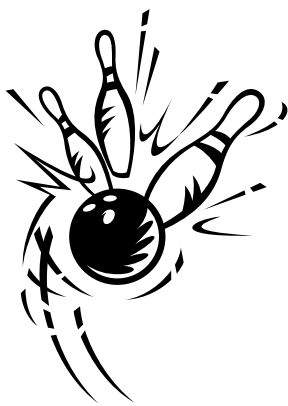


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Association Manager's Report

Jerry Ledbetter

It is hard to believe the summer, or what we had of it has flown by and we are getting ready to begin a new bowling season. We hope everyone had a great summer and are looking forward to 2008-09 bowling season

Change: One change for the season you need to be aware of is that credit cards for payment of your USBC card will not be accepted in the office. If anyone wants to purchase their association card with a credit card you must go to www.bowl.com, click on *Join Us* and follow the directions. Your bowlers will need to provide proof to their respective secretaries that the association fees have been paid.

Reminders: If a bowler's card is lost the bowler must go online to www.bowl.com and reprint a card. Secretaries, remember you have 30 days after the start of your league to get your certification forms turned into the office. You do not need all of the cards from your bowlers before you turn in your certification. Our office hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you need assistance outside of these posted hours, please call the office and schedule an appointment.

Fall is Football: We will again have the opportunity to be ushers at the Husky football games as a fundraising project. It is very important means of income for us. The funds we earn help cover our costs and keep your fees in line. We can have up to 15 people and must be 18 years of age or older. The first game is September 6 against BYU. We will meet at Secoma Lanes at 8 a.m. so we can be at Husky Stadium by 9 a.m. We do car pool and there are parking passes provided. They also provide discount food and drink tickets. This game starts at 12 noon and we are required to stay an hour or so after the game. The work is easy and for the most part you get the opportunity to watch a college football game. If you would like to volunteer please call the office at 253-473-4822.

Tournaments: There are a lot of opportunities to participate in association tournaments as a bowler or a volunteer, attend association meetings, an association representative for your center or just a spectator. Please check the newsletter, our website at www.southsoundusbc.com, your local bowling centers or call the office and we will update you how, where, when you can participate.

We welcome you back, have a great season. Remember we are here to help so call or come by if you have any questions.





South Sound Lane Rep Program

Your South Sound USBC, along with the South Sound Proprietors, is working on several new programs intended to help grow the sport of bowling. The new Lane Rep Program is intended to improve the lines of communications for league bowlers (USBC Members) in the area. Each Center will have Lane Reps who will act as liaisons between USBC, Proprietors and League Bowlers. The goal is to insure that all aspects of League Bowling continue to be a positive experience for all USBC members. We hope that the Lane Rep Program will allow us the best opportunity to serve area Bowlers and more effectively promote the sport of bowling in general.

If you have an interest in being involved with this, or any other USBC sponsored program, please contact the SSUSBC office at 253-473-4822.

All Star

Mike Estes

All Star points: Since the Tuell All Star Traveling League has disbanded, we have added the new Monday night PBA Experience league at Pacific Lanes with the same points as the Wednesday league at Bowlero. These two leagues are both the premier leagues in the South Sound.

Masters

Mike Estes

Senior Masters: October 25th & 26th at Narrows Plaza. MARK YOUR CALENDERS! A couple of changes this year. We have to raise the average in the under division to 199 and under. And we have added a new division this year, a 62 and over. We think with these two changes we will increase participation. At sign in you can choose the open division, even if you qualify for the 62 and over or 199 and under.

Regular Masters: November 8th & 9th at Narrows Plaza. MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

This year we will have a Sport certified shot, if you don't have a sport USBC card you will be able to upgrade at the door, although it isn't required.

PRESIDENT'S KORNER

Karen Jost

Let's go bowling! Three simple words that can change the sport we know and love.

Since the inception of USBC on January 1, 2005 the National USBC board of directors has been working hard, making difficult decisions and defining a vision for the future of bowling.

