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Anniversary celebrations planned

AMF Southwest to host 72nd annual NDBC National Tournament

Celebration will be the name of the game when the 72nd annual National Duckpin Bowling Congress National Tournament gets rolling on Saturday, May 4th and continues on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through June 2nd. Competition will also be held on Memorial Day, May 27. All of the tournament events will take place at AMF Southwest in Linthicum, Maryland.

The National Duckpin Bowling Congress is celebrating its 75th anniversary this season and is also feting "100 Years of Duckpin Bowling" as a theme. Special activities are planned in conjunction with the National Tournament.

The tournament is open to NDBC members with events being held in singles, doubles, and triples. All divisions include 80% handicap.

The projected prize fund for the tournament is around \$10,000. The guaranteed first place prizes are \$200 per bowler per event. Entry fee is \$20.00 per bowler per event.

"Every sanctioned bowler should participate in this tournament," said Marge Chaney, NDBC Executive Director. "It's really a special year for the Congress and duckpins."

The defending singles champions are Duane Krause (CT) and Eric Bishop (CT), doubles champions were Steve Iavarone (R.I.) and Tom Tedesco (CT), and the triples champions were Tim Borawski, Nicole Viets and John Viets (CT).

For more information, call the National Duckpin Bowling Congress office at 410-636-2695 or pick up a tournament brochure in your local duckpin bowling center.

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Pro bowlers rolling for 14 titles in 2002 tour season

The men's and women's duckpin pro tours will be shooting for 14 titles during the 2002 season as the greatest duckpin bowlers in the world will be on tour in three states.

The Duckpin Professional Bowlers Association (DPBA) will get rolling on April 26-28 at Highland Bowl in Cheshire, Ct. and the Women's National Duckpin Association (WNDA) will start Memorial Day weekend at Dee's Duckpin Center in Suitland, Md. It's the 40th year for the DPBA and 20th anniversary for the WNDA.

The DPBA will conduct eight tour stops and the WNDA will hold six tour stops. The biggest events of the year, the Mens Masters and Ladies Grand Prix, will take place in November. Six of each of the men's and women's tour stops are conducted on the same weekends.

Most of the pro tour stops are preceded by pro-ams in which the amateur bowlers bowl with pro partners for prizes. Contact your local host center for specific details.

Both tournament organizations are planning for exciting seasons and will welcome returning and new members. Annual membership in the DPBA is \$50 and membership in the WNDA is \$75 (\$50 for new members).

Tournament entry fees are \$90 for the men (except the Highland Bowl and Masters stops) and \$70 for the women (except the Grand Prix).

The 2001 Bowlers of the Year were Amy Bisson of Ct. (WNDA) and Dave Wander of Md. (DPBA).

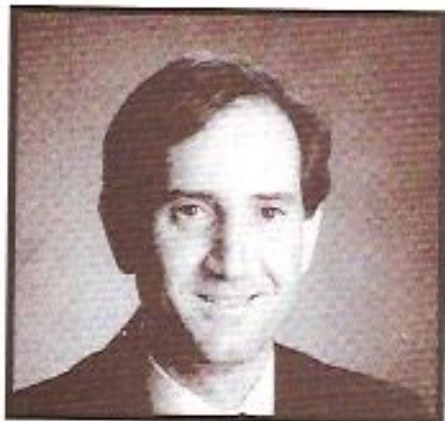
For more information, call the WNDA at 410-282-6258 and the DPBA at 410-444-4058.



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KARTEN'S KORNER

By Stacy Karten,
Editor & Publisher



Stacy Karten

Just as the typically busy fall/winter season is winding down, there is lots of activity to whet duckpin bowlers' appetites the next few months. Consider these events.

✓ **Pro Tours** - The mens and womens professional tours will run from April through November with 14 tour events. The greatest duckpin bowlers in the world are well worth watching, not just because of their skill level, they are also doing this for fun and competition — it's not a living for them. If you are good enough to join, try it; if not, bowl in a program or go watch the tournaments.

✓ **National Tournament and Honors Banquet** - The National Duckpin Bowling Congress will conduct its annual

Honors Banquet on Friday, May 3, then start its 72nd annual National Tournament the next day. Linthicum, Md. will be the headquarters for all of the festivities — this year is the Congress' 75th anniversary and they are also promoting 100 years of duckpin bowling.

Part of the Honors Banquet will include the induction of five more people into the NDBC Hall of Fame — Lindsey Hammonds, Joe Rineer, Bob Wilson, Carol Yingling and Scott Wolgamuth. These are all well deserving honorees who will bring more quality to the Hall.

These Congress activities warrant duckpinners' support.

✓ **National Duckpin Youth Championships** - This 29th annual showcase, sponsored by the Duckpin Bowling Proprietors of America, will take place in Hagerstown, Md. on Saturday, June 29. If you want to see some outstanding youth bowling and enjoy a lift of enthusiasm, then venture out to watch this event. It's a great one.

✓ **Bowl Expo** - The Bowling Proprietors Association of America runs its annual trade show the week of June 16 in New Orleans. This is extremely beneficial for proprietors and they should consider attending.

