



THE ELEVENTH FRAME

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The governing body of wheelchair bowling in association with the USBC
AWBA.org*

From Our AWBA Chairperson,

Joe Fox, Sr.

A Big Hello to the Membership!

Hope all are having a Great Year so far!! We have been busy with many things having to do with the business end of our association. To mention a few, the AWBA has gotten the insurance renewed, the Financial Audit completed, and Gary has finished up the AWBA Texas Shootout in Ft. Worth, Texas. The results are posted in this newsletter.

The things we have been working on with PVA are also either done or being completed. The Nevada AWBA/PVA Invitational tournament was our first dealings with new procedures put in place by the PVA and the USOC and it went as well as can be expected. The PVA/AWBA Sponsorship agreement for the AWBA's 52nd National in Georgia has been signed and returned to National PVA. We would like to thank the National PVA for their continued support of our National Championship and now we are ready for the Nationals in June. Please remember to check the AWBA Web page for tournament information and registration information. You can either enter the event via electronic entry form or by downloading the entry forms and mailing them in. Let me say the electronic form worked extremely well for the Texas event and may be the wave of the future as it reduces the cost of mailing out information. A good thing to use (if) you chose to do so. If not, do it the old fashion way and mail your entry to Harold Bowman, AWBA National Tournament director. Either way works but the important thing is that you attend your National Event. We hope to have a big turnout in Dallas, Georgia.

The ballots for new directors have been sent out, so please remember to Vote!!! On this subject, there was complete notice of the upcoming election with emails and our bylaws which are posted on our web site. If you did not put your intent or respond to the request to run, how are those working on preparing the ballot know you wanted to run? Let's be logical, we need the BIO'S and your information in January should you wish to be considered, not just I want to be on the ballot. I may catch some flak for this but fairly straight forward, we have all been through the process before. I wish all who submitted their nomination luck as we look forward to bringing new and motivate individuals to the AWBA Board for the coming years.

Gary and Paul have been performing a great deal of work, keeping me updated on the progress of their efforts as well as addressing specific tasks I have asked them to undertake. We are in communication regularly making sure we are on track with the things that need attention. I have not received any questions or concerns, so if you have any, please email me at jfoxpva@verizon.net or give me a call, 1-951-304-1991 office, as your Chairmen, I'm here to listen and give the best answer I can or I will find the answer for you.

I wish all of those coming to the AWBA 52 Nationals the very best, and may all who will attend Bowl their very best, good luck in your travels there and in your return, and remember, We come together as a Organization Representing the very Best of individuals who Bowl from our wheelchairs, and who compete as a proud group because we have and will continue to be the Best, as we, Achieve, Adapt, and cover come, as we have for the past 52 years.

Safe Travels to everyone see ya in Georgia.

AWBA'S NATIONAL RAFFLE

The AWBA's National Raffle is going well. Remember, all proceeds other than prize money goes towards covering the expenses of our National Championships. The excess goes towards the next National so all funds are dedicated to our National Championship. Tickets are \$50.00 and there were only 400 printed so your chances are great to win!!! Contact Dave Roberts, Wayne Webber, Harold Bowman, or Gary Ryan to purchase your winning ticket!!!! Ya can't win if ya don't invest!!!!

Gary Ryan, Secretary

When we last spoke, I had made mention of adding value to what you the member receive from your organization. Since that time, we introduced a new event, the Texas Shootout, held in March in Ft. Worth, Texas that was well attended by many of our members. In doing so, the AWBA's new electronic entry form was also introduced which allowed our members to enter the event via their computer. It was a huge success in that 29 of the 32 entry's used the new system. In doing so, it reduced the administrative cost of the event allowing the funds saved to be used to add to the event itself. As we move forward introducing new and innovative options to you the member, we want to insure that you see it as a true benefit, so let us have your thoughts as to what things work for you and what things can be improved upon. We value your impute. We have a great cast that have offer their services to the AWBA by placing their name in nomination for the board. Please remember to have your ballot in the mail by April 17th so that your voice can be heard. We are continuing to develop new and exciting opportunities with acquiring National Sponsors for the AWBA. We are hopeful that an announcement will be made very soon with one you will readily recognize. Stay tuned!!!! Should any of you have a contact with a National company that you feel we should begin to approach, let me know. Our continued development with the USBC is going well. Our relationship is stronger than ever and continues to grow. We are in hopes of developing a strategy that will raise the AWBA's visibility to another level within the bowling world through that relationship. Finally, David Roberts and his team are working very hard to increase participation in the Florida State Championships that will take place the end of April. Lets do all we can to help him in his effort. What a great place to be in late April!!! Tampa, Florida is the place to be. Then off to Dallas, Georgia for the 52nd National. Lets make this a National of note!!!! Harold and Linda do a wonderful job of insuring that everyone that attends is felt welcome and taken care of. So, lets take care of them as well. And, Harold has attend speech therapy and he can now be understood on the phone!!!! That's a reason in itself to attend. May all have safe travels, a blessed life, and high bowling scores. See all of you very soon.

