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## Entry deadline extended for 2011 USBC Open Championships

ARLINGTON, Texas – The United States Bowling Congress Open Championships is the can't-miss event for tens of thousands of bowlers each year, and there's still time to be a part of the historic 2011 tournament.

The entry deadline has been extended to Jan. 15, so teams not yet entered still have a chance to join the 60,000 bowlers who already have their sights set on a share of the \$5 million prize fund.

The upcoming event will begin its 122-day run March 4 and is scheduled to conclude July 3. Bowlers from all 50 states and several foreign countries will converge on the one-of-a-kind, 78-lane National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev., which has been the site of many memorable tournament moments.

The Open Championships, first contested in 1901, is older than the Rose Bowl and baseball's World Series. It is the world's largest participatory sporting event and gives competitors the chance to display their skills on bowling's biggest stage.

"The Open Championships continues to thrive as the premier bowling event in the world, and we are excited about another memorable tournament in 2011," said Brian Lewis, USBC Managing Director of Tournaments. "Entries have been coming in at a good pace, but we want to give everyone the opportunity to be part of the historic 2011 tournament, so we're allowing more time to enter."

The 2011 event marks the tournament's record 10th trip to Reno and seventh visit to the National Bowling Stadium. It also will be the first time an event has been held in the same city in back-to-back years. The 2010 tournament drew 14,189 teams to "The Biggest Little City in the World."

For bowlers looking for extra opportunities to cash in on the cham-

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**ON THE COVER:** NCAUSBCA members Johnnie Holt (left) and John Jenkins each recently won major prizes in the Virginia Lottery at Bowl America Shirley, where they are employed (see page 12). ... Top 10-ranked bowlers Amber Bell and Tom Middleton take on our "My Stuff" and "Mini-Bio" features on pages 9 and 10, respectively. (Photos by Bob Cosgrove)

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • ROBERT ASHLEY III

### **Many activities await: Time to mark your calendar**

As the 2010 calendar year comes to a close, most 2010-2011 winter leagues should be reaching the halfway point of their season. League secretaries should be submitting awards and league presidents verifying the treasury on a regular basis. Although circumstances beyond the control of the association have presented their challenges, the staff is working as hard as Santa's elves to get those awards entered, processed, and in the hands of the league secretaries.

The start of a new calendar year is the time to get signed up for tournaments and other bowling-related activities in the spring. The forms for the NCA-USBCA Open and Women's Championships should be available at all the bowling centers that we serve, as well as [here](#).

I was asked a couple of weeks ago by someone in my men's league, showing a marked improvement in his game, what

tournament would be good for first-time participation. Naturally, our association tournament is a great first event because (1) it is local; (2) it runs over the course of multiple weekends so there is plenty of flexibility with squad dates and times; and (3) it provides a great opportunity to grow as a competitive bowler.

So if you plan to make any bowling-related resolutions for 2011, add "Participate in the Local Association Tournament" to that list and download an entry form or pick one up at your local bowling center. Also include on that list "Attend the Annual Meeting," which is scheduled for February 27 at Bowl America Gaithersburg.

As always, feel free to [contact me](#) with any questions or comments.

The holiday season is a time to celebrate and be with family, friends, and loved ones. Whether you are packing up

## **Go Figure**

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Years since PBA will have last appeared on ABC-TV, which will broadcast the PBA Tournament of Champions championship round.

the car for travel or people are coming to you, please be safe in your ventures.

More importantly, please keep in your prayers those who cannot be with their families at this time of year, especially those servicemen and women who continue to put their lives on the line to protect our freedom, and those who suffered loss in 2010 as they prepare for their first holiday season without their loved ones.

I will close by wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year.

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## ***A seasonal wish***

Happy New Year to all bowlers. May all your deliveries be strikes.

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## ***USBC TOURNEY, from page 3***

pionship lanes, there's always a variety of side events and jackpots available on-site, including traditional brackets, strike jackpots, and side pots.

A few enhancements to the brackets menu in 2011 include the availability of \$5 brackets and Classified Cash-O-Matic brackets during doubles and singles, while three new products give more bowlers a chance to win:

### **Off-the-Sheet Jackpot**

Bowlers who go "off the sheet" and finish a game with at least five strikes (frames 8-12) will split the accumulated jackpot at the end of the tournament. For \$20, you will have nine opportunities to cash-in on this exciting new product.

### **Senior Side Event**

This is just for senior bowlers, age 50 and older (on day of competition). For a \$25 entry fee paid at the brackets window, bowlers will be entered into two special senior-only prize funds (singles and all-events). Both categories will feature a 1:4.5 cash ratio. Singles and all-events totals from the main tournament will be used for this product.

### **Ultimate Mulligan**

Designed for super seniors (bowlers age 60 and older the day they compete), the Ultimate Mulligan requires entrants to compile their three highest games of the 2011 tournament to arrive at their Ultimate Mulligan series score. Then, they will see how their three-game set holds up for the duration of the tournament. The Ultimate Mulligan features a prize fund-style payout with a cash ratio of 1:4.5. The entry fee is \$20.

There are still prime spots available for 2011. For more information, visit [BOWL.com/openchamp](http://BOWL.com/openchamp) or call the tournament entries department at 800/514-2695.

There also are plenty of spots available for bowlers interested in competing in the 2011 USBC Women's Championships in Syracuse, N.Y. More than 6,000 teams are expected to compete in the event, which begins April 7 and runs until July 3. The deadline for the Women's Championships is January 15, 2011. For more information and available times, visit [BOWL.com/womenschamp](http://BOWL.com/womenschamp).



## ***Hall of Famer Paul Yost Sr. dies***

NCAUSBA Hall of Famer Paul Yost Sr., the association's 15th president who was instrumental in having the White House Lanes certified for membership in the American Bowling Congress and thereby becoming affiliated with the association, died December 5 in Vista, Calif., where he lived with his daughter. Yost, a member of the Hall of Fame Class of 1981, was 96.

[Additional information](#)

## **THE QUESTION:**

***What is your top bowling goal for 2011?***

Get used to a heavier ball and have a lot of camaraderie.



**Connie Brooks  
Springfield, Va.**

I'd like to be most improved bowler for women again because I'm legally blind.



**Virginia Clark  
Springfield, Va.**

I'll take a 300.



**Bill Mead  
Alexandria, Va.**

To be consistent and learn how to bowl.



**Ed O'Neill  
Springfield, Va.**

Take more instructions to improve my game and be more consistent.



**Jane Perrino  
Alexandria, Va.**

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# The tax man cometh — even for bowlers

By George R. Sook

Bowling is a business, and individuals who compete with the intent to win money should treat it as such.

When bowlers win a prize of \$600 or more, the league secretary or tournament director is required by the Internal Revenue Code to issue Form 1099 Miscellaneous to that winner and provide a copy of same to the Internal Revenue Service.

These earnings are reportable on Schedule C of the income tax return and are subject to self-employment taxes as well.

However, whenever you earn income, you are entitled to subject the costs incurred to generate that income. Therefore, the cost of bowling — entry fees, equipment, transportation expenses to and from the bowling center, etc. — are all legitimate expenses to be deducted from the income produced from the competition. In most instances, this will result in losses for the bowler, although winning big in a given year will result in a tax liability.

