



THBS Monthly

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Membership Renewals! Summer League

Unbelievable; we are almost done another season! We could not have done this without all of you or without Bowlerama West taking us in to their house! We are all very grateful for all of your support this year!

WE SURVIVED!

We are now registering our members for the 2016-2017 Season at Bowlerama West. The season will start on Tuesday, September 6th @ 7PM, Friday, September 9th @ 7PM and Sunday, September 11th @ 1PM.

Cost for membership will remain unchanged. Early registrations cost for returning members of the 2015-

2016 season will be \$35 if you register prior to **March 20th**.

Cost for new members, members who have missed the deadline, or previous members will be \$50.

Summer League will be back and it appears that this will be our biggest summer season yet based on our survey results. Summer Season starts Wednesday, June 1st @ 7PM. Early membership cost will remain at \$25 if you register prior to April 3rd. If you register after April 3rd, the cost will be \$35.

Summer league teams are compromised of 4 bowlers per team and every team at the end of the season is go-

ing to win two awards.

We are assuming that Lane fees will remain the same at this time, however, these have not been negotiated with the lanes as we will have a new executive in place.

We need your help to grow our league. As a result of the closure of our former house, we lost some members. We welcome all members back and look forward to meeting new ones. If you have communication boards at work and would like some promotional info about our league, please ask and we will be happy to provide it to you!

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YEAR END BANQUET!

Mark your calendars! Our Year End Banquet and Awards Gala is scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd at the Courtyard Marriott!

Cocktails at 5:30PM

Dinner at 7:00PM

Cost is \$40 per member or guest!

This will be the last Hurrah for some of the Executive as we introduce you to the incoming executive!

There will be some great door prizes, some great entertainment as always— maybe a few surprises and what promises to be a great



time will by all!

Tickets are on sale now! Please see Patrick to purchase yours! We will need to provide a headcount prior to our event. Don't delay! Get your ticket today!



Great Bowling Tournament!

Our friends in Rochester are holding their annual bowling tournament the weekend of April 29th to May 2nd.

Registration is now open!

The Host Hotel will be the Holiday Inn, Rochester Airport and the cost for a room will be \$90 / night.

To secure a room, call 1-877-660-8550 and mention Great Bowling Tournament.

Registration Party is the Friday at the Avenue Pub and the Hospitality Suite opens at 9am.

Doubles and Singles event is on the Saturday and the

Team event and Banquet is on the Sunday.

For more detailed information, please visit www.bowlgreat.org

Our Last Fundraiser of the Season!

We would like to thank all of you who have participated in the many fundraising activities that we've held throughout the year such as our Mystery Score, Strike Pot, Strike It Rich, THBS Game, THBS In-House and our social events!

Your generosity has helped us meet our financial goals for the season

Declared Scores!

As we approach the end of the season, all Declared Scores must be used.

Declared scores are not permitted to be used during the playoffs.

Bowlers have the following options:

We will refund a maximum of 1 Declared Score per bowler / per session and / or you can use the score to offset your weekly lane fees.

and has permitted us to maintain our awards structure as well as our playoffs.

The Strike Pot, Mystery Score and Strike It Rich will continue for the remainder of the regular season

Lastly, we are selling **Mega Raffle** Tickets at the cost of \$2.00 each starting now and at the Banquet. See

If you have a few declared scores in the bank, you may want to start using them now to offset the remainder of the regular weekly lane fees.

Regular Season ends on March 13.

Please see Nora to receive your refund slip.

If you elect to offset your lane fees with a declared score, you will be provided

Patrick! If we sell out, 1st place will win \$1500.

1st Place: 50% of sales

2nd Place: 25% of sales

3rd place: 15% of sales

We got very close to selling out last year and our goal is to sell out this year. \$2 is all it takes to win!

Just ask Nora!

with your declared score and the slip. Include these in the pay envelope and mark your payment option as **DSR**.

If you are requesting a refund, remit your payment as per the usual process and mark your slip accordingly.

Any questions, please ask any executive member!

“Use them or lose them!”

The Playoffs & Champion/Consolation Rounds



The first week of Playoffs is March 17th, 18th and 20th.

We are all off the week of March 24th, 25th and 27th due to the Easter Holiday.

The second week of Playoffs will be March 31st, April 1st and 3rd.

If you are unable to make any of these playoff games, we will have supervised bowl offs on Sunday March 13th at 1PM, Tuesday March 15th @ 7pm, Sunday March 20th @ 1PM or Tuesday March 22nd at 7PM.

The Top 4 Teams from each session after the Playoffs will move to the Grand Championships or the Grand Consolation rounds.

Grand Consolations will be held on Friday, April 8th at 7PM

Grand Championships will be held on Sunday, April 10th at 1PM.

Supervised Bowls offs for the Grands will be Tuesday April 5th at 7pm or Thursday April 7th at 7PM.

If you are unable to make any of the supervised Bowl Offs scheduled, it will be your responsibility to find a spare bowler to cover you in your absence. If you are electing to find a spare, please find someone who has bowled 21

games and whose average is close to yours as the person with the lesser handicap will determine which one is used. Nora can assist you with this if needed.

Historically, THBS has covered the costs of the lane fees for the Grands. Unfortunately, we are not in a financial position to do so this year, so all team competing in the Grands will be required to pay the regular lane fees.

Important March / April Dates!