Other than your league and open bowling this summer, looks like there will be plenty to keep you busy.

Readers opine on possibility of a 300 game

In the Winter 2001 issue of *The Duckpin News*, we solicited input on whether a 300 game would ever be bowled in duckpins. Following are a couple responses.

"Since this has never happened, I can't imagine that it ever will (based on the equipment that is being used today). There have been many that have come relatively close but not quite.

To compare bowling with some other sports will put it in perspective. In baseball, football, tennis and hockey, for example, the equipment has evolved and been modified to allow for better performance and more records set.

Unless duckpin bowling does the same to its equipment, lanes, etc., then I don't foresee anyone bowling a 300 game. But I feel that it's only a matter of time before we see some modifications made that gives the "upper echelon" type bowler a good chance to reach that mark.

Dean Mahlistedt

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I am new to duckpin bowling, but I have some observations about the possibility of someone rolling a 300 game. On the one hand, I believe that if enough time goes by someone will eventually roll a perfect game. On the other hand, I don't think a perfect game can be expected any time soon.

If a 300 game is to come in the near future, one must question what new talent the game of duckpin bowling is attracting. I was very surprised to learn that the men's all time high score of 279 has not been improved on since 1992, and that the women's high score of 265 was set in 1973. New talent and dedication to the game are essential to setting new records or new high scores. Given the current trends - a three hundred game is not on the horizon.

Richard Lampe

The Duckpin News

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DUCKPIN PROFESSIONAL BOWLERS ASSOCIATION 2002 TOUR SCHEDULE

DATES	SITE
April 27-28	Highland Bowl (Cheshire, CT)
May 25-26	AMF Westview (Baltimore, Md.)
June 22-23	Holiday Lanes (Manchester, Ct.)
July 13-14	Riviera Lanes (Pasadena, Md.)
August 3-4	To be announced
Aug. 31-Sept. 1	Dee's Duckpin Lanes (Suitland, Md.)
October 12-13	Town Hall Lanes (Johnston, R.I.)
Nov. 16-17	Mens Masters - AMF College Park (Md.)

WOMEN'S NATIONAL DUCKPIN ASSOCIATION 2002 TOUR SCHEDULE

DATES	SITE
May 25-26	Dee's Duckpin Lanes (Suitland, Md.)
June 22-23	Holiday Lanes (Manchester, Ct.)
July 13-14	Pinland Lanes (Dundalk, Md.)
Aug. 31-Sept. 1	White Oak Lanes (Silver Spring, Md.)
Oct. 12-13	Town Hall Lanes (Johnston, R.I.)
Nov. 16-17	Grand Prix - AMF Westview (Md.)

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NDBC to induct five into Hall of Fame

The ranks of the National Duckpin Bowling Congress Hall of Fame will grow to 146 when five new members are inducted during ceremonies on Friday, May 3, 2002 at Snyder's Willow Grove in Linthicum, Maryland.

The incoming class brings superb accomplishment, service and class to the membership rolls. Being inducted are:

- Lindsey Hammonds, Waldorf, MD - Superior Performance
- Joe Rineer, New Windsor, MD - Meritorious Service
- Bob Wilson, Baltimore, MD - Superior Performance
- Scott Wolgamuth, College Park, MD - Superior Performance
- Carol Yingling, Baltimore, MD - Meritorious Service

Following is a synopsis of each inductee's credentials.

★ LINDSEY HAMMONDS ★

Lindsey Hammonds, 71, was born in Hempill, Va. and started bowling in 1957 at the Spillway Lanes. "Being accepted into the Hall of Fame is the highlight of my career," commented Hammonds. He ranked nine times in the NDBC top twenty, his best being fourth in 1966-67. Some of his tournament titles include two pro tours, two Dixie Classic championships and the 1966 Washington Daily News Coca-Cola Classic in which he tied the 30 game world record (shared with Dave Volk). A retired federal employee, Hammonds and his wife Lena enjoy spending time with their six children.

★ JOE RINEER ★

Joe Rineer, 57, has enough accomplishments on his resume that his NDBC Hall of Fame induction is a shoe in. The owner of the Mt. Airy Lanes and Greenmount Bowl has made significant contributions to the duckpin industry, on and off the lanes. Rineer, a native of Baltimore, started bowling in 1952 at Spillway Lanes. In a service capacity, he has been active as a proprietor for 25 years. His involvement included President of the Duckpin Bowling Proprietors of America, Board member of the NDBC, color commentator for duckpin TV shows and member of committees too numerous to list. He was named Duckpin Leader of the Year in 1989 and received the DBPA Distinguished Leadership Award in 1993.

Rineer has also sparkled on the lanes. He has been a pro tour member since 1968 and is in their Hall of Fame. He represented the U.S. in two world cup events and has won 12 major tournaments. He ranked number one in Baltimore in average in 1977-78 and has been in the NDBC top twenty several times. His career bests include a 228 game, 590 series and 153 average. Rineer and his wife Kaye have three children and three grandchildren.

