

Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association

Fall 2009 Newsletter

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Welcome back to another bowling season. By now most of your leagues have been going for quite some time. Others are just getting started. If you haven't already received your sanction card, it should be coming real soon. Remember, your sanction card will be sent directly to you in the mail from the United States Bowling Congress (USBC).

I would like to invite everyone to check out the Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association (GCBA) Web Site. There is a wide variety of information at the site. For example, you will be able to view current and past averages, honor scores, and newsletters. You will also be able to download tournament entry blanks, tournament rules, and much more.

AVERAGE NOT ON SANCTION CARD

When you receive your 2009-10 USBC Sanction Card you will notice that your 2008-09 average is not printed on the card. The USBC is not able to print your highest average on your card. Averages can be viewed and printed by checking your records on www.bowl.com using the "Find a Member" feature. In addition to average records, the "Find a Member" feature also includes awards information and membership history. The average data on bowl.com is more completed and accurate. It should show all of your averages and the number of games bowled in each of the leagues you bowl. However, if you believe the information is not correct, contact your league secretary to have it corrected. If you do not have access to bowl.com, the 2008-09 GCBA Average Books are in the bowling centers. Please make sure your average is correct.

USBC MEMBER REWARDS PROGRAM

The USBC Member Rewards is a new program designed to financially enhance your USBC membership. By using the discounts offered on bowl.com, members can receive instant discounts from such partners as PerkSpot, Nationwide, Alamo,

T-Mobile, National, Enterprise, and LifeLock. Visit www.bowl.com for more information.

USBC REVAMPED AWARDS

Re-designed 300 and 800 rings and a new 11 strikes-in-a row trophy are among the many changes USBC has made to the 2009-10 awards. The rings have been redesigned to take on a modern new look by. The rings have the accomplishment on the top of the ring as well as including the season in which the feat was accomplished.

A new 11-in-a-row USBC-banded resin trophy replaces the old plaque. It will include a personalized name plate that shows off the bowler's name, score and date bowled.

Another major change is replacing emblems for adult special achievements with unique magnets.

On the downside, pins over average and series, all-spare games, Dutch 200, triplicate series, 7-10 and Big Four split conversions have been eliminated from the USBC awards program. Certificates and purchasable awards will be available on BOWL.com Also, the GCBA has numerous emblems in stock for the aforementioned awards that have been eliminated. We will be issuing these awards until our inventory has been depleted. Please ask your league secretary to submit the eliminated awards.

GCBA HIGH AVERAGE AND SERIES

Congratulations to **Nick Korte** for having the highest average in the GCBA during the 2008-09 season. Nick averaged 234 in the Rick Zobrist Memorial League at Grantfork Bowl in Grantfork. Congratulations to **Brian Kaufman** for bowling the highest series in the GCBA during the 2008-09 season. Brian bowled an amazing 845 series on April 1st in the Wednesday Night Mens League at Grantfork Bowl in Grantfork.

CONGRATULATIONS NICK & BRIAN

GCBA HALL OF FAME

The GCBA held their Annual Hall of Fame and Awards Program at Michael's Restaurant in Highland on September 19, 2009. Two (2) new members were inducted into the GCBA Hall of Fame – **Dave Potts** from Highland and **Lloyd** Thomas from Salem. These two new members will join the 49 members already in the Greater Carlyle Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

There were 107 attendees including the following representatives from the Illinois Bowling Association: IBA President, Jim Vonderheide and IBA Directors, John Duncan and Dee Shonkwiler. Applications for the GCBA Hall of Fame are available from any GCBA Director or the GCBA Website and will be accepted until April 5, 2010.