So what does that have to do with three simple words and what does it mean to us, the average USBC member? USBC has made it a priority to grow the sport of bowling. We're already bowling, so what can we do to help grow the sport?

Bowl more often

Yes, the economy is struggling and discretionary income is limited. Make a conscious choice to go bowling (and thank the center owners for being there so you can bowl).

Invite someone else

If that's not realistic to bowl more often invite someone to join you when you do bowl. I recently invited a group from work to go bowling. Most of them hadn't been bowling in years. We had a blast and 3 of them are going to join a league with me this fall. It didn't cost me any more, but bowling benefits from 3 new members, and the center has three more bowlers in league (and therefore additional income they would not have had in order to keep their doors open).

Talk about bowling

Do the people around you know you bowl? Do you know if they bowl? It can be very simple. I have a small cardboard box on my desk that I've cut out and made into a bowling lane using the small toy ball and pins that you find in the grocery store. It's a great conversation piece and I've met many people at work who also bowl in leagues. Those who don't already bowl ask me if I bowl. It's an opportunity to tell parents about the scholarship opportunities for youth bowlers and remind them that bowling is a sport for all ages, and fun for families.

Volunteer to help

This doesn't take money, but it does take time. Help out at a tournament, distribute newsletters, usher at a Husky game, or be a lane representative (see enclosed article by Rob Victor).

Supporting your association helps keep costs down and being a lane rep helps build a stronger bowling community.

Our first priority needs to be getting more people into the bowling centers and having fun. Once they're into the centers, work with the owners and staff to get new bowlers involved in regular bowling programs. Once they're "hooked" they are far more likely to be interested in joining a league, bowling in a tournament, etc.

Simple enough, but why should you do it? If people aren't bowling, the owners of our playing fields cannot survive and stay in business. It's tough to grow the sport if there's nowhere to go and participate.

So, welcome to a new season – let's go bowling!!

Next month, I'll talk about the "SPORT" of bowling... Have a great season.



League Secretaries:

Submit articles about your league.

Send news any time to keglerskorner@juno.com.



VOLUNTEER'S KORNER

Are you ready for some Husky football?

It's that time of the year when summer is coming to an end (did it ever really get started?) and the leaves start changing and before we know it fall is here.

The bowling season is starting and so does football! The association ushers at the home Husky football games. We have 7 home games this year and that is 7 opportunities to be one of the 15 volunteers to come out and help us with this fundraiser.

The dates, time we meet, and check in at the UW are below. So, pick a date and call Jerry at the office (253) 473-4822 or Leigh Goodier (253) 250-1575 to get signed up, ask questions, or get more details.

DATE	VS. WHO	MEET AT SECOMA	CHECK IN AT UW	KICK OFF
9/6/2008	vs. BYU	8:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.
9/13/08	vs. Oklahoma	12:30 p.m.	1:45 p.m.	4:45 p.m.
9/27/2008	vs. Stanford*	3:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
10/18/2008	vs. Oregon State*	12:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.
10/25/2008	vs. Notre Dame	1:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
11/8/2008	vs. Arizona State *	TBA	TBA	TBA
11/16/2008	vs. UCLA *	TBA	TBA	TBA

It was time to play ball – baseball that is!

On August 13th it was "time to play ball" for several SSUSBC family and friends. However, it wasn't a bowling ball being thrown, it was a baseball.

That's right. It was the perfect night for watching the Tacoma Rainiers play Las Vegas from the left field party deck. Your South Sound association reserved half of the party deck and tickets were available for purchase for family and friends to come out and enjoy a barbecue buffet, beverages. and for some, all 14 innings of baseball.

It was a great evening and everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks to everyone who joined us. If you missed the opportunity this year there is always next summer. Hope to see you then.

