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Welcome!

Welcome to the inaugural edition of the CT BOWLER'S CHRONICLE. It is another service CTUSBC will provide state bowlers for the dues they pay. If you have ideas or suggestions for future issues contact the editor at (marshagilbert@snet.net).



2011 OPEN TOURNAMENT SITE CHANGED

The 2011 CTUSBC Open Tournament site for April had to be changed due to the roof collapse during this winter's record snow accumulations at the center it was to be held in. (See photo above.)

The lanes originally selected and unfortunately destroyed was South Windsor Ten Pin (SWTP) one of 14 bowling centers in the Greater Central Connecticut USBC (GCC) which was hosting the 2011 event. Luckily no bowlers or staff members were inside due to the wise discretion of the owner's concern with the stability of the roof after heavy snows. CTUSBC directors quickly convened and chose an alternate GCC establishment from others who had previously bid on the tournament. The center chosen was Super Bowl Lanes in Plantsville, CT. The state association apologizes for any inconvenience that occurred to bowlers. They send their heartfelt condolences to SWTP who plan to rebuild a new center at their old location. This was truly a tragedy for all involved!

ANY BOWLER CAPABLE OF WINNING HANDICAP TOURNAMENTS



The lovely young lady pictured above is 22 year old Karlin Klucznik, of Wethersfield, CT. Why is she featured? She's proof that any bowler is capable of winning a handicap tournament – even a state title – with a low average. She is last year's winner of the 2010 CTUSBC Open Handicap Tournament that was held at Nutmeg Bowl in Fairfield, CT. We are pleased to relate her story to those lower average bowlers who complain about paying state dues because the state has nothing to offer them. Well how about some big bucks?!

Karlin, the first female to win the Open Singles event (open to both men and women), took home \$700 for the win and about \$200 more with cashes in other events. She only started bowling in August of 2009 and averaged just 122. It was her first tournament! The money will help her pay expenses at Central Connect State University where she is a bio chemistry major. The win inspired her to improve her game with the help of her boyfriend, Don McKeith, who came up through the junior ranks. She is now averaging 177!

If you enter CT State tournaments— whatever you average, age or gender – maybe we'll see your picture here next!

CTUSBC REMAINING SCHEDULE (clip and save)

- Apr. 2, 3, 9, 10, 16 & 17-CTUSBC Open Tournament at Super Bowl Lanes in Plantsville, CT
- May 7, 14, 15, 21 & 22- CTUSBC Women's Tournament at Saybrook Lanes in Old Saybrook, CT
- June 26-CTUSBC Annual Meeting & Awards Luncheon-Fantasia's-North Haven, CT

We remind bowlers to follow dress codes & rules for all events to avoid disqualification.

TOURNAMENT INFO

CTUSBC State Championship Tournaments have scratch and handicap divisions. Categories include singles, doubles, team and all events. Check applications for all rules, fees and a postmark deadline. Be sure to adhere to them. They'll be strictly enforced. It's the team captain's responsibility to inform members of all rules and dress codes before coming to an event to bowl. CTUSBC officers and directors will be checking for dress code violations so please check with your team captain to make sure that you meet all qualifications. Do not risk being disqualified. The officials have put in a lot of hard work and effort into making these events enjoyable for you and other bowlers. Ladies, because of USBC rules, you have the opportunity that the men don't – to bowl in 2 state championship events. Take advantage of this. Seniors, if you're 55 and older you can compete in our Senior Tournament held every fall. Remember all applications for CTUSBC tournaments can be found on our web site and downloaded (ctstateusbcassociation.org) if not available at your local centers.

New CT Hall of Fame Inductees Announced

Pictured below are the five new CT bowlers chosen to be inducted at the CTUSBC Hall of Fame and Awards Dinner to be held on Oct. 15th, 2011, at the Gallery in Glastonbury. Reserve your tickets early by contacting Sue Kogelis, Association Manager. (ctstateassociation@yahoo.com)

Paul DiMauro-Meritorious Service



Paul is GCC's Association Manager, a director, a GCC Hall of Fame and Lifetime member. He is a past CCBA President and was a CSBA director. He's in the Northeast Council Hall of Fame and has been a CT State and National Delegate many times.

Linda Halloway-Combined-Meritorious/Superior Performance



Linda is a GCC board member and past GHWBA, 600 Club and TNBA President and Lifetime GHWBA member. She has won local and CWBA scratch titles, awards, honor scores and a National WIBC title. She's in GCC's Hall of Fame for Bowling Ability.

John Myers-Superior Performance



John's in GCC's Hall of Fame for Bowling Ability. He's twice won CCBA's Bowler of the Year and both local and CSBA scratch titles. He's rolled three 800 series, eight 300 games and over one hundred 700 series. He has a NEBA title.

Chris Rebstock-Superior Performance



Chris bowls in both GCC and NHCUSBC Associations and is in both Halls of Fame for Bowling Ability. He has won many scratch titles in both and in CSBA, too. He has 14 NEBA titles, 3 NEBA Bowler of the Year titles and 2 in NHCBA.

Joel Reichin-Meritorious Service



Joel is in the GDUSBCA Hall of Fame for both Bowling Ability and Meritorious Service. He's currently 1st Vice-President of the CTUSBC as well as being the Association Manager for the GDUSBCA and a former director on the CSBA Board.



This is 18 year old Ryan Graywacz of Windsor Locks, CT who just established a new CT State Junior Record for rolling an outstanding 874 series on Jan. 15, 2011, in the Bradley Bowl Junior Match Play League in Windsor Locks. He began with a 300, and rounded out his set with games of 277 and 297. Ryan attends Western New England College in Springfield, MA where he is a freshman business major and bowls on his College Bowling Team. He was using a Columbia 300 Complete Bedlam Ball drilled by Norm Major of Lichstein's Precision Pro Shop. CTUSBC congratulates this young man on his fantastic accomplishment!



Congratulations to Caitlin McCaw, 24, of West Hartford, CT who recently shot an amazing 3 game set of 767 in the Laurel Women's Sport League, the first of its kind in the nation, at Laurel Lanes in Plainville, CT. This handicap doubles league has 24 members from 3 different CT local associations with 26 additional subs. They bowl 4 games every other Sunday afternoon. Caitlin had games of 222, 279 and 266 for the first 3 games and completed the 4th game with a 227 for a 994 on Jan. 30, 2011. The following session (Feb.6) she almost duplicated the feat with games of 259, 279, 216 (a 764 three game series) and a 206 for a 960. A week after that she shot a 290 game, all rolled on the Scorpion pattern. The league encourages any woman bowler from all local associations who enjoy a challenge to join as a regular or a sub!