

Nelson Welker Scratch Doubles Champions

This event began in 1973 as the All American Doubles. It was renamed in honor of Nelson Welker, a charter member and member of the AWBA Hall of Fame. The following teams have championed the event since its inception.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Team Members</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Team Members</u>
1972	♣Howard Hughes – ♣ John Prato	1996	Earle Annis Jr. – Wayne Webber
1973	♣ Ray Bowser – Jerry DeMaris	1997	Bill Overby – Don Bruns
1974	♣ Orvil Cyrus – ♣ Frank Moses	1998	Phillip Daniel – Jimmy Gogolin
1975	♣ Jack Wiles – Jerry Jones	1999	♣ Lupo Quitarano – Bob Goddard
1976	♣ Frank Moses – Jerry Jones	2000	♣Jim Mathis – Jerry Jones
1977	Jack Heller – Bob VanDecar	2001	Gilbert Hamilton – George Simpson
1978	♣ Forrest Hays – ♣ Lee Reeves	2002	Jerry Mills – Al Uttecht
1979	Don Bitzer – Ralph Haskell II	2003	Harold Bowman – Norm Bissell
1980	♣ Jim Turner – Cal Marvin	2004	Janet Norwood – Clarence Steele
1981	♣ Mildred Hyde – Van Schneider	2005	Martin Frost – David Meiklejohn
1982	♣ Gary Egglefield – Jim Lane	2006	Bill Birch – Kevin Schaefer
1983	♣ Steve Horstmann – Merv Kaya	2007	John Budd – George Simpson
1984	♣ Ronnie Ritcherson – ♣ Jack Wiles	2008	Grant Buehler-Merv Kaya
1985	Jim Lane – Rudy Moreau	2009	Mark Shepherd, Colorado – Waly Roy, California
1986	♣Andy Ripchick – ♣ Al Smith		
1987	♣Bob Murdock – Mike Riggle		
1988	Rich Stetler – Wayne Webber		
1990	Tim Crowley – Roland Taylor		
1991	W. H. Boyd – ♣Dave Morrison		
1992	Rich Spizzirri – Al Uttecht		
1993	Richard Balli – Roland Taylor		
1994	Ron Buhl – Phillip Daniel		
1995	Jim Sullivan – Don Bruns		

Ramus - Pfister Handicap Triples Team Champions

The three person handicap team was started in 1976 by Daryl Pfister and Gene Ramus whereby any three AWBA members partner together and compete at 100% of 600 pins. Those following teams have won championships.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Team Members</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Team Members</u>
1976	♣ Gary Kuokkanen – ♣ Jack Wiles – Buck Burkett	1996	♣ Tom Kelderhouse–Sam Migliorisi–Craig Harvey
1977	Not Contested	1997	♣ Darl Arrant – Jack Walton – Phillip Daniel
1978	Robert Gruber – Louis Hasquet – Bill Hope	1998	Stan Hopson – Jack Walton – Phillip Daniel
1979	♣ John McSwain – ♣ Jim Turner – Jerry Jones	1999	Bill Sonneman – Rich Gabory – W. H. Boyd
1980	♣ Leroy Mitchell – ♣Don Bitzer – Ralph Haskell II	2000	Jerry Jones – Jim Gogolin – ♣Jim Mathis
1981	Roger Dixon – Merv Kaya – Al Uttecht	2001	Kathy Wright – Bill Stanley – Steve Edgar
1982	Roger Dixon – Van Schneider – Al Uttecht	2002	Alan Henry – Bill Foster – Ken Ledbetter
1983	♣ Doug Keaton – ♣ John McSwain – Linda Hunter	2003	Jim Sullivan – Don Porpora – Wayne Webber
1984	♣ Jack Wiles – Pat Harley – Don Trigg	2004	Paul Cook – J.K. Johnston – Bob Willis
1985	Linda Hunter – Merv Kaya – George Simpson	2005	David Meiklejohn – Don Trigg – Steve Kuketz
1986	♣ Orvil Cyrus – ♣ Ron Ritcherson – ♣ Jack Wiles	2006	Phillip Daniel – Bob Goddard – Smiley Wallace
1987	♣ John McGuire – Lee Curtis – Jim Griffith	2007	Paul Kenney – Wally Farrington – Roger Templar
1988	Gilbert Hamilton – Rich Robey – George Simpson	2008	Grant Buehler-Pete Poulin-Gabriel Diaz de Leon
1989	♣ Ed Hollingsworth – Ken Horgen – Jim Sullivan	2009	Mike Cannizzaro – Robert Kimrey – Tom Maciosek
1990	♣ Ron Rush – ♣Carl Kitchen – Mike DeLoach		
1991	♣ Howard Hughes – Tom Hein – Cal Marvin		
1992	♣ Ed Briggs – Richard Devlin –♣ George Snyder		
1993	Ron Buhl – Steve Kuketz – Roland Taylor		
1994	♣ Darl Arrant – Jack Walton – Phillip Daniel		
1995	Peggy Jacobsen – Al Madruga – Jim Mahon		

