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CHARLA'S WEB

Greetings from the Iowa State USBC WBA office! It's only been 3 months since our last chat; the time has flown!

Mother Nature seems to be testing our patience with her less than desirable weather in recent days. I'm hoping she gets over her snit before it's time for all of us to start making our weekend trips to Cedar Rapids and the 3rd Annual State Championship Tournament!

State Tournament

Our entry stands at 887 teams, 2,189 doubles, 4,378 singles and 4,165 All Events. We fell just short of our projection for the number of teams, but we did go over our figures for doubles, singles, and all events. The numbers, of course, are always less than we'd like, and unfortunately, this tournament, I'm sure the state of our economy did not help our venture. At any rate, opening day is coming soon, and we'll have a great time bowling and visiting Cedar Rapids.

Many thanks to the Association Managers for helping round up those needed December 1st, and January

31st averages! I'm still working on some of those averages and I do GREATLY APPRECIATE your help in this area!

It seems we always have needs for quite a number of substitutes during the state tournament. If you wish to substitute, please call the office at your earliest convenience. Our bowlers in the tournament may bowl 3 times in the team event, but only once in doubles & singles.

Do you need to make a substitution? Please fax, scan and email, or mail your substitution form to the state office as soon as possible. It's much easier to make those changes at the office than at the lanes! Thank you in advance for doing your paperwork promptly!

We'll be conducting a raffle to benefit the Bowler's to Veterans Link (BVL) and The Susan G. Komen Foundation (Bowl for the Cure) during the tournament. We again have two bowling balls and we'll be offering chances at \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. Stop by the souvenir tables to purchase your chances. The balls will be on display at the team center.

Senior State Tournament

Our 3rd Annual Senior State Championship Tournament

will be held on May 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 16th and 17th, 2009 at Webster City Bowl in Webster City, IA. This tournament is for our members willing to admit to being 55 years young and over! It is handicapped and has two divisions, by age, not average! Entries opened Feb. 1 and close April 1. Please encourage your association members, friends, team mates and members of your league to enter! It is a doubles and singles format, all bowling in one day and with the travel, it will guarantee a fun way to spend a Saturday or Sunday!

Annual Meeting

The 3rd Annual Meeting of the Iowa State USBC WBA is set for April 4th & 5th, 2009 at The Marriott in Cedar Rapids, IA. The Cedar Rapids USBC WBA is hosting the Friday Night Get Acquainted party; their theme is "Rockin' N Rollin' in the Rapids", all guests are invited and encouraged to dress in the theme. I'm sure we'll have a great time with that!

Saturday morning, April 4th, the ISUSBCWBA will present the annual meeting Workshop for all delegates and visitors. Come "Cruisin' with Us" as we also follow the theme of the CRUSBCWBA;

we guarantee a great time, well spent, and you might learn something too!

The Annual Meeting will commence at 1:00 pm on Saturday. We will honor our award winners and hear

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reports from the various committees who help make the policy and keep our association running. We will conclude by 5:00 pm.

On Sunday morning, we will start our day with our annual Memorial Service. This service is always a very moving experience, as we honor our members who have departed in the past year.

The Annual Meeting will re-convene at 9:00 am and we'll be back to business, including the election of the office of President, and three directors. We will also be selecting the site of our 2011 events. Muscatine and Ottumwa both have invited us. It's so nice to have our local associations and communities take an interest in our organization and our events. Our Sunday session will conclude by noon.

Memorial Service

Association managers and others, please report the death of any of your members or past members to the state office no later than February 15th so these departed members may be recognized during our Memorial Service on April 5, 2009.

Awards

We will be honoring three of our members by inducting them into our Hall of Fame on Saturday, April 4th. We also have a 10 Year Service Award for any President, Association Manager (former secretary-treasurer), or Treasurer who serves their local for ten consecutive years. If your association has someone who has earned this award, please forward their name and position to the state office! We also have our Above & Beyond Award for a deserving candidate who goes "Above and Beyond" for their association and bowling in general. The Outstanding Manager Award honors those Association Managers (former secretary-treasurer, or secretary) of our local associations who demonstrate outstanding service to their local and to the state office. Forms for nominating individuals for these awards are available on our website, www.iowawba.com; the deadline for nomination for these awards in June 1 annually.

Summer Workshop

Make plans to join us as we present our annual Summer Workshop on Saturday, July 18, 2009 at the Moose Lodge in Newton. Special thanks to the Jasper County USBC WBA for inviting us back for this event! Lunch will be available for \$5.00, advance reservations are required. Please see the insert in this newsletter for more details!

Well, it's time for me to get back to work! I've got 42 Dec. 1 averages to check on yet, not to mention about 50 I'll be needing as of January 31st! The Score Monitor School in Cedar Rapids is just one week away, I think I'm ready for that, and the needed supplies for the tournament offices and score monitor chairmen are 95% ready to be loaded into the van in preparation for the trip! And the updated State database from USBC arrived in the mail yesterday, so now I can start on the membership verification! And YES, I'm still enjoying every minute of our bowling!

Until next time, *Charla*



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Please call on us at any time. Web site: iowawba.com



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By: *Charla Green*

The Iowa State USBC WBA's website is iowawba.com. Please visit it often!

