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# The Strike Force Gazette

Greater Fredericksburg Bowling Association Newsletter

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## President's Message

**Over the summer our association grew! Effective 1 August, Dale City joined our association. Join me in welcoming the entire Dale City adult and youth bowlers to our association.**

Hello and welcome back for the 2015 -2016 fall/winter season. That means it is time to dust off the bowling shoes and shine up the bowling ball. Another summer has passed us by and the kids are back in school.

Let me introduce myself. My name is George French and I'm honored to be your new Greater Fredericksburg United States Bowling Congress (GFUSBC) president for the next two years. It is with much enthusiasm and anticipation that I look forward to the challenges that lie ahead, as well as, getting to know each of you. I was born in New York and grew up in Clinton, SC. I graduated from Thornwell High School in 1973. I first started bowling in an adult league in Miami, Florida. I wasn't very good but did enjoy bowling. I enlisted in the Army in 1979 and my first duty assignment after my schools was Fort Lee, Virginia. After Fort Lee, I was stationed in Germany for almost 3 years. I reenlisted and went to school at Ft. Devens, Massachusetts and was finally stationed at Vint Hill Farms Station in Warrenton, Virginia in January 1985, where I picked the game back up. I moved to Spotsylvania in 1999 and currently work in Dahlgren, Virginia. I bowl in two leagues each week and sub in a third.

Prior to being asked to fill in as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of the GFUSBCA, I was, and still am, the Vice President of the Thursday Knights League. I have served on various board committees which has broadened my knowledge of the board requirements and duties of the officers. Even though I don't have the experience of my predecessors serving on local or state bowling organizations, I do have good people surrounding me on our board. I want to thank Brenda Chambers for her leadership during the time that I have been on the board.

This year the Association will be holding numerous tournaments. Our senior tournament will be held the last weekend in October with the Mixed Tournament moving to the first weekend in December. In the beginning of 2016, we will be holding the Youth tournament in January, the Women's in February and Open Championships in April. Don't forget that you can find information and tournament entry forms at our website at [www.GFUSBCA.org](http://www.GFUSBCA.org). You can also access any tournament applications, email the board members with any questions or concerns and see which bowlers in the area have recently bowled honor scores.

We are now providing a monthly e-newsletter monthly as well as our quarterly printed newsletter. Each month we will be highlighting various bowlers from our area. You can receive the e-newsletter and quarterly newsletter via email. We will continue to provide hard copies of the quarterly to each of the center for those who would like a hard copy.

If you would like to volunteer, either to assist or would like a position on the board, please contact one of our board members or me. Again welcome back to the fall/winter season.

Good luck and high scores. I'll see you on the lanes.



AMF Dale City Lanes Woodbridge



AMF Fredericksburg Lanes

**2015 – 2016 Tournament Changes!!** Survey Results from the Mixed, Open, and the Youth Tournaments were reviewed and the following updates will be implemented based on the feedback that was received:

- Start time for the second shift was moved out by 1 hour later. This should help with starting the second shift on time.
- Added optional scratch team/doubles/singles events to the Mixed tournament.
- Added optional Women's HDCP A/E to the Mixed tournament.
- Added rerate rule and established criteria.
- Changed entering average from composite to the highest of the last two years.
- Added additional bracket options.

The association will discuss being prepared, lane, and staff to support the tournaments with AMF and Liberty however, this is not fully under our control.

**USBC Mobile App (bowl.com)** is free to USBC members. The app provides your statistics, Find A Member, and the USBC Rulebook. This app is available on both ios (iPhone) and Android devices through the iTunes store, Google apps store and Samsung app store. Everyone with a smartphone or tablet should download this app.