Seniors Classic Champions

The Seniors Classic began in 1985. Any entrant 55 years or older is eligible to win this award based on the highest handicap qualifying total after the first twelve (12) games regardless of division placement. The following have won the event. Beginning this year's event, the eligibility has been increased to 65 years or older.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Champion</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Champion</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Champion</u>
1985	† Ken Seaquist	1995	Larry Seymour	2005	Jim Sullivan
1986	† Don Bunn	1996	† Ray Hildago	2006	J. K. Johnston
1987	Walter Powell	1997	Norm Bissell	2007	William H. Boyd
1988	† Don Bunn	1998	Don Porpora	2008	J. K. Johnston
1989	† Andrew Jones	1999	Tim Hall	2009	Horace Boyd
1990	Paul Kee	2000	Peter Arballo		
1991	† Tony Karmizin	2001	Joe Coleman		
1992	Jim Mahon	2002	† Al Lutz		
1993	Don Bruns	2003	Jim Sullivan		
1994	John Martinez	2004	Dan Spotts		

Buddy Cole 'Most Improved' Memorial Award

The following AWBA bowlers have won the "Most Improved" award by compiling the greatest increase in pin fall from the previous year's event. The award is based on the first twelve (12) qualifying games of the singles competition. It is named in honor of Clyde "Buddy" Cole for his long and dedicated service to the AWBA.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pins</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pins</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pins</u>
1963	† Mel Lubarsky	+327	1983	† John Sommer	+295	2003	Ziggy Tkaczenko	+381
1964	† Richard Carlson	+470	1984	Pat Harley	+464	2004	Ziggy Tkaczenko	+325
1965	† Paul O'Hora	+698	1985	Larry Seymour	+246	2005	Rodney Kingsbury	+298
1966	† Forrest Hays	+296	1986	† Toby Hendrix	+403	2006	Jerry Mills	+458
1967	† Walter Suchanoff	+263	1987	Bob Willis	+428	2007	Peter Poulin	+389
1968	† "Sonny" Steward	+607	1988	Earle Annis Jr.	+454	2008	Bob Goddard	+401
1969	† Ronnie Ritcherson	+245	1989	Roger Schulz	+342	2009	Gary Ryan	
1970	Paul Reitmeir	+414	1990	† Al Smith	+263			
1971	† Nelson Welker	+269	1991	Bob Kilpatrick	+659			
1972	† Johnnie Irby	+381	1992	† Lynette Martinez	+345			
1973	† Harry Deal	+263	1993	Stan Hopson	+239			
1974	† Don Adams	+706	1994	Jim Mahon	+194			
1975	† Frank Moses	+435	1995	† Terry Boen	+365			
1976	† Harry Deal	+386	1996	George Simpson	+654			
1977	† John Sommer	+443	1997	Paul Staples	+351			
1978	Jim Worth	+376	1998	Jim Zomchek	+280			
1979	Daryl Pfister	+492	1999	Jim Coffey	+472			
1980	† Howard Hughes	+631	2000	Al Uttecht	+531			
1981	Tom Hein	+463	2001	Anna Korchak	+337			
1982	Jim Sullivan	+321	2002	Gary Poole	+284			

Alma Ladwig Memorial Award

Begun in 1979, the Alma Ladwig Memorial Award is presented to the woman that has the highest total pin fall through the qualifying rounds of the singles competition in the National Tournament. It is presented each year by the Milwaukee area bowlers in memory of Alma Jean Ladwig, the force responsible for allowing women to become members and bowl in the AWBA competitions.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>
1979	‡ Patsy Haines	1991	‡ Margaret McKay	2003	Alice Post
1980	‡ Mildred Hyde	1992	Kathy Weinstein	2004	Kathy Wright
1981	Marie Estes	1993	Kathy Weinstein	2005	Stacy Sanders
1982	‡ Patsy Haines	1994	Anna Korchak	2006	Janet Norwood
1983	Angela Carita	1995	Peggy Jacobsen	2007	Kim Brown
1984	Carol Lewis	1996	‡ Lynette Giles Martinez	2008	Judy Mosher
1985	Linda Kellerman	1997	‡ Lynette Giles Martinez	2009	Loretta Moon
1986	‡ Margaret McKay	1998	Anna Korchak		
1987	‡ Helena Newman	1999	‡ Maria Tarpley Dixon		
1988	‡ Lynette Giles Martinez	2000	Jeanne Wharton		
1989	‡ Patsy Haines	2001	Kathy Wright		
1990	‡ Lynette Giles Martinez	2002	Sheila Doolin		

AWBA 'All Events' Champions

The 'All Events' was added to the National Awards in 1995 with it's intent to increase boost participation in the various team events along with the singles competition. Calculated into the bowlers total pin fall are, the first three games in the Doubles, the three games of the Triples team and the qualifying scores of the singles as applied to both Scratch and Handicap divisions.