What's there? Information regarding the state tournament in Cedar Rapids and any current comments or surveys from the ISUSBCWBA regarding various subjects concerning our organization.

Email is available by links from our website to all our officers and directors, as well as the state office in Fort Dodge. We're here to serve our bowlers, please, contact us at any time!

Past editions of this newsletter, The Iowa WBA Bowler are available, as well as the Annual Meeting minutes from 2007 and 2008. Would you like a subscription to the newsletter? There is a printable subscription card on the website!

Announcements regarding all our tournaments are found on the Tournament Tab. Tournament records, past champions, statistics, anything about the tournaments is available here as well.

The Downloads tab is our "busiest" tab! Here you will find information and forms as needed by Association Managers and Presidents. Tournament forms for all four state sponsored tournaments for the current season are posted here, and information and forms from other bowling family members are available as well.

Information regarding the state office, and links to other bowling sites of interest are included too.

Once the state tournament starts, the weekly standings will be posted on the website.

Visit and use this useful tool often!

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

By Carma Bouska,

ISUSBCWBA Sgt.-At-Arms & Admin Policy Chair

Does your Association have a Policy and Procedure Manual?

Most of you can probably answer yes to that question. Those of you who answered no – now is the time to develop one for your Association. Get your Board of Directors together, document how you feel your Association should be running, and put it in print. If you are unsure of how to compile a manual, get in touch with your State office or email any member of the Iowa State USBC Board for assistance.

Having documentation may prove to be useful if a situation arises and you need clarification on how to handle it. Do not be afraid to put your ideas and comments in print to help your Association run smoothly.



CEDAR RAPIDS WELCOMES YOU!

By: Sue Strasburger,

ISUSBCWBA & Cedar Rapids USBC WBA Director

With 2008 behind us (thank goodness for many), we now look forward to a prosperous 2009.

The Cedar Rapids USBC WBA is in “full swing” towards making this years State Tournament the best ever! We have seen many changes in the past eight months and many signs of “re-building” await you.

Whether it is restaurants, shopping or your favorite night spot, we have something for everyone. We also have the Amana Colonies and Coral Ridge Mall just a short drive from Cedar Rapids.

If gambling is in your plans, you can go north to Waterloo, east to Dubuque, and south to Riverside or west to Tama. All of the Casinos are about 35 minutes to an hour away.

When we chose the theme of “Rock N’ Rollin’ in the Rapids”, who could have imagine that the Cedar River would give a whole new meaning to that theme forever! If you have the opportunity to visit the downtown area, you will see the recovery moving right along and the retail businesses would appreciate you stopping by.

On behalf of the Cedar Rapids USBC WBA, Westdale Bowl and Cedar Rapids Bowling Center, we hope you have a wonderful time on and off the lanes. We are eagerly awaiting the opening of the 3rd Annual ISUSBCWBA Championship Tournament.

See you soon!

HAWKEYE “600” CLUB

The Hawkeye “600” Club held their annual tournament at Plamor Lanes in Muscatine on November 1, 2, 8 & 9. Winners were: Team: First National Bank of Muscatine – 2753; Doubles: Wendy Gorton/Gena Steele, Cedar Rapids – 1335; Singles: Sue Strasburger, Cedar Rapids – 681; All Events: Wendy Gorton, Cedar Rapids – 2008.

Series medal winners were: Gold: Tara Petersen, Muscatine, 143 pins over her average of 183; Silver: Dawn Robinson, Cedar Rapids, 87 pins over her average of 196; Bronze: Linda Lovell, Cedar Rapids, 79 pins over her average of 165.

Game medal winners were: Gold: Kelly Lympus, Cedar Rapids, 76 pins over her average of 181; Silver: Faith Mitts, Cedar Rapids, 74 pins over her average of 181; Bronze: Linda Lovell, Cedar Rapids, 73 pins over her average of 165.

Our 2009 tournament will be held at May City Lanes in Cedar Rapids on November 7, 8, 14 & 15. If you are interested in bowling this tournament, contact Betty Svoboda, P.O. Box 237, Alburnett, IA 52202. The annual dues for the Hawkeye “600” Club is \$2.00. Our meeting/banquet is held the second Saturday of the tournament where we have good food and fun.



SENIOR TOURNAMENT

By Carma Bouska, ISUSBCWBA Sgt.-At-Arms

Maybe you are not ready to claim that infamous “senior” title, but we will not tell!

Come bowl with us in Webster City on May 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 16th, and 17th, 2009! Get that entry in today! Entries opened February 1st, and will close on April 1st. The entry form can be downloaded from our website, www.iowawba.com.

Trust me; it is a very enjoyable tournament and a great chance to meet some nice bowlers from across the state of Iowa. There are no tournament pressures, just some bowling and some good laughs! So find a partner and get those entries in!

The tournament is a doubles and singles format, with optional all events. There are two divisions, by age, not average! Division 1 is for our entrants 65 years young and over for singles & all events, combined ages of 130+ for doubles. Division 2 is for the “younger set”, ages 55 to 64 for singles & all events, and 110 to 129 combined ages for doubles.

This tournament is also handicapped at 100% based on 225.

The entry fee is \$13.00 per person per event, optional all events is \$2.00,

Come join us for a fun day! A little travel, bowling with friends, meet some new friends, eating, shopping, you can do it all in one day!