★ BOB WILSON ★

76 year old Bob Wilson was born in Cockeysville, Md. and began bowling in 1939. This will be the fourth Hall of Fame induction for Wilson as he is already a member of the Duckpin Professional

Bowlers Association, Baltimore Bowlers Association and Baltimore Professional Duckpin Association Halls of Fame. Wilson boasts a 235 career high game and 571 high set. He was ranked number one five times in the Baltimore average rankings and was in the top ten nineteen times. He ranked in the NDBC top twenty 10 times and won 14 major tournaments. Wilson works as a chairman for Ertel Associates. He and his wife Mary Lou have three children.

★ SCOTT WOLGAMUTH ★

Only 44 years old, Scott Wolgamuth can boast a lifetime of duckpin bowling accomplishments. The CPA got started bowling at age 7 at Bowl America Kent. Career highs include a 246 game and 594 set. Wolgamuth also holds the 12 game NDBC world record of 2,066.

"Setting the 12 game record during the Eastern Classic is the highlight of my career," stated Wolgamuth. "I hadn't bowled any tournaments in around 18 months due to injuries. I only went to the tournament because Jeff Pyles had enough confidence in my game to sponsor me."

Wolgamuth has led the nation in average twice and has been in the top twenty 13 times. He is a Past President of the NDBC and the Greater Washington Duckpin Association. He cites Mr. & Mrs. Jasper and Yvonne (Sam) Jackson, key youth coaches, and Jacques Dietsch, proprietor, as valuable influences on his duckpin life.

★ CAROL YINGLING ★

Carol Yingling is not one to seek the limelight so gaining entrance into the NDBC Hall of Fame is a surprise to her. "This is such a great honor. I just can't imagine it happening," said the native Baltimorean. But there is no doubt that Yingling has made immense contributions to the duckpin industry in a quiet, supportive role.

Yingling has served as National Duckpin Youth Association Director since 1981 and secretary/treasurer of the Duckpin Bowling Proprietors of America since the mid-1980's. She succeeded Evelyn Larochelle as NDYA Director and has provided a high level of service for 21 years. Her efforts for the proprietors have taken many burdens off the officers as she adeptly handles the office operations. Carol also started serving as secretary/treasurer of the Maryland State BPA three years ago.

Yingling has been involved in duckpin bowling for a large portion of her life. She has been bowling for 30 plus years as well as been a league secretary the same time. She worked at Fair Lanes Perring Parkway in Baltimore for 10 years and also ably assisted her husband Bill when he was head advisor of the Fair Lanes Travel League for 15 years. Carol received the Duckpin Leader of the Year Award in 1991. She is one of the most beloved people in the game, widely respected for her behind the scenes work.

Carol and Bill have two daughters and five grandchildren.

(See Hall of Fame inductees photo in Fall 2002 issue.)

Jeff Pyles wins 72nd Eastern Classic and \$2,000

Jeff Pyles of Lanham, Md. won the \$2,000 first place prize in the 72nd Annual Frank Barber Memorial Eastern Duckpin Classic which took place February 23-24 and March 1-2-3, 2002 at Lucky Strike Lanes in Mansfield Center, Connecticut. It was the third time Pyles has won this illustrious tournament.

Pyles rolled a 12-game total of 1,874 (156 per game average) with two six-game blocks of 160-174-116-173-147-140-910 and 152-206-172-125-126-183-964.

Ron Pelletier of Fall River, Ma. earned \$1,000 for second place with an 1,857 total score. His blocks were 928 and 929.

Dennis Cabral, Jr., last year's champion, of W. Warwick, R.I. took third place honors and \$500 with an 1,838 score. His block scores were 893 and 945.

Scott Charlwood of CT. won the optional handicap singles and \$300 with a 2,009 total score (1,748 + 261).

A field of 158 bowlers competed in the longest running duckpin tournament which has always been held at Lucky Strike Lanes.

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Additional Prize Winners

4. Mark Anderson (CT)	1,823	\$365
5. Eddie Darling (MD)	1,819	\$315
6. Don Dove (MD)	1,808	\$270
7. Jim Reisberg (MD)	1,805	\$235
8. Todd Turcotte (CT)	1,790	\$210
9. Kevin Burke (MD)	1,774	\$185
10. Ron Korecky (MD)	1,758	\$165
11. Tom Clauson (CT)	1,743	\$145
12. Bruce Smith (MD)	1,730	\$130
13. Steve Dryer (RI)	1,717	\$115
14. Mike Steinert (PA)	1,710	\$105
15. Rich Dunnack (CT)	1,708	\$100
16. Rick Rocha (RI)	1,707	\$ 95
17. Ken Thomas (CT)	1,706	\$ 90
18. Mike Trepanier (CT)	1,703	\$ 85
19. Walt Brooks (MD)	1,700	\$ 77
19. Bruce Sylvester (CT)	1,700	\$ 77
21. John Veal (CT)	1,694	\$ 71
22. Jim Clark (CT)	1,693	\$ 70
22. Bob Johnson (MD)	1,693	\$ 70