With proper planning — and perhaps an estimated tax payment filed after any big win — individuals should not have a major tax problem when filing the annual tax return on or before the April 15 deadline.



NCAUSBCA Hall of Famer George R. Sook is president of "S" Services, an accounting and tax firm in Bowie, Maryland.

# Lowering of eligibility requirements by USBC slows awards processing at NCAUSBCA office

From the current USBC Playing Rules book under “Rule 51a – Single Game Awards”:

## 2. Adult Awards.

A member is eligible for one award in each of the following categories during a fiscal year (August 1 - July 31):

- |  |                                     |                       |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. 300*  |                                     |                       |
| b. 275 to 299 all averages are eligible                        | (last season: 200 average or below) | +52 pins difference** |
| c. 250 to 274 with a 225 average or below                      | (180 average or below)              | +45                   |
| d. 225 to 249 with a 200 average or below                      | (160 average or below)              | +40                   |
| e. 200 to 224 with a 175 average or below                      | (145 average or below)              | +30                   |
| f. 175 to 199 with a 150 average or below                      | (130 average or below)              | +20                   |
| g. 150 to 174 with a 125 average or below                      | (110 average or below)              | +15                   |
| h. 125 to 149 with a 100 average or below                      | (90 average or below)               | +10                   |
| i. Eleven (11) strikes in a row when the score is 299 or less* |                                     |                       |

\* Cannot be earned while pre or post bowling unopposed.

\*\* Based on highest individual Standard league individual average of 252 in 2009-2010 season.

The delivery of United States Bowling Congress (USBC) awards to league secretaries by the NCAUSBCA office staff has taken longer than usual this season, and there are several reasons for the delays. Among them:

➤ Page 26 of the current *USBC Playing Rules* book shows that information under “Rule 51A – Single Game Awards” has changed from last season. The information above shows the text that currently appears under “Adult Awards” under that rule—and how it compares to the requirements last season. Some of changes indeed are radical, such as the requirement for the “250 Game” award, whereby a bowler can have an average as high as 225 to be eligible versus last season when a bowler with an average no higher than 180 was eligible—a difference of 45 pins!

➤ This season, all members are eligible for the “275 Game” award. Last season, only bowlers with an average no higher than 200 were eligible. It can be a safe assumption that the majority of these particular scores are recorded by bowlers with averages over 200.

➤ USBC award changes don’t only apply to games (see Rule 51b), and thus some of our highest average bowlers *don’t even have to bowl their average* to be eligible for an award. For example, anyone with an average of 234 or higher—and NCAUSBCA has a few of these bowlers—can roll a *below-average* series of 700 or higher yet still earn a “700 Series” award.

It is estimated that submitted applications for USBC awards to the association office have quadrupled this season, and these requests are being processed by the same size office staff as last season, as always, on a first-in/first-out basis. There also are other reasons for the delays:

➤ There was a three-week problem with the USBC-issued WinLABS software used at the association office to process membership-related issues, including league and award applications. Thus, no leagues or awards could be processed during that period.

➤ Some secretaries applied for awards before submitting the completed certification and membership card applications for their league. Awards cannot be processed for a league until that league is certified.

➤ Of course, as noted last issue, USBC apologized in a letter to NCAUSBCA for the delay in USBC members receiving their 2010-2011 membership card due to the failure of a fulfillment vendor used by USBC to process and mail the cards to members. In addition, during vendor fulfillment of some applications, the welcome letter and membership card were mismatched.

Needless to say, these actions have helped bring about an awards processing bottleneck at the association office. It is hoped that this article will help league secretaries and their bowlers understand why the awards processing is taking additional time this season. The office staff greatly appreciates your patience.

Incidentally, there are two recent actions announced by USBC that the NCAUSBCA office staff noted with interest:

➤ In its December 7, 2010 *Association Operations eNews* report, USBC wrote, “It is important to remember that all local associations have a time line to process memberships and awards after receipt from their league secretaries. The *USBC Association Policy Manual* states that it is the responsibility of the local Association Manager to process membership and remit USBC national and state dues to USBC Headquarters within 20 days of receipt as well as ensuring member’s awards are fulfilled within seven days. USBC is currently reviewing *delinquent* [italics ours] associations and will be making contact with them at the beginning of the year to determine the next course of action.”

➤ USBC will no longer mail end-of-season award kits to league officers. Instead, USBC will directly send them to the local associations, which then must incur all mailing-related costs to the league officers.



# AMBER BELL

Amber Bell—formerly Amber Casey—the association’s fifth-ranked woman bowler for the 2009-2010 season had a composite average of 199.5888 that included a high of 205 in the Family, Friends, & Neighbors league at Rinaldi’s Riverdale Bowl. She started bowling in her parents’ league in Roanoke, Va., in 1992 at age 19 and became serious about the game four years later. While several individuals have helped her with her game, she gives the most credit to her father, a “very serious” bowler.

Bell came to this area in 2003 from North Carolina, where she attended Greensboro College, majoring in business with a minor in psychology. Today, she works as an accountant for a nonprofit organization. Awaiting the birth of her first child, she stopped bowling last month in the Bottom Liners at AMF Capital Plaza, her only league this season.

Bell, who is known by some as “Choclat China,” recently discussed some of her favorites with editor Bob Cosgrove.

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## Mini-Bio

# TOM MIDDLETON

**NCAUSBCA's No. 3-ranked male bowler in 2009-2010 with a 227.3841 composite average**



**BIRTHDAY:** June 17, 1965

**CITY OF RESIDENCE:** Warrenton, Va.

**SOCIAL STATUS:** Separated and soon to be divorced. I have two sons—Sammy (age 13) and Steven (age 10).

**EDUCATION:** Seneca Valley High School in Germantown, Md., and Lincoln Tech

**CURRENT JOB:** Digital Printing and Production for a printing company

**EARLIEST BOWLING MEMORY:** Age 6 bowling duckpins at Fair Lanes Wheaton Plaza

**CURRENT BOWLING LEAGUES:** Sunday AM Commercial at Bowl America Manassas, Monday Night Classic and Tuesday Sport Trios at Bowl America Bull Run, and Wednesday Early Mixed at Broadview Lanes in Warrenton, Va.

**NOTABLE TOURNAMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Back in the mid-late '90s when I bowled a couple tournaments per month, I bowled in a PBA Regional at Rehoboth Beach, Del. There were 180 bowlers, I qualified second and finished third in the stepladder. I left a pocket 6-8 split, and that cost me my match. If I could have just spared that frame, I believe I would have won the tournament (would of, could of, should of). ... Also during the same time frame, I bowled in a national PBA stop at Country Club Lanes. I wasn't bowling that well, but I think it was the second to last game I had nine strikes in a row. There were a couple ball reps and lots of fans watching by then. I was pretty nervous, but I went up there and somehow rolled the perfect ball and left a stone 9. I picked it up and left another stone 9 for the fill ball. Even though I did not bowl a 300, it felt really good that I was able roll a good ball with all of that pres-

sure. ... I have won several local tournaments (Staunton, Va., Red Eye, Mike Hahn and John Parks events, etc.), but most of those were before 2004—just was not able to bowl as much and not able to practice. Hopefully, I will bowl more frequently in tournaments soon.