Thanks you to the following Bowling Center Proprietors/Managers for taking the time to join us: Ron Hellman & Ron Eversgerd – Bartelso Bowl Dale & Karen Stanhaus – Hi Top Bowl Dan Sindel – Mascoutah Lanes Steve Ludwig – Salem Bowl

Also, thank you to the following bowling centers and individuals for donating attendance prizes. And congratulations to the winners of those prizes. Bailey's Mint Chocolate (Hi Top) – Pat Lawler Bailey's Caramel (Hi Top) – Harold Rutz Sour Apple (Poplar Junction) – Art Ballantini Bowling Party Package (V&H) – Bob Fischer Canadian Mist (Salem Bowl) – Bob Stocker Bowlers Tape (4th Street Lanes) – Duane Steiner Bowlers Tape (4th Street Lanes) – Willie Hettenhausen V O (Tom Whalen) – Ron Eversgerd Sloe Gin (Ray Klein) – Tom Whalen Fireball (Ten Pin Bowl) – Dan Rosen Jim Beam Tenpin Bottle (Pat Lawler) – Dan Nicklin Wine (Pat Lawler) – Dave Potts Rum (Bartelso Bowl) – Jean Rinderer Sloe Gin (Bartelso Bowl) – Jean Friess Dry Gin (Bartelso Bowl) – Ray Voss

The following bowlers were also in attendance to receive a plaque from the GCBA for the honor score they bowled during the 2008-09 season:

Dale Stanhaus representing his daughter, Katey Shanhaus-Aldinger, for a 300 game at Hi Top Bowl.

Steve Bann for a 300 game at Hi Top Bowl.

Rich Blake for a 300 game at Hi Top Bowl.

Phil Detmer for a 300 game at V&H Recreation. Dave Deuser for a 299 game at Grantfork Bowl and 300 games at Hi Top Bowl and Grantfork Bowl. Robert Dickson for a 300 game at Vandalia Bowl. Dee Filer representing her husband, Lynn Filer, for his 299 game at Ten Pin Bowl.

Bob Fischer for a 300 game at Hi Top Bowl.
Jim Friess for a 298 game at Mascoutah Lanes.
Ken Friess for a 300 game at Mascoutah Lanes.
Mike Gebke for a 299 game at Bartelso Bowl.
Yancy Goodin for a 300 game at Ten Pin Bowl.
"HOOP" for a 300 game at Grantfork Bowl.
Brian Kaufman for a 299 game and 845 series at Grantfork Bowl.

Nick Korte for a 298 game, 299 game, 300 game, and 810 series at Ten Pin Bowl; a 299 game, 300 game, 823 & 836 series at Hi Top Bowl; and two 300 games and 823 & 824 & 842 series at Grantfork Bowl. AWESOME SEASON NICK.

Charlie Kunkel for a 300 game at Bartelso Bowl. Jeremy Loyet for a 300 game at Hi Top Bowl. Ken Monken for a 300 game at Mascoutah Lanes. Dan Nicklin for a 299 game at Bartelso Bowl and a 300 game at V&H Recreation.

Terry Nihiser for a 299 game and two 300 games at Hi Top Bowl.

Dave Potts for a 300 game at Hi Top Bowl. Scott Richter for a 300 game at V&H Recreation. Dan Schrempp for a 300 game at Mascoutah Lanes. Dan Sindel for a 300 game at Mascoutah Lanes. Mike Soden for two 300 games at Grantfork Bowl. Dale Staley for an 805 series at Mascoutah Lanes. Ray Voss for a 300 game at Hi Top Bowl and a 300 game at Poplar Junction Lanes.

CONGRATULATONS TO ALL BOWLERS

The GCBA Handicap Tournament winners were also recognized at the banquet. The following bowlers were recognized as tournament winners:

Charles Lovall from Vandalia won the Singles Handicap Event with a score of 805.

Ken Monken from Trenton and Charlie Kunkel from Breese won the doubles scratch event with a score of 1474.

Dan Schrempp and Ken Friess represented their Sylvesters Team from Mascoutah. They won the scratch event with a score of 3201.

Ken Friess from Venedy won All Events with a scratch score of 2162.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS.

EARL WIRZ – IBA HALL OF FAME

Congratulations to Earl Wirz from Highland for being elected into the Illinois Bowling Association Hall of Fame. Earl will be inducted in the Hall of Fame at the IBA Convention on October 17, 2009.

