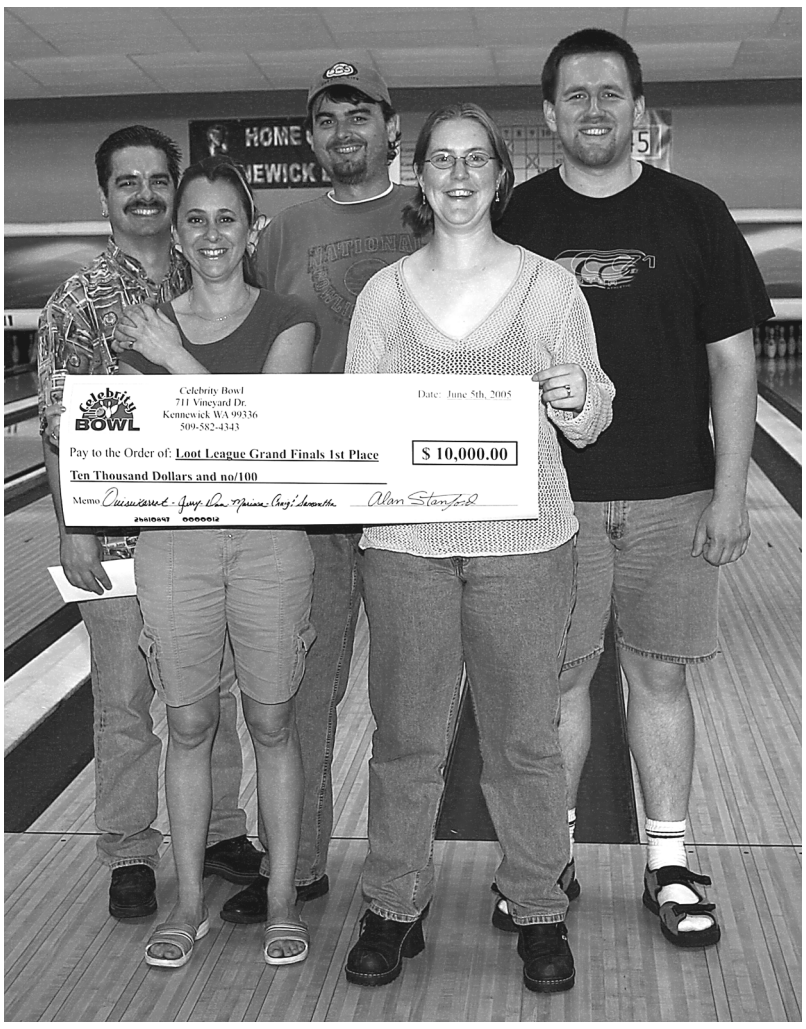
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Hollywood Bowl team Loot League Grand Finals winners, take home $10,000



Kennewick-The Grand Finals of the Loot League were held at Celebrity Bowl on June 5, 2005. Over $25,000 in prize money was awarded to sixteen teams bowling in the finals. The league was sponsored by Mark Frank, proprietor of Celebrity Bowl in Kennewick, Atomic Bowl in Richland, and Rose Bowl and Hollywood Bowl, both in Portland.

The league started a few years back and has drawn tremendous interest from area bowlers.

Pictured left are this years winning team Quisukarrot members L-R: Jerry Lee, Marissa Rusch, Dan Lancaster, Samantha Kessler and Craig Tuholski.

Van-Port Bowling News sold

Ed Piel, publisher of The Van-Port Bowling News since it's inception has sold the publication to Gary Yamasaki of Portland. In announcing the sale Piel said, "It's time, health and age and finding the right buyer like Gary have made the decision to sell a lot easier. Gary and I have talked several times over the years about an agreement to sell between us someday, well this is the day."

Yamasaki is well known in Northwest bowling circles and has also published a bowling publication several years ago. "It's a perfect fit," said Piel, "he knows the bowling and the publishing business and I know he will continue to keep The Van-Port a leader in the field of monthly bowling publications." Piel will turn over the reins after the August issue has been published.

AMF-Qubica intend to join forces

Industry Leaders Will Form QubicaAMF Worldwide

Richmond, Virginia, June 14, 2005 — A revolution is underway in the world of bowling and entertainment. It started today, as industry leaders AMF Bowling Products and Italian-based Qubica Worldwide announced that they intend to join forces. The result of this strategic alliance, QubicaAMF Worldwide, will be one of the largest manufacturers of bowling and amusement products in the world.

"We're going to shake things up," said John Walker, President and Chief Operating Officer of AMF Bowling Products, who will become President and Chief Executive Officer of QubicaAMF Worldwide. "We will work with our customers to grow their business and ours, and provide the tools to make bowling centers one of the premier entertainment destinations in the world."

