



THE ELEVENTH FRAME

THE AMERICAN WHEELCHAIR BOWLING ASSOCIATION
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From Our AWBA Chairperson, Eddy Hutchens,

Spring is in the air with Bowling Balls in our hands. I love this time of year as it isn't quite hot out, but the snow "should" be gone. It is only a matter of time before I will have the fishing pole in my hand and when I am done with the water, I'll be running my Polaris RZR's up the sand dunes.

The Florida Tournament was a great time with fun had by all. We are now approaching our Tournament in Illinois as Vaughan PVA puts on their 3rd annual Tournament. I am so excited to get there and COMPETE once again. I am in hopes that this Tournament will be on your schedule as well and I'll see you there. Bring your game as well as a buddy and let's bowl up a STORM...

Speaking of Storm, 6 balls were recently noted as Illegal in the USBC sponsored tournaments. This does not affect our Tournaments currently. Our Board of Directors is having a Zoom call to discuss many issues as well as this one soon. We will keep you updated on this as we learn more about what the future holds for these balls.

While the USBC is just as excited as the AWBA is to know more about the future of Para Bowling, the fact is that they do not know when or where the next competition will be. The only thing we do know is that when the USBC hears, we will too so stay tuned for that information.

Our 61st AWBA National Tournament is set to happen from the 19th to 22nd of October. This year it will be held in Wheatridge Colorado. Make your plans to attend as this just might be your year to take the National Title. Curt and I are going to do our best to put on a better tournament this year than last year. More to come on the 61st AWBA National Tournament as we get it set in place.

I hope all is well for each of you and lets Bowl!!! See you on the lanes soon.



Well Spring has sprung in most parts of the country and with that brings beautiful flowers, planting a garden and enjoying one of the best seasons of the year. It also started our bowling season with the Florida State Championship in Florida. A great place to be most anytime of the year for sure. Over the last few months we have experienced great growth in membership with 4 life members and 8 new annual members. A few of these members have traveled to our first tournament as well. I am excited about the growth. You will find in this newsletter the 2022 Committee heads. Each will be looking for committee members so if you see a committee you would like to serve on, contact the chair and let them know. The board recently held a meeting to discuss many things. Here are a few highlights of that meeting;

- ◆ A median tournament average was set for the A and B division at 126. This means that the top of B will be 126 and A will be everything above. Of course should a B division bowler wish to move up, he/she can do so. The median average will be reviewed on an annual basis by the board to insure fairness in competition.
- ◆ We will begin to use for handicap purposes 100% of 200 rather than 90% of 210
- ◆ Our National Championship will be renamed AWBA/USA Wheelchair Bowling Open. The purpose for the change focuses on inviting foreign countries to compete in the tournament which will encourage foreign competition, making new friends, and truly a world event.
- ◆ All future tournament will be a guarantee payout. In other words, once the payouts are published, they may not be adjusted.
- ◆ July 1st there will be a new way to enter events. This will be explained in more detail prior to that date.

Remember, BOD minutes are now posted on our new website for your review.

On a sad note, I have learned that George Simpson has passed. Always a fun person to talk to with a great attitude. He will be missed.

Finally, you want \$150 free????????? It's easy!! The National Raffle is beginning and all you have to do is sell 20 tickets, \$25 each, and you win a free entry into the Singles Event at Nationals. Each board will be selling 40 but they are not eligible. So, let me know ASAP and I will put your 20 tickets in the mailing.

I closing I wish each of you all the best in the coming year. You are a wonderful group of people that I treasure. And remember, the Chicago event will be live streamed will let you know the details soon. All the best,





Vaughan Chapter

**Vaughan Chapter PVA
Midwestern Invitational Bowling
Tournament Bowlero – Romeoville, IL
April 29th - May 1st, 2022**

Tournament Bowlers and Friends,

On behalf of the Vaughan Chapter of PVA and AWBA, I extend this invitation to attend our 3rd Annual Midwestern Invitational Bowling Tournament. The tournament committee has worked extremely hard to make this week enjoyable for each of you. After a two-year postponement, we are honored to host this tournament once again in Romeoville, IL. April 29th - May 1st. In addition, we will once again enjoy a Friday night UP/ Down tournament with raffles and cash payouts! Bowlero is a beautiful 48 lane center.

There are several hotels within 7 miles and feature ample ADA rooms.

Please make your reservations at your earliest convenience. Please find hotel information in the registration package. PVA hopes you will consider joining us this year and bring a bowling friend along with you. It would be great to have a large turnout and make this a memorable experience for everyone!

