

Arlington Dental Bowling Team

Week 6 Newsletter

Too lonely at the top

The Headline

I guess you can say it got too lonely up at the top, and we wanted company. We went into Friday's match sharing first place with the Pin Chasers (Gangi) with 24 points. Two points behind us were Mixed Nuts, who we bowled. Three points behind were L&O and Team 11 (Glueckert). Needless to say, by the end of the night things got shaken up quite a bit.

After the scores were added up, we all walked away thinking we took only two points. I'm not sure who said that. I think it was Brad, who may have passed his psychological test last week, but he obviously failed the math test!! I didn't even bother to look at the totals. Maybe next time someone should. Or is it Lee's fault, because he wasn't there and he's out accountant. Anyway, after two cups of coffee Saturday morning and the use of my handy excel spreadsheet calculations, guess what? We actually took three points!

Besides that, I talked to Charlie (Pin Chasers) as I was leaving and they took seven. L&O lost all seven to Toyoda. I am not sure what Glueckert did. So, based on what I have so far here is how things stand.

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| 1. Pin Chasers | 31 |
| 2. Arlington Dental | 27 |
| 3. Mixed Nuts | 26 |

So, the worst we can be is in third place, because the next team is Glueckert at 21. If they took all seven, they are at 28. If not then we sit in second place four points behind Pin Chasers. Damn I want to bowl those guys BADLY!!

The Business of Bowling

With Lee taking the night off, Brad stepped up, proving he definitely came to bowl, rolling scores of: 205, 213, 209 for a 627 series. Nice job.

Art decided to take a different route this week, getting stronger as the night went on, finishing with a huge frenzy. His games were: 169, 180, & 227. That 227 really came in handy as you will soon see.

Mark struggled a bit, and then followed his dad's lead with scores of 151, 147, & 199. I thought I was the only one who bowled 199. This came after some advice from Art and then me. There's more on that in a minute.

Wild Bill did more than his job in the first game going over average with a 158. He followed with a 127 & 136. He was real quiet. I know his knees were hurting. Hang in there, Bill. We love ya brother! Let us know if we can help!

Me, I was more consistent on first balls than I have been all year. I hit the pocket at least 27 out of 30 first balls and really have nothing great to show for it. What I did get was a typical Beverly Lanes night: a solid pocket hit eight-ten pocket split; a solid 7 on a ball that was buried; a solid 8 on another ball that was perfect; three beyond solid 10 pins; and to top it off another 4 ten pins, bringing that total to 7. No excuses

because I only made four of the seven ten pins. Speaking of ten pins, Bob from L&O said he had 8 in one game. Really? That's kind of hard to believe. Anyway, it just seemed like if I did not have an absolutely picture perfect pocket hit, with help from the gods, I was not getting as strike. No worries, I'm still hanging in there though. It's only a matter of time before it turns around. I rolled a 196, 162, & 192. I will lead the league in 190 games if it kills me!!

As far as the games go, game one we lost 1076 to 1082, putting us down by only six pins. I needed my first strike in the tenth to take the game. I NAILED the pocket and wound up with a solid my 7.

Game two we lost 1059 to 1026. I will take the hit on this one bowling almost 25 pins below my average. We just can't have that. Anyway, we found ourselves down by 39 pins going into game three.

A rumor was going around that we were actually going to bowl that game. (More on this one later too). I guess it was true, as we put together a real nice team effort. Our patriarch Art led the way with a very impressive 227. Add Brad's 209, Mark's 199, my 192 and Bill's 136, and we walked away with a 67 pin win, 1160 to 1093. Yes, if you add up all the scores, we did take total pins, giving us three points, not two. You see how that works Brad? Anyway, for the record, I needed a strike on my first ball in the tenth for a 200. Once again I buried the ball in the pocket, driving every pin in the pit, except for the 8 pin! Do I sound bitter? No, not all! Fucking alleys... they SUCK!! Sons a bitches!!

The FUN Stuff

The Classics

Two Artie CLASSICS made their return.

- After stringing a few strikes together in game three:
"Ya think you're play'in with kids?"
- Brad never heard this one, so Art had to get him up to speed:
Kareem of Wheat

Cousin Spiro

Art was telling us a story about people that are athletic vs. people who are not.

" My cousin Spiro was fat and he could not play any sports. During our family baseball games there was nowhere to play him. What was I supposed to do? He was fat and couldn't play?"

Where's your head?

Mark was struggling during his first two games, so I was trying to help him out.

Pete: You don't seem to be focused.

Mark: No I'm not.

Pete: What are you thinking about?

Mark: The only thing I'm thinking about right now is poontang.

SNAP

After one of Artie's strikes

Art: "SNAP!"
Mark and I just started cracking up!
Art: What did he say? What's so funny?
Pete: What did you say?
Art: "SNAP!"
Pete: That's it!
Mark: That's what we're laughing at!
Then all three of us started cracking up.

One good woman

Art was talking about the movie, A Few Good Men specifically Demi Moore.

Art: They didn't get along in that movie
Mark: She took it up the ass in that movie
Art: She was a career woman.
Mark: How do you think she got there?
Art: A big ass and a big mouth

We're coming back

In the beginning of the third game we were all bowling well.

Pete: There's a rumor going around that we are actually going to bowl this game.
Art: Anderson Dental is making a comeback.
Mark: Who?
Art: Anderson
Mark: What are we pest control?
Art: Huh?
Mark: How long have I had my practice and you don't know the name of it?
Art: What's the name of our team?

Down in N'Orleans with James Bond

Art told us a story about a James Bond movie that was filmed in New Orleans.

Art: Yeah, they gave us the same room that Roger Moore had. We got it the day he left.
Pete: Did he leave the girl from the movie?
Art: This guy! Every time I try to tell a story he pours ketchup on it.

A Greek God

After his 227 game, Art made this comment to the other team

"They call me either The Greek God, or the Goddamned Greek!"

You cards are better than ours.

The other team played Bowling Poker too, but their cards had pictures of naked women.

Mark: I like your cards better than ours though.

Other team: Yeah, but they're getting warn out.

Pete: We'll take sloppy seconds!

Everyone started cracking up.

Other team: Now there's a good one.

Mark: I was thinking about saying the same thing but didn't.

Pete: I'm not too proud. None of us are come to think of it.

My final comment

Here is Art's closing comment. He was standing next to Brad.

Art: This guy is the Young and the Restless. And I'm the Old and the Listless!

Pete: Is that your final comment?

Art: That's it. I'm done!

Bill's Line of the Week

Art and I were both trying to help Mark, who was struggling. I gave him a pointer and he got a strike.

Art: At least he listens to you. He never listens to me.

Pete: I'm just a different voice, that's all

Art: That's like when he was young. I told him to be a cab driver.

Pete: Really?

Art: Yeah, he said, ***"Fuck You! I'm going to Dental School"***
And that's Bill's Line of the Week!

The END!!

Lineups

Check my other email, but here are the next two weeks.

10/19: Mark, Pete, Lee, Art, Brad

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