**BEST PART OF MY GAME:** I do not get too emotional when bowling well. I just try to only think about the next shot, not how many strikes I have in a row or let a bad break (like a pocket 7-10) ruin my day.

**WORST PART OF MY GAME:** Lately, the worst part of my game seems to be not changing balls quick enough when not carrying well. I would keep changing hand positions, the release, the line, etc. Just last Sunday, I kept hitting the pocket but could not carry anything. I finally switched balls the third game and bowled 268! Why couldn't I have done that sooner? I also need to educate myself more on the latest drilling layouts.

**WORST OR MOST EMBARRASSING BOWLING MOMENT:** I bowled in a national PBA stop in Erie, Pa., back in 1996. I have several relatives near Erie. The week before, a high percentage of lefties cashed. It figures that the tournament I bowled in, the left side was completely shut out. Only two lefties cashed out of 53 or so cash spots. I was embarrassed that my relatives were there watching me struggle almost every game—not a good feeling.

**BEST TACTIC I USE TO HANDLE PRESSURE:** I try to find my Happy Place, like Happy Gilmore (except without the midget or little person riding the tricycle).

**SPARE-SHOOTER RATING (10 = best / 1 = worst):** 9.9

**IMPORTANCE OF BOWLING IN MY LIFE (10 = most / 1 = least):** 8—family first, work second, and bowling third

**MOST IMMEDIATE BOWLING GOAL:** To bowl well in Warrenton again. The first seven weeks or so in league, I was averaging 245. Now I am bowling low-to-mid 600s.

**INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF BOWLING:** Really like sports, classic rock music, and classic cars.

**FAMOUS LIVING PERSON I MOST ADMIRE:** Cal Ripken Jr.

**FAMOUS PERSON WHO MOST ANNOYS ME:** A-Rod

**FIRST THING I'D BUY IF I WON THE LOTTERY:** I would go to the Barrett-Jackson Auction and buy a really sweet Shelby Mustang.

**IF I HAD MORE TIME, I WOULD:** Spend more time with my boys (fishing, sporting events)

**THE ONE PLACE I'D LIKE TO VISIT:** I can't believe it, but I have never been to the Baseball Hall of Fame. I want to take my boys there (maybe this summer).

**VEHICLE I DRIVE:** 2005 Chevy TrailBlazer XLT

**FAVORITE MEAL:** Meat and potatoes

**FAVORITE TV SHOW:** "King of Queens"

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** *Blues Brothers*

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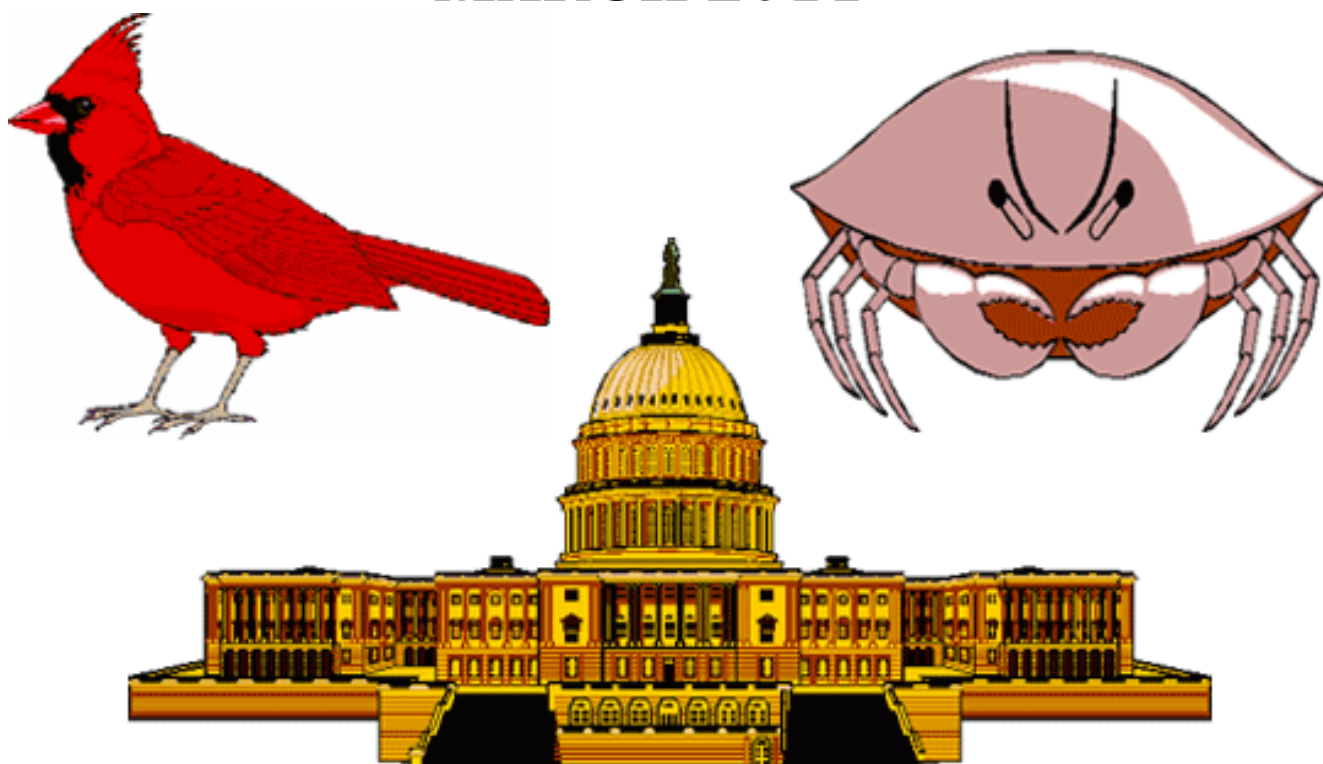
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# The Best Bowling Tip I Ever Received

By Pete Gunn



The whole key to bowling really is stay behind your ball, roll the ball off your shoulder and follow through, and repeating the same things over and over and over. No matter how you play the shot, if you play it straight down, you've got to be behind the ball with your shoulder, and if you've gotta play an angle, you've still got to be behind the ball with your shoulder. So it's important to just concentrate and relax and don't try to do too much.

I picked this up by reading Dick Weber's old book on how to bowl from Point 1 to Point 2, and I learned a lot. And when I started bowling, I bowled with Dave Cohen, [and Hall of Famers] Larry O'Neill, Chuck Gannon, and Mike Hahn, and they taught me the basic things about bowling: Just keep it simple. That's how I base my game, and I've been averaging 200 ever since. I've got over 20 300s, and about 13 or 14 800s, and this is all by keeping it simple.

Today, the balls are so strong now that kids don't even learn how to bowl—they just throw it to a point and let it run back to the pocket. If they ever do away with these resin balls or go back to plastic and rubber, they'd be hurtin' because they wouldn't even know how to get back to the pocket!