AWBA Auxiliary

"The helping hand of the AWBA"

Linda Schneider, President

" HI YAW ALL" I'm practicing for Georgia!!! "Santa Claus has left the building!!"

As we turn our attention to the AWBA Georgia Nationals, it is time to reflect on a candidate for our Outstanding Achievement Award. Please review the criteria in the 11th Frame and send your nomination to Linda Schneider, 5670 Peacock Lane, Riverside, California, 92505. . All nominations should be sent by May 1st.

I am very proud of our Auxiliary Members as they work together to ensure outstanding support of the AWBA.

"ALOHA" FOR NOW--HINT!!

LINDA

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"STRIKES, SPARES, GREAT SHOTS"



January 1st thru April 15th, 2013

Name	200+	250+	500+	550+	600+	650+	700+
Peter Arb allo	217,205,207		515,	563,577			
Shawn Beam	202,246,237200		547	554			
Larry Binger			509,518				
Mike DeLoach	213,201,233,238		541	556,585			
Paul Cook			507				
Rich Gabory		257		554			
Eddy Hutchens	236,246,246	275,277			629,632	684	727
J.K. Johnston	215		504,535	561			
Paul Kenney	206			556			
Dave Roberts	202,215,206,202,201		530,504	582			
Gary Ryan	228		528				
Charlie Schena	209,214			561			
Mark Shepherd	207,202,208,224,218,237		537,544	560,	630,647		
Roger Templar	243,214,236,226,225			594	629,625		
Al Uttecht	216,221		512	569,577			
Wayne Webber	213,243			585			

Spilt Conversions:

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Updating of the **SPARES, STRIKES, AND GREAT SHOTS** will be reflected on a 4 month interval. Please report them using the Awards form on the AWBA.org website or email them to Gary Ryan to insure they are received. The 6 AWBA National Awards presented at the National Awards Banquet are scores reported between May 1st, 2012 thru April 30th, 2013. .

NEW NATIONAL TOURNAMENT SITE

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE THAT THE BOWLING CENTER FOR THE NATIONALS IN GEORGIA HAS BEEN CHANGE TO BUNSWICK ZONE IN MARIETTA, GEORGIA. THIS IS A 40 LANE HOUSE WITH ALL THE NEEDED AMENITIES FOR A GREAT EVENT. THE CENTER IS APPROXIMATELY 13 MILES FROM THE HOST HOTEL. PLEASE CHECK THE WEB SITE FOR MORE INFORMATION ALONG WITH A MAP TO THE CENTER FROM THE HOST HOTEL.

CHECKOUT THE AWBA ON FACEBOOK!!!!!!!

2013 AWBA Tournament Schedule

<u>DATES</u>	<u>BOWLING CENTER</u>	<u>T'MNT DIRECTOR</u>
<u>April 25 thru 28, 2013</u>		
<u>51st Florida State Championship</u>	<u>University Lanes, Tampa, FL.</u>	<u>David Roberts, 804-512-1496</u>
<u>June 17 thru 22nd, 2013</u>		
<u>AWBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS</u>	<u>Brunswick Zone, Marietta, Georgia</u>	<u>Harold Bowman, 770-443-1096</u>
<u>August 22-25, 2013</u>		
<u>AWBA/MSCPVA</u>	<u>King Pin Lanes, Colorado Springs, CO</u>	<u>Donna DeBaca</u>
<u>Dec. 5-8, 2013</u>		
<u>Las Vegas Invitational</u>	<u>Texas Station, Las Vegas, Nevada</u>	<u>Walt Roy</u>