For any questions or more information, please contact the state office at isusbcwba@frontiernet.net, or call 515-576-5561 or 888-659-3223.

OTTUMWA HIGHLIGHTS

Submitted by: Nancy Butler, Association Manager

Heather Bishop bowled her first ever 200 on Tuesday, December 29, 2008 during her league session, a 203! Heather has been bowling for only three years, and missed last season due to a new baby. Heather and her mother bowl together on a team, and Nancy reports they do very well together.

Association Manager, Nancy Butler reports that the Ottumwa City Tournament will be held the middle two weeks of February, and their City Senior Tournament will be held in March.



HERE'S JOHNNY!

By Johnny Carr

?????QUESTION?????

WHERE DO I STAND?

WHAT DO I LOOK AT?

REGARDING ARROWS, BOARDS,
DOTS AND TARGET



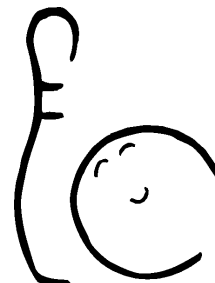
Let's start at the arrows out on the lane. There are 7 arrows across the lane. There are 5 boards – arrow to arrow.

Starting with the first arrow next to the right channel, this would be the 5th board, the second arrow, the 10th board, third arrow the 15th board, fourth arrow the 20th board. The same would apply from the left channel. There are 3 rows of dots on the approach. The 3 rows of dots on the approach are on the approach on the same board as the arrows out on the lane. However, the only difference between AMF approaches and Brunswick approaches is that AMF has all 7 dots across the approach; Brunswick has only 5 dots. The dot for the 5th board is not there.

The arrows are setup to be your target. The dots on the approach are for lining up. The right hander should line up with your left foot, the left hander, the right foot. A good starting position is to line up on the center dot (20th board) looking at the 2nd arrow (10th board). Rule of thumb is to line up on the approach 10 boards left of your target for the right hander – 10 boards to the right for the left hander.

When rolling the ball down the lane, one must keep their eyes on the ball to see if the ball rolled over the 10th board (THIS IS NECESSARY!!) If the ball rolled over your target, it was right of the head pin for the right hander or left of the head pin for the left hander. This is referred to as a "light hit". To adjust for a light hit, the easiest move to make is to move your feet 1 or 2 boards to the right for the right hander. What we are doing here is simply changing the angle or direction the ball is rolling down the lane. In other words, the further the right hander moved right, rolling over the same target, the ball will end up further left at the pins. This same is true for the left hander moving left.

If you are unable to remember these tips, take this copy of your paper to the lanes and practice until you become familiar with these instructions.



IOWA 20 YEAR CLUB

By Lynne Riordan, Secretary-Treasurer

The Iowa 20 Year Club will meet on Saturday, April 5, 2009 at The Marriott in Cedar Rapids.

For information on how many state tournament you have bowled in, please contact Lynn Riordan, Secretary-Treasurer of the club at lknepp@mchsi.com, or call 641-660-0679.

New membership fee is \$1.00 and annual renewal dues are also \$1.00.

If you know of bowlers from your local, please submit their name and Lynne will verify their participation. Please remember to list all names, associations and different name spellings, (Crystal-Chris-Christie, etc.) that they may have used when entering the tournaments.

Current members, if you have had a name change or have moved, please notify Lynne as soon as possible!

Luncheon and annual meeting and renewal information will be mailed out shortly.



GREATER CEDAR VALLEY

Submitted by Loretta Wander, Association Manager

October 30, 2008 was a special day for **Mandi Hall** of the Greater Cedar Valley USBC (Waterloo). Not only was it Mandi's 30th birthday, but during her league session she rolled her first 600 series, a 602! Mandi's games were 203, 191, and 208, and were rolled in the Satellite League at Maple Lanes in Waterloo.

Christmas came a bit early for **Mindy Allen**. On December 18th, Mindy rolled her first 600 series, a 633 with games of 233, 219, and 181. Mindy's great bowling earned her USBC awards for the 600 series, 140 pins over average for series, and 75 pins over average for game, based on her 148 average! Way to go Mindy!



FROM THE IOWA BOWLING COUNCIL

From: Iowa Bowling Council – Bruce Strom President

January 19, 2009

Your bowling participation is very important to a Bowling Center's survival. Unfortunately, Bowling Centers do disappear. In addition to being a valued customer; if possible, become a partner...consider volunteering at the Center.

The following letter was sent to all Proprietors. Within the letter are several opportunities for volunteer assistance to the Center. Please consider offering your assistance!

Dear Proprietor:

January 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Iowa Games, Bowling Council Scholarships, Grand Prix Scholarship Program

IOWA GAMES:

Qualifying competition for the Twenty-Third Iowa Games Bowling Competition can start January 15, 2009 at your Center. Please give your customers a chance to participate. Many of you have, for that, we thank you.

We have combined doubles qualifying into the same time frame as singles qualifying, any 2 week period between January 15 and March 30, 2009. A packet of information was sent to every center in mid-December. Doubles competition includes five handicapped, 3 scratch, and 1 Grandparent/Grandchild Divisions. The singles competition includes 13 handicap and 4 scratch divisions by age with separate divisions for men and women. Managing this tournament requires a lot of paper shuffling. Rather than not allowing your customers a chance to participate, ask a "Friend of Bowling" to help you...lots of people are willing to help if given a specific volunteer job that lasts a short time!