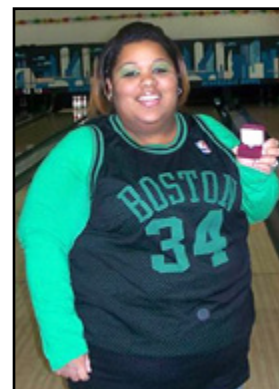
And that's all bowling is: Hit the same spot and concentrate, and follow your shoulder to your mark.

*Pete Gunn currently leads the Lunch Bunch senior league at Bowl America Shirley with a 210 average.*

## Johnnie Holt, John Jenkins win Virginia Lottery jackpots worth \$700,000 at Bowl America Shirley



NCAUSBCA members and Bowl America Shirley employees Johnnie Holt (left) of Springfield and John Jenkins (right) of Alexandria, who each recently won Virginia Lottery jackpots of \$500,000 and \$200,000, respectively, appear with their boss, center manager Rick Brooks. Holt, whose winnings came via the Jumbo Bucks Scratcher game on December 21, at first put his ticket down after scratching it. To ensure his eyes were not deceiving him after a second glance at the ticket, he sought confirmation from Brooks, who then excitedly introduced his latest big winner via the public address system. Meanwhile, Jenkins, who allowed the computer to randomly select his numbers via the Easy Pick option, matched the first five numbers in the November 6 Powerball drawing and reacted calmly upon learning of his good fortune. Both gentlemen stated they planned to continue working at the center.



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Rachel Wilson displays her USBC ring earned for her perfect game rolled in the Wednesday Night Mixed league at AMF Capital Plaza earlier this year. ... Below, Ira Darden Jr. displays the USBC rings he earned for his 300 game and 812 series in the Family, Friends, & Neighbors league at Rinaldi's Riverdale.



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# PBA 2010-2011 EXEMPT PLAYERS

The maze of letters at right includes the last names of 51 of 52 current Professional Bowlers Association exempt players listed below. (Please note, however, that no name in the maze appears more than once.) The names are found vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. The solution appears [here](#).

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BRAD ANGELO  
DAVE ARNOLD  
CHRIS BARNES  
JASON BELMONTE  
DAVID BERES  
PARKER BOHN III  
NATHAN BOHR  
LENNIE BORESCH JR  
JEFF CARTER  
JOE CICCONE  
RYAN CIMINELLI

JASON COUCH  
DAVE D'ENTREMONT  
MIKE DEVANEY  
NORM DUKE  
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ANDRES GOMEZ  
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BRIAN VOSS  
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PETE WEBER  
STEVIE WEBER  
STUART WILLIAMS  
WALTER RAY WILLIAMS JR  
DANNY WISEMAN  
MIKE WOLFE  
JEFF ZAFFINO



## **Reactive urethane bowling balls ... Whom have they helped?**

Some bowlers—Walter Ray Williams Jr., Parker Bohn III, and Norm Duke, in particular—would stake their careers on reactive urethane balls, the ultimate power equalizer.

The dominance of today's power players might lead you to believe that this has always been thus, that inflated scores and drastic hooking forever have been a major aspect of bowling. However, that's simply not the case. In fact, the hook-shot artists of yesterday may well be seen on grainy tape today as straight-ball artists. The development of reactive bowling ball technology in the early 1990s changed the landscape of bowling more dramatically than any breakthrough that came before it.

Reactive bowling balls have enhanced the careers of many bowlers and in some cases penalized others. Bowling ball manufacturers employ high-tech engineers in their efforts to "build a better mousetrap." This is generally referred to as "progress." They have one goal in mind: creating superior offensive equipment.

The scientific advancements of new equipment have dramatically altered performances in practically every sport. In golf, players who drove tee shots beyond 300 yards were few and far between. George Bayer and Jim Dent, two of the biggest players on the PGA Tour, then later John Daly, were rare excep-

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tions. This feat was reserved for golfers who competed in long drive contests, which featured big, muscular players who only specialized in this phase of the game. Long drive contestants seldom made PGA tournament cuts.

During the past 15 years, however, golf club manufacturers have introduced equipment to add greater distance to drives. The club heads on modern drivers are much larger and are designed to

add anywhere from 30 to 50 yards to tee shots. These clubs have altered the golf game considerably and present less challenge to long hitters, particularly on par-5 holes.

For example, Tiger Woods is a virtual cinch to par, birdie, and quite often eagle a par-5 hole. As a matter of fact, on numerous occasions on long holes, Woods has used a 6 or 7-iron club for his second shot to the green.

Although Woods is a rare phenomenon, he isn't the only golfer who hits 300-yard drives. Phil Mickelson, Ernie Els, and numerous other PGA golfers routinely hit 300 to 310 yard tee shots. Even players on the Senior Tour are driv-

ing 30 to 50 yards farther than they did in their prime years.

In baseball, Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, and Barry Bonds were rewarded with huge contracts to send baseballs into orbit. How can anyone account for the rash of home runs in today's game? Although baseball moguls disavow all accusations of "juicing up" baseballs, there is also the steroids factor that has blemished the careers of McGwire, Bonds, Sosa, Jose Conseco, and Jason Giambi ... and recently, Alex Rodriguez.

And speaking of power-laden equipment, isn't it incredible that so many modern tennis players are serving tennis balls at speeds that far exceed 100 mph? This includes many female stars. Have tennis players improved that much? I think not. Much of it is due to scientifically improved equipment.

The same is even more significant on the PBA Tour, where statistics prove the vast improvement of some is primarily due to advanced equipment, particularly since the advent of reactive urethane bowling balls in 1991. Younger bowlers like Patrick Allen, Chris Barnes, Jason Couch, and Tommy Jones, all of whom have at least 10 titles, have been extremely successful in the reactive urethane era. They are products of the environment and have taken advantage of modern equipment to rise to the top of their profession. Consequently, we can-



## **Check Your Knowledge**

1. What is the new entry deadline date for the 2011 USBC Open Championships?
2. The National Bowling Stadium in Reno has how many lanes?
3. Can center management vote at a league meeting?
4. Merchandise prizes in an adult/youth league must not exceed this amount in value.
5. True or False: All players in a league be handicapped equally.
6. True or False: Only the offices of secretary and treasurer may be combined.
7. How many lanes has AMF Annandale?
8. This bowling center is located in Hyattsville, Maryland.
9. This area center recently hosted a PBA regional tournament.
10. The so-called "true tap" for a right-hander involves this pin.

*ANSWERS: 1. January 15, 2011; 2. 78; 3. Only if center personnel present is a league member; 4. \$500; 5. False; 6. True; 7. 48; 8. AMF Capital Plaza; 9. The Lanes Fort Meade; 10. 8-pin.*

not justifiably equate or measure their success against bowlers of the pre-reactive urethane era.

Nonetheless, the remarkable records of Parker Bohn III, Norm Duke, and Walter Ray Williams Jr. clearly demonstrate the incredible contrast in their performances since the advent of reactive bowling balls. Duke and Williams practically dominated the tour since 1991. Through the 2010 season, Duke and Williams have garnered 80 titles. Prior to the 1991 reactive urethane era, they only had six titles between them.

