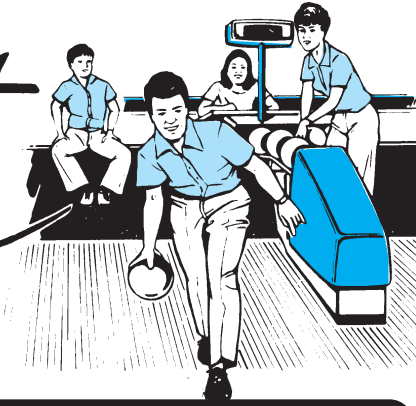


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Metro Detroit USBC Announces All-City Teams for 2011-12 Season

The Metro Detroit USBC Association (MDUSBC) has named their All City teams for the 2011-12 season. The teams include men's, women's, senior men's and senior women's teams based on tournament and league performance from June 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012. A complete list of criteria is available upon request.

Christopher Nielson of Livonia, Nicole Edwards of Sterling Heights, Charles Graddick Jr. of

Detroit, Nancy Dietrich of Clinton Township and Melinda Hylton of Taylor are captains of the men's, women's, senior men's and senior women's teams, respectively.

Christopher Nielson was named captain of the men's All-City team. He earned 94 points from placing 10th in the MDUSBC Masters, winning the MDUSBC Doubles with Nathan Adams, third in MDUSBC All-Events, sixth from MDUSBC in Michigan State

Doubles with Ken Kossick and fifth from MDUSBC in Michigan State All-Events. He also had four 300 games, one 299 game, three 800 series (with an 849 high) and a high average of 240. This is his first appearance on the team.

Rounding out the men's first team are Craig Nidiffer of Trenton (89), Corey Miller of Grand

Blanc (86 1/2), Scott Bowersock of Dearborn Heights (83) and David Ewald of Macomb (81). Nidiffer placed third in the MDUSBC Masters, was eighth from MDUSBC in the Michigan State Masters, ninth from MDUSBC in Michigan State Doubles with Jeffrey Roche, third
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Amleto Monacelli Wins Etonic PBA Senior U.S. Open in Vegas

Professional Bowlers Association Hall-of-Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, won the 2012 Etonic PBA Senior U.S. Open to become the first international player to win a PBA Senior Tour title.

The 50-year-old Monacelli defeated fellow Hall-of-Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr., 255-247, in the championship match at the Suncoast Bowling Center in his Senior U.S. Open debut and the third tournament of his Senior Tour rookie season.

Monacelli, a 19-time winner on the PBA Tour, withstood a challenge from Williams who could have won with two strikes in the 10th frame of the title match. Williams struck on the first ball but left a 10-pin on the second shot.

For Williams, the PBA Tour's all-time titles leader with 47 wins, it was a bittersweet result as he finished as runner-up for the second consecutive year. But Williams felt fortunate to be the top qualifier for the stepladder finals after nearly being eliminated from the tournament after the third qualifying round, finishing in a tie for 45th, just 35 pins above the cut.

In the semifinal match, Monacelli defeated PBA Tour veteran Mike Edwards of Tulsa, bowling in his Senior Tour debut, 235-225, to advance to the title match. In the opening stepladder match, Edwards defeated Hall-of-Famer Wayne Webb of Columbus, Ohio, who was trying to become the Senior U.S. Open's first three-time winner, 268-244. Webb also finished fourth in the 2011 Senior U.S. Open.

The Senior Tour moves across town for the season's second major, the USBC Senior Masters, June 10-15 at the South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

IN THE NEWS

7th Annual 'Bowl-4-Animal Rescue' at Country Lanes

The seventh annual Bowl-4-Animal Rescue is set for Saturday, Aug. 11, 2012 at Country Lanes in Farmington Hills.

The event, which features bowling, Red Robin food, music, auctions, raffles and karaoke, kicks off at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit the "Friends For the Dearborn Animal Shelter" and the "Michigan Animal Adoption Network." The event has raised nearly \$100,000 during its first six years.