The District and State awards are medals...there is no prize money. Ninety percent of our State competitors have participated in prior years. They enjoy the Iowa Games. State medal winners are eligible for the National Games held every other year.

Please give your customers a change to participate!

BOWLING COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIPS:

The Iowa Bowling Council has distributed \$114,300.00 in scholarships to qualified high school seniors. If you have any high school seniors in your USBC Youth program, please give them a scholarship application. They are available on-line at www.iowaBPA.com, click on scholarships then Iowa Bowling Council and then print! The Council wants all qualified seniors to apply for these scholarships.

GRAND PRIX SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:

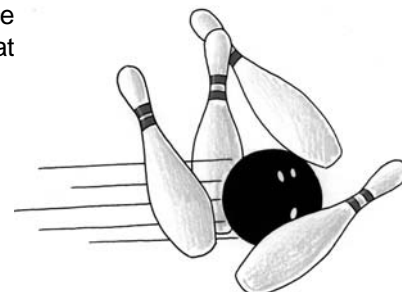
Our Grand Prix Scholarship Program is growing. This is an excellent program for your youth bowlers. The State Office does a lot of the work. The two things you have to do (or delegate) are, conduct a fund raiser and tabulate the number of points each participant earns (games bowled). The Program is a great retention tool for your youth program.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 319-234-1414 or the State Office 1-800-622-BOWL. The original mailing of Iowa Games material was mid-December...if that material disappeared, the State Office will send more.

Have a Great 2009!

Yours very truly,

Bruce Strom



ISUSBCWBA CONSIDERS CHANGES TO STATE TOURNAMENT FORMAT

By: *Connie Rommel,*
Tournament Study Committee & ISUSBCWBA Director

At the Fall Board Meeting of your Board of Directors, there was a long discussion of changing our State Tournament to a handicap tournament. Charla placed a notice of the possible change on the web page asking for your comments. A few of our bowlers have voiced their opinions. The following are some of the statements sent to the state office.

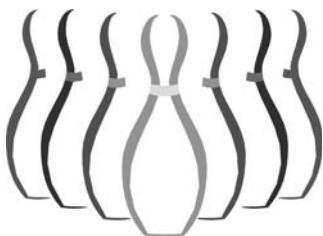
- How do you establish a handicap on people who bowl on different lane conditions? We all know different bowling alleys have different conditions and there would be no way to have a fair handicap system.
- It gives the lower average bowlers more of a chance to do well and want to come back with more bowlers the following year. If the rules continue the way they are for the state tournament, I know of at least three teams that will stop participating.
- I think the idea of a handicap tournament is fantastic.
- 100% makes it fair for everyone. Then it is actually most pins over average.
- I have always wondered why it wasn't handicapped.
- If you go to a handicap tournament – it would be nice if there was an optional scratch division in singles and all events.
- I almost think the tournament should be handicap, but with no separate divisions.

Our State Tournament bowlers will have an opportunity to voice their opinions on a survey sheet that will be handed out in Cedar Rapids. It is also in this newsletter! Please give us your opinions and ideas!

Before I typed up this report, I saw an article on Bowl.com that was informing the women bowlers who will be competing in El Paso, Texas at the 2010 National Tournament, that the tournament will be handicapped. This will also be the first time we will be bowling in an arena setting. There will be three divisions for the tournament. Bowlers will still battle for scratch titles in team, doubles, singles and all-events in 2010 and will have the option of entering a special scratch prize fund.

- Diamond – 180 average and above – handicap based on 220
- Ruby – 150-179 averages – handicap based on 180
- Sapphire – 149 averages and below – handicap based on 150

Ladies, this is something we need to think about for our future tournaments. This affects all of us who bowl in the state tournament. Please take the time to complete the survey or send us your comments.



IOWA STATE USBC WBA TOURNAMENT STUDY SURVEY

Currently, our state tournament is a SCRATCH tournament with divisions.

Would you prefer: Please "X" all your choices

Handicap, straight across the board

Handicap, with divisions

If handicap, what percentage?
100%, 90%, 80%, etc. (circle)

Optional scratch division for higher average bowlers?

Our tournament currently offers only a 5 woman team event.

Would you prefer: Please "X" all your choices

5 woman team event

4 woman team event

Both a 5 woman & a 4 woman team event

Your comments _____

Thank you for your time! Please turn this survey in at the tournament office or your score monitor.

Thank You

*From Vickie & John Woodford,
Spare Time Lanes, Jefferson, IA*

Vickie and I would like to thank everyone that participated in the 2008 Iowa 600 Bowling Club Annual Doubles & Singles Tournament at Spare Time Lanes in Jefferson.

Our year started off as a difficult one with the loss of my dad on October 13th. We also had plumbing issues during the tournament.

We can't tell you how much we appreciated all of your patience and understanding. We look forward to seeing you all again in 2009, for hopefully our best year yet.