Duke is generally acknowledged as the most versatile player on tour today and is regarded by his peers as one of the toughest competitors in the game. However, from his initial year on tour in 1982 until 1990, he had only one title. Since reactive bowling balls were introduced, he amassed 32 titles in 18 years.

Williams had five titles in his first seven years on tour. Using reactive urethane equipment from 1991 until 2010, a period of 19 years, Walter Ray won 42 titles.

Parker Bohn III had five titles prior to the reactive urethane era. Since then, he has annexed 27 additional wins, despite the fact that he has slowed down considerably during the past few years.

Ryan Shafer is another player who has also benefited from reactive equipment. Although Ryan hasn't had the overall success of the three aforementioned bowlers on the PBA Tour, reactive balls have certainly enhanced his career. In his first 13 years on tour, until the year 2000, he was winless. Since then, he has a total of four titles. More important, however, he has taken his place among the more elite players on tour.

Do these statistics indicate all PBA players have benefited from reactive urethane balls?

Absolutely not! Overall, it was a detriment to bowlers like Marshall Holman, Amleto Monacelli, Wayne Webb, and players who had the ability to generate enough revolutions on the ball to separate themselves from players who relied solely on deadly accuracy.

On the other hand, it certainly prolonged the career of Tommy Baker, and, of course, the incredible success enjoyed by Norm Duke and Walter Ray Williams Jr. Additionally, reactive urethane balls have played an important role in the re-

cent success of Michael Haugen, a truly "straight shooter."

Pete Weber, possibly the best raw talent in the game and one of the greatest players ever, was somewhat victimized by reactive equipment. Weber, whose fluid release and devastating strike ball used to be the envy of his peers, won 15 titles in his first 11 years on tour before reactives were introduced. Pete amassed 20 more championships in his next 15 years, further establishing his incredible talent and versatility. Pete Weber has notched eight major titles, including four BPAA U.S. Open championships, two PBA World titles, and one Tournament of Champions title.

Although Weber hasn't been seriously hampered by urethane equipment, he has been unable to separate himself from those who rely on the modern missiles. Simply put, reactive urethane equipment has supplied other PBA players with enough firepower to equalize his natural ability.

Weber's talent has not diminished. He continues to score admirably as one of the most elite players on tour. His inability to continue to dominate as he did in the pre-urethane era cannot be attribut-

ed to any deficiency in his game. Weber's loss of supremacy is solely due to modern equipment that has elevated lesser players to his standards of performance.

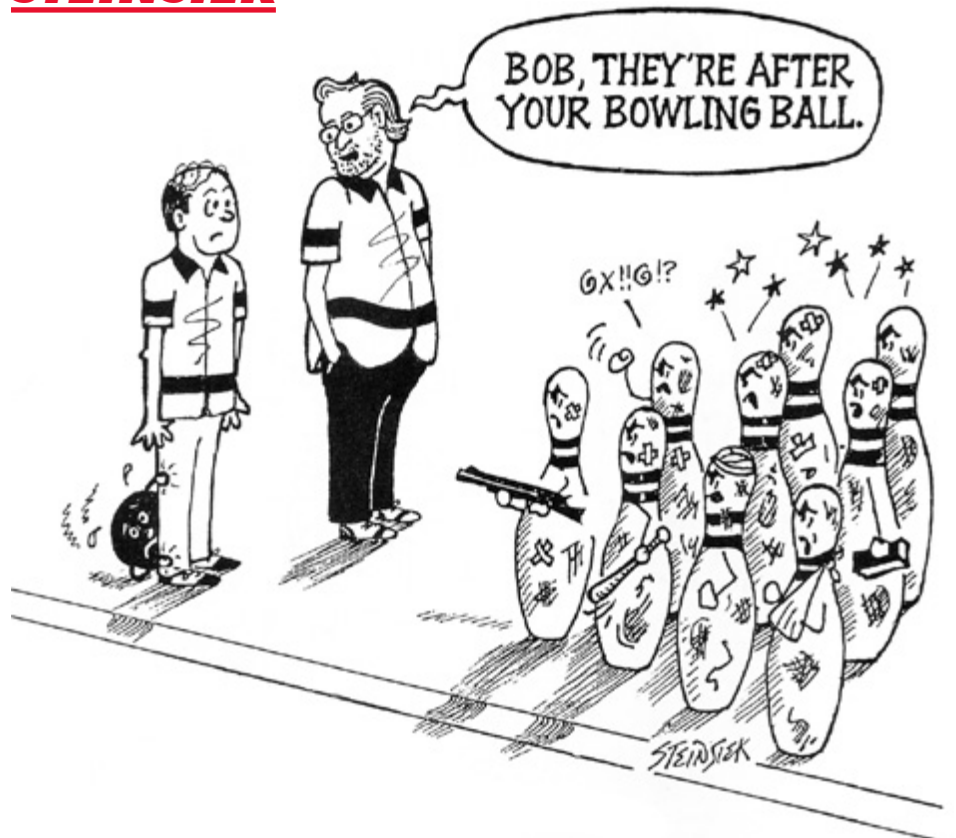
While Weber's record doesn't indicate the overwhelming discrepancy in titles and earnings between the pre- and post-urethane period, as is the case with Bohn, Duke, and Williams, it is a testimony to his outstanding skills. More important, if not for the numerous suspensions Weber had sustained, he could have well added to his substantial earnings and titles in the post-urethane era.

Additionally, Weber has been extremely unlucky in USBC Masters tournaments, due principally to the TV format that deprived him of two championships in this prestigious event—the most recent in 2000, when he led all bowlers and entered the TV show undefeated, only to lose in the one-game match on TV to Mika Koivuniemi 236-235.

Mike Aulby, never considered a power bowler, epitomized the pure stroker. Statistics clearly indicate that urethanes did nothing to enhance his career. Consider these facts: Aulby had 27 titles to his credit, with 19 of his victories earned

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## **STEINSIEK**





## ***Losing the full roller; dealing with wood; averaging 200***

**Q.** *I throw a full roller, and my coach wants me to change to a three-quarter roll ball. What are the advantages to the three-quarter roller?*

**A.** On today's conditions, the advantage is definitely with the three-quarter roll on the ball. First, it will hook more and finish harder. Plus, with the bowling balls of today, there are many different ball layouts that you can take advantage of.

With the full roller, there are about three. And most of the help you get from the three layouts just help to get the ball into a roll and keep it from rolling over any of the holes.

With the three-quarter roller, you can lay the ball out to start earlier or go longer, to roll quicker or later, and to finish stronger or to lay back.

If you are serious about getting better, listen to your coach and switch to the three-quarter roller release.

## **Wood lanes are softer than synthetic lanes, so the first thing you may notice is more overall hook.**

**Q.** *I am traveling to a tournament where wood lanes are still in use. I have never bowled on wood lanes. What should I watch for?*

**A.** Wood lanes are softer than synthetic lanes, so the first thing you may notice is more overall hook.

You also will notice in most all-wood lanes that they have head problems. The heads take a beating and get to the point where oil will not stay on the heads. This will cause the ball to hook much earlier and eat up energy quicker, leading to less back-end reaction. Be sure and have a weaker cover ball with you just in case.