According to event organizers Michelle Mullen and Aleta Sill, "Whether you bowl or not, you can still help animals in need by becoming a sponsor, making a donation, donating an auction item or by getting pledges from family, friends and co-workers."

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The North Pointe Junior Gold Championships will take place at Sunnybrook Lanes and Sterling Lanes, both in Sterling Heights, and AMF Rose Bowl in Roseville from July 13-19, 2013.

All three sites will host qualifying rounds with the match-play rounds of the tournament taking place at Sunnybrook Lanes, which will serve as the host center.

Sterling Lanes will be the site for the USBC Youth Open Championships, scheduled for July 11-28, 2013.

The Detroit area last played host to the events in 2008.

The North Pointe Junior Gold Championships was created in 2011 by the merger of the USBC Junior Gold Championships and the BPAA North Pointe High School Singles Championships into one event.

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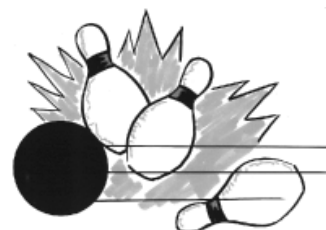
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Rule Changes May Affect Upcoming Season

METRODETROIT USBC NEWS

By Association Manager
Mark A. Martin

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• THERE ARE three new rule changes that may affect league operations in the 2012-13 season.

USBC Rule 113b and USBC Rule 113c under Procedures and Special Contests requires that games bowled in a playoff or special contest to count toward averages.

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USBC Rule 118b under How Established allows the league board of directors to adjust a player's average upward during the season with a two-thirds vote.

USBC Rule 120 under Position Rounds will default to total pins plus handicap to be used to break ties for position matches for handicap leagues unless a league has a rule otherwise.
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ALL-CITY TEAMS NAMED

• Congratulations to the recently named Metro Detroit USBC Association All-City Teams. It is an honor that is well deserved by all who achieved the distinction.
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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS ANNOUNCED

• Effective June 11 the MDUSBC office hours for the summer will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. The office will be closed on Wednesday.
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AWARDS RECEPTION

The Metro Detroit USBC Association will conduct their adult awards ceremony at DeCarlo's Banquet Center on Tuesday, June 19.

Dinner will be served first, buffet style, from 5:30 until 7 p.m. followed by the awards presentations.

Tickets are available for \$15 by calling the Association office at (888) 753-6350.

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EVENT LOCATIONS FOR 2012-13 SEASON

• The 2012-2013 season promises to be very busy with 11 tournaments on the schedule. Bowling tournaments can be very rewarding so you should plan your schedule around some of our events.

The MDUSBC Adult / Youth Tournament will be held Sunday, Oct. 7 and Oct. 14 with two squads each day at Universal Lanes in Warren. Parents, this is a great opportunity to do something with your kids.

The MDUSBC Junior Masters will be contested Saturday, Oct. 27 at Classic Lanes in Rochester Hills. If you are a youth bowler, why not step up to the challenge and bowl against the best in our association in this scratch event?

For those over the age of 60, the MDUSBC Super Senior Masters will take place Nov. 3-4 at Mayflower Lanes in Redford. This scratch event is open to all members of the association 60 years of age and older.

The ever popular MDUSBC Queens will be held on Sunday, Dec. 2 at Universal Lanes in Warren. This scratch event features the best female bowlers in the association with six games of qualifying and match play.

The MDUSBC 500 Club tournament is a fun time for women bowlers in our association and will take place on Sunday, Dec. 9 at 300 Bowl in Waterford. The only requirement is that the female bowler must have bowled a 500 series in her lifetime and be ready to have a good time.

Once the calendar turns over to 2013 the action really heats up.

The MDUSBC Youth City Tournament will take place on Sundays in January and February at Cherry Hill Lanes in Dearborn Heights.

