

## BENEFITS OF BEING A MEMBER

- Monthly tournaments at a variety of bowling centres in and around Melbourne
  - **\$20.00 discount on tournament entry fees\***
  - **\$50 membership draw for bowlers participating in each tournament**
  - **Opportunity to win a AMF Gift Cards**
  - **Opportunity to win cash prizes for tournament results**
  - Opportunity to win a Prizes at our Christmas Tournament (Winners are drawn at random from membership)
  - Bowl in TBA accredited events where all bowlers have verified averages
  - Ability to enter a variety of tournament formats including scratch and graded events, individual and team events
  - Experience fair and competitive play with TBA rules
  - Opportunity to network with other bowlers across Victoria and interstate
  - Opportunity to represent Victoria in the Interstate Challenge
  - Receive notification of tournaments
  - Participation in the '11<sup>th</sup> frame' refreshments, raffle and prize giving with friends and family
- \* Eligible non-financial members may play in a tournament, at the Tournament Director's discretion, by paying a \$100 per tournament .

## WHERE YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE GOES

- Annual financial report lodgement fee (Consumer Affairs)
- ATBSO national affiliation fees
- Bank fees
- Insurance
- Postage and stationary
- TBA accreditation fees
- Other costs—Trophies, Plaques and awards

For further information please contact any member of the ATBSOV Inc. Committee.

For tournament entries please contact the Tournament Director.

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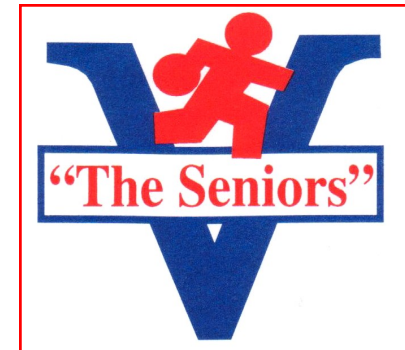
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# Australian Tenpin Bowlers Seniors Organisation Victoria (ATBSOV Inc)

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## Rules & Regulations

2016 Season

# RULES & REGULATIONS OVERVIEW

1. Open to all bowlers (male and female) 45 years and over holding a TBA registered players card.
2. The annual membership fee is \$40.00.(12 months)
3. The dress code is as follows:

## LADIES:

- Skirt, slacks (navy or black), dress shorts / 3/4 pants
- Shirt (any of the following): ATBSOV member's shirt, official Seniors tournament winner's shirt or Victorian Seniors Interstate Challenge Representative shirt

## MEN:

- Slacks (navy or black) ,dress shorts or 3/4 pants
- Shirt (any of the following): ATBSOV member's shirt, official Seniors Tournament Winner's shirt or Victorian Seniors Interstate Challenge Representative shirt

Member shirts will be available at each tournament for purchase through the committee.

**Bowlers are required to purchase a Seniors Member shirt before their third event.**

## 4. Tournament Information

### Handicap System

Handicaps are based on 90% of 200.for most tournament Handicap events are 90% of highest average. For new members this is determined by a bowler's highest current league average established over 18 games (written confirmation from your League Secretary is required). After bowlers have bowled in two Seniors events, their average will be re-calculated on those 2 events, and updated after each tournament.

### Squad Allocation

Tournaments will usually be bowled in one or two squads depending on the number of entries. The Tournament Director is the **only person to contact** for entering or withdrawing from tournaments. Mail entries to: **ATBSOV Inc.2 Dion Close, Lalor. Vic 3075** or contact the Tournament Director either by email **rapsan@bigpond.net.au** or phone.

**03 9464 2130 / 0408 642 131**

Confirmation for events are emailed out approximately one week before the tournament. If you are unable to bowl please contact the Tournament Director prior to 8pm on the Friday immediately before the tournament, as lane draws are prepared in advance. Tournament entries after this time may not be accepted.

### Hall of Fame Victoria

A person who has bowled in at least 7 Challenges and played at least 100 games. The committee reserves the right to elevate any person it sees fit to the Hall of Fame status if the circumstances arise.

### Merit Award

This is a new award that the committee inaugurated in 2014 to acknowledge bowlers that have made a number Challenge Teams, Coached or Managed together with volunteers that have contributed to the ATBSOV.

### Life Membership

Is a person who has been a member of the ATBSOV for at least 10 years and that the person has in the opinion of the incumbent Committee, made a significant contribution to the Association over the time.

## **Masters:**

Masters representatives for the association at the nationals will be the top qualifier in each division of the Challenge team roll offs.

## 1. **Fundraising:**

Raffle tickets are sold at most tournaments. Any donations for prizes are greatly appreciated. Money raised is paid into general funds. Other fund raising may occur from time to time – members are strongly encouraged to participate and donate prizes.

## INTERSTATE CHALLENGE

The Interstate Challenge is an annual 3-day tournament with representative teams competing from all Australian States and Territories.

We submit 5 member teams representing the Male and Female Scratch Divisions and Male and Female Restricted Divisions, Classic (combined male/Female)

Each team plays each other State or Territory 3 times. Teams consist of 6 players, of which only 4 bowl at any one time. Each bowler bowls a minimum of 10 games over the tournament.

Shields are awarded in different divisions for winners.

### Eligibility to Bowl in Trials:

Any bowler wishing to participate in the ATBSOV team trials must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a current financial member
- Reside in the state of Victoria (including Albury)
- Must have bowled in a minimum of 3 ATBSOV events prior to the trials (**Ranked events do not count**). These 3 events must have been bowled from the end of last year's roll off within the 2015/2016 season.**(The average used for the Team Roll is the ATBSOV National average)**
- Bowlers participating in a nationally ranked event on a date clashing with an ATBSOV monthly event can claim this event towards the 3 event criteria. Only one credit per season is permitted under this rule.
- Bowlers seeking an exemption from any of the above criteria must do so in writing and lodged with the ATBSOV committee no later than 14 days prior to the team trials.

Once you have made our state team you must continue to bowl our monthly tournaments.