The two companies have signed an agreement to form a 50/50 joint venture that is expected to be finalized in 45 to 60 days. In anticipation of the closing and to facilitate customer relationships, arrangements have been made for the two companies to begin selling each other's products immediately.

The idea was first explored in 1999, but serious talks started after an affiliate of Code Hennessey & Simmons LLC (CHS), a Chicago-based private equity firm, acquired AMF Bowling Worldwide in February of 2004. QubicaAMF Worldwide, which will employ over 600 people, will have worldwide headquarters just outside of Richmond, Virginia, and European headquarters in Bologna, Italy, with a network of supporting offices around the world. Joining Mr. Walker in running the company are Emanuele Govoni, who was CEO of Qubica Worldwide and will act as CEO, Scoring & Technology Solutions Division and SVP Marketing of QubicaAMF Worldwide, and

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Curtis Dornath named NWST Bowler of the Year



Curtis Dornath

Curtis Dornath, Albany, Or, is the Northwest Senior Tour Bowler of the Year. He also is the Captain of the NWST All-Star team.Curtis bowled 134 games and averaged 228.57 and led in All-Star point with 6020.

Stu Ruecker

New Manager at Hollywood Bowl is a familiar name to Portland bowling



Stu Ruecker has been named General Manager at Hollywood Bowl in Portland. Ruecker's name is familiar to most all Portland bowlers. His father, Walt, built Valley Lanes and also initiated the first Monte Carlo in the Portland area.

Stu recalls that from the time he was in the first grade he would walk to Ruecker Bowl in Hillsboro (now Four Seasons) every day after school. So he literally grew up in the bowling business.

Ruecker had been working in Industrial Sales for a Fortune 500 company when the call came to offer him the job at Hollywood. Ruecker said, "I'm really excited about being back in the bowling business and am looking forward to meeting all the bowlers and many old friends."

He went on to say that some changes have already been made at Hollywood, "the restaurant area has a new look and we feature the famous Pro Burger." The Pro Burger is the same recipe that was used by George Amato at the old Amato Lanes. Sounds good!

Rob Edwards rolls 822 series

Rob Edwards of Vancouver, Washington rolled in the Oregon Junior Classic Tournament of Champions at Sunset Lanes in Beaverton on June 19th. He started the tournament with a huge 287, then went on to roll 268 his second game, and 267 his third, for a huge 822 scratch series. This was his first sanctioned 800. He knew he could do it because he has rolled over 800 in practice. It couldn't have been a better place to line up the big games as he went on to finish 2nd and earn a $100 scholarship.

We'll be hearing more from this young keggler in the future!

by ed piel pin fall

Apologies to Charles Fick for giving him a new first name in last month's issue. Fick won the Senior 50+ tournament and we had it right most places but under the picture gave him the wrong first name.

Jim Springer and Hilander Bowl in Kelso made the front cover of Bowling International magazine, great recognition for a local bowling center! He also was in the Longview Daily News with a picture he rescued from the dump at Kelso High. It is a retro painting of a bunch of kids dressed in 50's mode. Brought back memories for me.

Congrats to Matt Surina for winning his first PBA Senior tournament. in Tucson, this was where Matt won his regular PBA title also.

And, Yes! Triangle Bowl in Longview will reopen, work is now in progress in renovating the center and a mid-August opening date is planned. Scott Little and his brother Beau and Kurt Bogner are the ones reopening Triangle.

Nice while it lasted. Frank DeRemer of Lacey averaged 262.2 to lead the first round of the 13th Senior Masters in Las Vegas. DeRemer fired games of 279, 278, 268, 239 and 247 for a 1,311 total.

Saw Al Whiteman and Bob Zoesch at AMF Rockwood Lanes where they were visiting and talking about the new USBC. Just another example of how local associations keep in touch with proprietors.

Another "might have been" Eastmont Bowl has been sold, but it will not remain a bowling center. Don't know who bought it only that it was not anyone connected with bowling.

And the Ruecker name is back in bowling with Stu Ruecker being named new manager at Hollywood. A name very familiar to Portland bowlers, at least those of my age.

YES! The Van-Port has been sold to Gary Yamasaki. I will be putting out this July issue and the August issue and then Gary will start production with the September issue.

Audrey and I will be celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary in a few months, (don't know if we got married very young or if we're just getting older) and I was thinking of someplace special to go locally, when I happened to remember a spot from my youth where I used to go quite a lot. It was called Mumphy's and was on the Clackamas river out in Carver. Don't know if it is still there or not so if anyone knows give me a call. I tried looking in the yellow pages but couldn't find anything called Mumphy's, may have changed names would be my guess or it's not there anymore.

