

Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association



Fall 2008 Newsletter

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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.

Here we go again with another bowling season. By now most of you have been bowling for quite a few weeks, others are just getting back in the swing of things. I hope everyone has a spectacular season. 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).

AVERAGE NOT ON SANCTION CARD

When you receive your 2008-09 USBC Sanction Card you will notice that your 2007-08 average is not printed on the card. The USBC is not able to print your highest average on your card. In many cases the listed average was not necessarily the appropriate average for tournaments. 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](http://www.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](http://www.bowl.com), the 2007-08 GCBA Average Books are in the bowling centers. Please make sure your average is correct.

USBC MOVES TO TEXAS

The USBC is in the process of moving it's operations to the new International Bowling Campus

in Arlington, Texas. The creation of the International Bowling Campus has started with general remodeling of the main building, while construction on the 20-lane International Training Center will begin later this year with an anticipated completion in spring 2009. Also set for 2009 is the opening of the new International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, which is joining USBC and the BPAA. You can still easily contact the USBC during the transition. Their toll free phone number, 1-800-514-BOWL, as well as their [bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com) email addresses will remain active throughout the transition which is expected to be completed by early November.

BOWLING HALL OF FAME AND MUSEUM

The International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame – currently in St. Louis - will also be making the move to Texas with the USBC Headquarters. You have until November 8, 2008 to visit the facility. The facility also houses the Cardinals Hall of Fame. One admission price provides access to both amazing facilities where you can enjoy interactive displays, video selections, and four free frames of bowling on modern lanes, among other grand displays. The Museum is located at 7th and Walnut, on the West side of the Ballpark Village development area. It will be open from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Thursday through Sunday through November 8. For more information, call 314-231-6340.

298, 299, or 11 STRIKES IN A ROW

Bowlers who rolled a 298 game, a 299 game or 11 strikes in a row –either last season or this season - will be able to purchase a ring for \$49.95 plus \$10.00 shipping. You save \$20.00 off the regular price. This is a limited time offer and expires December 31, 2008.

For more information contact KEEPSAKE at 1-800-982-6515. You can purchase a ring by going to the USBC Website at www.bowl.com click on Awards,

then click on Adult high-score rings. To order a ring, you will need your bowler ID number, a shipping address, the date bowled, the ring size, the ring style, and your credit card information.

GCBA HIGH AVERAGE AND SERIES

Congratulations to **Bart Essenpreis** for having the highest average in the GCBA during the 2007-08 season, and **Nick Korte** for bowling the highest series in the GCBA during the 2007-08 season. Bart averaged 229 in the Wednesday Night Mens League at V&H Recreation in Breese. Nick bowled an extraordinary 845 series in the Wednesday Night Mens League at V&H Recreation in Breese.

CONGRATULATIONS BART & NICK.

GCBA HALL OF FAME

The GCBA held its Second Annual Hall of Fame and Awards Program at Michael's Restaurant in Highland on September 27, 2008. Pat Lawler from Carlyle and the late Bernard Toennies from Bartelso were inducted into the GCBA Hall of Fame.

Bart Essenpreis from Breese was recognized for having the highest average in the GCBA during the 2007-08 season. Bart averaged 229. Nick Korte was recognized for bowling the highest series in the GCBA during the 2007-08 season. Nick rolled an 845 series.

The following bowlers were also in attendance to receive a plaque from the GCBA for the honor score they bowled during the 2007-08 season:

Roscoe Ammann bowled two 299 games and an 803 series at Hi Top Bowl in Highland.

Paul Baer bowled a 300 game at Mascoutah Lanes.

Scott Becker bowled a 299 game, a 300 game during the GCBA Tournament, and an 802 series all at V&H Recreation in Breese.

Gordon Hoerchler bowled a 300 game at V&H Recreation.

Nick Korte bowled two 300 games and an 845 series at V&H Recreation.