Respectfully,
John & Vickie Woodford, Proprietors
Spare Time Lanes

FROM DEVASTATION TO CELEBRATION IN WAVERLY

By Mary Anna Denton

June 9, 2008 was the start of a very long summer. We had no idea what we were in for as we locked the doors and put the last sandbag on the stack around the back door. Tuesday, June 10, 2008 was the longest day when the closest we could get to our bowling center was one city block. The arrow sign that sat near our parking lot was almost completely engulfed in water. We could only hope that the damage inside wasn't as bad as we feared. It was. What we saw when we were finally able to enter our bowling center on Wednesday morning the 11th of June, 36 hours after the water entered our building, was surreal.

The water was still over our lanes, chairs knocked over, trash, bowling balls, and other debris was scattered about the place. We will never forget the smell nor the sound as our shoes squished on the wet carpet as we surveyed the damage. Nothing could have prepared us for this devastation.

Once the shock wore off, the daunting task of clean up and rebuilding began. It took weeks and weeks for the demolition and the discarding of all of the debris. The city allowed us to discard everything onto the parking and they hauled it to the dumpsite almost daily. After one month, we were forced to rent dumpsters for the rest of the debris. In total, we rented five 30yard dumpsters for all of the debris left after the city was no longer hauling. The amount of debris

would have filled a total of ten or eleven dumpsters had the city not helped in that regard.

Nearly everything was destroyed. The kitchen and bar areas had to be re-built, the pin-spotters and ball lifts were taken out and thoroughly cleaned and rebuilt. We installed new gutters and end-caps, but oddly enough, the lane surface was undamaged. Thanks to the flood of 1999, the owners replaced the wooden lanes with synthetic lanes. Since we re-opened, scores have been very good.

Waverly Bowl Inn is almost a completely new bowling center. Due to the damage caused by this summer's flood, we were able to do some much needed improvements and design changes to the main customer areas. The customers all seem to be appreciative of the hard work and updates that we made. As managers, Keith & I are grateful that the owners, Milt Horak and Adrian Erickson, both

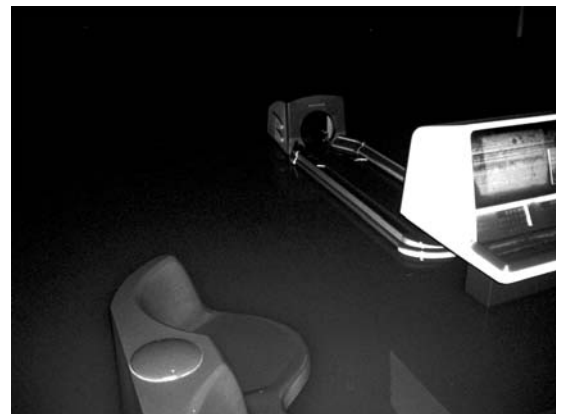
of Waterloo, Iowa, believed in us and in Waverly, to put forth the funds and resources we needed to rebuild. Waverly residents have been showing their appreciation as well. Business has been good since we re-opened in early September.

Over-all we were closed for clean-up and repair for over three months. We estimate the lost income to be around \$85,000 or more. The total damages were better than a quarter of a million dollars. There are still some things to do to be completely done but most of that is behind the scenes. We are more focused on building our business rather than finishing our behind the scenes areas and we feel that we are off to a good start.

Here's to a prosperous and dry 2009. Long live the small bowling centers!



Bar



Settee Area



Ball Return



Lane 12

DES MOINES AREA

Aline Grant of the Des Moines Area USBC WBA turned 84 years young on October 29th, and just a few days later on November 4th, she bowled her first ever 600 series! Aline rolled 156, 235 and 211 for a 602 series. What a great late birthday surprise! *Congratulations Aline!*



IOWA 500 CLUB

By Charla Green

The Iowa 500 Bowling Club is a group of Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Association member who have rolled a certified/sanctioned 500 series in league or tournament play. Membership is open to any member who has accomplished that special 500 mark! For further information, please contact club Secretary-Treasurer:

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IOWA WOMEN BOWLING WRITERS CLUB

By Charla Green

Do you write for bowling? A newsletter? Gather scores and information for your local newspaper? Are you the webmaster for your association? Are you a member of the Iowa Women Bowling Writers Club? This club is comprised of Iowa members who are writers for bowling, and our bowlers, local associations, and bowling in general need all the publicity and "ink" we can get! For information to join the Iowa Women Bowling Writers Club, contact club Secretary-Treasurer:

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RED OAK HIGHLIGHTS

Submitted by Goldie Adams, Association Manager

The Monday Business Women's League in Red Oak was a bit more exciting on December 22, 2008. League member **Patsy Orr** rolled big 296 game! Her other games were 167 and 179 for a 642 series, well over her 180 average.



NORTH LEE COUNTY

Submitted by: Diane Mattix

Sharon Foland of the North Lee County USBC recently bowled a 268 game and finished with a 624 series. The series and game are bowling career highs for Sharon! Congratulations Sharon!

FOREST CITY HIGHLIGHTS

Submitted by Linda Jordahl

Glenda Anderson of the Forest City USBC recently rolled her first 600 series, a 602! Glenda's games were 214, 178 and 210.



DUBUQUELAND HIGHLIGHTS

Submitted by Rosie Haskell

Gals in Dubuque have been rolling a lot of 600 series' lately!