### Upcoming Local Tournaments and Events

- ◆ Oct 3, Bobby Phillips Handicap Tournament 8:30pm AMF Fredericksburg
- ◆ Oct 4, Bowlapalozza, Ebonite Brands try it before you buy it. Ebonite, Columbia 300, Hammer, Track. 12:00pm AMF Fredericksburg
- ◆ Oct 10-11 Inaugural Liberty Columbus Tournament Liberty Center (Multiple squads—Must Pre-register)
- ◆ Oct 22, Storm Matchmaker, Try the newest Storm and Roto Grip balls before you buy them. 4:30 pm, 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm Liberty Center
- ◆ Oct 24-25 GFUSBCA Senior Tournament Liberty Center (Multiple squads—Must Pre-register)
- ◆ Oct 25, TNT Dynamite Handicap Doubles 9:00am AMF Fredericksburg
- ◆ Oct 31, Bobby Phillips No-Tap Tournament 8:30pm AMF Fredericksburg

Check GFUSBCA Web Site <http://gfusbc.org/events/events.aspx> for more events



## Mullan's Pro Shop

**Steve Mullan, Owner and Operator of Mullan's Pro Shop Liberty Center  
Massaponax, Southpoint Centre Boulevard, Fredericksburg, VA 22407**

Mullan's Pro Shop is a Storm VIP Pro Shop. We sell balls from Storm, Roto Grip, Ebonite, Columbia 300, Hammer, Track, Brunswick, DV8, Motiv, Radical, Lane #1 and other great brands. We also sell shoes from Dexter, Storm, and Brunswick. We also sell Gloves, Braces, Towels, shoe covers, Tape, powders and all other kinds of Sundry items.

Services include: Ball Plugging (one hour service), Layout and Drilling, Surface adjustment, Resurfacing, Oil Extraction, Name Engraving and Consultation. We install Thumb Slugs, Turbo Switch Grips, and Interchangeable Thumbs, Finger Inserts, and Ball Static Weight measurements.

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## **BOWLAPALOOZA!**

**Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup>**

**12-1:30, 1:30-3, 3-4:30**

Want to try out the latest bowling gear,  
get some tips, and have a blast?  
All while improving your skills!

***Limited spots available***

**Reserve your spot at McCorvey's Bowling World  
Inside of AMF Fredericksburg – 757.615.4505**

## **Summer Blowout!**

**Reduced Pricing on**

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Come in and get a new ball or check your fit and inserts  
before the fall leagues kickoff

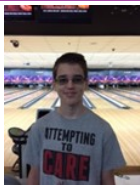
**Open Mon, Tues 12-7, Thurs 12-9,**

**Weds, Fri, 2-8 & Sat 12-6**

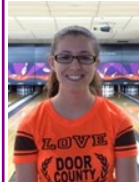
# Bowlers Spotlight



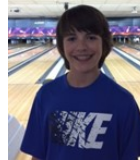
Philip Pryor is 15 years old and is home-schooled and doing 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> grade work. His mother and grandfather bowl and they dragged him along to the alley last summer. He has since joined the youth league and has made great accomplishments. Philip earned \$480.00 in scholarship money from the Virginia State Tournament in Roanoke this year! His greatest accomplishment is that he placed first in the All Events Division! His highest game ever is a 212 and his highest set is 543, both of which were bowled at the State Tournament. He doesn't get nervous when he bowls he just tries to remember to bowl properly otherwise he has no control of the outcome. Coach Tammy has helped him the most since he has started bowling. Winning the scholarship money is a bonus to bowling; he would bowl even if there were no scholarships involved. While his bowling has improved overall, he wants to continue to work on his game as a whole in preparation for future tournaments. When asked what he likes best about bowling, he answered, "Continual progress towards a goal that is reachable through my own efforts and getting closer to beating my grandfather and mother for the weekly "King/Queen of the House" title."



Scott Southall is 14 years old. He attends Culpeper High School and is in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Before he started league play in September 2013, he enjoyed bowling with his family just for fun. Scott is very proud of his 8 strikes in a row accomplishment. His all-time high game is 243 and high series is 579. The excitement of the game is what keeps him going! Scott earned \$122.50 in scholarship funds from participating in the Nationals tournament in Chicago and the Virginia State Tournament in Roanoke. He sometimes gets nervous and has to remind himself to breathe, relax, and bowl. He looks forward to future tournaments and plans to improve his game by focusing on his targeting and following through. He wants to continue to earn scholarship money so he can attend college and pursue more bowling. The coaches during league and practice help him get prepared. Norm Duke is his favorite pro bowler!