Athlete Delegate Information Coming Soon

USBC will be having a new listing of qualified athletes coming out soon. If you are one of those individuals selected as an Actively Engaged Athlete (AEA) they will be notifying you. If you are one of those bowlers who have qualified SSUSBC congratulates you on that accomplishment. By being selected to this list you have met the first criteria to apply to represent South Sound as our Athlete Delegate at the USBC National Convention. Letters and applications will be going out to those athletes from the SSUSBC office in the next month. The deadline for submitting that information is December 1, 2008.

This year the convention will be in Reno, Nevada. The dates are April 28th to May 2nd 2009. The convention hotel is the Silver Legacy. Please consider filling out the application and possibly representing our local association along with the other National Delegates that were selected at the annual meeting in April. If selected you will be given a stipend and asked to attend the convention sessions and other training sessions that are available. Take that next step and fill out the application to come see what the convention is all about.

If you have questions please call the office or talk to any SSUSBC Board member.

YOUTH KORNER

Karen Stumpf

Wow it's the beginning of a new season, where did the summer go!

Youth Committee

It is my pleasure to introduce to you the Youth Committee for the 2008–09 Season.

- ▶ Karen Stumpf, Chair
- ▶ Steve Cherne, Co-Chair
- ▶ Barbara Craig, Recording Secretary
- ▶ Payden Stumpf
- ▶ Makenzie Cherne
- ▶ Alan McCormack
- ▶ Allison McCormack
- ▶ Mark Peters
- ▶ Kristen Keller
- ▶ LaRae Etteldorf
- ▶ Tristan Curtis
- ▶ Michael Clark
- ▶ Mike Cruz
- ▶ Tyler Cruz

There is a vacancy on the committee to be filled. Anyone interested please contact the office or Karen at mickeymouse81163@yahoo.com.

As a committee, our main objective is to make the sport of bowling fun for youth of all ages. Contact your local center for information regarding the youth programs available.

STATE FORMS ARE OUT

Nominate someone special for the Washington State Hall of Fame, Youth Committee Meritorious Service Award or the LaDonna Moore (Volunteer of the Year) Award. High School Seniors, WSUSBC Scholarship Applications are out as well.

You can get all forms and applications at www.wsusbc.com and click on *Forms*. All forms and applications must be submitted by December 15th. So don't wait, print your forms off now and get them in before it's too late.

YOUTH TOURNAMENTS

The first tournament of the year will be the South Sound Swiss on October 24th & 25th at Bowlero Lanes. Watch for entry forms to be out soon at your local centers or you can get it online at www.ssusbc.com.

The Youth Championships will be on November 1st, 2nd, 8th and 9th at Tower Lanes. Now is the time to get youR teams together.

Have a great season and let's see some great scores. We look forward to a wonderful year of fun at all of our events. Hope to see you there.

Women's Classic

The Nineteenth Annual Women's Classic Tournament is being presented by the South Sound USBC and is being held October 4th & 5th at Narrows Plaza Bowl. This is a USBC Certified tournament. This tournament has three divisions:

- ▶ 1 - 180 average and up
- ▶ 2 - 179 average and under
- ▶ 3 - Senior age 55 and older.

You can also win your entry fee into this tournament by including three new bowler entries (who have never bowled in the Classic before) with your entry fee. Only the first two group entries will qualify. Entry fee is \$60 if received by October 1st or a late entry fee of \$70 (will be accepted until 10 a.m. October 4th). There will be added money to the prize fund of this tournament. ALL FINALISTS WILL CASH. Entries for this tournament are available at the local bowling centers or at the South Sound USBC office.