RESULTS OF TOURNAMENT SURVEY

I would like to thank everyone for taking the time to fill out the tournament surveys last year. We received a lot of helpful information as a result of the surveys. To start out with, by a vote of 74% to 26% we will continue to run the GCBA Handicap tournament during the winter months of February, March, and April. We will also continue to calculate all events by using the FIRST score in each event – team, singles, and doubles – instead of using the highest score in each event. This was approved by a vote of 54% to 46%. And finally, by a vote of 59% to 41%, we will be adding a handicap all events division to the handicap tournament.

GCBA SENIOR SCRATCH CLASSIC

The GCBA Senior Scratch Classic will be held Sunday, November 1, 2009 at Baden Bowl in New Baden. This is a one day tournament beginning at Noon, and is open to all GCBA members who are at least 50 years old as of November 1, 2009. The format is the same as last year's tournament allowing the bowlers to compete with bowlers in their age bracket. The tournament will be divided into two divisions – bowlers between the ages of 50 and 59, and bowlers 60 years of age and older. Each bowler will bowl four games - rotating one pair of lanes to the right after each game. After the four games, the top four bowlers in each division will bowl "bracket style" within their division. The top qualifier will bowl the fourth qualifier and the second qualifier will bowl the third qualifier with the winners bowling each other to determine the winner of their division. The winner of each division will bowl each other to determine the overall GCBA Senior Scratch Champion.

There will be one shift at Noon, and it is limited to 50 bowlers. The entry fee is \$50.00 and must accompany your entry blank to assure your spot. The estimated first place prize is \$500.00 based on 30 entries. Advanced registration by phone is recommended and available by calling Tim Rutz at 654-9840. We must have at least 20 bowlers signed up by October 26, 2009 or the event will be cancelled. Complete rules along with the entry

blanks are available at each bowling center and on the GCBA Website.

GCBA SINGLES SCRATCH CLASSIC

The GCBA Singles Scratch Classic will be held at Poplar Junction Lanes in Highland on Sunday, December 6, 2009 at Noon. This is a one day tournament open to all GCBA members. The format is the same as last year. Each bowler will roll five games – rotating one pair of lanes to the right after each game. After the five games, the top five bowlers will bowl a "STEPLADDER FINALS" to determine the GCBA Scratch Champion. There will be one shift at Noon, and it is limited to 60 bowlers. The entry fee is \$50.00 and must accompany your entry blank to assure your spot. The estimated first place prize is \$500.00 based on 30 entries. Advanced registration by phone is recommended and available by calling Tim Rutz at 654-9840. We must have at least 20 bowlers signed up by November 30, 2009 or the event will be cancelled. Complete rules along with the entry blanks are available at each bowling center and the GCBA Website.

GCBA HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

The 68th Annual GCBA Handicap Team Tournament is scheduled to be held at Bartelso Bowl in Bartelso. It will begin Saturday, February 13, 2010 and will run through Saturday, April 3, 2010. Squad times will be at 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM on Saturdays. There will be one squad at Noon on Sundays.

The Singles and Doubles Events are scheduled to be held at 4th Street Lanes in Greenville. It will begin on Saturday, February 27, 2010 and run through Saturday, April 3, 2010. Squad times will be at 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM on Saturdays. There will be one squad at Noon on Sundays.

4TH STREET LANES NOW HAS A LIQUOR LICENSE AND SELLS ALCOHOL. YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BRING ALCOHOL INTO THE BOWLING CENTER.

Again this year, there will be an optional Singles Scratch Event, an optional Doubles Scratch Event, and an optional Team Scratch Event.

Multiple Singles and Doubles

Again this year you will have the opportunity to bowl singles and doubles as often as you desire during the GCBA Handicap Tournament. Please keep in mind that you can cash only once in singles

no matter how many times you bowl the singles event. Your highest singles score will count in the standings and the score from the first time you bowl singles will count towards your all events score. On the other hand, in doubles you can cash as many times as you enter with different partners. The score from the first time you bowl doubles will count towards your all events score.