One of the premier events in our association will be held in January, when the MDUSBC Masters is held at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park. This event runs two weekends with 10 games of qualifying on the first weekend and match play the second weekend. This is an event that every top bowler in our association points to and

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from MDUSBC in Michigan State Singles and third overall in Michigan State All-Events. He recorded a high average of 238, posted four 300 games and two 800 series (with a high of 817). He is making his fourth appearance.

Miller is making his rookie appearance after placing second in the MDUSBC Masters, fourth in MDUSBC Singles and tied for seventh in MDUSBC All-Events. Three 300 games, one 299 game, five 800 series (with 845 high) and a high average of 238 completed his resume.

Bowersock finished 11th in the MDUSBC Masters, seventh in MDUSBC Doubles with Edward Mintz, second in MDUSBC Singles and sixth in MDUSBC All-Events. He had four 300 games, four 800 series with (848 high) and a high average of 240 in making the team for the second time.

Ewald is making his 11th appearance. He finished in ninth in the MDUSBC Masters, is first from MDUSBC in the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) Doubles with Nick Wissinger and is second from

MDUSBC in the USBC All-Events. His high average of 237 was complemented by four 300 games and three 800 series (with 879 high).

Jeffrey Austreng of Waterford Township (73), Jeffrey Edwards of Sterling Heights (73), Ryan VanHecke of Sterling Heights (73), Rick Capaldi of Canton (72) and John Kelley of Sterling Heights (70) were named to the second team. Newcomers VanHecke, Capaldi and Kelly joined veterans Austreng and Edwards.

Pacing the women's All-City team is Nicole Edwards of Sterling Heights, who tallied 127 points. She finished fourth in the MDUSBC Queens, first in MDUSBC Doubles with Kimberly Maddy, fourth in MDUSBC Singles, second in MDUSBC All-Events, second overall in Michigan State Doubles with Kimberly Maddy, second from MDUSBC in Michigan State Singles and second overall in Michigan State All-Events. She also had a high game of 299, high series of 768 and high average of 218 in earning her fourth appearance on the team.

Michelle Ewald of Clinton Township

(73), Erin Williams of Warren (71), Kimberly Maddy of Utica (54) and Sonja Butler of Detroit (51 1/2) join Edwards on the women's first team.

Ewald was third from MDUSBC in the Michigan Queens, eighth in the MDUSBC Queens and first overall in the Michigan State Doubles with Lisa Bishop. Her high game was 300, high series of 760 and high average of 217. She is appearing for the 11th time on the team.

Williams finished ninth in the MDUSBC Queens, ninth in MDUSBC Doubles with Sonja Butler and third overall in the Michigan State Doubles with Sonja Butler. She had four 300 games, a high series of 803 and high average of 223. This is her third all-city selection.

Maddy is appearing for the third time on the strength of a 13th-place finish in the MDUSBC Queens, first in MDUSBC Doubles with Nicole Edwards and second overall in Michigan State Doubles with Nicole Edwards. Additionally her high series was 750 and high average 214.

Butler joins the team for the third time after finishing ninth in the MDUSBC Doubles with Erin Williams, sixth in MDUSBC Singles, fifth in MDUSBC All-Events, third overall in Michigan State Doubles with Erin Williams, sixth from MDUSBC in Michigan State Singles and third from MDUSBC in Michigan State All-Events. A high average of 214 and high series of 735 completed her resume.

Arica Jackson of Detroit (50), Sara Litteral of Eastpointe (49), Lauren Roberts of Hazel Park (47), Carleta Poydras of Redford (44) and Altramese (Mickey) Webb of Detroit (44) round out the second team women's All-City. Jackson, Litteral and Poydras got their inaugural nod, Roberts her third and the 12th for Webb.

Captaining the senior men's All-City team is Charles Graddick Jr. of Detroit with 91 points. He was third among seniors in MDUSBC Singles, third senior in MDUSBC All-Events, second among MDUSBC seniors in Michigan State Doubles with Frederick Crosby and first among MDUSBC seniors in Michigan State All-Events. He had two 300 games, one 299 game, two 298 games, three 800 series (with 815 high) and a high average of 228. This is his fourth senior all-city selection.