On February 9, 2008, **Sarah Murray** bowled a 608 in the Coors Light League at Creslanes. October 23, 2008, **Amy Kafer** rolled 608 in the Acces League at Creslanes. November was a busy month; **Mary Althaus** bowled her 613 series on Nov. 2, in the Koffee Kup league, while on Nov. 23rd, **June Cupps** rolled 613 in the Creslanes Mixers League at Creslanes. Most recently, **Janet Grant** bowled a 637 series in the Mississippi Sun League on January 8th at Bowling and Beyond.



BIG NEWS ON A BIG SPLIT

Submitted by Carolyn Morrow, Cherokee USBC WBA

December 22, 2008 turned into a memorable night for **Donna Sargent** of the Cherokee USBC WBA. Donna, bowling on the Sarge's team picked up the Big 4 split!! The team went on that night to win the first half of the Apache Bowling League in Cherokee.

IOWA WOMEN'S 700 BOWLING CLUB

By: Charla Green, Secretary-Treasurer

The Iowa Women's 700 Bowling Club was organized in 1997 at a meeting in Council Bluffs. Membership is at 228 and eagerly accepts new members!

Membership is open to any Iowa State USBC WBA member who has rolled a certified (sanctioned) 700 or more series in league or tournament play.

The Club hosts two events annually. A 4 game across 8 lanes singles tournament is held the last Saturday in September and the location moves each year. The Annual Meeting of the club is also held at the conclusion of the tournament.

A Mail-In tournament is held annually, in January, for all club members. The entry fee is \$6.00 and entrants use their league scores from a pre-determined week, handicap at 100% of 220 is added and the winners receive cash prizes which are paid out one to every four entries.

Members whose dues are current are eligible to participate in both events. Only members who have paid their dues within the past three seasons receive a mailing, however, the tournament forms are available on the Iowa State USBC WBA website, www.iowawba.com, on the Downloads tab.

For further information, contact Charla Green, 939 So. 24th St., Fort Dodge, IA 50501-6146, 515-576-1805, or crgreen@frontiernet.net.



Submitted by Michael Stout

Early December proved to be "hot" for two Boone County USBC bowlers. On Dec. 3rd, **Cathy Sward** rolled a 715 series, and just five days later on Dec. 8th, **Sheri Stephens** rolled a 702!

On September 2, 2008, **Dee Egdorf** earned a 100 Pins Over Game award for her 244 game.

Five ladies, **Tera Barrett, Dawn Cory, Jennifer Kingsley, Cathy Sward,** and **Teresa Winnett** have all achieved USBC's 140 Pins Over Average for a Series award during the 2008-09 season.

In addition to these, Boone County has issued 2 - 100 game awards, 5 - 120 game, 5 - 140 game, 22 - 160 game, 35 - 180 game, 35 - 200 game, 3 - 300 series, 12 - 400 series, 10 - 500 series, 5 - 600 series, 12 - 75 Pins Over Average Game, and 2 Triplicate Awards to their bowlers!

USBC has many Achievement Awards to be earned each season. Is your association presenting these awards to your bowlers and transmitting them to USBC?

From the NEWSLETTER & PROMOTION COMMITTEE

By Norma Rose, Chairman,
Newsletter & Promotion Committee

THE IOWA WBA BOWLER NEWSLETTER

Here it is; our second newsletter of this bowling season! We're always looking for any bowling news of interest that is happening in your city, bowling center and local association.

First time scores, honor scores, any interesting news that happens in your town about bowling, we want it! The most news I can come up with in Des Moines is the snow and cold weather, but somehow we still manage to get to the centers to bowl. We are looking for any bowling news and hopefully, you will send us something for our next issue which comes out November 1. The deadline is October 20. If you have something you'd like to share with our bowlers across Iowa, send it to our state office via email to isusbcwba@frontiernet.net, or mail to 939 South 24th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501-6146. Past issues of the Iowa WBA Bowler, our newsletter, can be found on our website too. Let's us know what you want to see in our newsletter!

Check out our website, www.iowawba.com and while you are there, take a look at all the information that is there.

If you have any questions about our state tourney, just log onto the above site and most likely you'll find your answers.

All you Association Managers can help us spread the word by furnishing the names and mailing addresses of the secretaries serving your women's and mixed leagues, so they receive the newsletter. There are 22 associations who have not responded with the above names and addresses. Let's get these names in so all associations have a chance to read this very good newsletter. Forward those names to the state office at your earliest convenience. Those secretaries receiving the newsletter, please remember to share it with your league!

Thanks for your continued interest and help.



MARSHALL COUNTY

Submitted by Kitty Hutchens

Jenelle Hutchens of the Marshall County USBC WBA bowled her first 600 on January 3, 2008. The team, Da Cactus from the First Niters League at Totem Bowl in Marshalltown were bowling a make-up session for December 22 as they were in sunny South Carolina for the holidays. Jenelle bowled games of 180-248 and 224 and a 652 series. Her average was 153. Roll on, Jenelle!!!