Class B Awards (135 & under averages) Sponsored by Lucky Strike Lanes and Action Vending

1. Scott Charlwood (CT)	1,748	\$300
2. Rick Ganoe (CT)	1,739	\$150
3. Jeff Greene (RI)	1,706	\$ 90

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•High First Block - Lou Sarkisian	853
•High 2nd Block - Bud Franklin	848
•High 2nd Block - Tom Martino, Sr.	821
•High Single - Jim Carvalho	180
•High Single - Toby Moran	178

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Special High Single \$35 Awards (129 & under averages)

Sponsored by Sports Crane

•Jayson Lastarza	- 177
•Scott St. Jean	- 170
•Dean Vertefuille	- 170

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Block Awards - \$70 Prizes

High Set First Block

•Anthony Francisco	- 900
•Pete Chamberlain	- 897
•Pete Signore	- 885
•Dave Wander	- 880

High Set Second Block

•John Devanno	- 901
•Randy Farlow	- 896
•Dave Lachance	- 895
•Ron Lawlor	- 889

High Single First Block

•Erik Pellett	- 194
•Gene Zommer, Jr.	- 193
•Mike Dominique	- 188
•Mike Drotar	- 18.

High Single Second Block

•Doug Oliver	- 196
•Anthony Quinn	- 191
•Al Carvalho	- 190
•Eric Barnes	- 188

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John Veal (CT)	1,694	\$ 72
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Optional Handicap Section

1. Scott Charlwood	2,009	\$300
2. Rick Ganoe	1,982	\$150
3. Dennis Cabral, Jr.	1,964	\$ 90
4. Lou Sarkisian	1,957	\$ 80
5. Ron Korecky	1,956	\$ 70
6. Jeff Greene	1,949	\$ 60
7. Mark Anderson	1,940	\$ 55
8. Tom Clauson	1,932	\$ 50
9. Jayson Lastarza	1,928	\$ 45
10. Dwayne Desrosiers	1,926	\$ 37
10. Dan Lacroix	1,926	\$ 37
12. Rick Rocha	1,923	\$ 30
13. Carey Szepucha	1,922	\$ 28
14. Ken Gagne	1,921	\$ 26
15. Kevin Burke	1,918	\$ 24
16. Tom Martino, Sr.	1,916	\$ 22
17. Steve Dryer	1,915	\$ 20
18. Rocco Calise	1,914	\$ 18
19. Ken Thomas	1,913	\$ 16
20. Tom Shaw	1,910	\$ 14
21. Bob Johnson	1,909	\$ 13
22. Dave Lachance	1,889	\$ 12
23. Bud Franklin	1,887	\$ 11
24. Joe Consolini, Sr.	1,886	\$ 11
25. Joe Dipanni	1,880	\$ 10
26. Doug Oliver	1,879	\$ 10
27. Scott St. Jean	1,876	\$ 10

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Proprietors Potpourri

By Peter Capello
President, Duckpin Bowling Proprietors Association

As we end our 2001-2002 fall/winter season, I want to thank all of the bowlers who bowled in one of our member centers. We appreciate your business and hope you had an enjoyable season. We look forward to continually serving you. Remember, the duckpin establishments which join the DBPA are dedicated to providing the best and are deeply committed to our industry.

I also want to thank our association's Board of Directors for their efforts throughout the year. A special salute to our secretary-treasurer, Carol Yingling, for her terrific work during the year, managing the office, handling communications and taking care of day-to-day operations.

Our industry had a nice fall/win-

ter season. We saw many new customers in our bowling centers and open bowling was at a high level. Those centers which work hard find that duckpin bowling still has a meaningful place in the community.

Thanks again for your patronage this winter and have a wonderful summer!



Meeting Notices

•BPAA Bowl Expo - June 16-21 in New Orleans. Call 1-800-343-1329 or visit www.bowlexpo.com for more information.

•Duckpin Bowling Proprietors of America - Friday, June 28, 10 am, Clarion Hotel, Hagerstown, Md.

•National Duckpin Youth Association - Friday, June 28, 1 pm, Clarion Hotel, Hagerstown, Md.

Paramount Balls of Fun to be awarded at NDYA national tournament

Every National Duckpin Youth Association member has an opportunity to win two new duckpin bowling balls this season. In a program sponsored by Paramount Industries, Inc., one boy and one girl in each of five age divisions will be awarded a pair of duckpin balls.

A random prize drawing will take place on Saturday, June 29, 2002 during the awards banquet at the National Duckpin Youth Championships in Hagerstown, Maryland.

"We truly appreciate Paramount's generous support," said John Dolch NDYA president.

NDYA now on the web

National Duckpin Youth Association information is now available through the internet. Thanks to the cooperation of the National Duckpin Bowling Congress, you can access NDYA pages through the Congress web site at www.ndbc.org.

Some of the information at the site includes tournaments, records and Stars of the Month.

"We appreciate the National Duckpin Bowling Congress allowing the NYA to share its web site," said John Dolch, NDYA president. "We think it makes sense to have this joint venture."

