

CLOSER LOOK

## ROYAL TREATMENT

Queens offers special incentives for collegiate, international players

**BOWLING IS KNOWN** for its colorful and storied events, and one tournament at the top of the list is the USBC Queens.

The Queens started in 1961, right on the heels of the launch

of the Professional Women's Bowling Association. The list of winners reads like a Who's Who of bowling, from Mildred Ignizio to Wendy Macpherson, the only three-time winners of the

event, to today's top stars, such as Kelly Kulick, Missy Parkin, Liz Johnson and 2012 winner Diandra Asbaty.

While it has a storied past, the Queens has become an important tournament for the future. With the rapid growth of women's bowling at the collegiate and international levels, it is essential for young bowlers to have the opportunity to compete in major events.

So for the 2013 Queens, which will take place Aug. 31 through Sept. 5 (Labor Day weekend) at Sunset Station's Strike Zone Bowling Center in Henderson, Nev., there are special incentives for the young bowlers.

For any international or collegiate team that purchases five entries into the Queens, the team will get a sixth entry for free. Teams will need to have their entry fee paid prior to July 22 to take part in this promotion and official rules are posted at [BOWL.com/Queens](http://BOWL.com/Queens).

There also will be a special side event following Queens qualifying called the USBC Shoot-Out. All bowlers are entered in the Shoot-Out – there is no entry fee – which will have a \$4,000 prize fund. Based on qualifying scores, the top player in each of four categories advances to the USBC Shoot-Out: international players, collegiate players, players who have not

competed in the Queens in the past four years and all other players.

The USBC Shoot-Out will consist of a four-person bracket, with one-game matches determining the winners, and will be broadcast live on BOWL.com's BowlTV.

The USBC Queens, which is open to any female bowler, has lower entry fees this year. Entries paid by July 22 are \$275. If paid between July 23 and Aug. 29, 2013, the entry fee is \$300, while on-site entries are \$350. All international and collegiate players, plus those who haven't entered in the past four years, will pay just \$250 by entering prior to July 22.

Visit [BOWL.com/Queens](http://BOWL.com/Queens) to learn more about the tournament and to enter.

Diandra Asbaty won her first career major title at the 2012 USBC Queens.



### 2013 USBC QUEENS

**August 31-September 5 2013**

Strike Zone at Sunset Station Hotel & Casino  
Henderson, Nev.

\*Taped finals on ESPN2,  
Sept. 8, 3 p.m. (ET)

**BOWL.com/Queens**

\*subject to change



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## USBC CHAMPIONSHIPS

# STAKING A CLAIM IN VEGAS

Women's Championships will get first look at new Vegas facility

**WHEN USBC ANNOUNCED** the selection of future sites for the Open Championships and Women's Championships in late February, the plan to take the tournaments to the east, Midwest and Gulf Coast meant USBC members would know their tournament destinations for more than a decade.

But, at the time, a few holes remained in the schedule. That's because USBC was working with South Point Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas Events (LVE) and the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority (LVCVA) on a plan to take top

USBC events to Las Vegas.

What better way to fill a schedule than with a trip to Las Vegas?

Las Vegas has been a very popular destination in the history of USBC Championship events. The first time the Open Championships cracked the 10,000-team mark was in Vegas in 1986. In 2009, more than 17,000 teams took part in the Open Championships during a record 154-day run at Cashman Center.

The city that bills itself as The Entertainment Capital of the World is a great destination for

the Women's Championships, too. The tournament drew 9,644 teams when it made its first trip to Vegas' Showboat Lanes in 1973, easily setting the record for number of teams. In 1983, the tournament returned to Showboat Lanes and smashed the 10,000-team barrier for the first time when 14,430 teams.

### Women's Event Evolving

Taking USBC Championship tournaments to different cities usually means building a bowling facility, from scratch, in a convention center. The future

tournaments in Las Vegas, however, will take place at a permanent, world-class bowling







The new South Point facility will have 60 lanes featuring the latest technology.

facility.

Construction already has started on the \$30 million facility at South Point. The arena will have 60 lanes featuring the latest bowling technology, a tournament registration area, squad room, locker area and more. The facility is expected to be completed in the fall of 2015.

USBC will hold a total of seven Open and Women's Championships at the venue and, appropriately enough, the Women's Championships will get the first look at the new facility in 2016.

The Women's Championships has undergone several changes over the last few years. The event, which started in 1916 and has become the largest annual participatory sporting event for women, was held in a specially-built convention-center setting for

the first time in 2010 when the tournament was held in El Paso, Texas.

There will be more changes in the Women's Championships in 2014, with the biggest change being the move to four-player teams.

The decision to move to four-member teams, from the traditional five, was made based on feedback from tournament bowlers. The switch to four-member teams makes it much easier to pair up for doubles, plus it should help teams with travel and lodging.

The tournament also returns to an all-scratch format in 2014, with several average-based divisions – four divisions for teams and six divisions for doubles, singles and all-events.

Teams will have a chance to experience the new format for a couple of years before the Women's Championships

takes center stage in Las Vegas in 2016.

Go to [BOWL.com/womenschamp](http://BOWL.com/womenschamp) to learn more

about the Women's Championships, including news about this year's event and how to sign up for the 2014 tournament.

