund/person in Division 1 and an increase of the prize fund in Divisions 2 and 3. They were now all the same. This adjustment to entry fees is the only reason that the Division 1 payouts are smaller than last year, although more places were paid.

This year's tournament was a great success as we saw an increase of 37 teams over last year. This year's tournament had 3088 unique entries amounting to a prize fund of \$50,158.00 from entry fees. The tournament paid out \$54,860.00 in prize money to the bowlers. Extra funds from sponsor and brackets.

As with all tournaments we run, no one person has the authority to create the prize list and approve the prize list on their own. The prize list goes through an approval process and the last one to sign off on the list is the President of our Association.

We hope this explains the payout differences from last season and our process. Anyone that has any questions regarding the Open or for that matter any Tournament that we run feel free to contact any Board Member or Association Manager for help.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

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