The NDYA looks forward to expanding its information and keeping bowlers up to date.

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Congress Chatter

**By Theresa Belniak
President, National Duckpin
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Did you ever wonder what makes our game so great? I know there are many different answers but I feel one of the most important things is the people.

Your Fellow League Members: The people you see every week, many of whom have become your friends.

Your Fellow Tournament Bowlers: The occasional acquaintance you see every few weeks or so, maybe even bowl with from time to time.

Your Proprietors & Their Staff: The people who work hard every day to make sure the center you visit weekly is a clean and enjoyable place to spend your days and evenings.

The NDYA Bowlers: Your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephew. The future of our game!

All these folks join together to help form duckpin bowling. At every level of our game is a group of very important people that make us tick. And it doesn't stop with these people. Another extremely important group of people are the volunteers who give their time to make your leagues (youth & adult), local associations and various organizations run smoothly and efficiently.

The work they do is very important, from coaching your kids, to serving as league officers, to organizing and running tournaments, to representing your local area at NDBC meetings. Most of these people give of their time to help keep the game of duckpins alive so that each week you can go out and enjoy yourself. Have you thanked them lately for their hard work?

Most people volunteer because they love to be involved but a "thank you" every now and then goes a long way. And while these folks are very dedicated to their jobs, sometimes, well, they make mistakes. (We are all human.) So it would be to your advantage

to keep an eye on things. Make sure when you pay your \$10.00 sanction fee, you get your sanction card within a reasonable amount of time (no more than 4-6 weeks). It can never hurt to ask your league secretary about the status of your card. After all, if you purchased wrapping paper from your nephew for a school fundraiser and paid him \$10.00, wouldn't you make sure you got your wrapping paper? So if it's your sanction card, awards, or tournament paperwork you are lacking, just ask! I've always been told there's never a dumb question.

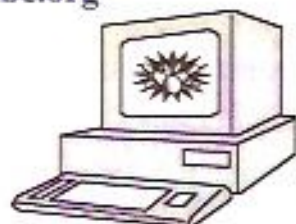
As our year winds down, we look forward to the season-ending events. Our National Tournament kicks off the first weekend in May and runs for five consecutive weeks at AMF Southwest in Linthicum-Baltimore, MD. Be sure to make plans to bowl and join us as we celebrate 100 years of Duckpin Bowling and the 75th Anniversary of the NDBC. We kick off our celebration with our Annual Honors Banquet, this year honoring a very deserving group of Hall of Fame Inductees: Scott Wolgamuth, Bob Wilson, Lindsey Hammonds for Superior Performance; Carol Yingling and Joe Rineer for Meritorious Service. I must take a moment to say that I feel the induction of both Carol and Joe is well overdue. I don't know that I've met two people who have done more for the game of duckpins. Carol has been Director of the NDYA for numerous years and gives countless hours to the most precious commodity our game has: our children. Carol has also given of her talents to the Duckpin Bowling Proprietors Association. She is an invaluable asset to Peter Capello and all the proprietors. Her dedication to both these fine organizations is truly deserving of a place in our Hall of Fame.

Now while many will say that Joe Rineer makes a living off duckpin bowling, one still cannot deny the fact that he has given his time and talents on numerous levels. The DBPA, the Men's

Pro Tour, NDYA and NDBC have all benefited from the time he has given over the years serving on boards, attending meetings, providing color commentary for television, etc. The list is long and keeps growing every day. I've worked with Joe on numerous occasions and his opinion is one that I have grown to respect and be thankful for. The duckpin world is lucky to have Joe Rineer. My congratulations to all five of this year's inductees.

I hope you have enjoyed a great year on and off the lanes. Remember to thank those people who volunteer their time to make this a great game. And please come and join us at this year's National Tournament and help us celebrate our great game! Have a wonderful summer!

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Jackie Adams and Jeff Pyles set NDBC mixed doubles world record

Jackie Adams of Frederick, Md. and Jeff Pyles of Lanham, Md. set a National Duckpin Bowling Congress world record for mixed doubles three game set with a 1,040 total score. The record was bowled at AMF Pikesville in Baltimore in the Friday Nite Pro Mixed Doubles League on November 30, 2001.

Adams rolled 184-176-180—540 and Pyles tossed 175-153-172—500.

The previous record of 1,035, established in 1996, was held by Donna Biondo and Joe Williams of Baltimore.

MARGE'S MUSINGS

By Marge Chaney
Executive Director
National Duckpin Bowling Congress

Here we are almost to the end of another bowling season. There are still many events to come however. First is the Annual Meeting of the National Duckpin Bowling Congress. This meeting will be held Friday, May 3, 2002, at the Comfort Inn, 6921 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd., Baltimore, Maryland, at 10:00 am.

A special guest will be Rob Norton, who is working on a prototype of a new duckpin pinsetter. He will be giving a report on his progress. Also joining us will be Donna King, CMAA, Director of Student Activities at Chantilly High School and Secretary/Treasurer of the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. She will provide

some ideas on approaching schools to start youth bowling programs.