ANNUAL IOWA 600 CLUB DOUBLES & SINGLES TOURNAMENT

By Shannon McHugh, Club Secretary-Treasurer

The 2008 edition of the Iowa 600 Club Doubles & Singles Tournament was held in October at Spare Time Lanes in Jefferson. The doubles event had 52 doubles entries, 100 singles entries, 96 all events/handicap entries, and 65 all events/scratch entries, with 12 different associations represented. This year's tournament had some bowlers arriving in grand style!!! Bowlers from Mason City were chauffeured to Jefferson in a white stretch limo, and several Fort Dodge girls arrived in a bright green "RAGBRAI" school bus.

The doubles crown was claimed by Rosemary Possehn and Karla Rice (Fort Dodge USBC WBA) with a total score of 1406. 2nd place went to Kay Burke and Brenda Fleming (Marshall County USBC WBA) with a score of 1391, 3rd place - Jamie Penning and Donna Lohrer (Cedar Rapids USBC WBA) with a score of 1389, 4th place - Pam Turner (Greater Cedar Valley USBC) and Kathleen Miller (Dubuqueland USBC WBA) with a score of 1383, and 5th place - Carla McCollough and Alesia Ridenour (Webster City USBC WBA) with a score of 1369.

The singles crown was captured by Tina Wierschke (Des Moines Area USBC WBA) with a 774 handicap series. Joyce Miller (Dubuqueland USBC WBA) finished 2nd with a score of 752, 3rd place went to Linda Davidson (Webster City USBC WBA) with a 751, 4th place went to Sandy Roberts (Stuart USBC WBA) with a score of 745, and rounding out the top 5 was

Shannon McHugh (Greene County USBC) with a score of 739.

Carla McCollough captured the all events/handicap title with a total score of 1493. Sandy Roberts was second with a total handicap score of 1439, Kay Burke was third with a total handicap score of 1431, Joyce Miller was fourth with a score of 1425, and rounding out the top 5 was Kathleen Miller with a total handicap score of 1419.

Tina Wierschke won the all events scratch title with a score of 1234, 2nd - Rice 1146, 3rd - Sue Strasburger 1136 (Cedar Rapids USBC WBA), 4th - Kelly Aimers 1112 (Cedar Rapids USBC WBA), and 5th - Janice Hutchins 1095 (Stuart USBC WBA).

In the doubles event the high individual scratch game was a 245 shot by Rice, and the high individual scratch game in the singles event was a 255 rolled by Wierschke. The high scratch doubles game was shot by Possehn and Rice of 451. The high scratch doubles series was 1156 and was rolled by Wierschke and Sandy Irish (Des Moines Area USBC WBA).

A complete listing of the tournament standings can be viewed at www.iowa600club.com.

A great big THANK YOU to everybody who participated in this year's



tournament, and a special thanks to Spare Time Lanes and John and Vickie Woodford, proprietors, and their staff. WE HAD A GREAT TIME! We couldn't have done it without any of you.

Attention 600 Club Secretaries/ Association Officers: If you haven't mailed in your dues in the Iowa 600 Club, please do so ASAP. Your dues must be received in order to receive your entries to the ISUSBCWBA "Triple Dip" Tournament (scores used from team/doubles/singles events - please note the new format) held in conjunction with our ISUSBCWBA State Tournament being held in Cedar Rapids (entries close February 14th), and entry blanks for our mail-in tournament which you use league scores rolled during the week of March 8th (or the week of March 15th) (entries close March 1st). Call Shannon with any questions (515-386-2043) or email at mchugh@netins.net.

BVL MAIL-IN TOURNAMENT

By: **Connie Rommel, BVL Chairman & ISUSBCWBA Director**

On behalf of the Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Association, thank you to all of our men and women bowlers who entered the 2nd Annual BVL Mail-In Tournament. We had a total of 1363 entries for the singles tournament from all over the state. That is an increase of 417 entries from last year. \$2.00 of every entry will go to the BVL (Bowlers to Veterans Link) which is a total of \$2726. What a wonderful gift to our many needy veterans.

Ft. Dodge led all association entries with a total of 212, Ames had 165, Burlington and the Greater Cedar Valley had 132 each and Mt. Pleasant had 127 entries. The Hull ladies

had 33 entries out of 40 members. They also raised extra money that will be donated to BVL along with our tournament funds. Great work ladies.

The complete listing of bowlers and scores is on our web site <http://www.iowawba.com>.

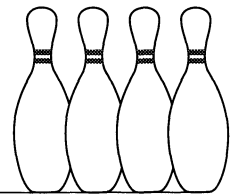
Please consider canvassing all your leagues when we hold the tournament again in November. Make it an Association Board project! Our many veterans need our help.