Thank you,

Keith Cooper - VPVA Sports Director

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2022 COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSON

Nomination Committee:	Gary Ryan
Election Committee:	Gary Ryan
Executive Finance Committee:	Curt Wolff
Bylaw's and Rules:	Wayne Webber
Membership:	Kevin Schaefer
Strategic Planning:	Eddy Hutchens
Sponsorship Committee:	Gary Ryan
Publicity Committee:	Curt Wolff
New Equipment Committee:	Curt Wolff
Hall of Fame Committee:	Eddy Hutchens
International Liaison:	Mark Shepherd
Rankings	Mark Shepherd
Hall Of Fame Committee: Wayne Webber, Peter Arballo, Kevin Schaffer, Mike DeLoach, Kenneth Hill, Jimmy May	

By providing you with the above information helps you go to the right person to get information or express concerns or comments and suggestions you may have. Each persons email in on our website

2022 AWBA Tournament Schedule

DATES	BOWLING CENTER	T'MNT Director
April, 29 thru May 1	Chicago Invitational Bowlero	Johnnie Baylark, 630-699-0732
July 28th-31st	Great Plains Invitational Thunderbird Lanes	David Nelson, 402-208-4841
Aug, TBD	KENTUCKY	Roy Gray, 502-264-3926
SEPT 9-11	Mid Atlantic Invitational TBD	Jimmy May, 804-240-6913
Oct 19-22	AWBA National Championship Bowlero Wheatridge	Hutchens, Wolff, 303-915-7943

National PVA/AWBA Bowling Trail Tournament

60th Annual PVA/AWBA Florida Gulf Coast PVA Chapter, State Championship Report

Wayne Webber, TD

Pin Chaser Lanes -Tampa, Florida

February 23-25, 2022

This year we bowled midweek hoping to attract additional bowlers. Unfortunately, with many people down with injuries and the Pandemic the field was set at 23 bowlers. We adhere to the State Covid-19 guidelines for this event.

Wednesday we hosted 10 doubles teams. The team of Terry Rock and Mike Marcheskie bested the team of Dave Nelson and Jason Nelson in the championship match.

A division roll-offs started with 5th and 4th places as Eddy Hutchens won match one over Andrew Szahowski 236 with Handicap to 189 with H/C. Match two went to Eddy Hutchens 233 with H/C to 202 as Thomas Jomisko bowled out. Match three was Mike Marcheskie 207 with H/C over Eddy Hutchens bowling 170. Facing Mark Shepherd in the championship match Mike Marcheskie kept his game going to win the championship 230 with H/C to Marks 207 with H/C.

B division roll offs was very competitive also. Match one pitted Keith Green going up against Anthony Radano with Green besting the match 257 with Handicap to 200 with H/C. Match 2 Keith Green challenged John Melvin as John won 218 with H/C to Green's 185 with H/C. John Melvin challenged Johnny Holland but John lost 215 to Johnny's 245 with H/C. Dan Formento proved to be too much for Johnny Holland in the championship match Dan winning 263 TO 226 with H/C. Congrats to all who participated.

Individual honors went to Mark Shepherd for 685 HHS in A division. Jason Nelson took HHG 258.

In the B division John Melvin won HHS with a fine 732 series and Dan Formento got HHG of 280. Below is a summary of all the scores.

I would like to thank to National PVA, Pin Chaser Veterans Lanes and staff, FGCPVA, and AWBA for their continued support of this great tournament. A big shout out to Storm and IAMBOWLING for the support. Also I would like to thank the bowlers who attended and the friendships and competition that this event created. Such a great time was had by all.



NAME START AVE SCRATCH ENDING AVE

BENN, MARLIN	141		1649			137
Jason Nelson	169		1911			159
Andy Burnt	151		1737			144
Dave Nelson	178		1846			153
WEBBER, WAYNE	147		1725			143
RICK MCHANNEY	151		1736			144
TERRY ROCK	137		1436			119
MARK SHEPARD	166		2288			190
ANDREW SZAHOWS	149		1858			154
TTHOMAS JOMISKO	156		1725			143
MIKE MARCHESKIE	119		1556			129
Eddy Hutchens	178		2109			175

B DIVISION

ROB DUCKWORTH	99		1135			94
FORMENTO, DAN	110		1555			129
DEB FREED	101		1215			101
SKIP JOHNSON	75		971			76
McGINNES, DAVID (L)	102		1312			109
GREEN, KEITH	100		1256			113
Michael Tucker	119		1556			129
JOHNNY HOLAND	86		1292			107
JOHN MELVIN	109		1528			127
CHRIS MURPHY	101		1257			104
ANTHONY RADANO	100		1315			109



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New Life Members

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New Members

**DYLAN PICKETT
Don GHOLSTON
Kevin Winter
Rob Duckworth
Chris Murphy
Damon Slaughter
Thomas Jomisko
Anthony Radano**

WELCOME TO EACH OF YOU

**Keep me posted as to all your high scores
so they can be posted in the newsletter**

**AWBA WHEELCHAIR BOWL-
ING CLINIC Friday, April 29th,
2022 • 3:00 pm
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