You will also tend to want to use higher polished balls in a wood lane center. Your goal is to get the ball through the heads and retain energy for the hit.

**Q.** *This is my third year of bowling, and I have an average of 192. I have been practicing and getting lessons trying to get my average up to 200, but I just seem to fall short. How do I get over the 200-average hump?*

**A.** First, let me tell you what you are doing right: lessons and practice. Good for you. Some bowlers in your average category don't seem to think they need lessons. This is false; we all could use lessons from time to time no matter our average or experience. Practice is a must if you want to gain confidence and accuracy.

But back to your primary question: For the next two or three weeks when you go practice or bowl league, keep a log. In the log, make a note of your errant shots, especially spares you have missed.

See if you find a pattern, such as how many times you miss the headpin or go high. What spares you are missing? See if they might be the same spares. You then will get an idea of where you are in the game.

My best guess is you are missing some spares a bowler at 190-plus should not miss. Then you can work on these in practice.

There is no magic bullet for averaging 200. The secret is making all of your spares and get one double a game and you average 200. In your case, one more spare a game and your average is 202.





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prior to the advent of reactive urethane balls, almost the opposite of Duke's and Williams's track records.

Earl Anthony, arguably the greatest bowler ever, won all but two of his 41 regular tour titles and seven senior titles without reactive urethane balls. Anthony, whose forte was effortless accuracy, was never totally comfortable with the hard-hooking reactives. Players who took advantage of powerful equipment were suddenly able to bowl at Anthony's superior level.

Wayne Webb is among a select few bowlers with 20 or more titles. He joined the tour in 1977, and in a span of 13 years, from 1977 to 1990, won 17 titles. In the ensuing 11 years since the introduction of reactive urethanes, Webb won only three titles. However, he has resurrected his career on the Senior Tour and recently emerged as the Senior Bowler of the Year.

David Husted, who retired from the tour to take over his family business, annexed 14 titles in his career, including the U.S. Open three times. All but five titles were recorded prior to the reactive urethane era.

Ron Palombi Jr. captured six titles, including the PBA National and the U.S. Open. Palombi, possessor of one of the most potent strike balls of his era, had such difficulty with reactive equipment that he not only quit the tour, he gave up the game completely.

Del Ballard Jr. has 13 titles to his credit, including a U.S. Open, a Firestone Tournament of Champions, and a USBC Masters crown. Nine of these titles were recorded prior to the reactive urethane era.

Rick Steelsmith, who entered the pro ranks as one of the most promising talents since Marshall Holman, made a sensational debut in 1987, winning \$38,745 in just 15 tournaments. Sadly, Rick sustained a disastrous shoulder injury in his 15<sup>th</sup> tournament, an injury that altered his entire career.

Steelsmith's greatest asset prior to his injury was a smooth, effortless armswing that unleashed one of the most powerful strike shots ever thrown on the PBA Tour. He was sidelined for over two years and never fully recovered from the shoulder in-

jury, which made him overly cautious in releasing in his natural manner and forced him to alter his delivery.

Although his scoring ability wasn't totally hampered, Steel-smith, like Weber, was victimized by reactive urethanes that enabled his opponents to match his powerful delivery and his scores—so much, in fact, he was demoralized and eventually gave up the tour.

In view of all these statistics, which players have benefited the most from reactive urethane balls? The numbers don't lie! They are etched in stone. Coincidentally or otherwise, Norm

## **Coincidentally or otherwise, Norm Duke and Walter Ray Williams Jr. have substantially enhanced their careers with reactive urethane equipment.**

Duke and Walter Ray Williams Jr. have substantially enhanced their careers with reactive urethane equipment.

Below are figures showing the number of titles for certain player prior to and after reactive balls hit the tour in the 1991 season.

<b>Bowler</b>	<b>Titles Prior</b>	<b>Titles After</b>
Walter Ray Williams Jr.	5	38
Norm Duke	1	32
Parker Bohn III	5	27
Pete Weber	15	20
Ryan Shafer	0	4

*John Jowdy, a past president of the Bowling Writers Association of America, is a member of the PBA and USBC Halls of Fame.*

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# Our Back Pages

## 5 Years Ago

- [Donny Carr](#) wins the PBA Senior South Region Senior Alexandria Open at U.S. Bowling.
- [Stacey Gonzales](#) is the subject of the *BOWL Magazine* Interview.
- In the “Mini-Bio,” [Chhoeun To](#) reveals that he would invite Earl Anthony, Pete Weber, and Tiger Woods to his house for dinner.

## 10 Years Ago

- Hall of Famer [Ron Holt](#) discloses that he’s a “Trekkie” and “I know every episode.”
- Hall of Famer Larry Wallace tops the Gold Pin listings with his then-record 869 association series at AMF Fredericksburg.

## 15 Years Ago

- The Sports Plus/Carmen Don Pro Shop conducts a bowling ball Christmas tree contest to benefit youth bowling.
- “The Strike Zone” columnist Scott Bailey reports the three most important factors to ball reaction are ball surface, ball construction, and drill pattern.
- In his *BOWL Magazine Interview*, Richard Wolfe chooses Larry Lichstein, Johnny Petraglia, and Joe Hutchinson as the most interesting people with whom to talk.

## 20 Years Ago

- A. Jane Timmons is WDCAWBA’s No. 1-ranked bowler for 1989-1990 with a 198.1660 composite average.
- Jim Lewis captures the R.J. Reynolds Southern PBA Regional Tournament in Havelock, N.C.
- “Shop Talk” columnist [Jerry Francomano](#) states there will be more two-piece bowling balls in the future.

## 25 Years Ago

- A 749 series at Bowl America Duke by Prentice Meredith leads the Gold Pin listing.
- Dave Stutzman advises that bowlers should make sure their bowling ball fits perfectly—and to settle for nothing less.
- Association Secretary Bob Hennessy notes the early-season intra-league bickering and asks: *Why can’t bowlers get along with each other?*

## 30 Years Ago

- A “Family Fun Day” is held at Bowl America Shirley to promote the upcoming 1980 Women’s Professional Bowlers Association National Championship.
- Ray Shackelford (211 average) and Andy Werner (207) are the only local bowlers to make the Virginia State All Star Team.

## 35 Years Ago

- The first privately owned area bowling center in 10 years begins to take shape in Calvert County, Maryland—soon to be Lord Calvert Bowl.
- Jimmy Lizzio, 137 average, earns the first-ever Century patch in the Vir-Mar District JBA for his 254 game in the *BOWL Magazine* Adult-Youth Tournament at Silver Spring Bowl.
- Vinny Mullally leads the men with a 192 average in the Suburbanites Mixed league at Annandale.

## 40 Years Ago

- The “Party Goers” fivesome of Barry Wallace, Carole Cross, Laura Carver, Gayle Row, and Tom Carver win the *BOWL Magazine* Tournament.
- Fair Lanes Inc., announces “an area-wide search for an attractive girl to be known as ‘[Miss Fair Lanes 1971](#).’”
- Editor Hal Davis asks readers their reaction to the proposed name change from “Washington City Tenpin Bowling Association” to “Nation’s Capital Area Bowling Association.”

