

Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association



Fall 2010 Newsletter

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Welcome back to another bowling season. By now most of your leagues have been going for quite some time. Others are just getting started. If you haven't already received your sanction card, it should be coming real soon. Remember, your sanction card will be sent directly to you in the mail from the United States Bowling Congress (USBC).

I would like to invite everyone to check out the Greater Carlyle USBC Bowling Association (GCBA) Web Site. There is a wide variety of information at the site. For example, you will be able to view current and past averages, honor scores, and newsletters. You will also be able to download tournament entry blanks, tournament rules, and much more.

AVERAGE NOT ON SANCTION CARD

When you receive your 2010-11 USBC Sanction Card you will notice that your 2009-10 average is not printed on the card. The USBC is not able to print your highest average on your card. Averages can be viewed and printed by checking your records on www.bowl.com using the "Find a Member" feature. In addition to average records, the "Find a Member" feature also includes awards information and membership history. The average data on [bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com) is more completed and accurate. It should show all of your averages and the number of games bowled in each of the leagues you bowl. However, if you believe the information is not correct, contact your league secretary to have it corrected. If you do not have access to [bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com), the 2009-10 GCBA Average Books are in the bowling centers. Please make sure your average is correct.

BENEFITS OF USBC MEMBERSHIP

With most of our leagues getting into full swing you might be wondering benefits you get with your USBC Membership. USBC helps make bowling fun and rewarding by governing the game – that means having fair conditions so you can focus on having fun. Your USBC Membership allows you to:

*Compete in certified league bowling – where each bowler has an internationally recognized average.

*Be eligible to compete in local, state, and national championship tournaments.

*Experience fair, competitive play with USBC-standardized rules and regulations. Your league is protected by USBC official rules and you have access to counselors to assist in interpretations and enforcements.

*Be confident that your league money is safeguarded under USBC bonding protection. USBC provides your league insurance to protect league funds from dishonest acts by league officers, burglary and theft.

*Earn individual and league awards based on standardized achievements. The average requirements for the 2010-11 season have been changed to ensure that more USBC members receive awards for their achievements.

*Access up-to-the minute bowling information on [bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com), bowling's premier Web site, featuring special member sections and chat forums, plus league and tournament standings.

*Locate a USBC-certified coach in your area by using the "Find a Coach" feature of the USBC Coaching section of [bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com)

*Enjoy the fun and social opportunities of being a part of one of America's largest participatory sport.

US BOWLER MAGAZINE

You will no longer receive the US Bowler Magazine from the USBC. USBC has decided to eliminate mailing the magazine to its members. However, USBC will continue to publish the US Bowler E-Magazine and offer it on line at [bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com)

New for the 2010-11 season is the online edition of US Bowler magazine. For the first time, members can interact with their magazine through direct links and video clips. In addition, all members receive a monthly online e-newsletter, e-Bowler, which provides bowling news and coaching tips to improve their bowling game. To assure that you receive these online publications, you must have your email address on file with the GCBA.

GCBA HIGH AVERAGE AND SERIES

Congratulations to **Steve Bann** for having the highest average in the GCBA during the 2009-10 season. Steve averaged 234 in the Jake Gutzler Memorial League at Hi Top Bowl in Highland.

Congratulations to **Keith Langenhorst** for bowling the highest series in the GCBA during the 2009-10 season. Keith bowled an amazing 846 series on January 8th in the Friday Night Mens League at Grantfork Bowl in Grantfork.

CONGRATULATIONS STEVE & KEITH

GCBA HALL OF FAME/AWARDS BANQUET

The GCBA will hold their Annual Hall of Fame and Awards Program at Michael's Restaurant in Highland on November 6, 2010. Three new members will be inducted into the GCBA Hall of Fame – **Jim Loesche, Sr.** from Belleville, **Gerry Schubert** from Centralia, and **Glen Summann** from Brownstown. These three new members will join the 51 members already in the Greater Carlyle Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

The GCBA will also recognize all those GCBA Bowlers who bowled an honor score during the 2009-10 season as well as the tournament winners from the 2010 GCBA Handicap Tournament.

All of those bowlers who will be recognized at the banquet will be notified in the coming weeks.

The banquet is open to the public, but you must purchase a ticket to attend. Tickets are \$13.00 each, and can be purchased from Tim Rutz at 654-9840.