Loot League top finishers: 2 Pat's Monogramming, Hollywood $4,000, 3 Char's Team, Celebrity $2,000 4 Hollywood 12 $1500, 5 Hollywood 11 $1250, 6 Bec & The Boys, Atomic $1000, 7 We Hit a Wall Hollywood $1000, 8 Super Stars, Atomic $1000,9 Hollywood 9 ,10 Vinnies Pizza, Hollywood , Nitros, Hollywood, 12 Lucky 7's, Atomic each team $750. 13 WHo the Hall, Atomic, 14 Bob's Team, Celebrity, 15 Mark of Excellence, Hollywood and 16 Honor Brights, Hollywood. each team receieved $500.

AMF merger from page 1

Patrick Ciniello, Chairman of Qubica and the new President at QubicaAMF Worldwide, LLC, the U.S. subsidiary of the new company. "The word 'revolutionize' is not too strong of a word for what we plan to do," said Mr. Govoni of Qubica. "We will draw from the separate experiences and expertise of Qubica and AMF, and together bring new products to the market that will dramatically change the world of bowling and entertainment."

Clark County USBA holds meeting

The Clark County United States Bowling Congress (CCUSBC) conducted its Organizational Meeting on June 16th 2005. It was held at the Clark County PUD/CUD building at FT. Vanc. Way and Mill Plain at 7:00 PM. The purpose of this meeting was to read and approve the USBC By-laws and then elect the new CCUSBC Officers and Board of Directors. The By-laws were passed by vote. The election results are; The First CCUSBC President is Sharron Wannamaker. The 2nd VP is Curt Mann and the 1st VP is Lon Frantz. On the Board of Directors is Lorraine Grable, Paige Meyers, Julie Meyers, Twila Brosseau, Marilynn Mann, Sandra Hensley, Suzie Feinauer, Tom Long, Dan Neuman, Robert Rector, Joseph McGill SR., Darin Jones and George Fotiou. The Youth are being represented on the board by Sue Anderson, Gayle Holland, Dan Holland, John Swanson and Jennifer Nelson. This New Board was the combining of the CCBA, CCWBA and the YABA. The only obstacle left is the approval for our Charter from USBC. This meeting was the last step towards the charter. Our By-laws have already been approved by USBC. The Transition Board (TB) was put together last summer and met over the last nine months to get to this point. The TB members were CHRMN Joe McGill SR, Lon Frantz, Sharron Wannamaker, Curt Mann, Lorraine Grable, Gloria Jean Barber, Tom Long, Twila Brosseau and Arlene Sedell. The CCUSBC Office will stay at the offices that CCBA and CCWBA were in at 2101 E. Evergreen Blvd. Ph # 360-694-6348. Notices will be posted in the centers as soon as we here from USBC on our Charter. The TB has been working on info boards for the centers for getting out info to the bowlers. It is not in all the centers yet but soon.

Lon Frantz Recording Secretary

and the beat goes on at Four Seasons Bowl

By Keith Bellisle

Bowling centers have been around for decades. Some have kept up with the times and some have fallen behind. This is a new era for the family bowling center with many establishments reinventing themselves by providing a more upscale environment as well as offering much more than just bowling.

The 4 Seasons Bowling Center is a great example when it comes to what can be done to widen the variety of what a bowling center can do to entertain. Shawn Copeland is the manager of the 4 Seasons. He has made great strides in keeping the bowling center busy and attractive to more than just bowlers. In addition to offering great service and 16 lanes of bowling he has been hosting all-ages music performances on Saturday nights.

