



# Lanes & Frames

*Your GFUSBC Newsletter*

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## Mission Statement

The Greater Fredericksburg USBC is to be the unified organization of choice focused on the promotion and growth of the sport in and around the Greater Fredericksburg region.

### **Brenda Chambers named The Volunteer of the Year by the Virginia State Youth Committee**



**The Virginia State Youth Committee has named Brenda Chambers the 2008 volunteer of the Year.**

Brenda was recognized for her tireless work with young

bowlers in the Saturday Youth Legends League at Liberty Center Massaponax and involvement with youth bowling as a whole. She tirelessly directs league activities, encourages youth bowlers to enjoy their sport and organizes bowling trips requiring her to plan, direct and work fund raisers to support these functions. In addition to these contributions to youth bowling, she volunteers her time in numerous other ways. Brenda serves as Second Vice-President of our local bowling association and is very instrumental in organizing and managing GFUSBC tournaments as well as the Secretaries Workshop that is presented annually for league officers.

Brenda also performs civic work outside of bowling. She served four years as the President of the Virginia Chapter of the American Association of Health Care Administrative Management (AAHAM) and currently is Chairman of the Executive Board and Chapter Excellence Committee.

In recognition of her accomplishments, she received a beautiful jacket with the USBC logo on one side and her name with 2008 volunteer of the year on the other.

### **Tom Brady wins Singles Gold Medal in the 2008 Commonwealth Games.**



Congratulations to Tom Brady for capturing the Gold Medal at the 2008 Commonwealth Games. Tom was the top seed after the first day of elimination-style qualifying of two three- game sets. In the opening round of day two, Tom had his

worst outing and dropped to 23<sup>rd</sup> spot after the three rounds but was granted an automatic spot in the semi-finals as the first day leader. With the field cut to eight bowlers, a two game series was shot to determine gold medal finalists. Tom rolled games of 215 and 211 to advance to the gold medal round. He was again seeded number one for his total pin fall in the previous 11 games and would roll the winner of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> seed qualifiers. He began Gold Medal play with two spare frames and then ran off nine consecutive strikes. His opponent could not match this performance and Tom won 255-199 to capture the gold. Tom's march to the gold medal was highlighted by his 214 average during the games. This is Tom's second tournament victory this year. In February he won the scratch invitational tournament hosted by the NCAUSBCA, also an elimination style tournament.

### **1<sup>st</sup> 300 GAME ROLLED AT DAHLGREN**

There had never been a **300 Game rolled at Cannon Ball Lanes in Dahlgren** until this September. **Bobby Phillips** (*some call him Lefty*) put an end to that by becoming the first bowler to hit this honor score. **Way to go Bobby!!!!!!**

## Meet the GFUSBC Board of Directors.

### Director Patricia Jaco



Hi - My name is Patricia Jaco. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to be one of your Directors on the GFUSBC Board.

I was born in Stafford County and have lived in this area all my life. I graduated from Stafford High School, attended UMW and earned an Associated Degree in Business Administration and Accounting.

I am married to Richard Jaco and together we have six children and 13 wonderful grandchildren. We currently reside in Orange County.

I retired from Stafford County Schools with 26 years of service in accounting and currently do volunteer work for the Mine Run Fire Department Auxiliary as their treasurer. I also do have the treasurer duties for our Home Owners Association.

I began bowling in 1977 at Rebel Bowl in Fredericksburg. For those of you that are not familiar with Rebel Bowl it was duckpin bowling. I became very active in the leagues and held the positions of president or secretary for several. I also bowled on the Virginia Ladies All Stars (duckpin bowling) and was director for the association for several years. I am still active in duckpin bowling. I started bowling Ten Pin around 1990 when Rebel Bowl in Fredericksburg closed.

I want to help to do whatever is necessary for our Association to be a success. If anyone has a concern about our association or any recommendations for us to do a better job please feel free to contact any board member or me.

