

Arlington Dental Bowling Team  
*Week 3 Newsletter*

NOW IT ALL MAKES SENSE

**The Headline**

It seems Mark did not fill in his dad about what happened with our old league two weeks ago. So, I had to fill him in. Mark, shame on you! Ha ha!! Anyway, I began to tell him the whole story. One of the guys from the other team began to listen intently, so in essence I was telling the both of them.

When I got to the part where we were accused of bowling too slow, this guy gave a priceless, confused look and said, "WHAT?"

Then I said, "Oh yeah. By the way, we won the league last year."

He followed with, "Oh now it all makes sense!"

So then he yelled to his team, "Hey, the word is these guys bowl real slow!"

I followed with, "Yeah we go really slow. So you might be here until like midnight. The good thing is you can drink more."

One guy holds up his glass and said, "As long as you're buying, I have no problem with that."

The bottom line is, our league was a bunch of whining old women, who were out of line. So, my thought is, "Shut up and bowl!" That actually might be a good slogan for our next shirt.

**The Business of Bowling**

Very weird how we went from 2 points to 3 points to 1 point in week one. I have NO idea how that happened. Supposedly we did NOT take series and we tied the game we won. At this point, we are just learning their system, so I'm not sure it's a battle worth fighting. It could be that wrong averages and handicaps we used were wrong. My gut feeling is that some of those guys could not be found in the USBC database, which means the bowled for average that night. That also means all bets are off. This happened with Bill last week and Art this week. So, my guess is, that's what happened. Like I said, it's a battle not worth fighting right now. Makes you wonder why some guys got their cards and others didn't. Where did that money go? So, we went into the first night in 5<sup>th</sup> place at 8 – 6.

We bowled a team called Lucky Strikes. I guess they smoke a lot. I guessed right, because every now and then they'd all disappear. When we asked where they went, one of the guys said they're outside smoking.

After figuring Art's handicap, because you know he didn't bowl last year, so we he had to bowl for average, we were getting 72 pins.

In game one, Brad set the tone rolling a 217. We took that game 1100 to 988. In game two Brad rolled another deuce with a 203 and Bill came through with a nice 177. We took that game 1101 to 1052. In game three Chris decided to show up with a nice 180. I figured it was time to contribute a deuce of my own with a 209. I guess I should have bowled a 211, because we lost by one, 1096 to 1097.

So, we took 5...at least I think we did. As long as things don't change again, we stand at 13 and 8 for the year, which is a good start all things considered.

### **League Info**

- I do believe the play-off format will be as follows.
  - The season will be broken up into three parts.
  - The three winners and one wildcard will face off in the play-off tournament, which lasts two weeks.
  - If one team wins more than one part of the season, another wildcard team is chosen. The bottom line is four teams make the roll-off.
  - The winner is the champion.
  - There is also a regular season champion for the team with the most overall points.
  - I have the Fees and Prizes Policy and I just read something very strange.
- I have the Rules Documents and there are some strange things that need to be checked into. Here is one of them.
  - "The last three (3) nights of bowling must be paid in advance of Oct. 19, 2007 or the team will forfeit one game per night, until all fees are paid.
  - If a team forfeits one game, it also loses the point for series.
  - It is the captain's responsibility to collect the money from each teammate and return it to the treasurer by the middle of the first game.
  - I have NO idea what this means, so we better ask.
- Money and prizes are distributed on the final night of bowling.
- To qualify for individual awards, you must bowl at least two-thirds of the scheduled games.
- You can win scratch high game and high series. You can win handicap high game and high series, but not both scratch and handicap.
- Sponsors fee is \$50 due by October 20<sup>th</sup> 2007
- In order to bowl in the roll-off you must bowl 33 games.
- A bowler's average cannot drop more than 10 pins from the previous year.

- You can pre-bowl once per third, per bowler, with no more than 2 bowlers at once

## The FUN Stuff

### Poker Anyone?

*After a rough first game, Chris pulled his cards out and laid them on the table. Brad looked at the cards and then looked at the scoreboard. There were only 4 cards.*

**Brad:** I thought you were laying down your hand to show what you had. But you didn't even get enough cards to make a poker hand.

**Bill:** Chris and I decided to join our cards, but the two combined didn't even make decent hand

### Old jokes

*Two CLASSIC jokes that never get OLD made their return.*

- Do you know what Buckwheat from the Little Rascals changed his name to? Kareem of Wheat.
- Here is the trick to staying married for 50 years. After 25 I sent my wife to Greece. At 50 I went and picked her up.

### I wasn't paying attention

*At some point early on in the night, Art said something really funny.*

**Bill:** There it is. That's the line of the night!

*For some reason a few hours later I could not remember what the heck he said.*

**Pete:** What did Art say before that you said it was the line of the night?

**Bill:** I don't know.

**Pete:** What do you mean you don't know? After he said it you said that's the line of the night?

**Bill:** I must've not have been paying attention.

**Pete:** How could you not have been paying attention when you said it was the line of the night?

**Bill:** I said that?

**Pete:** Yes.

**Bill:** Wow. I really did?

**Pete:** You're killing me. This highlight was named in your honor and you can't even give me a little help?

**Bill:** I really don't remember even saying that.

*Morals of the story: I need to write this stuff down immediately. Bill needs more beer so he can remember what he's saying.*

### Bill's Line of the Week

This week the honor goes to Art. Go figure!

**Art:** Did you see Mark's new car

**Pete:** No, I haven't seen it yet, but he told me all about it.

**Art:** *Yeah, it's the Bat Mobile*

### Lineups

There are some minor changes.

Brad needs off next week, so Art will fill in.

**9/28:** Lee, Mark, Art, Chris, Bill

**10/5:** Lee, Pete, Mark, Brad, Chris

**10/12:** Mark, Pete, Art, Bill, Brad

**10/19:** Mark, Pete, Lee, Bill, Chris

**10/26:** Mark, Lee, Bill, Chris, Brad

Being I'm off next week, can someone please send me the scores?