The next event will be the Honors Banquet which will be held that night at 6:30 pm at Snyder's Willow Grove Restaurant, 841 Hammonds Ferry Road, Linthicum, Maryland. We will be honoring the top twenty ranked men and women bowlers and inducting five individuals into the National Duckpin Bowling Congress Hall of Fame. Those honorees are: Bob Wilson, Lindsey Hammonds and Scott Wolgamuth for Superior Performance; Joe Rineer and Carol Yingling for Meritorious Service. I hope all of you will try to attend and share their night of recognition.

Last, but certainly not least, is the

opening of the National Tournament. The Opening Ceremonies will be Saturday, May 4, 2002, 11:00 am, at AMF Southwest. The Tournament will run for five weekends so be sure you make your plans to bowl. All centers have entry forms. Make your reservations early to get your choice of day and time. If you have any questions, or need additional entry blanks, give us a call (410) 636-2695 and we will help any way we can.

All of the events will be in celebration of 100 YEARS OF DUCKPINS and the 75th ANNIVERSARY of the National Duckpin Bowling Congress. It would be wonderful if ALL our members could join us at some point to mark these two important occasions.

Final average sheets will be mailed to all league secretaries in the near future. Please make sure they are fully completed and you have included every bowler that bowled even one game in your league this past season. We need the information on all games bowled to be sure our records are complete.

The Baltimore Duckpin Bowlers Association needs some help. Baltimore is the largest area in terms of number of bowlers, yet they have a problem getting people to serve on the Association Board. If you love duckpins and want to have a voice in your organization, maybe you would donate an average of two or three hours a month to make this Association the active, strong and viable group it should be. If you have questions about what is involved, please give me a call at (410) 636-2695 and I will be glad to discuss it with you. I know there has to be bowlers out there who care.

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE - Our new e-mail address is NationalDuckpin@aol.com. This will make it more convenient for you to reach us. I hope to see you at the National Tournament.

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2nd R.I. youth scholarship event set

Scholarships will again be at stake when the 2nd Summer Scholarship Challenge takes place at Town Hall Lanes in Johnston, R.I. on August 9-11. The tournament is directed by Stephen Dryer.

The tournament will consist of an eight-game qualifier with a certain percentage of bowlers, based on entries, advancing to the divisional match play. The event concludes with a stepladder finals. Handicap will be 80% of 160 per game.

Scholarship amounts will be based on entries. Entry fee is \$40 and re-entry is \$30.

For more information, call Stephen Dryer at 401-451-0972, e-mail him at stephendryer@aol.com or visit www.duckpins.com.

The defending champion of the tournament is Dan Richmond. The tournament is sanctioned by the National Duckpin Youth Association.

Proprietor seeks youth rule changes

As a proprietor representative on the National Duckpin Youth Association Board of Directors, I suggest the following recommendations to change some rules.

Individual Pre-Bowling:

I believe the present rule on pre-bowling is vague and unfair. The rule states that pre-bowled games are allowed "at the discretion of the program director" and "must be rolled under league conditions". I believe the only league conditions are those that one team bowls against another team. What would any other explanation be? Also under the present rules it appears that a bowler could bowl for an entire season and never once bowl with their team. I believe that roll offs should not be allowed at all, but realize most would probably object. I am willing to compromise and set a limit on the number of roll offs allowed. My suggestion would be a maximum of 15 games, but not to exceed 1/3 of all games bowled for the season.

National Duckpin Youth Championships State/Regional Tournament Rules

One rule states that "a bowler may compete in their regular age division and/or the next highest age division. The age of the oldest team member will determine the division of the team." The way the rule reads now it allows a team to consist of 4 lower age division bowlers and one higher age division bowler and compete in the higher division. I find this unfair to a team that would have 5 higher division bowlers. I believe the majority of a team should be from the higher age division.

I truly believe the changes I am proposing are fair and just.

Frank Ferri, Town Hall Lanes, Johnston, R.I.
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Several geographic regions have been running their own successful youth invitational tournaments over the years and now the best youth duckpinners in the nation will be able to showcase their talents in the first ever National Youth Invitational Tournament.

The action will take place on Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26, at AMF College Park in Maryland. The top 32 bowlers, boys and girls divisions, based on a minimum 45 game average, will compete. Bowlers are expected from Connecticut, Maryland, Metro Washington, Rhode Island, Virginia and West Virginia.

Contestants will roll five game blocks with the field trimming to 16, then eight and then four to bowl in a stepladder finals. "This should be a terrific event with the best bowlers from the youth program competing," said Stephen Dryer, the tournament's organizer. For more information about the tournament, call Dryer at 401-451-0972.

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Where are they now?

Ed. Note: This column is devoted to bringing readers up to date on the whereabouts of people who made significant contributions to the duckpin game.

Although he was more well known among duckpin bowling proprietors, Bob Haux greatly impacted duckpin bowlers without them even realizing it. Haux, who turned 76 on April 1, enjoyed a stellar 28-year career with Fair Lanes. He retired in 1988.