GCBA SENIOR SCRATCH CLASSIC

The GCBA Senior Scratch Classic will be held Sunday, November 7, 2010 at Grantfork Bowl in Grantfork. This is a one day tournament beginning at Noon, and is open to all GCBA members who are at least 50 years old as of November 7, 2010. The format is the same as last year's tournament allowing the bowlers to compete with bowlers in their age bracket. The tournament will be divided into two divisions – bowlers between the ages of 50 and 59, and bowlers 60 years of age and older. Each bowler will bowl four games – rotating one pair of lanes to the right after each game. After the four games, the top four bowlers in each division will bowl "bracket style" within their division. The top qualifier will bowl the fourth qualifier and the second qualifier will bowl the third qualifier with the winners bowling each other to determine the winner of their division. The winner of each division will

bowl each other to determine the overall GCBA Senior Scratch Champion.

There will be one shift at Noon, and it is limited to 30 bowlers. The entry fee is \$50.00 and must accompany your entry blank to assure your spot. The estimated first place prize is \$500.00 based on 30 entries. Advanced registration by phone is recommended and available by calling Tim Rutz at 654-9840. We must have at least 20 bowlers signed up by November 1, 2010 or the event will be cancelled. Complete rules along with the entry blanks are available at each bowling center and on the GCBA Website.

GCBA SINGLES SCRATCH CLASSIC

The GCBA Singles Scratch Classic will be held at Banks Bowl in Centralia on Sunday, December 5, 2010 at Noon. This is a one day tournament open to all GCBA members. The format is the same as last year. Each bowler will roll five games – rotating one pair of lanes to the right after each game. After the five games, the top five bowlers will bowl a "STEPLADDER FINALS" to determine the GCBA Scratch Champion. There will be one shift at Noon, and it is limited to 120 bowlers. The entry fee is \$50.00 and must accompany your entry blank to assure your spot. The estimated first place prize is \$500.00 based on 30 entries. Advanced registration by phone is recommended and available by calling Tim Rutz at 654-9840. We must have at least 20 bowlers signed up by November 29, 2010 or the event will be cancelled. Complete rules along with the entry blanks are available at each bowling center and the GCBA Website.

GCBA HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

The 69th Annual GCBA Handicap Team Tournament is scheduled to be held at Hanks Bowl in Trenton. It will begin Saturday, February 12, 2011 and will run through Saturday, April 2, 2011. Squad times will be at 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM on Saturdays. There will be one squad at Noon on Sundays.

The Singles and Doubles Events are scheduled to be held at Poplar Junction Lanes in Highland. It will begin on Saturday, February 26, 2011 and run through Sunday, April 3, 2011. Squad times will be at 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM on Saturdays. There will be one squad at Noon on Sundays.

Again this year, there will be an optional Singles Scratch Event, an optional Doubles Scratch Event, and an optional Team Scratch Event.

Multiple Singles and Doubles

Again this year you will have the opportunity to bowl singles and doubles as often as you desire during the GCBA Handicap Tournament. Please keep in mind that you can cash only once in singles no matter how many times you bowl the singles event. Your highest singles score will count in the standings and the score from the first time you bowl singles will count towards your all events score. On the other hand, in doubles you can cash as many times as you enter with different partners. The score from the first time you bowl doubles will count towards your all events score.

Handicap All Events

Again this year you will have the opportunity to enter Handicap All Events during the GCBA Handicap Tournament. This is an optional event with a cost of \$5.00 per person. The handicap score will be calculated by adding the FIRST score for all three events - team, singles, and doubles – with your individual handicap for all three events.

Entering Tournament Average

Again this year, bowlers will use their **highest USBC sanctioned league average – with a minimum of 21 games – from the 2009-10 season.** You can find your highest USBC average at www.bowl.com by clicking on the **Find a . . .** option in the upper right side of the home page. Click on **Member**, fill out your information, click on search, and then click on 2009-10. You can find your GCBA average in the 2009-10 average book located at your bowling center or on the GCBA Website. Please check your average and make sure it is correct. If you are a new bowler or did not have a 21 game average last season, you must use your highest USBC sanctioned league average with a minimum of 21 games as of **JANUARY 1, 2011.** All others bowl scratch. Entry blanks will be in the bowling centers after November 14th.

BOWLING CENTER NEWS

The following bowling centers have submitted articles to inform the GCBA members about what is going on in their centers.