March 10, 11, 13:

Last week of Regular Play

March 13 & 15:

Supervised Bowl Offs

March 17, 18, 20:

Week 1 of Playoffs

March 24, 25, 27:

Easter Break—No Bowling

March 20 & 22:

Supervised Bowl Offs

March 31, April 1 & 3:

Week 2 of Playoffs

April 5 & 7:

Supervised Bowl Offs

April 8:

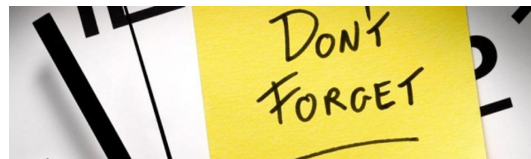
Grand Consolations

April 10:

Grand Champions

April 23:

Year End Banquet and Gala



Our March / April Babies!

Happy Birthday!

Stephenie Naugler—March 1

Brian Kirby—March 7

Tracey Shannon—March 13

Dave Beauchamp—March 14

Kerry Johnston,
Michale Newman (BJ),
Nicole Bourassa-Burke —
March 17

Stan White—March 21

Ian Sinclair—March 28

James Sevcik &
Reg Monaghan— March 30

Kevin Dennis—April 2

Brian Chan-Chue &
Terry Brewer—April 3

Greg Middleton—April 4

Alan Bates—April 7

Gary Shinkinger—April 11

Kevin Matchett—April 14

Francisco Ricord—April 24

Emma Surich—April 25

And to anyone we may have missed! A Happy Birthday to you as well!



Getting to know you!

We asked “Wide Open” which happens to have the largest age variance in its team members some really tough questions!

How long have you been bowling with the league and what keeps you coming back?

Jenny: For over 10 years—the fun and the laughter is what keeps me coming back.

Tony: Since 1999—the fun and the friends I’ve made keep me coming back

Jason: 10 Years—The bus keeps me coming back as well as Tony’s smooth and silky voice.

Viv: For over 25 years—The friends I’ve made and I truly enjoy bowling!

Geoff: 2 Years—It’s fun and I like the people!

What tips would you give to a new Bowler?

Jenny: Don’t give up!

Tony: Relax, have fun and be courteous!

Jason: Support each other like a good all weather brassiere!

Viv: Have fun!

Geoff: Bowl well and have fun!

How do you plan on claiming the championship title?

Jenny: Playing the best I can

Tony: By channeling my inner bowling diva!

Jason: I’ve taken names and made a list. You don’t want to be on my list!

Viv: Win! Win! Win!

Geoff: Try my best and do my best to cheer on my team!



From left to right: Jenny Tham, Tony Desmond, Jason Schneider, Geoff Brown, Viv Brown

Your most embarrassing THBS Moment?

Jenny: Yelling BINGO! at the wrong time.

Tony: None—I’m a diva!

Jason: Any time Chan-Chue sits on my lap! **Patrick:** Poor you—Would you like to borrow my voodoo doll! It keeps him

away!

Viv: When I dropped the ball and it bounced behind me!

Geoff: When my shoe stuck and I ended up hopping over three lanes. **Patrick:** Donald Hicks does this all the time but his shoes don’t stick! That’s just how he bowls!

We love our bowlers! They are all GREAT!

Election Results!

We’ve completed our elections for the 2016/2017 Executive and we are happy to report that all positions have been claimed.

Your 2016-2017 Executive will be as follows:

President: Gary Hesselwood

VP Tuesday: David Douma

VP Friday: Jo Deluzio

VP Sunday: Michale Newman

Treasurer: Stephen Park

Statistician: Nora Axbey

Events /Sponsorship: Bill Downey

Secretary: Giles Borland

It’s great to see that we have some existing Executives Members remain on the board, some returning executive members coming back again and some fresh new faces joining the executive for the first time!

We look forward to another fun and fabulous 2016 Summer Season and a 2016-2017 Fall Winter Season!

Enjoy!



Survey Results

We recently polled the membership for some feedback and the following are the results of the survey:

Question 1: Will you be returning? 91% of you have indicated that you would be returning. We would love for this to be 100%, if the 9% is from the Thursday or Friday Session, please note that you do have the option of joining Sunday. We have room and commuting is much easier on a Sunday than a weeknight..

Question 2: 4 or 5 Member Teams: 83% wanted to keep the

5 members!

Question 3: Summer League:

34 people have indicated they would be joining - we would be short 6 bowlers for 10 teams and would love to see more people come out and join us on Wednesdays! We do finish much earlier as there are only 4 Bowlers per team and everyone wins two season awards at the end of Summer League!

Question 4: Tuesday or Thursday League: 58% expressed a desire to move Thursday to Tuesdays. We are assuming that members

who bowled on both Thursday and Friday found it difficult to bowl 2 evenings consecutively!

We appreciate everyone's input and have decided to keep the teams to 5 bowlers for the fall winter session and to move our Thursday Session to now be on Tuesdays.

Thank you every one for this very valuable feedback!

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- Michale Newman, VP Sunday
- Alan Bates, Secretary
- Nora Axbey, Statistician
- David Wilson, Treasurer
- Giles Borland, Event and Sponsorships Coordinator

Non-Executive:
Blake Simmons, Web Site

Fostering "Friendship, Unity and Sportsmanship"



Congratulations Bill Downey!

Winner of the Strike It Rich Pot!

David is THRILLED!