Tony Miles bowled an 805 series at Poplar Junction.

Larry Miller bowled two 300 games at Ten Pin Bowl

Dan Nicklin bowled a 299 game at V&H Recreation.

Scott Richter bowled an 804 series at Hi Top Bowl.

Bruce Santel bowled a 299 game at V&H Recreation

Danny Schrempp bowled a 300 game at Mascoutah.

Bill Snowden bowled two 299 games at Hi Top

Ryan Wirz bowled a 300 game during the GCBA Tournament at Salem Bowl.

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

Ryne Smith won the Singles Handicap Event with a score of 869.

Ryan Wirz won the Singles Scratch Event with a score of 769.

Ryan Wirz and Scott Giffhorn won the doubles handicap and doubles scratch events with a score of 1523 which is a new GCBA Doubles Scratch Tournament Record.

Scott Becker represented his JT's Vending Team. They won the team handicap event with a score of 3534 and the scratch event with a score of 3417.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS.

I would also like to thank the following bowling centers for providing attendance prizes at the banquet: Banks Bowl, Bartelso Bowl, 4th Street Lanes, Hi Top Bowl, Mascoutah Lanes, Poplar Junction Lanes, Ten Pin Bowl, and V&H Recreation. Thanks also to Tom Whalen and Paul Hellmann for providing attendance prizes.

GCBA SENIOR SCRATCH CLASSIC

The GCBA Senior Scratch Classic will be held Sunday, November 2, 2008 at 4th Street Lanes in Greenville. 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 2, 2008. 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 27, 2008 or the event will be cancelled. Complete rules along with the entry blanks are available at each bowling center.

GCBA SINGLES SCRATCH CLASSIC

The GCBA Singles Scratch Classic will be held at Salem Bowl in Salem on Sunday, December 7, 2008 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, 2008 or the event will be cancelled. Complete rules along with the entry blanks are available at each bowling center.

GCBA HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

The 67th Annual GCBA Handicap Team Tournament will be held at Mascoutah Lanes in Mascoutah. It will begin Saturday, February 21, 2009 and will run through Sunday, April 5, 2009. 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 will be held at Ten Pin Bowl in Carlyle. It will begin on Saturday, February 21, 2009 and run through Sunday, April 5, 2009. Squad times will be at 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM on Saturdays. There will be one squad at Noon on Sundays. 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 2007-08 season.** You can find your highest USBC average at www.bowl.com by clicking on Find a Member on the left side column, fill out your information, click on search, and then click on 2007-08. You can find your GCBA average in the 2007-08 average book located at your bowling center. 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, 2009.** All others bowl scratch. Entry blanks will be in the bowling centers after November 16th.

Tournament All Events Debate

The GCBA is considering changing the manner in which it calculates all events scores for the GCBA Handicap Tournament. The current method of calculating the score is by taking the FIRST score for each event – team, singles, and doubles. We are considering changing the method of calculating the all events score by using the HIGHEST score for each event – team, singles, and doubles.

We would like your opinion to help us make this decision. As a result, we will be conducting a survey to get your opinion. The survey will be circulated to each team during league play. We would greatly appreciate it if each team took a few minutes to complete this survey.

You can also contact me, Tim Rutz, at trutz1@charter.net with your opinion.

BOWLING CENTER NEWS

The following bowling centers have submitted articles to inform the GCBA members about what is going on in their centers.

4TH STREET LANES – Greenville(664-9240)

4TH Street Lanes will be hosting its annual New Years Day Tournament again this year. Look for flyers in your bowling center around the end of November.

Congratulations to the following bowlers for their great scores:

Eric Huffman – 289 game & 764 series

Matt Suzuki – 278 game & 706 series

John Helige – 279, 279, & 280 games & 712, 706, and 708 series

L&W's TEN PIN BOWL – Carlyle (594-2702)

Ten Pin Bowl is hosting a 9-Pin No Tap Tournament for the Huey-Ferrin-Boulder Fire Protection District on November 14 – 16.

