

Dear Virginia Moose Bowler,

Enclosed is an entry form for the Mixed Couple Tournament which will be hosted by Richmond East #1947 on November 14 & 15, 2009. The tournament will bowl at AMF Hanover in Mechanicsville.

The regular VMA State tournament which is open to both LOTM and WOTM members will be hosted by Staunton Moose #1635 on March 6 & 7, 2010. The tournament will bowl at Staunton Lanes in Staunton.

Moose International is making a major change in the International bowling tournaments. There will be one major tournament open to both Men and Women that are members of the Moose Family. There will be special awards not only for WOTM members, but also Senior bowlers (55 or older).

The tournament will be hosted by Montgomery County #1470 and bowl at the NRV SuperBowl in Christiansburg. The tournament will start the weekend of April 17 & 18, 2010 and go through the weekend of June 5 & 6, 2010. The tournament will skip the weekend of May 15 & 16.

The Mixed Couples Tournament will bowl in conjunction with the regular tournament and bowl on Friday nights the same weekends as the regular International tournament, Fridays April 16 through June 4th skipping the Friday of May 14.

For the Mixed tournament the couples will bowl 3 games which will be the Doubles Event but have the option to combine their scores with another couples team which will create a Team Event. Thus the scores on Friday can count for a Mixed Doubles and Mixed Team.

Scores for the Mixed Couples Event have nothing to do with the Regular Tournament which will have Singles and Doubles on Saturdays and Team Event on Sunday. All events will be for just scores in the Regular tournament.

Mixed Couples on Friday can also bowl in the regular tournament on Saturday and switch partners for Doubles on Saturday, or keep the same Doubles team for the regular tournament.

There will be no separate WOTM tournament, however by opening the regular tournament to WOTM members, International felt that WOTM members will have a better tournament experience with the new format. There will be a special category in the Singles event that only women will be eligible.

I hope all Virginia Moose bowlers will support our two state tournaments: Mixed Couples in Richmond and the Regular tournament in Staunton and also take advantage of the International with its new format also being held in Virginia at Christiansburg over a 7 weekend period.

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