2013 AWBA

TEXAS SHOOTOUT

Well, the 1st Annual Texas Shootout is in the books!!!! What a great turnout we had with over 31 bowlers coming from all over the country to participate in 3 days of fun loving enjoyment with some great bowling. City View Lanes in Ft. Worth was a wonderful facility to host such an event and their staff was most accommodating in providing us with great lanes, great food, and some warm Texas hospitality. And the weather was typical March in Texas with wild flowers in full bloom, crystal clear blue skies and no humidity!!!! The Up and Down was a huge success with over 27 teams filling the center. We were honor to have 6 USBC notables join us for the event which our bowlers along with the general public witnessed the way we should all bowl. The end results were extremely close with only 7 pins separating first to third place. Everyone had a wonderful time. Doubles competition began on Friday morning with 15 teams entered into the event. Don Porpora and Paul Cook took the Doubles honor defeating Kavin Monroe and David Nelson. Mark Shepard and Peter Arbollo came in third. Singles competition was, as usual, very competitive in all Division. In the "B" Division, we had a first time winner and brand new member from Florida, Millie Irizarry, take the honors. She fought through the tears in accepting the trophy. She is going to be a wonderful addition to the AWBA. You will enjoy every minute you spend with her. In "A" Division, Wayne Webber outlasted Paul Cook to take the crown back to Florida. And in the Scratch Division, Eddy Hutchens defeated the Birthday Boy, Roger Templar, to take the honors to Colorado.

Shawn and I would like to extend our thanks to those members that made donations to the 1st Texas Shootout. Each of you know who you are but without those donations, this event would have never happened. We would also like to thank Nancy Roberts and Mary Ann Templar for their assistance. We would like to thank the sponsors that were so gracious to support this event and the AWBA. Finally we would like to express our sincere thanks to Onie Ryan and Mae and David Zaunbrecher for scoring an event for the first time along with Candice, Shawn Beam's Mom. We really don't know how we could have pulled this off without their dedication to the AWBA. Thank you so very much.

We hope you enjoyed all the activities as much as we enjoyed hosting this event. We are in hopes that this will be the first of many minus the scoring glitch. Thanks to each of you for your attendance and your friendship. It is truly treasured.

RESULTS

	<u>"A" Division</u>	<u>"B" Division</u>	<u>Scratch Division</u>
1 st Place	Wayne Webber	Millie Irizarry	Eddy Hutchens
2 nd Place	Paul Cook	Smiley Wallace	Roger Templar
3 rd Place	Don Porpora	Stephen Smith	Mark Shephard
4 th Place	JK Johnston	Kevin Schaefer	Mike DeLoach
5 th Place	Gabe DeLeon	Gil Herrera	Shawn Beam

DOUBLES

Paul Cook/Don Porpora
 Kevin Monroe/Dave Nelson
 Peter Arbollo/Mark Shephard

Standing Committee Chairpersons 2012-13

Executive Committee

Chair: Joe Fox, Sr.

Standing Members:

Wayne Weber, Vice Chair

Paul Kenny, Treasure

Gary Ryan, Secretary

Awards/Constitution/Bylaws Committee

Chair: Gary Ryan, Awards, Wayne Weber, Bylaws Dave Roberts

Membership Committee

Chair: Dave Roberts, Wayne Webber

Publicity Committee

Chair: Gary Ryan

Sponsorship Committee

Chair: Gary Ryan

Nominating Committee

Chair: Walt Roy, Immediate Past Chair AWBA

Election Committee

Chair: Gary Ryan, Secretary

Finance Committee

Chair: Paul Kenny, Treasurer

Scholarship Committee

Chair: Gary Ryan, Secretary, Dave Roberts

Tournament Rules/Site Committee

Chair: Wayne Weber, Vice Chair, Gary Ryan, Sec, 2 Nat'l TD

YOU ARE NEEDED!!!!!!!!!!

Become a part of your organization. Get involved in being a part of the future.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE THAT HAVE PASSED

BILL HOPE

Long time member and past Chairman Bill Hope passed away on March 30, 2013 at age 78, medical complications associated with a short hospitalization of about two weeks. He is survived by his wife Diane who informed us of his passing. She requests that in those AWBA friends wishing to honor him do so by memorial contributions in his name to the AWBA, an organization he cared deeply about.