## Women’s pro bowling to be honored at Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame

ARLINGTON, Texas – The new International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame (IBM/HF) is proud to announce that it will add a new exhibit to the museum that pays tribute to the history of women’s professional bowling. The exhibit will be unveiled during the International Bowl Expo and USBC Convention, which will be held in Arlington, Tex., during the last week in June 2011.

A committee has been formed to develop the contents of the exhibit as well as to raise funds to build it. Jim Goodwin, president of the Bowling News Network and publisher of *Stars & Strikes Bowling Newsmagazine* has been named chairman. Goodwin worked with the Ladies Pro Bowlers Tour and the Professional Women’s Bowling Association for 20 years. Public relations expert Joan Romeo, owner of The Marketing Team agency, will handle the fund-raising and promotions aspect of the project. Joan’s two daughters, Robin and Tori, are former pro tour players. Robin is in the PWBA and USBC Halls of Fame.

Former LPBT & PWBA Tour Director and Historian Fran Deken will be an invaluable member of the team in recording the history and making sure all the right people are honored. Former PWBA owner and museum trustee John Sommer, who operated and financed the LPBT and PWBA for 22 years from 1981-2003, will contribute his time, effort, and expertise to the project. Deken and Sommer are also members of the PWBA and USBC Halls of Fame.

“50 Years of Women’s Pro Bowling” will occupy a prominent place within the new museum and become a permanent part of bowling’s incredible history for all visitors to explore year round. The IBM/HF occupies 18,000 square feet of the International Bowling Campus, which is also the home for the United States Bowling Congress, the Bowling Proprietors’ Association of America, the International Training and Research Center, and many more related organizations that make up bowling’s headquarters.

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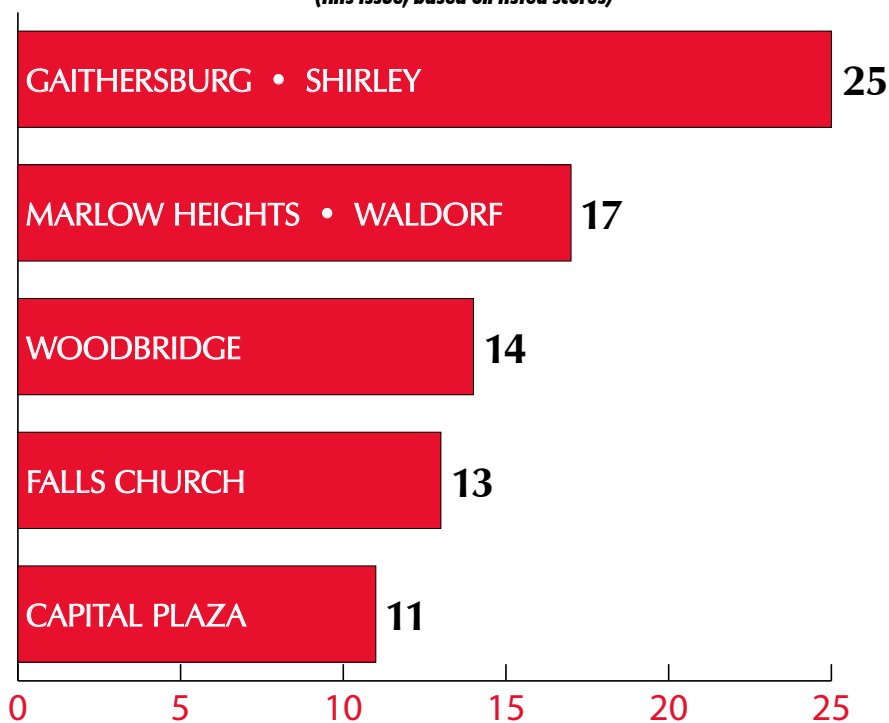
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- Keating, Tyler A - GB007 (2)
- Kelly, Johnny E - GB005
- Khounesavath, Phouvilay - DR002
- Lambert, Rodney S - CR023
- Limtrakul, Pera - GB007
- Lopez, Geovel A - FC002
- Lydic, Richard M - MAS01
- Maloof, John R Jr - PX007
- [Manolis, Michael J](#) - FC003
- Marshall, William J - PK005
- Martin, Charles E - LC009 / SL011 (3)
- Martin, Wes C - SL002
- McClaney, Lyndell J - CA010 / CAS01
- McLane, Michael A - LC007
- McLane, Thomas A - WA017
- McNulty, Mark - MQ002
- Mei, Vince - DR002
- Mendoza, Rafael C - SL002
- Mershon, Frank H III - GB011
- Michael, Brandon R - CV002
- Middleton, Bobby G Jr - SL001 / WA003  
WA004
- Miskell, Neal P - WA003
- Moore, Gary M - SL001
- Moore, Timothy K - CR007
- Moton, E Maurice Sr - MH027
- Moton, Melvin W - RDS04
- Neal, David A - RD002
- [Nelson, Marcus D](#) - CA014 / CAS01
- Noel, Grover R III - WB003
- Payne, Carlos A - RD006
- Payne, Ronald D - PK010
- Pritchard, Jason K - DC008
- Prukop, Steven J - SL010
- Ragland, Joe E - WB011
- Ramos, Carlos M - BE010
- Reinhart, Thomas W - GB011
- Reuther, James F - GB011
- Ritter, James H - GB012
- Rivers, Ronald L Sr - CR008
- Robinson, Thomas E - SL010
- Rockwell, William O Jr - DR005
- Rowe, Robert III - CR007
- Rowley, Roger D - BR012
- Ryan, Susan M - SL021

# HONOR SCORE CENTERS

(this issue, based on listed scores)



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# NCAUSBCA LEAGUE BOWLERS



**RICHARD BROWN JR.**  
WALDORF, MD



**JOHN CURENTON**  
WASHINGTON, D.C.



**JAN MICHAEL**  
SPRINGFIELD, VA



**PHIL RICHARDSON**  
FAIRFAX STATION, VA



**LAWRENCE WASHINGTON**  
DISTRICT HEIGHTS, MD

	<i>First job I ever had</i>	<i>Task I hate to do</i>	<i>You might be surprised to learn I like ....</i>	<i>No. 1 pet peeve</i>	<i>Worst habit</i>	<i>I'd like to know more about ....</i>	<i>Top interest outside of bowling</i>	<i>Best thing about bowling</i>
	IT (information technology) intern position at AT&T	Cut grass	To cook	Being late	Not being able to say "no" at times	The history of Jim Crow	IT research	Being able to meet
	Delivering the <i>Washington Star</i> when I was 13	I have no dislikes	Fishing	People complaining	Fighting	Photography	Spending time with my wife	Having fun and meeting new people
	I worked in the claims department at Blue Cross/Blue Shield	Trim bushes	To line dance	Things out of place	I've been accused of over-analyzing everything	How to bowl consistently	My music—I play piano and violin	Being a part of a team and a league
	Mowing grass for the City Council in England during the summer	Watering shrubs	Madonna	Loud music in bowling centers	Staying up too late	Throwing a hook ball	I play senior softball	Hanging out with other bowlers
	McDonald's	Wash dishes	Being married	People putting hands in my face	Eating too much salt	How to play the saxophone	Golf	Striking!