Rachel Cropp started bowling when she was in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. She is now 17 years old and is a senior at Chancellor High School. Rachel enjoys the sport of bowling and spending time with her friends. Rachel enjoys participating in tournaments. She recently earned \$125.00 in scholarship funds at the Virginia State Tournament in Roanoke. She feels any game over 200 is a great accomplishment for her. Leagues and practices with her dad and friends helped prepare her for tournaments. Sometimes she gets nervous before a tournament but has to try to relax and focus her mind on the game. She plans to participate in future tournaments to earn additional college scholarship money in order to help her parents financially. She knows she needs to improve on the speed of her ball hitting her mark consistently. Rachel has also been the recipient of several Greater Fredericksburg USBC Scholarship Awards.



Zachary "Z" Biggs is 14 years old; he is in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and attends Massaponax High School. Z started bowling at age 3 when he was inspired by watching his older brother Nick bowl. He continues to bowl because he gets to meet new people and have new experiences and fun! His favorite pro bowler is Tom Hess. Z's most memorable accomplishment was at the 2008 Nationals tournament in Indiana when he picked up the 5-7-10 split. Most recently during the Nationals tournament in Chicago, Z bowled his all-time high game of 193. Two weeks later at state, he topped that by bowling a 223! Z feels his has improved in bowling because of the outstanding coaching he has received from his dad, Tammy Hatfield, Eric Brown, and Lydia Sullivan. Z is also very thankful for his mother who takes him to the alley to practice whenever she was not working. He wants to continue to improve and plans to work on picking up spares which will increase his scores. Z earned a total of \$507.50 in college scholarship money from the National and State tournament this year. He knows that the scholarship money he is earning will assist with his higher education and allow for better school opportunities. Z will continue to participate in future tournaments as he thinks they are fun and exciting!



Liberty Center Massaponax



Cannon Ball Lanes Dahlgren

## Hall of Fame Induction



James Wolfe  
Bowling Achievements

**Jim Wolfe** and **Brenda Chambers** are to be Inducted into Hall of Fame 2014-2015. The induction dinner and ceremony are tentatively scheduled for November 7, 2015. Jim has been an outstanding bowler all of his life. He currently holds the house series records in both AMF Fredericksburg and Liberty Center. Brenda has recently retired from the board after faithfully serving for 10 years. Prior to becoming a board member, Brenda ran a very successful youth organization at Liberty Center. In addition to Jim and Brenda, we are honoring **Alice Dickenson** with an honorary Hall of Fame membership for her lifetime of service to the bowlers of the Fredericksburg area.



Brenda Chambers  
Meritorious Service

## Youth News

*Great Representation from the GFUSBCA Youth Bowlers this year!!*

2015 Nationals Tournament \$ 3,965.00 awarded in scholarship funds:	
\$17.50	Jon Hauber
\$17.50	Caitlin Crandall
\$32.50	Steven Lang
\$50.00	Omari Ellis
\$67.50	Scott Southall
\$157.50	Rachel Bowman
\$272.50	Zachary Biggs
\$418.75	Kyle Mann
\$575.75	Keishon Ellis
\$1,128.75	Pete Oliver
\$1,226.75	Nicholas Brown

### Youth Enrichment Fund

A Youth Enrichment Fund has been established! This fund will assist families in need with their children(s) financial responsibilities. This includes, but is not limited to, weekly bowling fees, equipment, tournament entry fees, etc. More details will be available soon via Facebook and GFUSBCA.org!