I asked Shawn a few questions about what he has been up to at The 4 Seasons. Q: How long have you been at The 4 Seasons? A: Since 1998
Q: How long have you been doing shows at The 4 Seasons? A: We had our first show the summer of '03. We have a guy here that works in back, Ryan, who is now our sound tech too. He is in a band and asked if they could have a show here. We didn't have ANY equipment – nothing. So they rented a stage, brought in there own P.A. and did it. They had about 150 kids show up. So that's when I first started thinking about getting into it and started buying equipment.
Q: What other activities have you hosted at the center? A: We do a number of things. We host private, and company parties as well as having our regular league and open play schedules. I've also thought about maybe bringing in comedy acts. Q: What kind of problems have you run into with having live music shows at The 4 Seasons? A: In the beginning, I didn't have a real good handle on how live sound worked – the equipment, hooking up speakers and having to match amps to speakers the right way. We lost a couple speakers because of that. At first we bought some cheap microphones, and had problems with feedback. Electrical power issues – we had a show early on that the breaker that ran the amps kept tripping. That was not fun. But like anything else new, you learn as you go. We learn something every show we run. Now our sound is pretty good. We don't have the most powerful system in town, but it works for us and sounds good. I'm always looking to add to our system to make it better. Q: What are some success stories? A: About a month ago we had a benefit concert for Sparrow Clubs. We had 3 bands from Hillsboro High School play night. The kids really got behind this and we had our best turnout with 229 kids coming in. In a small 16 lane center it was packed. We raised $800 for this little girl who has a neurological disorder. But pretty much any show we run is a success for us, considering that we are new to the Portland music scene getting people to come out to see a concert at a "bowling alley" who traditionally see these bands in bars around town. Them (patrons) giving us a chance to show them that we put on a good show and to see them again at a different show is a success. Q: Are there any other local bowling centers following your lead yet? A: I have had a couple people talk about maybe getting into it, but so far no one has. There is a lot of equipment to buy, a stage to built, lights to hang and bands to book. It is pretty time consuming. I haven't hired a booking agent so I do it all myself. Finding bands, scheduling dates, confirming dates with the bands and lining up the extra help needed like, sound tech, security guys, and wait staff. But I have fun doing the shows. I'm a music fan and to see 100 people in here enjoying a beer or pop, eating a big plate of nachos while bowling too – it's all worth it! Q: What are some of the details about the improvements you are making to the facility? A: Pretty much everything except lanes and pinsetters. If you can see it, it will be changed. We will have new scoring, floors, sidewalls, furniture, and colors. We will be moving the desk and building a proshop and new video game area. We ill also be removing two posts from the concourse area and reducing one in the bowlers area as well as one on the approach. It will have a night club feel which will enhance our concerts but will most certainly make bowling league or open play here a lot of fun too. I talked to our game vendor the other day and we will be installing a online video jukebox. People can play the videos they want to see. Those videos will be shown on our four 150 inch projection screens. That should be very cool.





I recently attended a Saturday night show at The 4 Seasons where the local tribute band "Crazy Train" headlined. The lights and sound were outstanding, and even approached that of some of the better live music venues in the region. I was able to ask a few questions of the members of Crazy Train regarding their experiences playing at the 4 Seasons. Q: When was the first time Crazy Train played the 4 Seasons? A: November of 2004 Q: Why does Crazy Train like to play there?A: The 4 Seasons is a fun place to play with a family type environment. Q: How has The 4 Seasons changed since you started playing there?
A: They have improved the sound and lighting.Q: Do you feel that you get a reasonable draw here? A: The draw is not bad, but there needs to be more word spread about The 4 Seasons.Q: Do you have to do your own promotion for this venue? A: It's a joint effort between the club and bands.Q: What do you like best about playing the 4 Seasons?A: I can bring the family.Q: Would Crazy Train play other bowling centers if they were doing what 4 Seasons is doing?A: Yes, we wish more bowling centers would try the format.

The 4 Seasons Bowling Center is so much more than just bowling. Shawn and his staff provide fantastic service as well as a great opportunity for people of all ages to be able to see live music. The bands also appreciate having another all-ages venue to perform.
Whether it is for bowling, live music, or both, you need to check out The 4 Seasons Bowling Center. Fun for the whole family conveniently located right off of the Max line in Hillsboro at 322 SE Washington. Check out their comprehensive website at http://www.fourseasonsbowling.com/



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Sipes earns $1,000 Scholarship in Northwest Junior Masters

by Jeff Combs

Milwaukie Bowl hosts the annual Northwest Junior Masters event which drew 45 of the best youth bowlers from Oregon, Washington, and California. The field of 45 included 7 girls, six of which made the cut to the top 32. To qualify for the match play finals bowlers rolled 6 games on either the "A" or the "B" Squad with the top 32 of the combined squads advancing and the top two of each squad earning new personalized bowling balls. Top qualifiers for "A" squad were Dean Richards with a torrid 1444 and Robert Moore with a close 1426. In the "B" squad it was Curtis Woolard setting the pace at 1410 while Cameron Weier's 1333 was good enough for the 4th bowling ball.

Day two begins match play with matches consisting of two games with total pins winning the match and advancing in the double elimination format. Double elimination gives competitors a second chance to get to the Championship Round although it is the long way with an early loss leading to as many as 22 games bowled on the day. The losers bracket can lead to some attrition as both Corey Husted's and Robert Donovan's bloody hands can attest to. A loss in the first round forced Husted to take that long road and in his seventh match of the day failed to best Kenny Waltman losing by a scant 10 pins. On the winners side of the bracket Dean Richards and Todd Sipes swept through with relative ease until they met in the semi-final where Sipes squeaked by Richards by a 2 pin margin. Richards defeated Robert Donovan in the finals of the losers bracket to earn another shot at Todd Sipes but fell just short in another close match, 4 10-437. As tournament director I would like to congratulate Champion Todd Sipes and everyone that participated in the 2005 Northwest Junior Masters for not only for the intense competitive spirit they bring but also for the outstanding sportsmanship practiced by all.



