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## **Connecticut Bowlers Set USBC Record**



Left to right in photo above with their individual game scores are Jeff Voght (244), RJ Broege (279), Tom Solimine (279), Dave Kipperman (243), and Tim Gillick (254).

A Connecticut team from Naugatuck recently broke a 111 year record for a single game in the USBC Open Championship history with a 1,299 score at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev. Their team (named 123Bowl.com) beat the previous record of 1, 281 posted in 2011 by a team from Madison, Wisconsin. At one point during the game the team had 32 consecutive strikes. The team's other games were 1,009 and 1,073 for a 3,381 total. That put them just outside the top 10 in the Regular Teams event. Individual 3 game series for each member were Voght (629), Broge (742), Solimine (768), Kipperman (615), and Gillick (627). Their companion team,

BuddiesProShop.com, finished even higher with a total of 3,394 for the evening, placing them in tenth place at that time. Those bowlers were Matt Deuire (739), Chris Forry (719), Brian Graham (704), Mike Mullin (660), and Sam Maccarone (572).

It was quite a night for these bowlers from Fairfield County. Unfortunately their record was broken a short time ago. For a time they were on top of the bowling world! CTUSBC congratulates them for an outstanding job and is proud to have them as representatives of our state!!

#### **CTUSBC** Awards Program

CTUSBC reminds secretaries to send in for awards we give out in various categories (All Spare & Dutch 200 games, 7–10 & Big 4 splits, and a Triplicate series). Local associations are working to develop new awards replacing key chains and refrigerator magnets USBC gave out, thank goodness!!!

## CTUSBC Announces New Hall of Fame Class

CTUSBC hs announced four new members who will be inducted into its Hall of Fame at the Oct. 11, 2014 Annual Awards and Hall of Fame Dinner at the Villa Capri in Wallingford. All four will enter in the Superior Performance category. They include Scott Cocchia of Fairfield County USBC, Dwight Davis from the Greater Danbury USBC, Vincent Marulli of New Haven County USBC, and Robin Provenzano from Greater Central Connecticut USBC. The Chronicle hopes to have photos and bios of the four in its next issue.

#### Substitute Bowler, With House Ball, Wins State Championship



CTUSBC Director, John Turgeon, was the Tournament Director for this year's CT State Open Tournament held in April at Wallingford Bowl. He even had a 300 game in the event, but it's his wife, Beth, who walked away as a champion. She just came to give John a helping hand when a team needed a sub. She didn't even have her own ball or shoes with her! She kindly stepped in, using a house ball and rented shoes to help. The team, Bill's Service of Stamford, won the team handicap event. Now they will share \$2,000 in winnings and be invited to CTUSBC's award dinner in October. Just goes to show what can happen in bowling! Great job Beth!!!

#### CTUSBC 2014/2015 SCHEDULE (please clip and save)

Oct. 5-Northeast Council hosted by Greater Central Connecticut

Oct. 11-CTUSBC Awards & Hall of Fame Dinner at Villa Capri in Wallingford

- Oct. 12 & 19-CTUSBC Adult/Youth Tournament at Norwich Center
- Oct. 25 & 26-CTUSBC Senior Open & Senior women's Tournaments at Bradley Bowl in Windsor Locks
- Dec. 6,7,13, & 14-Jay McGuire Annual Tournament at Bowl-O-Rama in Newington on the Berlin Turnpike THIS TOURNAMENT OPEN TO
  - ALL CERTIFIED BOWLERS IN CT
- Feb. 7 & 8-Spring Northeast Council Hosted by Long Island
- Mar. 7,8 & 15-CTUSBC Youth State Tournament at Norwich Bowling & Entertainment Center
- Mar. 28 & 29 and Apr. 11,12,18, & 19-CTUSBC Open Tournament Hosted by Southeastern USBC Location - TBA
- Apr. 1-Applications for CTUSBC Hall of Fame due
- May 2,3,9, 16 & 17-CTUSBC State Women's Tournament at Apple Valley Lanes in Plantsville

#### Captains and bowlers are reminded to follow dress codes & rules for all events to avoid disqualifications.

#### CTUSBC Director Wins Two IBMA Awards

Chronicle editor, Marsha Gilbert, has won two 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards from the International Bowling Media Association (IBMA) for the CTUSBC newsletter and a feature article written for the Bowler's Ledger, a regional bowling newspaper distributed in New England bowling centers. That's 5 national bowling writers' awards won by Marsha in all!