2015 VA State Tournament \$ 3,530.00 awarded in scholarship funds:	
\$25.00	Amber Bonds
\$55.00	Jaymes Chase
\$55.00	Scott Southall
\$55.00	Kylie Watkins
\$60.00	McKayla Lang
\$90.00	Cody Abelende
\$100.00	Joshua Eggleston
\$100.00	Codie Garrison
\$105.00	Ryan Bowman
\$115.00	Joshua Mattice
\$125.00	Rachel Cropp
\$160.00	Caitlin Crandall
\$160.00	Matthew Hester
\$160.00	Caleb Mattice
\$190.00	Zachary Johnson
\$235.00	Zachary Biggs
\$250.00	Thomas Marinari
\$250.00	Gavin Monroe
\$275.00	Kelly Jurkouich
\$480.00	Philip Pryor
\$485.00	Dylan Perdue



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## TOURNAMENT DATES AND TIMES

LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH, 9AM (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)  
CHECK IN 8:00AM

ENTRY FEE: \$60 DOUBLES/\$30 PER BOWLER  
OPTIONAL SINGLES: \$10 (HANDICAP & SCRATCH)  
OPTIONAL CROSSOVER DOUBLES: \$20 DOUBLES/\$10 PER BOWLER  
(BOWL WITH YOUR MAIN PARTNER & SOMEONE ELSE TO INCREASE YOUR CHANCES TO CASH)  
**ONLY CASH ACCEPTED**

**\*\*\*CASH PAYOUT AT THE END OF THE TOURNAMENT\*\*\***

FORMAT: BOWL 4 GAMES, SKIPPING TWO PAIRS TO THE RIGHT  
HANDICAP BASED ON 80% OF 230  
1 : 5 PAYOUT RATIO

### BRACKETS/SIDE POTS AVAILABLE

HANDICAP & SCRATCH BRACKETS  
HANDICAP & SCRATCH HIGH GAME & SET POTS  
TEAM HANDICAP & SCRATCH HIGH GAME & SET POTS

### ENTRY FEE BREAKDOWN

PRIZE FUND:	\$31.00
LINEAGE/EXPENSES:	\$29.00
TOTAL:	\$60.00

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TOURNAMENT FLYER AND INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE:

[WWW.GFUSBCA.ORG](http://WWW.GFUSBCA.ORG)

# HONOR SCORES

## Reported in June-September

Bowler	Achievement	League or Tournament	Date
Einhorn, Jim	824	TNT Dynamite H/C Doubles Tournament	June 28, 2015
Zentner, John	803	AMF Merchants' Mixed	September 22, 2015
Simpson, Michael	300	TNT Dynamite H/C Doubles Tournament	August 30, 2015
Symanowski, Bill	300	TNT Dynamite H/C Doubles Tournament	August 30, 2015
McDanial, Bruce	300	AMF Wednesday Night Frenzy	July 29, 2015
Pritchard, Jason	300	AMF Sport Bowling League	July 13, 2015
Crookston, Jeremy	300	TNT Dynamite H/C Doubles Tournament	June 28, 2015
Dalton, Jamey	300	AMF Wednesday Night Frenzy	June 24, 2015
Newlin, Mark	300	AMF Tuesday Summer	June 16, 2015
Zentner, John	300	AMF Merchants' Mixed	September 22, 2015
Pittman, Daniel	300	Liberty Doubles Shootout Tournament	September 13, 2015
Gallahan, Bryan	11-in-a-Row	AMF Friday Nite Early Mixed	September 18, 2015
Pitman, Steve	11-in-a-Row	AMF Merchants' Mixed	September 8, 2015
Coulson, Rick	11-in-a-Row	TNT Dynamite H/C Doubles Tournament	August 30, 2015
Connor, Daniel	11-in-a-Row	AMF Tuesday Summer	July 21, 2015
Heard, John	11-in-a-Row	AMF Tuesday Summer	June 30, 2015
Snowman, Tom	11-in-a-Row	AMF Wednesday Night Frenzy	June 24, 2015
Antwine, Morris	11-in-a-Row	AMF Sport Bowling League	June 8, 2015
Newlin, Mark	11-in-a-Row	AMF Tuesday Summer	June 2, 2015
Epp, Robert	11-in-a-Row	AMF Tuesday Summer	June 2, 2015

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