Connie L. Rommel,
Tournament Manager





HONOR ROLL



700+ SERIES

NAME		SERIES	DATE
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	835	11/14/2008
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	816	12/12/2008
April Erickson	Cedar Rapids	804	11/7/2008
Cindy Cottrell	Dubuqueland	793	10/21/2008
Jenny Moats	Des Moines Area	783	8/11/2008
Linda Henderson	Fort Dodge	764	10/20/2008
Julie Ulrich	Fort Dodge	759	10/26/2008
Kim Gerst	Greater Cedar Valley	756	11/6/2008
Carol Gasper	Cedar Rapids	738	10/25/2008
Carey Cook	Davenport Metro	738	10/30/2008
Lisa Peed	Fort Dodge	737	12/7/2008
Sheila Chapmen	Dubuqueland	735	11/6/2008
Cheryl Porter	Greater Siouland	732	
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	731	11/17/2008
Joan Furlong	Dubuqueland	730	12/19/2008
Kelly Aimers	Cedar Rapids	727	10/29/2008
Gena Steele	Cedar Rapids	726	9/12/2008
Rachel Neilson	Davenport Metro	726	10/9/2008
Laurie Hiatt	Dubuqueland	726	10/30/2008
Amy Pierce	Davenport Metro	725	10/30/2008
Cindy Cottrell	Dubuqueland	721	10/16/2008
Tricia Nederhiser	Cedar Rapids	721	10/23/2008
Triscia Klein	Muscatine	721	11/24/2008
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	721	1/9/2009
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	720	11/7/2008
Tia Fournneau	Muscatine	720	11/10/2008
Stacie Bennett	Cedar Rapids	720	11/10/2008
Traci Lewis	Cedar Rapids	717	9/30/2008
Michelle Hochrein	Dubuqueland	715	10/16/2008
Beth Duenow	St. Ansgar	714	11/30/2008
Amber Thorne	Des Moines Area	713	3/10/2008
April Erickson	Cedar Rapids	713	9/19/2008
Angela Eastwood	Fort Dodge	711	9/12/2008
Kelley Balvanz	Eldora	710	9/30/2008
Darla Wolfe	Des Moines Area	709	11/11/2008
Vikki Davison	Cedar Rapids	708	9/8/2008
Emily Papke	Davenport Metro	708	10/30/2008
Amber Reed	Cedar Rapids	708	11/21/2008
Cindy McCalley	Greater Cedar Valley	707	12/22/2008
Sheila Chapmen	Dubuqueland	706	11/20/2008
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	706	12/22/2008
Michelle Hochrein	Dubuqueland	704	11/14/2008
Cindy McCalley	Greater Cedar Valley	703	9/15/2008
Dawn Robinson	Cedar Rapids	703	9/17/2008
Angela Chirpich	Des Moines Area	703	11/10/2008
Brooke Flannagan	Cedar Rapids	702	10/22/2008
Karin Spisak	Dubuqueland	702	11/25/2008
Linda Ehlinger	Dubuqueland	702	11/26/2008

275+ GAMES

NAME		GAME	DATE
Triscia Klein	Muscatine	300	11/24/2008
April Erickson	Cedar Rapids	299	11/7/2008
Pam Adams	Muscatine	297	11/29/2008
Patsy Orr	Red Oak	296	12/22/2008
Kim Gerst	Greater Cedar Valley	295	11/6/2008
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	290	12/12/2008
Tia Fournneau	Muscatine	290	11/10/2008

High Games continued

Heather Zamastil	Cedar Rapids	289	9/15/2008
Brooke Flannagan	Cedar Rapids	280	11/6/2008
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	279	11/14/2008
Laurie Hiatt	Dubuqueland	279	11/13/2008
Kelly Aimers	Cedar Rapids	279	10/29/2008
Anita Kern	Cedar Rapids	279	10/21/2008
Kelli Patterson	Des Moines Area	279	10/20/2008
Charity Harris	Cedar Rapids	279	10/5/2008
Eileen Gomez	Davenport Metro	279	9/21/2008
Judy Gurney	Council Bluffs	279	8/19/2008
Tracy Likes	Greater Siouland	279	
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	278	12/12/2008
Amber Reed	Cedar Rapids	278	11/21/2008
Molly Shireman	Dubuqueland	278	11/20/2008
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	278	11/14/2008
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	278	11/14/2008
Sheila Chapman	Dubuqueland	278	11/6/2008
Amy Pierce	Davenport Metro	278	10/30/2008
Angel Heefner	Cedar Rapids	278	10/15/2008
Paul Kephart	Cedar Rapids	278	9/12/2008
Jenny Moats	Des Moines Area	278	8/11/2008
Val Clancy	Dubuqueland	278	1/7/2009
Beth Duenow	St. Ansgar	277	11/30/2008
Wanda Zacek	Cedar Rapids	277	10/22/2008
Tina Allsup	Cedar Rapids	277	9/19/2008
Erin Carter	Cedar Rapids	277	9/12/2008
Melissa Cowdin	Cedar Rapids	277	9/3/2008
Kathy Pindell	North Lee County	277	1/6/2009
Kelley Balvanz	Eldora	276	9/30/2008

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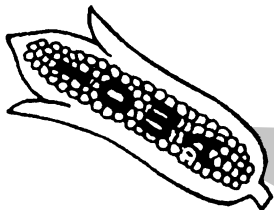
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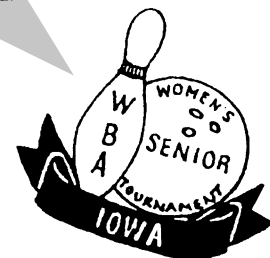
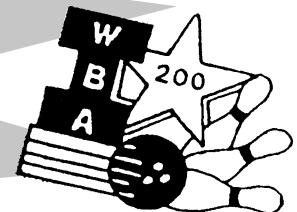
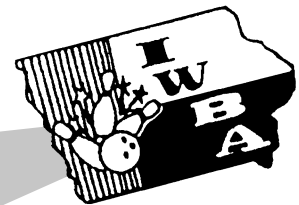
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