The senior men's first team was completed with Rick Capaldi of Canton (89), Edward Mintz of Canton (85), Joseph Krajenke of Clinton Township (82) and Harold Sullins of Chesterfield (73 1/2). Newcomer Sullins was joined by veterans Capaldi (third), Mintz (second) and Krajenke (third).

Capaldi won the MDUSBC Masters, was third among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State Senior Masters, first among MDUSBC seniors in Michigan State Doubles with Dan Mytty and eighth among MDUSBC seniors in Michigan State All-Events. He also had one 300 game, one 299 game, three 800 series (with 815 high) and a high average of 232.

Mintz was 15th in the MDUSBC Senior Masters, second among seniors in MDUSBC Doubles with Scott Bowersock,

fourth among seniors in MDUSBC Singles and first among seniors in MDUSBC All-Events. He recorded two 300 games, one 299 game and three 800 series (with 826 high) in addition to a high average of 243.

Krajenke was fifth in MDUSBC Masters, third among seniors in MDUSBC Singles, fourth among seniors in MDUSBC All-Events, third among MDUSBC seniors in Michigan State Senior Masters, first among MDUSBC seniors in Michigan State Singles and third among MDUSBC seniors in Michigan State All-Events. Two 300 games, one 299 game and a high average of 214 finished his accomplishments.

Sullins won the MDUSBC Senior Masters and was fourth among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State Senior Masters. Four 300 games, three 800 series (with a high of 807) and a high average of 226 finished his resume.

Kenneth Wyatt of Sterling Heights (69), Edwin Austreng of Waterford Township (55), John Bennett of Clarkston (52), Fred McClain of Allen Park (50) and Michael Lucente of Warren (47) round out the senior men's second team. McClain is making his ninth appearance, Austreng his sixth, Bennett and Lucente their third and Wyatt for the first time.

Nancy Dietrich of Clinton Township and Melinda Hylton of Taylor share the captaincy of the senior women's All-City team with 42 points. Others on the first team are Patti Bryans of Warren with 41 points, Wanda Jones of Detroit 40, Debra Dickerson of Detroit 39 and Denise Gunter of Ferndale 39.

Dietrich was seventh in the MDUSBC Queens, sixth in the MDUSBC Senior Queens, 10th among seniors in the MDUSBC Doubles with Carol Roberts, seventh in MDUSBC Singles, sixth among seniors in MDUSBC All-Events and second among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State All-Events. Her high game was 289, high series of 731 and high average of 210 in joining the team for the third time.

Hylton is making her second appearance with a second-place finish in the MDUSBC Senior Queens, seventh among seniors in the MDUSBC Doubles with Jessica Hylton, first among seniors in the MDUSBC Singles, ninth among seniors in the MDUSBC All-Events, fifth among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State Singles and third among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State All-Events. A high game of 279 and high series of 718 finished her slate.

Bryans won the MDUSBC Senior Queens, was eighth among seniors in the MDUSBC All-Events, ninth among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State Singles and first among MDUSBC seniors in the USBC Doubles with MarySue Gaffke. She had a high series of 735 and high average of 204 in making the team for the first time.

Jones was seventh among seniors in the MDUSBC All-Events, first among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State Singles and first among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State All-Events. A high series of 714 and high

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Better luck next time!

Last weekend, the Metro Detroit USBC delegates attended the Michigan State Women's convention at the Thomas Edison Inn in Port Huron. What a beautiful venue, watching the big freighters make the turn to go under the Blue Water Bridge!

This was no ordinary convention for us, as this year our quadrant had the opportunity to bid for the 2014 state tournament. Eligible was Western Wayne County USBC, Monroe and us.

