

CORY HINES WINS MICHIGAN STATE MASTERS AT WESTLAND BOWL

Cory Hines of Jackson won the Michigan State Masters at Westland Bowl in Westland Sunday when he defeated Brian McMahon Jr. of Saginaw 421-351 in the two-game title match to win the \$2,000 first prize. McMahon settled for the second place check of \$1,000.

Hines qualified eighth with 1,302. He reeled off wins over Mason Brantley of Detroit 454-427, Terence Haines II of Hell 414-408, top qualifier Steve Novak of Bay City 472-427, Dale Hofmeister of Essexville 398-369 and McMahon the first time 508-459 to advance to the championship match. Hines averaged 220.5 for 18 games of competition.

He also won a paid entry into the 2016 United States Bowling Congress Masters tournament.

Hines said "This feels awesome", when asked how the victory felt.

Hines had fared well before in the annual event, but hadn't got over the hump.

McMahon qualified seventh with 1,310 and remained in the winner's bracket with triumphs over Kenneth Ciantar of Southgate 393-323, Ryan Melching of Wixom 429-389, Ryan VanHecke of Chesterfield 439-426 and Trey Raynes of Westland 455-348 before losing to Hines 508-459. In the loser's bracket he beat John Kelley of Clinton Township 444-364. He averaged 214.

Kelley qualified 13th with 1,275. In match play he beat Kurry Crayton of Pontiac 495-460 and Jonathan Murphy of Warren 459-422 before getting knocked into the loser's bracket by Dale Hofmeister of Essexville 467-408. In the loser's bracket he defeated James Koss of Brighton 465-423, Steve Novak 406-367, Trey Raynes of Westland 413-409, Bobby Sanch III of Standish 440-339 before losing to McMahon 444-364. He cashed for \$500 and averaging 214.8.

Sanch qualified 16th with 1,262. In match he won his first match again Joshua Jablonski of Sterling Heights 436-358 before losing to Steve Novak 434-414. Once in the loser's bracket he reeled off wins over Toby Sidle of Saginaw 452-365, two-time defending champion Ronnie Sparks Jr. of Redford 414-311, Ryan VanHecke 446-371, Daniel Phenix II of Stanton 390-331, Dale Hofmeister 398-377 and Kelley to finish his day. He average 206.9 for 22 games and cashed for \$400.

Two-time defending Ronnie Sparks Jr. qualified ninth by tournament rule even though he only bowled one game in qualifying due to a stiff neck. In match play he lost to Terence Haines 449-383, and then beat Daniel Pollack of Macomb 393-375 and Charles McLeod of Westland 446-420 before ending his run with a loss to Sanch 414-311. He cashed for \$200 for his 16th place finish.

Steve Novak was the top qualifier for the second year in a row with 1,389. He won his first two matches of match play over Rob Leser of Saginaw 452-347 and Sanch 434-414 before falling to Hines 472-427. Once in the loser's bracket he beat Lonnie Jones of Ann Arbor 453-378 before being knocked out of the tournament by Kelley 406-369. He cashed for \$250 plus an additional \$100 as the high qualifier.

The field of 73 bowlers averaged 192.2 during the six games of qualifying. The top game in qualifying was 300 recorded by Daniel Phenix II of Stanton.

The top 32 qualifiers averaged 209.1 during qualifying and 203.9 in match play.

The Michigan State USBC Masters Tournament is a USBC certified event operated by the Michigan State USBC Association.

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**2016 MICHIGAN STATE USBC ASSOCIATION
MASTERS TOURNAMENT AT WESTLAND BOWL**

<u>PL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>	<u>WINNINGS</u>
1	Cory Hines	Jackson	220.50	\$ 2,000
2	Brian McMahon Jr	Saginaw	214.00	\$ 1,000
3	John Kelley	Clinton Township	214.77	\$ 500
4	Bobby Sanch III	Standish	206.86	\$ 400
5	Dale Hofmeister	Essexville	210.94	\$ 300
6	Trey Raynes	Westland	202.56	\$ 300
7	Steve Novak	Bay City	220.13	\$ 250
8	Daniel Phenix II	Stanton	200.94	\$ 250
9	Lonnie Jones	Ann Arbor	216.44	\$ 225
10	James Koss	Brighton	215.31	\$ 225
11	Ryan VanHecke	Chesterfield	206.07	\$ 225
12	Shane Peak	West Branch	197.57	\$ 225
13	Mason Brantley	Detroit	208.71	\$ 200
14	Brian Odom	Westland	207.71	\$ 200
15	Terence Haines II	Hell	200.07	\$ 200
16	Ronnie Sparks Jr	Redford	187.89	\$ 200
17	Jonathan Murphy	Warren	209.08	\$ 175
18	George Juszczak Jr	Dearborn Heights	209.08	\$ 175
19	Toby Sidle	Saginaw	207.00	\$ 175
20	Ryan Melching	Wixom	205.67	\$ 175
21	Joshua Jablonski	Sterling Heights	205.33	\$ 175
22	Kurry Crayton	Pontiac	204.83	\$ 175
23	Charles McLeod	Westland	204.25	\$ 175
24	John Unger	Hazel Park	196.42	\$ 175
25	Peter Kaczmarczyk	Warren	210.40	\$ 150
26	Daniel Pollak	Macomb	207.30	\$ 150
27	Franklin Snodgrass	Center Line	206.80	\$ 150
28	John Gross	Farwell	199.70	\$ 150
29	David Owens	Mason	192.10	\$ 150
30	Kris Warner	Jackson	189.20	\$ 150
31	Kenneth Ciantar	Southgate	188.40	\$ 150
32	Rob Leser	Saginaw	187.40	\$ 150

Senior Non-qualifiers

Fleming Cook Jr	Woodhaven	1137	\$150
Edward DeGraaf	Troy	1121	\$150
Bill Kazmierski	Pinconning	1099	\$150
Walter Blackwell	Farmington	1080	\$150

Steve Novak	High Qualifier	1389	\$100
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