See you in the centers,

Pat



### **Greater Fredericksburg USBC Bowling Leaders Join National Veterans Day Ceremonies. Greater Fredericksburg USBC is 9<sup>th</sup> in the Nation in contributions for 2007/08.**

Representatives from the Greater Fredericksburg USBC, Paul and Cindy Rumbaugh, joined in national remembrance of America's veterans on November 11 at Arlington Cemetery. Members of the Greater Fredericksburg Association have a long-time involvement with the Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL), a national charity supported by the bowlers of America.

"The sacrifices made by America's service men and women can never truly be repaid," remarked BVL Board Chair Darlene Baker at the ceremony. "But we know that through BVL programs throughout the United States, we are making a real difference in the lives of our veterans and are so proud of each and every BVL local volunteer -- including Paul and Cindy -- that helped make this happen."

The Bowlers to Veterans Link was founded in 1942 to raise money for medical evacuation planes to ferry the wounded home from the battlefields of Europe. For more than 60 years, BVL has supported a variety of recreational and therapeutic programs designed to improve the lives of America's veterans.

(Article submitted by Elizabeth Montanya)

# Tournament Results

Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Seniors tournament, held at Liberty Lanes in Stafford, was a hit with many Bowlers this year. The tournament operated using an open format for the contestants. The Qualifying entry age was lowered from 55 to 50 and there were only two entry divisions of 50 to 64 and 65 and older. To keep the competition extremely fair, each bowler, no matter their average, was given a handicap entry of 220 (average plus handicap). The bowling was fun and very competitive for all players. There was an exciting last minute change when the board voted to add \$500 dollars to the prize fund. The following is a list of the bowlers who cashed in this annual competition.

## Doubles – 65 and Older

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Jim Sr. and Ruth Martin.  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Joe Kusina and Cecil Franklin

## Doubles – 50 to 64

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Elizabeth Ferrell and Maryann Doran  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Douglas and Ruth Blankenship  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Judy Whitt and Clare Painter  
4<sup>th</sup> – Ben Jones and Dick Hagaman  
5<sup>th</sup> – Jose Robertson and Charles Haywood  
6<sup>th</sup> – Roland Jackson and Ronald Foster

## Singles – 65 and Older

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Larry Crawford  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Larry Roath  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Elizabeth Ferrell  
4<sup>th</sup> – George Martin  
5<sup>th</sup> – Linda Salfi

## Singles – 50 to 64

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Ken Whitley  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Ken Howard  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Ron Foster  
4<sup>th</sup> – Sandy Hollenbaugh  
5<sup>th</sup> – Linda Chappell  
6<sup>th</sup> – Charles Haywood  
7<sup>th</sup> – Bobby Phillips  
8<sup>th</sup> – Jim Smith

## All Events – 65 and Older

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Elizabeth Ferrell  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Linda Salfi  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Douglas Blankenship  
4<sup>th</sup> – Dick Hagaman

## All Events – 50 to 64

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Ronald Foster  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Ben Jones  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Linda Chappell  
4<sup>th</sup> – Maryann Doran  
5<sup>th</sup> – Shelly Surfer  
6<sup>th</sup> – Ken Howard

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**Tony Arnold** **Jim Wolfe**  
Craig Sloper **Lottie Gorham**

**800** **Barry Wallace 817**  
**Jim Wolfe 802**

Trent Howell **Terry Holloway**  
**Mickey McMahon**  
**Tiffany Bell**  
**Larry Roath** Barry Wallace  
TONY ANDERSON **11 in a Row** James Beer  
**Ricky Wallace** **Tom Moore**  
Craig Sloper  
Ken Pritchard  
Jason McDonald **Larry Crawford**  
**298/299**  
Randy Lewis John Zentner  
J D Moody

## The Bowlers Edge

### Getting lined up

Getting lined up and staying lined up are two different tasks. Getting lined up refers to finding the initial combination of starting position, target, release and ball selection to maximize your scoring potential. Staying lined up refers to adjustments you can make as lane conditions change during a session

Lining up can be a challenging process. Each session, no matter how routine, must be approached with an open mind and a curiosity about the lane condition. Do not limit yourself by determining where you are going to stand and aim then use equipment to "fine tune." Sometimes the best option is to play a different part of the lane than you normally use.