When we decided to bid, I stepped up as chair of the bid committee and we put together a fine committee from the Board of Directors. Association Manager Mark Martin put the bid package together and sent letters to proprietors that may want to host the tournament. Well, we do have some awesome proprietors! We were able to submit five pairings of centers from every area of town.

We submitted Cherry Hill and Mayflower Lanes from the West Side, Shore and Sterling Lanes from the East Side, Classic and Troy Lanes from the Northeast, Indian and Woodhaven Lanes from Downriver, and 300 Bowl and Century Bowl from Waterford.

We had to come up with a theme for our bid. Kurt Suokas gave us "Making the Scene

in 2014" and we loved it. We immediately started brainstorming that the "scene" would bring us to a movie theme. It was a great idea, and a great theme.

We hired Matt Witosky, who attends Wayne State to do the graphics for our postcard being mailed to each delegate and he did an incredible job! He also created an envelope with an Admit One raffle ticket we used to give away an iPad that was donated by Dave Beachnau and the Detroit Sports Commission.

We made popcorn, gave away our goodie bags which contained movie size popcorn, and other goodies donated and purchased for the event.

We even had our ushers in tuxedos... Mark Martin and President Mike Derousie clean up pretty nicely!

Detroit last hosted the tournament as a shared event with Tri Cities WBA in 1995, and before that Pontiac WBA hosted in 1972, and Detroit WBA in 1971. It had been a long time since we have had the pleasure of having all of the state women bowlers in town... but Monroe had waited since 1985 to host the women's tournament and they won hands down!

Congratulations again to Monroe! Of course, the Metro Detroit USBC women bowlers will certainly be there to support the tournament, as always.

I can only hope that in four years when it is our turn to bid again that the delegates will see how long we have waited and give us a chance to host the tournament and show our hospitality here in the Metro Detroit area.

Many thanks to Mark Martin, Mike Derousie, Anita Maiorana, Diane Maluzhinsky, Kurt Suokas, Pat Klix, Debbie Dickerson, Vickie Ingham, Mark and Diane Voight, Roger Philipi, David Roth, Larry Crake, Dave Hamilton, Dave Beachnau, Sean Krabach, Matt Witosky and all others

who supported this bid.

We will be back again in four years to try to bring this tournament home!

In the meantime, watch for upcoming

events such as the Gavie Tournament in August and then our long list of MDUSBC events leading up to the USBC 2013 Junior Gold!

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average of 201 catapulted her to her first appearance on the team.

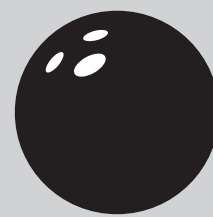
Dickerson joins for the fourth time after finishing fourth in the MDUSBC Senior Queens, sixth among seniors in the MDUSBC Singles, third among seniors in the MDUSBC All-Events, fourth among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State Doubles with Martha Marshall and sixth among MDUSBC seniors in the Michigan State All-Events. A high game of 279, high series of 741 and high average of 207 dotted her resume.

Gunter placed third in the MDUSBC Senior Queens, was first among seniors in

MDUSBC Doubles with Terri Robertson, and first among seniors in MDUSBC All-Events. This was the second time she was named to the team.

Karen Whitmore of Detroit (35), Terri Robertson of Detroit (31), Gwendolyn Finley of Detroit (26), Clystine Henderson of Detroit and Valorie Dunlap of Rochester Hills (25) achieved senior women's second team status. Finley is appearing for the sixth time, Whitmore the fourth, Dunlap second and Robertson and Henderson earned the honor for the first time.

Points are tabulated on performance in the local, state and national tournaments; honor scores and league averages.



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How To Handle 'Dry Heads' With Carry Down

TIPS FROM THE PROS



By CHERYL DANIELS

Member of the Professional Women's Bowling Association

• IN A PREVIOUS article I explained that the head area of the lane is the area between the foul line and the arrows. Dry heads can be a bowler's nemesis.