## Future USBC Championships Cities

Year	Women's Championships	Open Championships
2014	Reno, Nev.-a	Reno, Nev.
2015	Reno, Nev.-b	El Paso, Texas
2016	Las Vegas	Reno, Nev.
2017	Baton Rouge, La.	Las Vegas
2018	Reno, Nev.	Syracuse, N.Y.
2019	Wichita, Kan.	Las Vegas
2020	Las Vegas	Reno, Nev.
2021	Mobile, Ala.	Las Vegas
2022	Las Vegas	Reno, Nev.
2023	Reno, Nev.	Las Vegas
2024	TBD	Reno, Nev.
2025	Reno, Nev.	Baton Rouge, La.

*a-convention center; b-National Bowling Stadium*

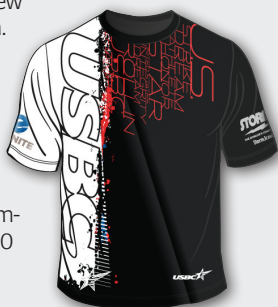
# USBC QUICK STRIKES

NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS

## New design for Youth jersey in 2013-2014

The USBC Youth jersey, one of the benefits for USBC Youth Standard members, will have a new design for the 2013-2014 season.

Youth bowlers who purchase their membership through leagues that begin on or after August 1, 2013, will receive the latest jersey design. USBC started the jersey program as part of USBC Youth Standard membership at the start of the 2009-10 season and this season's jersey is the fourth design.



## U12 division added to 2014 Junior Gold

The North Pointe Junior Gold Championships is adding an U12 Division in 2014 to allow younger bowlers to get involved in the sport's most prestigious youth event.

The new U12 division for boys and girls will feature bowlers 12 and under, joining their counterparts in the U15 and U20 divisions in competing for national titles. The 2014 North Pointe Junior Gold Championships, presented by Track, Columbia 300, Ebonite and Hammer, will take place in Buffalo, N.Y.

The cost of a U12 qualifying spot has been reduced to \$100 and the annual Junior Gold membership fees for U12 bowlers will be \$10, while Junior Gold

membership fees for the U20 and U15 divisions will remain \$30.

## Coaches can still attend Bowling Combine

The Bowling Combine for College Prospects is set for Aug. 6-10 at the International Training and Research Center in Arlington, Texas. Bowlers will be evaluated using today's most objective standards and college coaches will have the chance to analyze the potential fit of the student-athletes for their programs.

Coaches who attend will receive an evaluation of each bowler and will have the opportunity for one-on-one contact with prospective student-athletes. Though the Bowling Combine deadline has passed for players,

coaches can still go to [BOWL.com/combine](http://BOWL.com/combine) to register.

## Junior Team USA members in two events

Eight members of Junior Team USA will be in Puerto Rico from July 7-12 to take part in the 2013 Pan American Bowling Confederation Youth Championships. The event, which will be held Ponce, Puerto Rico, features countries in the American Zone competing in singles, doubles, trios, team, all-events and match-play Masters.

Natalie Goodman of O'Fallon, Ill., Sarah Lokker of New Baltimore, Mich., Robyn Renslow of Brentwood, Calif., and Mary Wells of Westerville, Ohio, are on the U.S. girls' team. The U.S. boys' team consists of Kamron Doyle of Brentwood, Tenn., Matthew Farber of Plainview, N.Y., Wesley Low of Palmdale, Calif., and Gregory Young of Viera, Fla.

Junior Team USA members Elise Bolton of Merritt Island, Fla., Morgan O'Brien of Lomira, Wis., Andrew Anderson of Holly, Mich., and Michael Coffey of Melbourne, Fla., will compete in the U20 Division of the Lee Evans Tournament of the Americas in Sunrise, Fla., from July 28-Aug. 3.

## Kulick, Fagan to compete at World Games

Team USA members Mike Fagan of Dallas and Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., will represent the United States at the 2013 World Games in Cali, Colombia, this summer.

Team USA is seeking its first gold medal in World Games competition. The United States has won two silver medals and three bronze medals since the World Games, held every four years, began in 1981.

Bowling is one of more than 36 sports not currently included in the Olympics that will be showcased in the World Games for 11 days beginning July 25. Eight countries from each of the three zones (American, Asian and European) of the World Tenpin Bowling Association will represent bowling by sending one male and one female athlete.



## CALENDAR

**Now-July 7**  
**USBC Open Championships**  
National Bowling Stadium  
Reno, Nev.

**Now-July 1**  
**USBC Women's Championships**  
Reno-Sparks Convention Center  
Reno, Nev.

**July 1-3**  
**USBC Senior Championships**  
National Bowling Stadium  
Reno, Nev.

**July 5-7**  
**Summer Team USA Trials**  
International Training and Research Center  
Arlington, Texas

**July 7-12**  
**PABCON Youth Championships**  
Ponce, Puerto Rico

**July 11-28**  
**USBC Youth Open Championships**  
Sterling Heights, Mich.

**July 13-19**  
**North Pointe Junior Gold Championships**  
Detroit

**July 28-Aug. 3**  
**Lee Evans Tournament of the Americas**  
Sunrise, Fla.

**July 31-Aug. 4**  
**World Games**  
Cali, Colombia

**Aug. 12-16**  
**WTBA World Senior Championships**  
Las Vegas

**Aug. 19-30**  
**WTBA World Championships**  
Henderson, Nev.

**Aug. 31-Sept. 5**  
**USBC Queens**  
Strike Zone at Sunset Station  
Hotel and Casino  
Henderson, Nev.

**October 24-29**  
**USBC Senior Queens**  
International Training and Research Center  
Arlington, Texas

**Oct. 30-Nov. 1**  
**ITRC Super Senior Classic**  
International Training and Research Center  
Arlington, Texas

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