52nd AWBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

JUNE 17TH THRU JUNE 22, 2013

BRUNSWICK ZONE

MARIETTA, GEORGIA

GO TO WWW.AWBA.ORG FOR ALL YOUR INFORMATION

HAROLD BOWMAN, AWBA TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

REQUESTS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE AWBA AUXILIARY OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

SELECTION RULES INFORMATION

After reading the following rules for the Outstanding Service Award, please provide some of the following information which will help us consider your nominee:

How many years has this nominee been a member of the AWBA Auxiliary?

What have they accomplished? PLEASE BE SPECIFIC!!

1. On the local level: such as, have they participated in fund raising, helped with tournaments, or just been there when help was greatly needed(?)
2. On the National level: again, fundraising, helped put together tournaments, and promoted the AWBA.
3. Have they ever held office in the AWBA Auxiliary or in the AWBA? If so, what office, and for how long? What did they accomplish while in office?

These considerations are just that. They are not meant to limit you in any way to what you may include in your nomination letter. Please give us all the information you can on your nominee. The more information you can provide the better. These are just suggestions so that we can get a better idea of your nominee's outstanding service to our organization.

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD RULES

1. NOMINEE SHALL:

- A. Be a member in good standing of the Auxiliary of the American Wheelchair Bowling Association.
 - B. Support the AWBA in promoting wheelchair bowling at the local, state, and national level.
 - C. Support the AWBA by helping raise money for the Association, through fund raising programs.
 - D. Be ready to assist any AWBA member at any bowling tournament.
 - E. Assist the AWBA as needed.
2. Any female or male auxiliary member may be nominated for an award by an Auxiliary or AWBA member.
 3. Names of nominees must be sent to the Chairperson of the Committee no later than May 1st of each year.
 4. All past active recipients of the Outstanding Service Award will make up the committee.
 5. Those nominated will be voted on by the Committee members with each nominee being given a point value from zero to maximum points. NOTE: A NOMINEE MUST RECEIVE A MINIMUM OF 60% OF THE POSSIBLE POINTS FROM THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS VOTING, IN ORDER TO BE SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE AWARD. More than one nominee may be selected in a year.
 6. A nominee may receive more than one award. If a person is nominated, after having received the award, a secret vote of all auxiliary members in attendance at the National Meeting will be taken. This nominee must receive a majority of the votes cast in order to be selected for a second award. A gem of their choice will be added to their first award.
 7. Awards need not be presented each year. Awards will be presented at the AWBA Awards Banquet at the National Tournament by the Auxiliary President.

Please send nominations to:

Linda Schneider, Chairperson
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“Working with the USBC for a
Better Tomorrow”



New Members to the AWBA

Melody Bliss-California

Michael Cranford-North Carolina

Cedric Murphy-Louisiana

Existing members and how you can help!!!!

Your organization is always looking to reduce the cost of doing business while at the same time, never sacrificing the benefits to you, the members. One way costs could be contained is to have those of you with emails and still receiving your newsletter thru the US Postal system, to send the editor of the newsletter your email address so that all information can be sent to you via email. By reducing the cost of various projects that can be done more efficiently, it allows your organization, the AWBA, to direct those funds saved to other worthwhile causes that promote the purpose and direction of the AWBA. **So, send a quick note to Gary Ryan at garyryan210@gmail.com so that you can become a part of the “IN CROWD” electronically.**



WORKING WITH TOMORROW'S FUTURE



As many of the AWBA members do throughout the country, when a call is received to lend assistance to those in need of inspiration and guidance, they respond. Such is the case in Houston when the City of Houston's Parks and Recreation department called on Gary Ryan to help with their youth bowling program. With over 30 young bowlers in attendance, a afternoon of fun was had by both the kids and parents alike. Tomorrow's future is in the youth of today, no matter what the task is that is being undertaken. The AWBA has for many years worked with all ages to show that life is in the individuals hands and is totally up to that individual to take advantaged of what is offered. The parents of these kids were inspired by what their joy in life could achieve in such a short period of time. “When you see a youngster that was born with no legs say, “I can Bowl”, then remove himself from his chair, get on the floor, grab a ball, and bowl, it would inspire anyone” said Gary. Much thanks goes out to Palace Bowl for their kind donation of the lanes for the afternoon. The only limitations placed on one's life are those they place on themselves. All is possible, you just have to want it bad enough!!!!!! Thanks kids for touching me!!!!