Some of Haux's duckpin involvement and accomplishments included the formation of the National Duckpin Youth



Bob Haux with one of his prize dogs

Association, working at the proprietor conventions, helping with the Pinbusters TV show, forming the Duckpin Bowling Council and running the Duckpin All-Star Tournament.

"I always felt warmer towards the duckpin group," recalled Haux. "I felt because they were smaller than tenpins that they tried harder." Some of Haux's fondest memories were the duckpin conventions. In addition to bringing creative programs to the proprietors, he could always be counted on to organize programs for the children in attendance.

Haux's background was in recreation. He primarily grew up in Catonsville, Md. In 1960, he was recruited by Fair Lanes president Ed Hoey to join the company. After training stints at Fair Lanes Timonium and Ritchie, he became Manager at Forest Park, then opened Fair Lanes Laurel. Haux soon moved into the growing company's marketing department for the remainder of his career.

Retirement has been a busy time for Haux, who lives in Annapolis. His wife of 53 years, Marge, and he have four daughters, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He sold his boat four years ago and now raises Boykin Cocker Spaniel dogs which he enters in various competitions.

"There were so many nice people in duckpins, like Tom Zarrella, Pete Santora and Evelyn Laroche," Haux said. His hard work paid off with receiving the DBPA Distinguished Leadership Award in 1986.

Youth bowlers rolling high scores

The National Duckpin Youth Association members continue to roll high games. Following are some recent high game scores.

Pee Wees (ages 6 & under)

- Megan Traylor, 125 game, Edgemere Bowl (Md.)
- Larissa Nasisi, 113 game, Town Hall Lanes (R.I.)
- Keith Price, 114 game, AMF Pikesville (Md.)

Preps (ages 7-9)

- Perri Holloman, 126 game, Victory Lanes (Va.)
- Michele Fravel, 115 game, Pikeside Bowl (W.V.)
- Bradley Banzhoff, 131 game, Long Meadow Bowl (Md.)

Bantams (ages 10-12)

- Jennifer Wojcechowski, 148 game, Glen Burnie Bowling (Md.)
- Justin Saunders, 136 game, Perillo's Bowl (Ct.)

Juniors (ages 13-15)

- Erica Ogle, 180 game, Ind. Youth Travel (Md.)
- Jimmy Cappucino, 168 game, Parkville Lanes (Md.)

Majors (ages 16-21)

- Lisa Boswell, 165 game, Wickford Lanes (R.I.)
- Conrad Estes, 155 game, Johnson's Lanes (Ct.)

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Boyd and Campbell win Myra Pyles Doubles Tourney

Patrick Boyd and Mark Campbell won the 4th annual Myra Pyles Memorial Doubles Tournament and took home the \$1,000 first place prize. The tournament spanned the Christmas/New Year's period at AMF College Park in Maryland.

Second place and \$500 went to Mark Welch and Curtis Orpin. Tommy Weaver and Jake Edwards earned the \$250 third place prize.

The tournament attracted 82 entries with 26 teams cashing in the prize fund.

The event is named for Myra Pyles, long time Fair Lanes manager and "Queen of Duckpins" who died in December 2000.

4th annual Buddy Creamer Classic set for June 28-30

A \$3,000 first place prize will be up for grabs when the 4th annual Buddy Creamer Classic takes place at AMF College Park on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 28, 29 and 30.

The tournament uses a pro tour type format. Entrants will bowl seven games scratch with the top 24 bowlers advancing to the divisional match play. The top five bowlers then move on to one-game stepladder matches.

"This is a terrific tournament and we anticipate a big entry," said Jeff Pyles, AMF College Park General Manager.

The second and third place prizes are guaranteed at \$1,500 and \$750, respectively. The entry fee has been lowered to \$100 this year and the tournament is sanctioned by the National Duckpin Bowling Congress.

The event is named for NDBC and Pro Tour Hall of Famer Buddy Creamer of Glen Allen, Va. The defending champion is Chris Moore of Rockville, Ct. For more information, call 301-474-8282.