4TH STREET LANES–Greenville 664-9240

4th Street Lanes is running a 9 Pin No-Tap the third Saturday of every month starting at 8:00 PM. The entry fee is \$20.00, and \$5.00 side pot.

4th Street Lanes is hosting its Annual New Year's Day Tournament. There will be four shifts with the first shift starting at 9:00 AM. Call John at 664-9240 for more information.

L&W's TEN PIN BOWL – Carlyle (594-2702)

Ten Pin will be hosting the following tournaments:
Golf & Bowl –Saturday, Oct 9th – 1:00 and 3:30 PM.
Huey-Ferrin-Boulder Fire Protection District 9 – 9 Pin No Tap Tournament:

November 5 & 12 (Fri) -Singles starting at 10:00 PM
November 6 & 13 – Team shifts at 3:00 PM, 6:30 PM & 9:00 PM. Singles starts at 10 PM on November 13.

For more information or to enter either or both of the above, call Larry or Wendy at 594-2702.

Congratulations to the following bowlers for their high games and series:

279 Game – Brian Rinne, Steve Faught, and Todd Isaak.

700 Series – Steve Faught (769), Brian Rinne (736), Eric Huffman (736), Brian Guthrie (734), Nick Korte (721), Steve Junk (715), Bill Hummel (712), and Keith Rinne (710).

GRANTFORK BOWL –Grantfork(675-3555)

We are off to a good start this season at Grantfork Bowl. During the first couple of weeks we have had one 300 game by Kirt Ervin and twelve 700 series with a high of 751 also by Kirt Ervin.

Congratulations to Keith Langenhorst for bowling the highest series – 846 – in the Greater Carlyle Bowling Association during the 2009-10 season.

Grantfork Bowl runs a 9-Pin No Tap Tournament the first Saturday of each month until May starting at 7:30 PM.

The 16th Annual Grantfork Area Development Club Tournament will be held in February on Saturdays and Sundays. Look for flyers or call Grantfork Bowl at 675-3555 for more information.

POPLAR JUNCTION–Highland 654-2695

Poplar Junction will be hosting the 1st Annual Jeff McNeilly Memorial Pancreatic Cancer Benefit 40 frame game on Saturday, November 13th at 7:00 PM. Poplar Junction runs a USBC Certified 9 Pin No Tap Singles Tournament the 2nd Saturday of every month at 8:00 PM. The entry fee is \$15.00, and there is an optional scratch pot for \$5.00. Call ahead for reservations. Upcoming dates are October 9, December 11, January 8, February 12, & March 12. Congratulations to Scott Schmitt for bowling his first 300 game.

Congratulations to Jerry Kaufman for his 296 game. 700 series include the following: Darrin Korte 747, Brian Woltering 730, Bob Stocker 714, Nick Korte 712, and Tim Bohnenstiehl 709.

Congratulations to Lori Whitmore for her 279 game and 725 series.

The 13th Annual Highland Mens City Tournament will be held in January. The Team Event will be held on Jan 8 & 9 and 15 & 16 at Hi Top Bowl. The Singles/Doubles Events will be held on January 22 & 23 and 29 & 30 at Poplar Junction.

The Greater Carlyle Men's Tournament and Carlyle Women's Tournament will be held at Poplar Junction this year. We hope to see you here.

BADEN BOWL – New Baden (588-4182)

Baden Bowl leagues are just getting started at Baden Bowl. Congratulations to Larry Hilmes for shooting a 279 game and 750 series on the first night. Congratulations to Pam Woods for bowling a 666 series.

HI TOP BOWL – Highland (654-6283)

Congratulations to the following bowler for their great scores: Ken Monken 760, Mike Naylor 756, Steve Bann 751, Brian Stahlhut 745, Jed Driemeyer 744 with a 289 game, and Kathy Spitze 703.

Hi Top Bowl is offering a "Bowl Your Head Off" special on Thursday nights starting at 5:00 PM. For \$10.00 per person you can bowl for two hours – includes shoe rental.

Saturday morning Youth Bowling has started at Hi Top Bowl, but we are still taking late registrations. We offer three levels of Youth League Bowling from bumper bowling through teenage. Get your kids and friends involved in a sport that lets them compete as an individual and team. The size of your kid does not matter in bowling.

Our Youth Leagues start at 10:00 AM on Saturdays. Call Hi Top Bowl at 654-6283 for more information.