

History of the Southeast Bowling Association, Inc.

The Southeast Bowling Association, Inc. (SBA) was chartered on July 3, 1991, in Taylors, SC, for the purpose of fostering and promoting the sport of bowling (American ten pins) and to conduct an annual handicap championship tournament open to all members, at that time, of the American Bowling Congress, and now, to all members of the United States Bowling Congress, residing in the southeastern United States.

The organizing Board of Directors held its first meeting in Columbia, SC, on August 17-19, 1991. The Board elected officers; organized the SBA as a non-profit corporation; framed the *SBA Constitution and By-Laws*; and designated the Florida Space Coast Bowling Association, Melbourne, FL, to host the 1st annual SBA tournament. The SBA filed and was granted non-profit status with the U. S. Internal Revenue Service.

In succeeding months, the SBA adopted a logo – featuring the Association name and a bowling theme – and awarded its second annual SBA tournament to the Greater Greenville Bowling Association. In January, 1992, the IRS granted “non-profit” status to the SBA.

Tournament locations and the number of teams participating by year are shown:

SOUTHEASTERN BOWLING CONFERENCE Grandfathered into Southeast BA, Inc.				SOUTHEAST BOWLING ASSOCIATION, INC			
1958	1	St Petersburg FL	169	1992	1	Melbourne FL	656
1959	2	Atlanta GA	314	1993	2	Greenville SC	711
1960	3	Charlotte NC	386	1994	3	Montgomery AL	564
1961	4	Mobile AL	359	1995	4	Savannah GA	701
1962	5	Savannah GA	474	1996	5	Chattanooga TN	723
1963	6	Hampton Road VA	273	1997	6	Augusta GA	720
1964	7	Orlando FL	519	1998	7	Jacksonville FL	709
1965	8	Nashville TN	525	1999	8	Birmingham AL	674
1966	9	Winston Salem NC	611	2000	9	Augusta County VA	502
1967	10	Greenville SC	652	2001	10	Atlanta GA	802
1968	11	Birmingham AL	593	2002	11	Space Coast FL	592
1969	12	Savannah GA	518	2003	12	Charleston SC	650
1970	13	Asheville NC	671	2004	13	Raleigh NC	554
1971	14	Charleston SC	748	2005	14	Savannah GA	592
1972	15	Cocoa Beach FL	699	2006	15	The Villages FL	437
1973	16	Chattanooga TN	802	2007	16	Greenville SC	601
1974	17	Columbia SC	808	2008	17	Chattanooga TN	508
1975	18	Biloxi, MS	428	2009	18	Augusta GA	481
1976	19	Tampa FL	643	2010	19	Montgomery AL	396
1977	20	Knoxville TN	602	2011	20	Sun Coast FL	368
1978	21	Greenville SC	828	2012	21	Greenville SC	497
1979	22	Augusta GA	885	2013	22	Warner Robins GA	
1980	23	Birmingham AL	594	2014	23	The Villages FL	
1981	24	Nashville TN	507	2015	24	Open	
1982	25	Washington DC	302	2016	25	North {NC, SC, TN & VA}	
1983	26	Savannah GA	672	2017	26	South {AL, FL,GA & MS}	
1984	27	Cocoa Beach FL	670	2018	27	Open	
1985	28	Knoxville TN	461	2019	28	North {NC, SC, TN & VA}	
1986	29	Greenville SC	672	2020	29	South {AL, FL,GA & MS}	
1987	30	Tampa, FL	545	2021	30	Open	
1988	31	Raleigh NC	663	2022	31	North {NC, SC, TN & VA}	
1989	32	Augusta GA	791	2023	32	South {AL, FL,GA & MS}	
1990	33	Roanoke, VA	735	2034	33	Open	
1991	34	Chattanooga TN	765	2025	34	North {NC, SC, TN & VA}	