#### **CT Locals - Association News**

Greater Central Connecticut USBC announced Keith DeMaone and Robin Provenzano as Male and Female Bowlers of the Year. Both were named to All Star Teams along with (men) Brian Paradis, Roger Baral, Frank Pawlus, III, Glenn Hood and (women) Becky Kregling, Krista Kelly, Michelle Brown and Laurie Parrino. They were honored at GCC's Annual Award Dinner at along with new Hall of Fame members, Quay Grove (Meritorious), Brian Bogohosian, Cheryl Gervais, Bill Holota and LaWanda Scott (all for Bowling Ability). GCC's \$1,000 Scholarsip winner was Madgellan Cleary, a youth bowler from Windsor Locks. GCC President, Pat Lupacchino, and Association Manager, Paul DiMauro. will both retire in July. Quay Grove will be the new President and Rick Virgadula will be Association Manager.

Southeastern USBC held its Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon on June 14<sup>th</sup>. They will host the 2015 CTUSBC Open Tournament at Saybrook Lanes on March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, and April 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>.

Fairfield County USBC bowler, Rose Ciesluk, was the first woman bowler ever to receive a 50 year participation pin for bowling in as many CT State Women's Championship Tournaments. Rose is 88 (will be 89 on Oct. 1) and still an active bowler. She bowled in the tournament when it was run by the Connecticut Women's Bowling Association (CWBA) and continued in the event when CWBA merged into the CTUSBC organization. Rose was active in CWBA and was one of only a few women to be inducted into their Hall of Fame (now part of the CTUSBC Hall of Fame) in 1981 f or

Meritorious Service. She became a member of the CTUSBC Board at the merge, serving as Sergeant-At-Arms until her retirement a few years ago. She also had the honor of throwing out the first ball of the Women's Tournament a few years back when it was held at Nutmeg Bowl in Fairfield, CT. Congratulations on the great achievment of 50 years, Rose! A



Rose Ciesluk, 88, honored for 50 years of bowling in the CT State Women's Annual Tournament

### **Consider Giving Back to Your Sport**

CTUSBC and local association directors are all volunteers who give up their time to run bowling events. Sometimes they are thanked but they receive criticism, too. Criticism is fine because it can often lead to change. With your criticism give us ideas to precipitate change. One-way to do this is to consider becoming a volunteer on a committee. It would give you a chance to share and help to make our sport better. You may even decide to become a director. It could be your way of giving back to bowling. If you would like more information on becoming a volunteer or a director, contact your local office or CTUSBC at our web site or e-mail found on this newsletter.

#### **CT State USBC Scholarship Winners**

Two high school seniors were recently announced by CTUSBC as \$1,000 scholarship recipients. They are Robert "Bobby" Hunt, left photo, and Ryan Davis, right.



Bobby won the CTUSBC scholarship and Ryan is recipient of the CTUSBC Women's Scholarship. Bobby is the top scholar at



Enfield High School and will pursue his career as a pharmacist at the University of Connecticut in the fall. He is an Eagle Scout, member of the National Honor Society' Treasurer of the Student Council, served on the Yearbook Committee, participated in the Model United Nations program, and was in the drama club and International Thespian Society, among his many interests.

Ryan, a senior at Howell Cheney Technical High in Manchester, where he maintained high honors, captained the soccer team and was a three year varsity baseball player earning his school's all-academic male scholar athlete honors. Outside of school he was also an Eagle scout and played American Legion baseball. Ryan will attend Central Connecticut State University in the fall and will study Construction Management.

High school seniors whose parents or grandparents are current certified CT bowlers or youth active bowlers can apply for the CTUSBC scholarship yearly. The CTUSBC Women's scholarship is open to high school seniors whose mothers or grandmothers are current certified CT bowlers. Information on both scholarships are sent to all public and private high school guidance offices. CTUSBC congratulates both young gentlemen on their awards!

Scenes from the CTUSBC Women's Tournament at Silver Lanes in May



Tony Reynauld, of Silver Lanes, welcomes our women bowlers.



GCC bowler, Cheryl Gervais, rolls the first ball to start the bowling.



GCC President Pat Lupacchino cuts the ribbon, opening the tournament.



Janice Gagne, left, and Mary Russo of Southeastern USBC