The Tacoma 600 Club Holds Fall Tournament

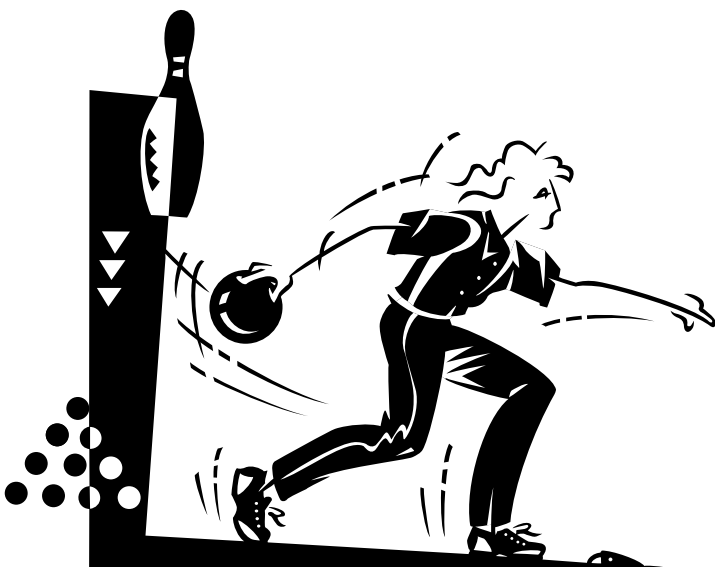
The Tacoma 600 Club will hold its 9 Pin - No Tap Tournament at Bowlero Lanes on November 2 at 1:00 pm.

This is a 9 Pin Tap handicap tournament using 90% of the difference between the bowler's handicap and 210.

This tournament is open to all women who have bowled a 600 series. Women from any association and who has bowled a 600 series can join the Tacoma 600 club. All that is needed is a completed application and pay the \$2 fee. Applications are available at your local SSUSBC office or at your local bowling centers.

Remember to mark your calendars so that you don't forget to come out and have FUN. If you have had a 600 series and have not joined this organization, please contact your office staff at SSUSBC, 253-473-4822, or Pam Burns, the Club Secretary/Treasurer, 253-584-8266.

With your help, we would love to have the number of competitors in this tournament grow.



let's go
bowling!

SouthSoundUSBC Calendar of Events

2008 September

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| September 14 | Youth Travel League |
| September 27-28 | WSUSBC Jamboree |

2008 October

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| October 4-5 | Women's Classic Tournament @ Narrows |
| October 12 | Youth Travel League @ Paradise Bowl |
| October 19 | Youth King of the Hill @ Paradise Bowl |
| October 25-26 | Senior Masters Tournament @ Narrows
Youth Swiss Tournament @ Bowlero |

2008 November

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| November 1-2 | Youth City Tournament |
| November 8-9 | Masters Tournament @ Narrows Plaza
Youth City Tournament |
| November 9 | Youth Travel League @ Bowlero Lanes |
| November 16 | Youth King of the Hill @ Secoma |
| November 23 | Bowl for Veterans @ Daffodil Bowl |

2008 December

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| December 7 | Youth Triple Swiss @ Secoma |
| December 14 | Youth Travel League @ Narrows Lanes |
| December 21 | Youth King of the Hill @ Pacific |

2009 January

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| January 11 | Youth Travel League @ Pacific Lanes |
| January 17-18 | Open/Women's City Tournament |
| January 18 | Youth King of the Hill @ Narrows |
| January 24-25 | Open/Women's City Tournament |
| January 31 | Youth Winter Invitational |

2009 February

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| February 1 | Youth Winter Invitational |
| February 7-8 | Burn Center Scotch Doubles |
| February 14-15 | Burn Center Scotch Doubles |
| February 11 | Youth Travel League @ Daffodil Bowl |
| February 22 | Youth King of the Hill @ Daffodil |
| February 28 | City Mixed Tournament (incl. Senior)
Junior Masters |

2009 March

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| March 1 | City Mixed Tournament (incl. Senior)
Classic Masters @ Daffodil
Junior Masters |
| March 7-8 | City Mixed Tournament (incl. Senior) |
| March 8 | Youth Travel League @ Sounder Lanes |
| March 22 | Youth King of the Hill @ Tower Lanes |
| March 28-29 | WSUSBC Annual Meeting |

2009 April

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| April 11 | Youth Travel League @ Paradise Bowl |
| April 18 | SSUSBC Annual Meeting and Banquet |
| April 19 | Youth King of the Hill Coronation
@ Bowlero |

2009 May

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| May 19 & 21 | All Stars |
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