(BROWN, CURENTON, AND WASHINGTON PHOTOS BY RONALD MCGREGOR)

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## Calendar of Events

### JANUARY

**15** – Junior Gold (Mini) Tournament at Bowl America Shirley.  
**16** – Youth 600 Club Doubles Tournament at Bowl America Dranesville.  
**22** – Red Eye Tournament at Bowl America Bull Run.  
**22-23, 29-30, Feb. 6** – NCAUSBCA Youth Scratch Invitational (Round 1: B/A Gaithersburg; Round 2: B/A Woodbridge; Round 3: Rinaldi's Riverdale; Round 4: Village Lanes; Finals: B/A Fairfax).

### FEBRUARY

**12** – Bowl for the Cure® event at Bowl America Shirley.  
**12** – Junior Gold (Major) Tournament at Bowl America Bull Run.  
**19** – NCAUSBCA 4th Annual Adult & Youth Sports Day at Bowl America Shirley.  
**20** – Youth 600 Club Singles Tourney.  
**26** – NCAUSBCA Scratch Mixed Doubles Tournament at Bowl America Shirley.  
**27** – NCAUSBCA Annual Meeting at Bowl America Gaithersburg.

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## Tournament Roundup

**PBA South Region Waynesboro, Va., Over / Under Doubles, Waynesboro, Va.** (Jeff Bellinger, Columbia, S.C., & Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$3,200) – 8, Richard Holmes Sr., Luray, Va., & Richard Holmes Jr., Midland, Va., \$1,100; 10, Garry Breedon, Manassas, Va., & Richard Wolfe, Culpeper, Va., \$880.

**NCAUSBCA Youth 600 Club Winter Singles Tournament at Bowl America Woodbridge** – 1, Rodney Eckles, Fairfax, Va. (754), \$100 (scholarship); 2, Jason Eman, Springfield, Va. (685), \$60; 3, Ryan Anders, Dunkirk, Md., (671), \$40. ... Other Tournament of Champions qualifiers: Nick Hardy, Huntingtown, Md., (625); previous qualifier Robert Alston, Bowie (613); and Douglas Tyler, Suitland (585).

**NCAUSBCA Youth 600 Club Fall Doubles at AMF Dale City** – 1, Malcolm James (750) & Michael Simpson (685), Woodbridge, Va., 1,435, \$120 (scholarship); 2, Brandon Holloway, Fairmont Heights, Md., (613) & Tyler Brooks, Brandywine, Md., (596), 1,209, \$60. ... Wittney Myers, Woodbridge, Va., (597) also qualified for the Tournament of Champions.

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## MINI-BIO, from page 10

**NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION I CAN NEVER KEEP:** Stop making New Year's resolutions

**TASK I HATE TO DO:** Laundry

**SUBJECT ABOUT WHICH I'D LIKE TO KNOW MORE:** Investing / stock market

**TALENT I WOULD MOST LIKE TO HAVE:** To be a Major League pitcher

**THREE FAMOUS PEOPLE (LIVING OR DEAD) I'D INVITE TO MY HOME FOR DINNER:** Ben Franklin, Thomas Edison, and Orville Redenbacher—just kidding—and Henry Ford.

**NUMBER ONE PET PEEVE:** Athletes that take steroids and then make up a million excuses.

**ONE WORD THAT BEST DESCRIBES ME:** Dependable

**BIGGEST PERSONAL REGRET:** Never went to college—only went to a trade school

**NOBODY KNOWS I'M GOOD AT:** Cooking

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## AWARDS, from page 20

Saah, Fred W - SLS07  
Scurlock, Thomas J - MA001  
Smith, Dennis G - WB020  
Smith, James L - WB011  
Smith, Melvin L Jr - WB019  
[Spriggs, Ernest W](#) - LA014 / PK005  
Stein, Carl V - GB011  
Strickland, Michael - PK005  
Szymanski, Kenneth J - WB011  
Taylor, James L - MH027  
Tizol, Antonio - DR007  
To, Chhoeun - FC002 (2) / FC003  
Tsugawa, James J - AD004 / AD009  
Tull, Larry E - FC011  
[Turner, Gregory L](#) - CA014 / PK005  
Tyler, Barry R - MH027  
Walsh, Daniel A Jr - WA012  
[Warboy, Michael J](#) - CR023  
[Ward, Christopher D](#) - WA004  
Waters, William E - WA020  
Wiley, Terry A - FC003  
Wilhelm, Adrain J - MA001  
Wilkins, Kevin L - PK021  
Wilson, Jeffery A - MA001  
Wilson, John A - WB001  
Wong, Wylie - GB018  
Woodson, Benjamin A Jr - CY015  
Yost, Martin E - LC014

\* = NCAUSBCA Senior Tournament



Director Rick Ketchie (right) presents a USBC 300 ring to Carl Carter for his fourth career perfect game rolled November 3 in the Blue Ridge Mixed league at Bowl America Bull Run. Carter, 67, a resident of Sterling, Va., started bowling in 1994 and tossed his first perfecto just two years later.

# 66th Annual Nation's Capital Area USBC Association Women's Championship Tournament



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Phone: 301/499-1693 x102 • E-mail: [asstmgr@ncausbca.org](mailto:asstmgr@ncausbca.org)

This tournament is certified with the United States Bowling Congress

**Place:**  
**Bowl America Shirley**  
**6450 Edsall Road**  
**Alexandria, VA 22312**  
**703/354-3300**

**Date: February 19, 2011**

**Time: 1:00 p.m.**

*To promote athletic participation for men, women, and boys & girls of all ages*

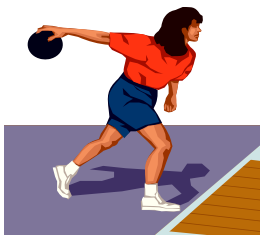
**Bowling Tournament**  
**Free Lunch**  
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The tournament consists of two scratch Scotch Doubles games bowled by teams of one youth (20 and under) and one adult. Adult cost is \$14.00 (youths bowl free).

# **NCAUSBCA 4th Annual Adult & Youth Sports Day**

**Reservations required;  
call 301/499-1693**

*(Walk-Ins accepted only if lanes are available)*





### **12:30 p.m. Registration \***

Teams will be placed in divisions based on the youth's age.

Pee Wees	5 and under
Bantams	6 to 8 years old
Preps	9 to 11 years old
Juniors	12 to 14 years old
Majors	15 to 20 years old

### **1:00 p.m. Bowling starts**

Two games of Scotch Doubles. The youth rolls the first ball of the frame; the adult rolls the second ball to pick up the spare. If the youth strikes, the adult does not bowl that frame.

Please list only the youth's name and age on the score sheet provided for your lane along with your combined total.

Bonus: When a youth bowls his/her first strike, he/she may visit the bonus area to choose a prize.

### **2:30 p.m. Refreshments**

Hot dogs, chips, soda, and cake for all participants.

### **3:00 p.m. Awards Ceremony**

\* Registration is \$14.00 per team.





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