When your ball hooks as soon as it hits the lane it can be extremely difficult to control the ball from hooking high on the head pin. When your ball hooks early you are prone to getting more splits.

Sometimes lanes have a lot of oil on them and still have dry heads. This condition can really be tough if the oil carries down to the back-end. What should you do to control

your ball reaction? You will probably want to go to a ball that is not super dull.

(1) When the oil pattern is longer I use a ball that has a little back-end reaction to it and some polish. I tend to use slightly polished solid resins or pearl particle covers.

The polished solid resin or pearl particle will help to get the ball through the heads easier and still be capable of recovering (hooking) on the back-end. The solid particles sometimes roll too soon and the pearl resins have a tendency to skid out when there is oil carry down.

(2) I also try to use balls that have a medium to higher RG which delays the ball from revving up so early. This will allow the ball to store some energy and still have a chance to recover on the back-end.

(3) Controlling your ball speed is critical when you have oil carry down. If you throw too hard the ball will skid through the breakpoint because of the carry-down. Slow ball speed will cause the ball to roll too soon and not get far enough down the lane before it hooks.

(4) I find lofting the ball is very effective when the heads start to go. Lofting the ball eliminates part of the lane and delays the roll. It is important to learn how to loft the ball without hitting up on it.

I am sure that most bowlers have watched Walter Ray Williams Jr. or Robert Smith loft the ball to delay the roll.

(5) Avoid cupping the wrist when the heads are really hooking early and keep your wrist in a straight or weaker starting positions. Cupping the wrist will make the ball hook more and sooner.

Next time you face this kind of condition

give these suggestions a try.

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DETROIT ALL-STAR CLASSIC

Plaza Lanes Wins John P. Gavie Cup

The Detroit All-Star Classic, sponsored by Thunderbowl Lanes, watched the three-night roll-offs for the John P. Gavie Cup and awarded Plaza Lanes as the winner of the top six teams.

Plaza Lanes won seven of the 12 games, and with 100 bonus pins for each win, amassed 15,018 total pins for the 12 games. Plaza averaged 1193 per game to take a 377 pins winning margin over runner up Financial Strategies/Storm who also won seven of 12 games but only averaged 1161 in their head-to-head matches.

Plaza was led by Nunzio Marino who averaged a whopping 251 over the 12-game grind. Nunzio was chasing the all-time average record for a 12-game roll off set, but fell just five pins short of the record held by Chris Sand in the 1998-99 seasons with a 256 average. Nunzio had plenty of help from the remaining roster of Plaza which included, Nick Wissinger, Randy Warnken, Dave Tulak, Larry Walker, Mitch Jabczynski and Joe Krajenke.

The rest of the field and their won-lost records were Financial Strategies/Storm 7-5, Red Robin Restaurants, Sunnybrook Lanes 8-4, Cozy Inn/Bonanza Lanes 6-6, Ansara's Restaurant Group 5-7, 2 Booli/Maximum Potential Pro Shop 3-9.

Top individual honors for the roll offs went to Joe Krajenke — high game 299. High Individual two-game set — Chris Nielson 548. High individual four-game set — Nunzio Marino 1036. Team High Game — Plaza Lanes 1318. Team Hi two-games — Financial Strategies/Storm 2473. Team High four-game set — Plaza Lanes 4888.

The Cup Roll-Offs consisted of each team bowling four games head-to-head each night for three straight nights at a different bowling center each evening.

For the awards at the end of the season, The King of Bowlers went to Ken Wyatt who averaged 231.97 for the season. Rookie of the Year honors went to James Koss who averaged 228.28. The Joe Paulus Sportsmen of the year award went to Bob Learn Jr.