Entering Tournament Average

Again this year, bowlers will use their highest USBC sanctioned league average - with a minimum of 21 games - from the 2008-09 season. You can find your highest USBC average at www.bowl.com by clicking on the **Find a...** option in the upper right side of the home page. Click on Member, fill out your information, click on search, and then click on 2008-09. You can find your GCBA average in the 2008-09 average book located at your bowling center or on the GCBA Website. Please check your average and make sure it is correct. If you are a new bowler or did not have a 21 game average last season, you must use your highest USBC sanctioned league average with a minimum of 21 games as of JANUARY 1, 2010. All others bowl scratch. Entry blanks will be in the bowling centers after November 15th.

Handicap All Events

As a result of the survey conducted last year, the GCBA has decided to add a Handicap All Events Division to the GCBA Handicap Tournament. The handicap score will be calculated by adding the FIRST score for all three events - team, singles, and doubles – with your individual handicap for all three events.

<u>L&W's TEN PIN BOWL – Carlyle (594-2702)</u>

Ten Pin will be hosting the following tournaments: Huey-Ferrin-Boulder Fire Protection District 9-9 Pin No Tap Tournament on November 13^{th} & 14^{th} . Singles starts at 10 PM on November 13. The Team Tournament will be November 14 & 15.

For more information or to enter the tournament, call Larry or Wendy at 594-2702.

Congratulations to the following bowlers for their high games and series:

<u>279 Game</u> – Yancy Goodin, Nick Korte, and Ron Michael.

<u>700 Series</u> – Ron Michael (772), Nick Korte (747), and Larry Miller (718).

HI TOP BOWL – Highland (654-6283)

Congratulations to Dave Potts for being inducted into the GCBA Hall of Fame. Dave has been an outstanding bowler and inspiration to many at Hi Top Bowl.

Congratulations to Bob Fischer for his 300 game.

So far this season we have had forty-five (45) 700 series. The high 700 series are: Rich Young 783, Brian Merkle 778, Roscoe Ammann 763, Greg Ernst 755, and Cliff Dawson 753.

So far this season Hi Top Women have had eleven (11) 600 series. The High 600 series are: Cindy Corwin 683, Teresa Spitz 654, Karen Stanhaus 632, and Allison Sagovac 631.

Hi Top Bowl will host the Team Event of the Carlyle Women's Bowling Association Tournament on the weekends of November 7 & 14. Singles and doubles will be at Bartelso Bowl. Tournament sheets are available at all bowling centers in the Carlyle Womens Bowling Association.

POPLAR JUNCTION-Highland 654-2695

We will be hosting the GCBA Singles Scratch Classic on December 6th at Noon. It is limited to 60 bowlers. Hope to see you here.

Poplar Junction runs a USBC Certified 9 Pin No Tap Singles Tournament the 2nd Saturday of every month at 8:00 PM. The entry fee is \$15.00, and there is an optional scratch pot for \$5.00. Call ahead for reservations. Upcoming dates are November 14, December 12, January 9, February 13, & March 13. 700 series include the following: Darrin Korte 739, Kerry Federer 738, Lee Voss 727, Lori Zobrist 725, Al Stoecklin 719, Jim Schmitt 716, Bob Stocker 715, Bob Douglas 709, Steve Carey 707, Brock Stephenson 701 and Tony Miles 700.

High games include the following: Glen Walter 289, Rick Gilomen 280, Darrin Korte 278, Jim Schmitt 278, and Lori Zobrist 256.

The Highland Mens City Tournament will be held in January. The Singles/Doubles Events will be held on Jan 2 & 3 and 9 &10 at Hi Top Bowl. The Team Event will be held on January 16 & 17 and 23 & 24 at Poplar Junction.

There will be a benefit for long time Poplar Junction bowler Jeff McNeilly on November 14 starting at 5:00 PM at the KC Hall in Highland. The donation is \$20.00 in advance. Jeff was diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer. There is also a gun raffle. Tickets are available at Poplar Junction.