Begin your practice by rolling your favorite ball on your favorite part of the lane. Watch the ball reaction carefully to see where it begins to curve and how much. Using this "benchmark" will help you determine what changes, if any, are needed. Also watch where other people are playing with success. Is it an inside or outside line? Especially watch people using a similar style to your own.

If the lanes are oily, plan to use a straighter line to the pocket. Trying to force the ball to curve more will lead to accuracy problems. If the lanes are hooking, you may need to use a softer release or less aggressive equipment. Sometimes moving to a different part of the lane will help you find the amount of oil that will be a better match to the ball selection and release you prefer. Generally the outside of the lane will be drier and the inside will have more oil.

Excerpts taken from "bowl.com/coaching/tips/main.aspx"

Did you know **Jason McDonald** was averaging 168 when he bowled a 299? WOW!!!!





## Youth News

### Liberty Massaponax Youth

#### USBC Youth Open Championship

This summer 36 youth bowlers enjoyed the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Youth National Tournament held in Detroit, MI. While they were in town the youth went to see a Detroit Tigers game. They also enjoyed visiting Greenfield Village, a fully functioning community from the turn of the century, toured the Henry Ford Museum and historic Motown Museum. The diversions did not take away from the bowling. Several youth placed well in their divisions including a **second place in doubles by James Murray and Randy Lewis, Jr.**

#### Virginia State Youth Tournament

Congratulations to **Allen Chambers and Travis Payne** for **placing first in the 2008 Virginia State Youth Tournament**. The two had a combined score of 1168 scratch and 1564 handicap. During the doubles competition Allen shot a very nice 667 scratch series!! Allen also finished third overall in all events with a combined score of 2413 with handicap.

#### Junior Gold

In August several members of the Saturday Youth Legends League competed in the Junior Gold Tournament at Virginia Beach. Junior Gold is a prestigious event for youth bowlers that have an average of 175 or higher. **Congratulations to John Helinski** who, by finishing second, qualified for the Junior Gold National Tournament for 2008. The tournament will be held in Indianapolis in conjunction with the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Annual Youth Open Tournament. **John is the first of the Saturday Youth Legends to qualify for the national tournament in Junior Gold.** Congratulations to all the youth that qualified and especially John for a job well done. We would also like to extend our **congratulations to David Armstrong for his third place finish at the tournament held in Harrisonburg on November 8, 2008.**

#### 600 Club

On October 19, 2008, several bowlers from the Saturday Youth Legends headed to AMF Waldolf for a 600-club tournament. This is a tournament for youth bowlers that have bowled at least one 600 series in league or sanctioned tournament events. **David Armstrong shot games of 240, 267 and 187 for a very nice 692 series to finish first in the event.** David had eight strikes in a row to end game one and started game two with the first eight frames being strikes. Try to match that in your leagues or open bowling!!

### AMF Youth

The 2008/2009 Fred City Strikers season has started with a bang. Bowlers are working on perfecting their individual skills through league play and special "clinics" held the first Saturday of each month. These clinics are free and provide the youth with coaching and practice on specific skills. Bowlers are also winning **free game coupons that are made available by AMF** as part of an informal "brackets" system...**A BIG THANKS to AMF-Fredericksburg** (and Melissa, John & Bob!).

We are seeing some real bowling accomplishments and personal highs from the AMF Youth this year. **Check them out.**

#### SENIOR DIVISION

##### **High Average:**

Robert McElheny, 191

##### **Clean Games!**

Robert McElheny  
Bryan Turney

##### **String of Strikes!**

**8 in a Row:** Robert McElheny  
**6 in a Row:** Matthew Van Zant  
John Lauby  
**5 in a Row:** Bryan Turney  
Cory Eckler  
**4 in a Row:** Tim Lauby

#### JUNIOR DIVISION:

##### **"Split Busters":**

Dalton Downs, Rachel Marlowe, Peter Oliver, Adam Williams, and Nate Williams.