— Art Schroeder, Secretary, Detroit Traveling All-Star Classic

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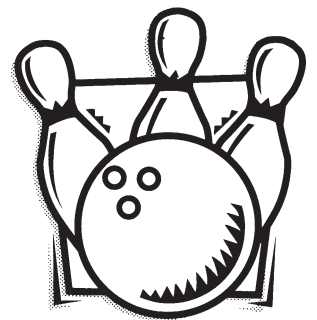
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Dale Hofmeister, Justin O'Hara Team for Doubles Title at Lodge Lanes

• DALE HOFMEISTER - Justin O'Hara, a surprise pairing, won the Budweiser Michigan Majors Doubles tournament at Lodge Lanes in Belleville.

Hofmeister lost his partner two days before the tournament. He asked Bob Jawor if he knew anyone available. Jawor hooked him up with his nephew, Justin.

Hofmeister, a MMBA Hall of Famer, just keeps piling up the titles. This was his all-time leading 18th win and his second Doubles title. This was the first title for O'Hara, a rookie bowling in his first tournament as a member. Justin bowled last year in the Doubles as a non-member.

Randy Warnken had 1523 and Jerry



By KEN CHARRETTE
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The turning point of the championship came in the sixth and seventh frame. O'Hara stepped up in his seventh frame and came

Jaracz 1422 for a 2945 score to pace the full field of 40 teams in the six-game qualifying round. There was one 300 game in the qualifying by Eddie Grace.

The opening match saw Jeremy Dixon - Brian McMahon defeat Brian Newcomb - Matt Richard, 245-225. Then the wheels fell off Dixson-McMahon as Jeff Hicks - George Juszcyk won, 207-160.

Hofmeister - O'Hara won the semi-final match, 228-196, as Hicks - Juszcyk went open, open in their final two frames.



• FROM LEFT: MMBA Doubles Tournament runners-up Jerry Jaracz and Randy Warnken, Lodge Lanes manager Marc Schmidt and tournament champions Dale Hofmeister and Justin O'Hara.

up high. The 4-6 pin split was standing but toppled over to give their team four strikes in a row. Jaracz, with his team on three strikes, came a little high but left a 4-9 split. It was now a 24-pin difference. Hofmeister-O'Hara won, 245-203.

The stepladder is the Baker system. The bowlers each bowl five frames staying on the same lane as they alternate frames.

Hofmeister said winning never gets old, but talk to Justin, it's his first win. O'Hara said, "What a thrill bowling with Dale. He just carried me and helped me out all day."

• THE NEXT tournament is June 23 at Five Star Lanes in Sterling Heights.

• THE FINAL standings at Lodge Lanes: Dale Hofmeister (Essexville) - Jus-

tin O'Hara (Westland) \$1,400, Jerry Jaracz (Clinton Twp.)-Randy Warnken (Clinton Twp.) \$900, Jeff Hicks (Lincoln Park)-George Juszcyk (Dearborn Hgts.) \$800, Jeremy Dixon (Bay City)- Brian McMahon (Saginaw) \$700, Brian Newcomb (Romulus) - Matt Richard (Milan) \$600, Terry Haines (Westland) - Jeff Roche (Dearborn) \$400, Chris Nielson (Livonia) - Ryan Wilson (Garden City) \$350, Larry Walker (Garden City) - Eddie Grace (Howell) \$300, Mike Goike (Wayne) - Dave Roder (Whitmore Lake) \$250, Bill Kazmierski (Pinconning) - Rick Goergen (Midland) \$200

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Date	Bowling Center	Time
Feb. 25	300 Bowl - (over/under 50)	12:30
Mar. 24	Bowl One Lanes	12:30
Apr. 14	Cherry Hill Lanes - Mixed	12:30
Sept. 29	Plaza Lanes	12:30
Oct. 13	Pampa Lanes	12:30
Oct. 27	Westland Bowl	12:30
Nov. 24	5 Star Lanes - (over/under 50)	1:00
Dec. 22	Merri Bowl Lanes (Grand Finals)	12:30

All tournaments are without average cap
ALL DATES, CENTERS, AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IF NEEDED.

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METRODETROIT USBC NEWS

RULE CHANGES MAY AFFECT UPCOMING SEASON

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wants on their resume.