Champion-Todd Sipes, Seattle

Highlights:

1-Tie Donovan/Willse 421 Donovan wins tiebreaker 233 to 216. 6 out of 7 girls in the field qualified for match play. Toughest elimination: Robert Moore eliminated by Tyler Willse 514 & Jake Klemsen 505 in back to back matches. High score to lose: MIke Harmony 436 to Clayton Miles 481. Low score to lose: Mike Harmony 348 defeats Kirk Williams 333. Highest set: Corey Husted 266, 259 for 525 total. Jake Klemsen 290-505, Robery Moore 280/506, Tyler Willse 496 & 514 back to back.



2nd-Dean Richards, SeaTac-3rd-Robert Donovan,Milwaukie

Top Sixteen:

1 Todd Sipes, Seattle, Cup and $1,000 Scholarship, 2 Dean Richards, SeaTac Cup and $500 Scholarship, 3 Robert Donovan, Milwaukie Plaque and $125 Scholarship, 4 Kenny Waltman, Tokeland Plaque and $75 Scholarship. The following all received plaques: 5 Tyler Willse, Hillsboro, 6 Corey Husted, Milwaukie, 7 Clayton Miles, Portland, 8 Cameron Weier, Federal Way, 9 Mike Harmony, Salem, 10 Daniel Jackson, Portland, 11 Matt Kemper, Hillsboro, 12 Ryan Besaw, Eugene, 13 Curtis Woolard, Keizer, 14 Evan Olson, Seattle, 15 Jonathon Drake, Aloha, 16 Jake Kelmson, Milwaukie.

"Personalized Ball" Winners:

A Squad high qualifier: Dean Richards. A Squad second high qualifier: Rob Moore; B Squad high qualifier: Curtis Woolard, B Squad second high qualifier: Cameron Weier.

coach's corner

by Vince Schiro



Managers, is your center successful?

In May, I talked about improving our skills, and how summer is the time to make those improvements. I have covered some very serious subjects for the high average or accomplished bowler this winter, to improve their skills for tournament play. Now it's time for another subject, and this is directed toward **Center Managers** rather than bowlers.

I have coached for many years, and being wrapped up in the coaching aspect, and all the things that support that coaching, has caused me to understand the importance of promotion. I don't know that much about promotion when it comes to promoting all the activities available at a center, but I do understand one of the most important aspects any center can have. Juniors! Having a good junior program promotes your center!

We have yet to openly promote our program. I found out early during my coaching career, that if I was able to help juniors bowl better, and encouraged them to bowl in tournaments, they would advertise our center and program by displaying their bowling skills, their lane courtesy, how well they stay composed under fire, and most of all, how much fun they have bowling. It has worked for many years. When kids started coming to our center from other centers, I researched and found they wanted to bowl with juniors they had met during tournament play. If they came to our center from another center without my knowing why, I spent time researching their progress and development the previous couple of years by checking the yearbooks or actually asking them why they came. In most cases, when kids came to our center on their own, without being attracted by our juniors, it was because they had not increased their skills for several years in the center they left. They had researched our center and found we had established a reputation of improving the success of our juniors! Nothing, and I repeat, NOTHING, promotes the quality of a youth program better than the success of the young people in it! All other promotion simply exposes more kids to the success offered by that program.

How are you going to get them into your program? Well, remember, I'm a coach, so my efforts will be overloaded with promoting the coaching. ~ Then develop and offer coached leagues, coached workshops, coached 'learn to' and 'improve your average' bowling classes and leagues, and coached 'learn to bowl ball' leagues. Get your certified coaches involved. Send them to USBC Coaching certification classes. Start with USBC Level I at a cost of $60. That gets them some good information about your youngest players. Then send all of your coaches to a US BC Level II seminar. The Level II class prepares your coaches to improve the physical games of all youth bowlers that are utilizing a four or five step approach. Then advertise your coaching team on your flyers! If you are promoting a bumper league, then advertise that you have coaches specifically trained and certified to coach those beginning bowlers. If the event is to include youth bowlers that are beyond the beginning stages, then advertise those Level II coaches right on the flyer. Let the youth bowlers and their parents know that you have coaches that have been specifically trained and certified to coach low average, moderate average, and the high average youth you are trying to attract to your event.

Remember, first and foremost. When you promote and build a good youth program, you will also be adding their parents to your adult leagues. Then you start attracting both their friends!! You just can't go wrong by building a good youth program, and get them involved in events outside your **own center.** They are the proof to the rest of the community that you have a successful youth program. Every time they roll a ball in another center, whether it be a bowling party with friends or a tournament, they are advertising your center!

For upcoming classes, watch this article each month, and go to USBC Coaching@bowl.com. and use their search engine. Until next month, **have fun bowling!**

Tournament of Champions results

If you were qualified and missed rolling the Tournament of Champions at Sunset Lanes on June 19th, it's your loss. There was $3,000 handed out at this tournament. The All Star Teams, plus all bowlers through 5th place in all divisions earned scholarship dollars.