**Rachel Marlowe** is mastering her approach to the line and improving her average dramatically. She had **two weeks in a row** with pin fall of more than **60 pins over her average!**

#### USBC Youth Open Championship

The league is relatively small but the competition is strong and there is a lot of desire to participate in tournament play this year. We are working with Dave Brady on a consolidated plan for entering league members in the National Junior Tourney in Indianapolis. The league continues to fundraise through a variety of mean, recently receiving a **\$250 corporate contribution from the Poole & Kent Corporation** (thanks to league parent and board member **Brian Downs, for making this possible**). The Secretary/Treasurer fee is also being rolled back into the Tournament fund.

In the September 2008 issue of Lanes & Frames we provided an overview of the purpose and responsibilities of our Greater Fredericksburg USBC and an article on the duties of League Secretaries and Treasurers.

This page provides information about the creation of the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) and also lists responsibilities of your League President and Vice President.

## United States Bowling Congress

(Article from Bowl.com/some editing)

The initiative to create one organization to govern the sport of bowling started in January 2000 through a joint effort of the American Bowling Congress, Women's International Bowling Congress, Young American Bowling Alliance and USA Bowling.

ABC, founded in 1895, was a predominantly male organization of nearly 1.6 million members. WIBC, founded in 1916, was exclusively a women's organization with nearly 1.2 million members. YABA, founded in 1982, served bowlers younger than age 22 and had nearly 400,000 members. USA Bowling started in 1989 with the purpose of having a single organization represent the sport as the national governing body and support the national team. Merging the four organizations together would create one organization to serve more than three million bowlers nationwide. While all of the organizations had great histories, they provided many of the same programs and services to their constituents. Today's business climate demands that such duplication of efforts be eliminated. Following that logic, leadership determined that consolidating organizations with virtually identical programs and services while expanding services to bowlers made good sense, assuring the continuity of valued programs and services for adults and youth.

Just a few of the benefits of the merger are: elimination of duplicate member services in the associations, reduced costs thru combined business operations, one stop shopping for league secretaries, members and proprietors, fewer meetings, better service to all the membership and unified marketing opportunities.

### Duties of the League President

The president/league supervisor shall perform the following duties:

1. Preside at all league meetings.
2. Enforce all rules and regulations of the league.
3. Arrange to have an account set up in a recognized banking institution in the name of the league with the signatures of at least two officers required for all withdrawals.
4. Appoint a prize committee that will submit one or more prize lists for consideration by the fifth week.
5. Personally verify the league's bank balance monthly.

In youth leagues that have a board, the president shall assist the league supervisor with the duties of the president.

**NOTE:** "Verify" means the president must not only determine the amount on deposit, but also do the arithmetic necessary to determine how much should be on deposit. If the account is found to be short, the president must report the shortage immediately to USBC Headquarters for possible action under the bonding insurance policy.

All checks must bear the signatures of two authorized cosigners. Checks should not be made out to cash. The checkbook should be reviewed to verify entries made and to reconcile the appropriate bank statements.

### Duties of the League Vice President

In the absence of the president, the vice president shall perform the duties of the president



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Our Association is fortunate to have members and non-members who give some of their time and effort as volunteers to help us with committee work, tournament activities and newsletter distribution. We always need and appreciate help. Thanks to the following men and women who joined up with your Board Officers to make us a more successful Association and your bowling experiences better.

Shelly Surfer, Peggy Roath, Cole Samual, Shelly Leckliter, Amber Garcia-Laffitte, Paul Karas, Heather Sanborn, Jackie Smith, Jeff Smith, Deborah Johnson, Jordan Duncan, Tom Brady, David Symanoski, David Armstrong, Melissa Damren.

## USBC Tournaments

VA St. USBC WBA 52nd Annual Championship Tournament – Manassas, March, April and May

### Greater Fredericksburg USBC Tournaments

Women's Championship – Liberty Massaponax, Jan. 10 and 11, 2009

Youth – Liberty Stafford, Feb. 14 and 15, 2009

Open Championship - AMF Fredericksburg, Mar. 14 and 15, 2009

I am always looking for unusual bowling stories or scores from league secretaries or bowlers.

Items like:

Triplicate scores by an individual or team.

First ever 300, 400, 500, etc. series

Career high games. (Not honor score since we already capture these events)

Humorous or unusual bowling stories from the bowlers themselves about a recent or past event.

Larry Roath – Lanes & Frames Editor

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