

Arlington Dental Bowling Team

Week 32 Newsletter

Match Date: Friday April 11, 2008

Did We Really?

The Headline

After losing the first two games we found ourselves behind by in total pins by 199. I don't think any of us thought we had a shot at overcoming that deficit.

Out of no where we put it all together and our opponent WTFC (led by Bruce Wintersteen) completely fell apart. We won the third game by 258 pins! And wound up salvaging three points.

That's a nice way to finish the season. Hopefully this can be a spring board to next year.

The headline is Art's quote as he was staring at the scoreboard trying to figure out how much we won the last game by. I even have a picture to prove it!

Observations

I am not sure why, but Bruce Wintersteen really takes a beating from his teammates. They are constantly busting his balls, almost beyond reason. He just sits there and grins. I'm not sure if they don't like him much, if they are baffled by his 220 average, or if they are jealous. Maybe it's combination of all three.

Bruce did not ask where Lee was this week. I guess he learned his lesson from the last time. More on that later.

The hand held video shots turned out pretty cool from what I saw briefly. So, the camera is coming back this week. At some point I will try to upload them and put one video of everyone on bowlspace. I will also try to make a DVD of all the bowling videos.

Chris needs to turn 21 quickly. It's not about money. It's about us older guys taking an unnecessary walk. Right Mark? Anyway, we will help him celebrate some time in May.

I do believe the Colonel DID fall down again. Poor bastard.

John of the Johanssen clan came over and wished my son a happy birthday. I thought that was nice. If he only knew how much Mark and I were making fun of him all night. It's very weird how that happens. Now ask me if I felt bad about it? Yeah... good one!

Rumor has it that some of our old teams are backing out of the league next year. My guess is Pin Chasers and Glueckert. They should join forces leaving Ted and Bud OUT of the mix. A team with Reed, Charlie, Bob, Rod and Don wouldn't be a bad way to go.

Tidbits

Ever since we started paying attention to all the corner pins we were leaving, the numbers seemed to have dropped drastically. Chris only left 3. Lee actually led the way with 5. Art had 3, I had 2 and Mark only had 1. Maybe we have scared those pins down.

I pulled a "Pete" and bowled a 199. It's been a while for me. It's my own damned fault. I picked up two 3, 9, 10 pins splits (that's a baby split with a Chinaman), but missed a 4 pin in the 10th frame. Go figure.

My two best shots of the night were an exploding seven pin and another eight pin. I was looking for someone to say God Bless You when the night was over, but it never happened. Where's the Colonel when I need him. Actually he's lying on the ground on alley 2.

I think Bruce Wintersteen suffers from the "Lee Factor". I think he is intimidated, even though his average is higher than Lee's. The bottom line is he just does not bowl that well against us. He shot a 225, 181, and 189, which his 68 pins below his average.

The Business of Bowling

By taking three points we managed to get over 100 mark for total. We sit at 101. We also prevented ourselves from finishing 13th. We will either be 12th or 11th.

Game one we rolled a 1055, which was 5 pins over our average. But that wasn't enough as we lost by 125.

Game two we rolled a 1009, which was 41 pins below our average. We lost this one by 74.

Then there's game three. Talk about a turn-around. We shot an 1188 which was 138 pins over average. We won by 258 pins. It's amazing what happens when you bowl well over your average.

Individual Games over average:

Game One:

Art	187	+13
Mark	183	+12
Pete	199	+5

Game Two:

Pete	213	+19
Chris	171	+8

Game Three:

Art	231	+57	At 76 years young, that to me is AMAZING!!!
Mark	206	+35	Nothing like keeping it in the family
Pete	223	+29	
Chris	175	+12	
Lee	215	+5	

The BowlSpace High-Five Award

This week the winner hands down, is ART!! His 580 series was 58 pins over his average. Not only that, the 231 was incredible!!

Whaddya think? You're messin' with kids?

Interesting Statistic of the Week

Bruce's average against us all year was 201, which is 20 pins below his season average. His total pin count was 1813 over 9 games. Lee completely out bowled him head to head. His total pin count was 2117, which was 304 pins more. And his average was 235; 34 pins higher. Hence, the "Lee Factor". Nice job. Makes you wonder what Lee could do if he really concentrated every week and maybe got a new ball. ☺

Standings

I believe SAFX and Lucky Strikes are in the finals.
Other than that, like I said, think we finished 11th or 12th in total points.

The FUN Stuff

Warm Ups

Art: Do you know what my warm up routine is?
Pete: No
Art: Three sit ups, three push ups and three Advil.

Cards

Lee: Does a flush beat a straight?
Art: Yes.
Lee: I wish I had a flush then.

Chris' Birthday outing

Chris: Are we going to go out to the bars?
Mark: No. We're going to go to church.
Lee: So we can pray you make it home that night.

Paid up

A few of us just threw singles on the table for the last card game.

Art: Here's mine. I'm in.
Pete: No need. It's all take care of.
Art: What the hell? Holy Shit!

"Bill's Line of the week"

Pete: Where are all the 10 pins? You're not leaving any.
Chris: Give me a break. It's only the second inning.
And that's Bill's Line of the week!

Lineups:

April 18: Championship Week
Mark, Lee, Pete, Art, Bill

OFF: Brian, Chris