<u>Scratch Champions</u>			<u>Handicap Champions</u>		
<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Score</u>
1995	Al Uttecht	3348	1995	Jim Sullivan	4360
1996	Walt Roy	3542	1996	Jim Sullivan	4510
1997	Martin Frost	3485	1997	Bill Overby	4265
1998	Walt Roy	3329	1998	Jim Sullivan	4276
1999	Al Uttecht	3322	1999	Jim Sullivan	4511
2000	Al Uttecht	3787	2000	Jerry Jones	4218
2001	Walt Roy	3490	2001	J. K. Johnston	4295
2002	Al Uttecht	3541	2002	‡ Lupo Quitarano	4361
2003	Martin Frost	3398	2003	Jim Sullivan	4388
2004	Ziggy Tkaczenko	3497	2004	Paul Cook	4449
2005	Al Uttecht	3528	2005	David Meiklejohn	4914
2006	Bob Goddard	3323	2006	Frank Valenzuela	4406
2007	Al Uttecht	3233	2007	Doug Conley	3828
2008	Al Uttecht		2008	J. K. Johnston	
2009	Walt Roy		2009	Pete Poulin	

Bill Hart Memorial "Sportsmanship" Award

Rita Hart created this award in 2001 to honor her husband, Bill Hart's love of the game along with his strong sense of sportsmanship, and his unwavering support of the AWBA. It is awarded to those individual bowlers that compete year after year without any expectation of personal gain or reward but more for the camaraderie gained through friendly competition. The following members have upheld this tradition and are so honored herein.

2001 Jerald Mills	2004 †Matt Clark (Posthumously)	2007 †Les Bode (Posthumously)
2002 Paul O'Hora	2005 Grant Buehler	2008 Stacy Sanders
2003 Reese Smith	2006 Anthony Turner	2009 David Spotts

AWBA National Honor Awards

Each year members are encouraged to submit their scores from across the nation as qualifying scores for consideration as the high score for national recognition in each of the six categories for the immediate season just concluded. It is the bowler's responsibility to submit such honor scores no later than May 1st of the current year.

<u>High Average (Scratch)</u>	<u>High Series (Scratch)</u>	<u>High Game (Scratch)</u>
1964 – 1992 Being researched		
1993 Walt Roy 177	Walt Roy 687	Mike DeLoach 275
1994 Lee Curtis/Roy 188	†Bob Murdock 721	Roger Dixon 297
1995 Walt Roy 197	Walt Roy 771	Al Uttecht 279
1996 Al Uttecht 191	Roland Taylor 709	Walt Roy 299
1997 Walt Roy 192	Al Uttecht 714	Vern Pierce 288
1998 Walt Roy 192	Walt Roy 738	Martin Frost 275
1999 Walt Roy 200	Walt Roy 760	Merv Kaya 269
2000 Walt Roy 198	Walt Roy 697	Merv Kaya 262
2001 Walt Roy 198	Al Uttecht 727	Martin Frost 289
2002 Walt Roy 207	Al Uttecht 750	Sam Morton 290
2003 Al Uttecht 197	Walt Roy 760	Walt Roy 298
2004 Ziggy Tkaczenko 201	Ziggy Tkaczenko 737	Keith Scott 290
2005 Walt Roy 200	Walt Roy 770	Walt Roy 290
2006 Walt Roy 198	Walt Roy 770	Walt Roy 289
2007 Walt Roy 203	Walt Roy 746	Walt Roy 279
2008 Walt Roy 198	Walt Roy 778	Walt Roy 278
2009 Holscher / Roy 186	Mark Shepherd 720	R.Johnson / Roy 279
<u>High Series (Handicap)</u>	<u>High Game (Handicap)</u>	<u>"Most Improved" Average</u>
1964 – 1992 Being Researched		
1993 Bob Kilpatrick 800	Vern Pierce 304	Wayne Webber +17
1994 Paul Cook 712	Eugene Witt 279	† Dan McDaniel +41
		Ray Navarro +41
1995 † Norm Kouts 713	Wayne Webber 283	Allen Green +25
1996 George Holscher 781	Sherman Kendall 305	John Kevin DeBono +29
1997 Jerry Jones 785	Merv Kaya 292	Earle Annis Jr. +23
1998 Jim Sullivan 752	Sherman Kendall 283	Eric Hoorman +25
1999 George Holscher 768	Jim Sullivan 289	Ken Medeiros +11
2000 Dave Meiklejohn 752	Don Bruns 282	Bill Johnson +29
2001 Jim Gogolin 780	James Carver 306	Ken Medeiros +26
2002 Keith Scott 801	Sam Morton 348	Tom Walthall +24
2003 Al Uttecht 785	Keith Scott 299	Ziggy Tkaczenko +33
2004 Walt Roy 751	Sam Morton 324	Wally Farrington +17
2005 George Holscher 801	Dave Roberts 311	Janet Norwood +31
2006 Jim Gogolin 827	Stephen Edgar 297	Victor "Ray" Dennison +25
2007 Dave Roberts 794	Mark Shepherd 308	Eddy Hutchens +20
2008 J. K. Johnston 792	Keith Scott 301	Charlie Schena +26
2009 Gary Ryan 804	Ron Johnson 321	Joe Wheeler +20