November 14: Singles starting at 10:00 PM.

November 15 & 16: Team.

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

We will be hosting the GCBA Singles & Doubles Tournament from February 21 through April 5.

Check with your local bowling center after November 16th to get an entry form.

Congratulations to Pat Lawler for his induction into the GCBA Hall of Fame.

Congratulations Nick Korte for bowling a 300 game.

V&H RECREATION – Breese (526-7881)

Congratulations to Dan Nicklin for bowling a 300 game on September 10th.

Congratulations to Brad Phillips for bowling a 290 game and Gary Toennies for bowling a 279 game.

So far this season we have had twenty (20) 700 series.

V&H Recreation will be hosting a 9 Pin No Tap Team Tournament on October 25th (6:00 PM & 9:00 PM) and October 26th (Noon & 3:00 PM). The entry fee is \$125.00 per five man team. Proceeds will go to the Siteman Cancer Center for Research in memory of SSGT Jeremy Junk.

V&H Recreation will be hosting a 9 Pin Not Tap Team Tournament on December 13th in memory of Scott Detmer with all proceeds going to the Make a Wish Foundation. Squad times are 4:00 PM, 7:00 PM, and 10:00 PM.

Call V&H Recreation at 526-7881 for reservations.

GRANTFORK BOWL –Grantfork(675-3555)

The first four weeks of bowling have been good. Congratulations go out to Nick Korte on his 842 and 824 series and his two 300 games.

Congratulations to Kirt Ervin on his 819 series.

Congratulations to Mike Soden on his 300 game.

And congratulations to the 15 other 700 series, too!

Grantfork Bowl runs a 9-Pin No Tap Tournament the first Saturday of November, December, January, March, April, and May at 7:30 PM. Also, the 15th Annual Grantfork Area Development Club Tournament will be held in February on Saturdays and Sundays. Look for flyers or call Grantfork Bowl at 675-3555 for more information.

HI TOP BOWL – Highland (654-6283)

Congratulations to the following bowlers for bowling 300 games:

Bob Fischer rolled our first 300 of the season on September 9th.

Al Giovando and Jim Brunnworth both bowled 300 games on the same night with series of 750 and 744, respectively. However, both of their series were beaten by their own teammates with Brad Phillips bowling a 766 series to beat Al, and Brian Stahlhut bowling a 750 series to beat Jim!

Steve Bann also bowled a 300 game.

Larry Langendorf bowled a 299 game; Dan Spitz bowled a 298 game; and Cindy Corwin bowled a 296 game.

So far this season we have had fifty-five (55) 700's with a high series of 788 by Jeremy Loyet. Cindy Corwin is high for the women with a 758 series.

Katey Aldinger bowled a 276 game and a 727 series (she's my daughter, so pride forced me to add this).

The GCBA Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet was really great. The GCBA officers and house representatives outdid themselves. Thanks to everyone involved for making this a special event for the members of the GCBA.

POPLAR JUNCTION–Highland 654-2695

Congratulations to Grant Gutterman for bowling a 300 game.

Congratulations to Shawn Winter for his 299 game.

700 series include the following: Shawn Winter 749, Jeremy Kirsch 735, Mike Naylor 732, Scott Troxell 732, Kerry Federer 722, Steve Walter 721, Grant Gutterman 704, John Kreiter 704, and Tim Driscoll 700.

Several Ladies also had great scores. Lori Zobrist had a 688 series, Kim Miller had a 680 series. Lisa Zobrist had a 652 series.

The Highland Mens City Tournament will be held in January. The Team Event will be held on Jan 3 & 4 and 10 & 11 at Hi Top Bowl. The Singles & Doubles Events will be held on January 17 & 18 and 24 & 25 at Poplar Junction.

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 October 11, November 8, December 13, January 10, February 14, and March 14.