"Classic) (200 & **up):** In the stepladder final, Curtis Dicken of Tigard defeated Chris Mongelli of Portland 234 - 221 in the first game, then in the second game, Kenny Waitman of Tokeland defeated Dicken by a single pin 225 - 224. Waltman then defeated Daniel Jackson of Portland 248 - *235,* and in the championship match, Waitman defeated Rob Edwards of \Vancouver 278 - 168 for the Championship. The cut was 1778 for the 8 qualifying games. Scholarships earned, 1st Place -Waltman $125 plus a crown on his banner, 2nd Place - Edwards $100, 3rd Place - Jackson *$75,* 4th Place - Dicken $60, and 5th Place - Mongelli $40.

"AA" Division (180 - 199): In the stepladder final, Adam Alley of Hillsboro defeated Falisha Forgash of Lakewood, Wa 237 - 191 in the first game. Alley defeated Eryk Jensen of Portland *256* - 194 in the second game, and then defeated Kassandra Kautz of Salem 236 - 198 in the 3rd game. In an extremely close Championship game, number one qualifier Adam Nadasky of Puyallup won the Championship, turning back Alley by a single pin 204 - 203! The cut was 1618 for the 8 qualifying games. Scholarships earned, 1st Place Nadasky $125 plus a crown on his banner, 2nd Place Alley - $100, 3rd Place Kautz -*$75,* 4th Place Jensen - $60, and 5th Place Forgash - $40.

"A" Division (156 - 179): In the stepladder final, Chris Klug of Salem defeated Dustin Buyes of Salem 172 - 142. Klug then went up against Jarrod Hicks of Salem, and in a match that went pin for pin, they tied at 196 and the match went into a 9th & 10th frame roll-off. In the roll off, Hicks defeated Klug 38 - 36. Hicks then rolled against Jennifer Horstman of Sumner, Wa. with Horstman defeating Hicks 185 - 179. Horstman then challenged number one qualifier Bud Pillow of Albany. It went to the final *frame,* with neither budging an inch in an exciting championship match. Horstman defeated Pillow 208 - 199 for the championship. The cut was 1343 for the 8 qualifying games. Scholarships earned, 1st Place Horstman $125 plus she earned her banner with a crown on it, 2nd Place Pillow $100, 3rd Place Hicks *$75,* 4th Place Klug $60, and 5th Place Buyes $40. "B" Division (155 & under): In the stepladder final, Jake Hart of Tigard, after averaging 145 in qualifying, took his focus to a new level, defeating Bryanna Pierson of Tigard 207 - 170 in the first match, then marched through the finals defeating Josh Miller of Hilisboro 193 - 140 in the second match, then defeated Dallas Trower of Dallas 201 - 160, and then Hart defeated David Walsh of Tigard for the championship 190 - 170. The cut was 1167 for the 8 qualifying games. Scholarships earned, 1st Place Hart $125 plus he earned his banner with a crown on it, 2nd Place Walsh $100, 3rd Place Trower $75. 4th Place Miller $60, and 5th Place Pierson $40.

Thanks to Sunset Lanes for being a terrific host for our Junior Classic Tournament of Champions! Sunset leads the Portland Metropolitan area with well over 200 kids in their junior program each season, displaying how much they like kids! With the scholarship brackets, the $ 2,940 awarded went to 38 kids. That's 49% of the entries!

Next up is the Adult-Junior Classic at Hollywood on 8/14/05.

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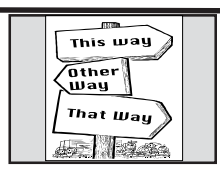
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Tournament Results

NWST

Dornath/Lundgren win NWST doubles title

Curtis Dornath and Walt Lundgren averaged 234 for the 2-day 12 game event to capture their 2nd NWST Doubles title of the season. Walt Lundgren NWST Bowler of the year the last three seasons and the all-time NWST title holder won his15th title. Curtis wrapped up his first NWST Bowler of the Year Title and clinched his 5th straight All-Star Team. The title was his 5th win of the season, and 6th overall. Skeet Dugdale and Mike VanWinkle of Port Angeles, Washington were in 3rd place going into the final game. They rolled a 482 doubles scores and earned 100 bonus pins to capture 2nd Place. Mike VanWinkle had two 300 games, one each day in the two-day event. The local favorites Mark Campbell, Waldport and our host Charlie Moore, Toledo came in 3rd Place. The two local bowlers were in the top of the field the entire event. George Cox and Stan Lorimor from Oregon Trail Lanes in St. Helens took 4th place. They seemed to be paired with Dornath/ Lundgren nearly every game. They proved to be the most consistent team rolling doubles scores between 424 and *495* every match. The last two cash positions came down to