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Name	Date	Center	Average	Game/Set
Gail Geiman	8-29-01	AMF Eastpoint (Md.)	126	523
Paul Arkoian	9-12-01	Glenmont Lanes (Md.)	109	454
Rhonda Blackburn	9-25-01	Thunderhead Lanes (Md.)	117	496
Billy Thomas	9-29-01	AMF College Park (Md.)	146	250
Lisa Etzler	10-3-01	Village Lanes (Md.)	115	488
Stephanie Holober	10-6-01	Pikeside Bowl (W.V.)	86	170
Vicki Cook	10-10-01	Village Lanes (Md.)	105	444
Darlene January	10-12-01	Edgemere Lanes (Md.)	104	478
Mary Sabatini	10-25-01	Barnum Lanes (Ct.)	88	395
John Pielmier	11-12-01	Glenmont Lanes (Md.)	119	511
Elton Wisner	11-21-01	AMF College Park (Md.)	115	475
Randy Schaper	11-21-01	AMF Pikesville (Md.)	123	223
Gary Proctor	11-23-01	Shenandoah Lanes (Va.)	123	228
Joseph Kuemmer	11-24-01	AMF Eastpoint (Md.)	100	221
Joyce Card	11-27-01	Mac's Bowl (R.I.)	99	410
Donald Wisner, Jr.	11-28-01	Village Lanes (Md.)	112	476
Steve Moore, Sr.	12-4-01	Glen Burnie Bowling (Md.)	134	563
Gene Fierlit	12-9-01	Town Hall Lanes (R.I.)	144	258
Howard Sachs	12-10-01	White Oak Lanes (Md.)	108	452
Earl Anders	12-10-01	Thunderhead Lanes (Md.)	108	205
Dave Baker	12-11-01	Southside Bowl (Md.)	115	211 & 492
Ed Sible	12-12-01	Greenmount Lanes (Md.)	103	434
John Oliva	12-14-01	Johnson's Lanes (Ct.)	103	429
Chrissie Ring	12-20-01	Danbury Lanes (Ct.)	87	383
Clyde Woodlief	12-20-01	Dee's Duckpin Lanes (Md.)	111	462
Ken Baker	1-10-02	AMF Eastpoint (Md.)	132	244
Mya Babbitt	1-11-02	Johnson's Lanes (Ct.)	91	413
Kevin Wilson	1-16-02	Mt. Airy Lanes (Md.)	139	240
Barbara Coale	1-24-02	AMF Southwest (Md.)	122	510
Mamie Henderson	1-28-02	Glenmont Lanes (Md.)	96	407
Butch Rosenthal	2-1-02	Pinland Lanes (Md.)	133	244

Amy Bisson breaks Connecticut three game womens' record twice

Amy Bisson of Plainville, Ct. broke the Connecticut women's three game record twice in a two month period. First she rolled 171-219-165—555 on December 26 in the Major Triples

League at Highland Bowl in Cheshire. That eclipsed the previous 547 set which was bowled by Tefta Norton.

Then on February 13, in the same league, Bisson shot 137-203-219 —

559 to surpass her own record.

Needless to say, Bisson is on a roll. In 2001, she was the Womens' National Duckpin Association Bowler of the Year, and earnings and average leader.



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- AMF Pikesville, 1723 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore, MD 21208, 410-486-1444
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- AMF Towson, 701 Southwick Drive, Baltimore, MD 21286, 410-825-4100
- AMF Westview, 5647 Baltimore National Pike, Baltimore, MD 21228, 410-744-4000
- Dec's Duckpin Lanes, 4811 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, MD 20746, 301-735-9534
- Edgemere Bowling Lanes, 6808 North Point Road, Baltimore, MD 21219, 410-477-0717
- Glen Burnie Bowling, 6322 Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie, MD 21061, 410-636-5904
- Glenmont Lanes, 12345 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD 20906, 301-942-4200
- Greenmount Bowl, 1625 N. Main Street, Hampstead, MD 21074, 410-374-6211
- Mt. Airy Lanes, Center Street Ext., Mt. Airy, MD 21771, 301-829-0710
- Parkville Lanes, 7607 Harford Road, Baltimore, MD 21234, 410-444-6100
- Riviera Bowl, 8551 Ft. Smallwood Road, Pasadena, MD 21122, 410-255-3550
- Seidel's Lanes, 4443 Belair Road, Baltimore, MD 21206, 410-485-5171
- Turner's Dual Lanes, 1350 Dual Highway, Hagerstown, MD 21740, 301-739-7858
- Turner's Long Meadow Bowl, 19330 Leitersburg Pike, Hagerstown, MD 21742, 301-739-3707
- Turner's Southside Bowl, 17325 Virginia Avenue, Hagerstown, MD 21740, 301-582-1323
- Village Lanes, 902 East Street, Frederick, MD 21701, 301-662-1442
- Walkersville Lanes, 44 Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, MD 21793, 301-898-3355
- White Oak Lanes, 11207 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20904, 301-593-3000

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- Bowling Academy, 354 Taunton Avenue, E. Providence, RI 02914 401-434-5839
- Dudek Lanes, 409 Child Street, Warren, RI 02885, 401-245-9471
- Hearthside Lanes, 452 Putnam Road, Greenville, RI 02828, 401-949-2520
- Mac's Bowl, 890 Main Street, West Warwick, RI 02893, 401-828-3279
- Town Hall Lanes, 1463 Atwood Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919, 401-831-6940
- Wickford Recreation, 7565 Post Road, N. Kingstown, RI 02852, 401-294-9886

VIRGINIA

- Bowlarama, 7641 Sewells Point Road, Norfolk, VA 23513, 757-587-5261
- Plaza Bowl, 521 E. Southside Plaza, Richmond, VA 23224, 757-233-8799
- Victory Lanes, 2513 Victory Boulevard, Portsmouth, VA 23702, 804-487-1614

WEST VIRGINIA

- Turner's Pikeside Bowl, 2120 Winchester Pike, Martinsburg, WV 25401, 304-267-2042