Once the calendar turns to February it's time for the MDUSBC Women's Championship and MDUSBC Open Championship. These two events will once again be held at the same center, Bowl One Lanes in Troy, at the same time. Get your reservations and entries in early to make sure you don't get shut out.

The MDUSBC Senior Masters is open to all association bowlers 50 years of age and older in mid February. The site this year will be Parkway Lanes in Trenton. One day of qualifying is followed by two days of match play to crown the champion.

The final event of the season is the MDUSBC Senior Team event. Bronco Lanes in Warren will be the host in March. This team event is open to all USBC members over the age of 55 and promises to be fun filled.

Thanks to Turbo 2-N-1 Grips for sponsoring the Junior Masters, Super Senior Masters, Queens, Masters and Senior Masters. Red Robin Restaurants and Ansara Restaurants sponsor the Masters and Senior Masters. Their support is very much appreciated.

Artistic and Zany Shirts Missing from Bowling

• **IDLE BOWLING** thoughts:

Missing from the bowling scene in regular league play is the once large number of artistic and zany bowling shirts. These days many leagues have more teams without bowling shirts than with, and sadly, some leagues have more bowlers wearing hats than wearing bowling shirts.

• Golf can be an aggravating sport, but most pro bowlers play golf to relax from bowling, which also can be an aggravating game.

• Do Bah-rain, Brunei, Cyprus, Jersey, Kuwait, Malta, Mauritius, Myanmar, Yemen and Wales ring a bell? They are among the more than 120 country bowling-federations that regularly bowl in FIQ and other international bowling competitions.

• Never thought I'd see the day when bowling balls came in more different colors than Easter eggs.



By CHUCK PEZZANO

Bowling Hall-of-Famer and Nationally Syndicated Columnist

• The charter members of the ABC Hall of Fame were Joe Bodis, Adolph Carlson, Charley Daw, Peter Howley, John Koster, Herb Lange, Mort Lindsey, Hank Marino, Jimmy Smith, Harry Steers and Gil Zunker.

• In too many cases the instructor is the person who had bowled once or twice before.

• We should always heed the long ago words of former American Junior Bowling Congress manager Chuck Hall, who said, "We need to

renew our enthusiasm for introducing youngsters to bowling and project the attitude that bowling is the greatest game in the world." Amen.

• Want to learn some interesting and revealing facts? Just read the rule book — or the fine print on a bowling tournament entry blank.

• The average American has a vocabu-

lary of about 10,000 words. Doctors, lawyers and journalists range from 15,000 to 20,000 words. Bowlers, in their careers, use 25,000 words just to describe how they missed an easy spare.

• If you see a bowler still cleaning his bowling ball after every shot, don't ask why, just ask what else he got for Christmas.

• If another bowler does it, you call it a mistake or an error. If you do it, it is called practical experimentation that failed.

• My nomination for the best communicator in the world is the bowling instructor who can give bowling advice and les-

sons without taking his hands out of his pocket.

• Youngsters in a junior bowling league held an election and the adults were amazed when a four-year-old was elected president. An older member of the group explained, "He couldn't be secretary because he can't write, or treasurer because he can't count that well, and he would never do as sergeant-at-arms because he's too little. But if we didn't pick him for something, he'd feel bad and cry, so we made him president."

• W.C. Fields once said, "Start every day off with a smile and get it over with." Do the same with every game you bowl.

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Mar. 3	Sterling Lanes	10 am
Apr. 7	Thunderbowl Lanes	10 am
May 5	Sunnybrook Lanes	10 am
June 2	300 Bowl	10 am
Aug. 4	Plaza lanes	10 am
Sept. 22	Mayflower Lanes	10 am
Oct. 6	Cherry Hill lanes	10 am
Nov. 3	5 Star Lanes	10 am
Dec. 1	Sunnybrook Lanes	12 pm

(Grand Finals)