1	**Curtis Dornath Walt Lundgren**	**6442**	**$1600**
2	Skeet Dugdale Mike Van Winkle	6159	1000
3	Mark Campbell Charlie Moore	6099	800
4	George Cox Stan Lorimor	6076	600
5	Mike Martin Trent Zabelle	5824	400
6	Dale Ballou Brad Monroe	5820	300
7	Steve Boesel Steve Michliszym	5816	100

Non Cash high team game Sunday
Jim Winklepleck
Charlie Simmons 50

Non Cash second high team game Sunday
Jon Gustafson
Dick Discasey 50

Non Cash Hi team game Sat.
Jerry Antich
Mike Baldwin 50

Non Cash second hi team game Sat
Mike Bouwens
Tracy Teeters 50

Bill Starnes wins NWST also won Southern Oregon Seniors Grand Finals



Top Three finishers at Valley:(left to right) Frank Dietz Jr, Bill Starnes and Jim Brittain.

Bill Starnes of Corvallis, Oregon averaged over 240 over the last 6 games winning *5* of 6 matches. Bill was able to win 2 of 3 matches against Frank Dietz Jr., of Aumsville, Oregon to win by just 19 pins. Bill recently won the Southern Oregon Seniors Grand Finals. Frank Dietz Jr., qualified 2nd and lead nearly all day, but the final win by Bill cost him the title. Frank won the Grand Finals last year. Jim Brittain of Estacada beat Curtis Dornath 2 out of the last 3 games to take 3rd Place, and Curtis finished 4th. Curtis is the NWST Bowler of the year and earned his 5th All Star Team appearance in his *5* year NWST career. Joining Curtis on the NWST All-Star Team are Walt Lundgren, Mike Martin, Frank Dietz Jr., and rookie Lonnie Sharkey. Steve Michaliszyn won the Consolation event rolling games of 300, 265, 217 in a best 3 of 4 format. The format for the Grand Finals was 8 games of qualifying and 6 match play games.

Dornath "Bowler of the Year"

Curtis Dornath was named NWST Bowler of the Year. Curtis is the Captain of the 2004/05 NWST All-Star team, which includes Walt Lundgren, Albany, Frank Dietz Jr, Aumsville, Mike Martin, Vancouver and rookie Lonnie Sharkey of Bremerton. Walt Lundgren was named NWST Super Senior Player of the Year.

Top ten averages: Curtis Dornath 134 gms 228.57 avg. Frank Dietz, Jr 90 gms 226.29 avg. Larry Hudson 83 gms 221.12. Bill Starnes 72 gms 220.14. steve Michaliszyn 73 gms 217.29. Steve Force 69 gms 215.94. Bill McNelly 93 gms 214.76. Mike Martin 112 gms 213.37. Joey Borgaro 102 gms 213.02

All Star Points
Curtis Dornath 6020, Walt Lundgren 3340, Frank Dietz, Jr 3075, Mike Martin 3020, Lonnie Sharkey 3012, Bill McNelly 2590, Joey Borgaro 2470, Steve Pechar 2300, Bill Roeben 2250, Bill Starnes 2200.

Super Senior Allstar Points
Walt Lundgren 3700, Mike Martin 3515, Dave Palmberg 2685, Bill starnes, 2300, Jim Brittain 1510, John Fantini 2495, Ken Wick 2180, Mike Bouwens 1323, Dick Discasey 1815, Dore Anderson 1980.

Senior 50+

Terry Taylor wins his first title at Gladstone Lanes

by Loren Fries

Terry won his first 50+ as he led in qualifying as well as the finals. He started out with a 166 game, then the next 7 games were not under 300 as the 177bowler averaged 215 for the tournament. Judy Parmeter, for the 2nd tournament in a row, came out with another second place finish, cosistency does pay off. Only 4 bowlers out of 46 averaged int he 200's.

Results 6/4/05

1	**Terry Taylor, Oak Gr**	**1092**	**4-0**	**$300**
2	Judy Taylor, Warren	942	3-1	150
3	Leland Waltuck, Prlnd	933	2-2	125
4	Dale Maxon, Or City	931	3-1	100
5	Russ Severson, Frview	902	2.5-1.5	95
6	Paul Entler, Fairview	897	3-1	90
7	Norm Parmeter, Warn	877	1-3	85
8	Ruthella Baurer, Molalla	862	2-2	80
9	Warren Cliburn, Boring	859	2-2	75
10	Dore Anderson, Clkams	855	1-3	70
11	Norm Martin, Albany	830	2-2	65
12	Roy Galvin, Portland	829	1.5-2.5	60
13	Tyrone Johnson, Tigard	816	1-3	57
14	Pam Cirasole, LaCenter	774	0-4	55
15	Del Pauling, Puyallup			50

