BVL Mail~in Singles Tournament

Connie Rommel, Iowa State WBA BVL Chair

The BVL was started during WWII to help support our returning veterans. BVL has promised that the bowlers of our country will never forget our veterans. BVL provides recreational and therapeutic programs and services to our veterans at our nation's VA Medical Center, Vet Centers and State Homes. Grants fund local activities; music, arts, recreation and sport for their rehabilitation process and showing, we, the bowlers are supporting them. The BVL also helps sponsor the Golden Age Games, Wheelchair Games, Creative Arts Festival, Summer and Winter Sports Clinics and the National TEE tournament. The BVL funds the group "Re-Creation" in music and dance and they entertain at VA Homes, clinics and hospitals. We ask that our funds come back to the three VA facilities in Iowa.

Last year's tournament and other donations resulted in my sending checks totaling \$10,300.00 from our Iowa bowlers to the BVL. Charla, Sally, Sue and I, from the state board, have already delivered a check for \$1600 to the Iowa City VA to be used for recreation benefits for our Iowa Veterans. Two other checks will be coming for the Marshalltown and Des Moines VA centers. \$3000 of the funds raised was used for the National TEE Tournament, centered at Riverside Casino. This is a week full of great fun for our visually and physically impaired veterans. Charla, Sally and I helped with the bowling venue in Iowa City and Sue golfed with our veterans. The low game bowled was a 9 and the high game a 182. All of the bowlers are legally blind. We look forward to being with these veterans as we renew our yearly friendships with those who return year after year for this event.

Our BVL tournament will be held Nov. 9 thru 16. You can enter in every league you bowl. Entry fee is \$5 per entry. There are 3 divisions for both women and men and are handicapped 100% of 240.

Last year, 555 of our Greater Cedar Valley Bowlers entered this tournament. Let's increase those numbers. Let's keep showing our state bowlers that we are the number one supporter of this tournament in the state. When you see me, another board member or your league secretary asking you to give \$5.00 for this tournament, remember what your funds will be doing for our veterans. I will take care of your entry, score verifications and getting your winning checks back to you. All you have to do is bowl your regular league play. What an easy way to raise funds for our veterans.

Help us grow this tournament. If you want to send me your entry yourself, forms may be downloaded at www.iowawba.com from the download tab.

We will never forget our Veterans.

Mythbusters

Myth: A postponement request must be made 48 hours prior to the scheduled match.

Busted: Rule 111c was changed by the delegates at the 2010 USBC Annual Meeting to allow requests for postponements to be made up to the time of the scheduled match, except for emergencies. Effective August 1, 2010.

Myth: I can use a Scotch Brite pad to clean my ball during league play.

Busted: Scotch Brite pads and other abrasive pads can be used before and after USBC competition. Once competition begins, these products cannot be used on bowling balls in competition or to be added to competition.

600 MAIL-IN TOURNAMENT

HEY ALL YOU STATE 600 MEMBERS, I just had a reminder about a state 600 mail-in tournament. You use your league scores from November 30 - December 6. If you happen to miss bowling that week, you can use your scores from December 7 - December 13. You may enter in each league you bowl in and the entry fee is only \$5.00. Entries must be postmarked no later that November 24, 2014. This is a handicapped tournament with the handicap based on 100% of 220.

You may get entries from Charli Pals, 233-7132 or 290-4036. Photocopies of both entry forms and league recap sheets will be accepted. All rules will be printed on back of entry forms.



Achievement Awards - Centers will submit

\$1 Center Buck per achievement per year, Expires 7-31-15, redeem only at center where earned.

125 Game (90 avg or less)	250 Game (205 avg or less)	600 Series (175 avg or less)
150 Game (110 avg or less)	275 Game (225 avg or less)	700 Series (210 avg or less)
175 Game (130 avg or less)	300 Series (90 avg or less)	100 Pins Over Average Game
200 Game (155 avg or less)	400 Series (120 avg or less)	150 Pins Over Average Series
225 Game (180 avg or less)	500 Series (145 avg or less)	

Other Certificates available. Write the achievement on the league recap.

All Spare	Big 4	Clean Game		
Clean Series	Dutch 200 (His, Hers)	Stepladder Series		
Triplicate	7-10	Sour Apple (5-7-10)		
300 (His, Hers)	800 Series (His, Hers)	First 500, 600, 700, 800 Series		
Convert Greek Church (6-9-10-4-7 or 4-7-8-6-10)				

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	ONE PER LIFETIME	GCV members only.				
	<u>ACHIEVEMENT</u>	SCORE	DATE BOWLED	Approved (Office use only)		
	11 in a Row	2				
	First Ever 700 (199 or less))	()		
	First Ever 600 (160 or less)					

It is the bowlers' responsibility to submit this in a timely manner.