16 Philip Atkin, W. Linn PPHGO$ & consol

nwst doubles

SOS

STARNES WINS DYNO-THANE SOUTHERN OREGON SENIORS GRAND FINAL

The Southern Oregon Senior Grand Finals was held at Nickel Bowl on June 4th and 5th it was sponsored by DYNO-THANE high performance bowling balls and DYNOROOS the best bowling shoe on the market today. We held an 8 game qualifying round on Sat. Bill Starnes was on fire from the start shooting 1799 scratch. Mick Prulhiere was 2nd in the qualifier at 1773 and Bob Korth was 3rd at 1772. Twelve players made the match play beginning on Sunday morning. The twelfth and last spot went to James Gorecki at 1630. After the qualifying

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we held a unique side tournament for the players who did not make the top 12. This was a one game tournament for 4 cash prizes. Grover Bowman won the Douglas County Hearing Center high game tournament with a score of 243. Chuck Eilenberger finished 2nd with a 230.

On Sunday we got down to business the first 6 games of match play was led by Bob Korth with a 6 game scratch total of 1440. Bob won 5 games and received 150 bonus pins for a total of 1590. Lonnie Sanborn was 2nd totaling 1477. After a lunch break Bob slowed down some and Bill Starnes made a nice move from the 3 position to firs after 12 games finishing with 2758 scratch and 210 bonus pins for a total of 2968. Bob Korth finished 2nd with 2679 and 240 bonus pins for 2919. In the stepladder playoff Lonnie Sanborn defeated James Gorecki 235 to 202. Then Conway Sunell defeated Lonnie 277 to 192. Conway then beat Bob Korth 229 to 192. The final game saw Bill Starnes win in a close one 234 to 229 for the Lennox clock trophy and $1000.00. Great bowling all weekend Bill.

Prize list; Douglas County Hearing Center one game high score tournament. 1.Grover Bowman, Bayside Ca. $200.00. 2. Chuck Eilenberger, Medford $ 150.00. 3 . Dan Fairchild, Roseburg $100.00. 4. Rick Surprise, Coos Bay $80.00.

Dyno-Thane and Dynoroos Grand Finals 1. Bill Starnes, Corvallis $1000.00. 2. Conway Sunell, Eugene $500.00. 3. Bob Korth, Central Point $375.00 4. Lonnie Sanborn, Chiloquin $325.00. 5. James Gorecki, Sutherlin $290.00. 6. Clay Tuttle, Eugene $250.00. 7. Larry Lauer, Grants Pass $220.00. 8. Frank Schnebly, Eugene $210.00. 9. Darrel Mullins, Eugene $200.00. 10. Ron Wilkins, Grants Pass $200.00. 11. Mick Prulhiere, Grants Pass $200.00. 12.Jerome Lee, Medford $200.00.

Ask Bob

by Bob Korth

Q. I just bought my first ball today. I am left-handed and this is my first and only fingertip ball. I know this wilt be extremely different than bowling with a house ball and my question is: What is the SINGLE most important thing I can work on with the new ball?

A. Put your fingers in the ball first then your thumb. Then squeeze

tightly with the fingers DO NOT SQUEEZE THE BALL WITH YOUR THUMB. Just a little pressure with the fingers this will put the thumb in the proper position. Then have fun with your new ball. You will find it is a better game with a ball that fits.

Q. I have gotten myself into a horrible slump. What do you do to break out of a slump?

A. I personally use a couple of different methods to break a slump. First thing you need to realize isa slump is usually not physical. Slumps are mental. They are often triggered by a bad game or series during which you suffer a loss of confidence. You get into what a friend of mine calls stinkin' thinkin'. You are saying to yourself things like I've lost the shot, I can't perform anymore, and I have tried everything and nothing works. All bowlers suffer through this from time to time. I don't believe you can practice your way out of this. So if I can I take some time off a week or two. Just get away from the game recharge my competitive batteries. Many times after a week or two off I can come back having forgotten about the slump and my game is better than ever. If I can't quit because of commitments I at least try to place positive thoughts in my mind before and during bowling. I try to remember this is fun not work. In other words break up the stinkin' thinkin'. Things will get better if you dwell on the positive and not the negative.

Q. In our area bowling in the summer just about stops. I love the game and I want to get better. What can I do in the summer to keep my bowling

A. Even in those areas you should be able to find a short season summer league. If that's not enough it is a great time to take a series of lessons. You can practice almost any time you want and you don't have to worry about trying to score while you learn. It is also a good time to go through your bowling ball arsenal and really learn how each ball you have reacts. This way you can fill holes in your arsenal before the season begins. It is also a great time to purchase new equipment because it is the off-season you can find some great deals.

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