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Tournaments

What a wonderful season we have had so far! We beat all expectations with the BVL Tournament and have set new goals for the 4th Annual BVL Tournament. Thank you again to everyone who participated and to all of our wonderful sponsors.

We had two new Tournament Directors this year for the Youth/Adult City Tournament and the Youth City Championship: Sarah Spellman and Kari Johnson. They Co-Chaired the tournaments. Both tournaments were very successful We hope everyone enjoyed the

tournaments.

The Open City Championship and the Women's City Championship tournaments will be held the first three weekends in April. We have added squads and an extra weekend to accommodate all our bowlers. Hope to see you there.

Bowler Accomplishments

So far this season we have processed 7,410 awards. 15 people bowled their first 300 games and 6 people bowled their first 800 series. A total of 56-300's and 19- 800 series bowled so far this season, nicely done bowlers!

It is important that secretaries report all honor scores whether it is the 2nd, 5th or even 100th time a bowler bowls an honor score. The bowler's permanent record is documented with the date of the accomplishment. The bowlers

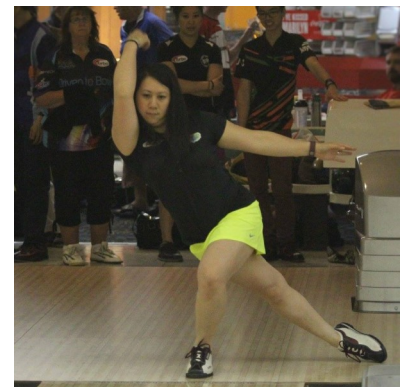
records are used when determining eligibility for several things to include induction into the Hall of Fame.

Dates to Remember

- Youth Scholarship application due 15 March
- HoF ballots due 15 March
- Delegate applications for 2021 meetings due 1 Apr
- City Open Championship April 4-5, 11-12- and 18-19
- Women's City Championship April 4-5, 11-12- and 18-19
- Annual Meeting 30 May
- HoF Banquet 13 June

Bowler Spotlight —Samantha How

Samantha How bowled a 212 and then went off the sheet for 2 back to back 300 games and her first 800 series of 812. Congratulations Samantha on your outstanding performance, you are an inspiration to all.





Greater Portland USBC Hall of Fame

Just being nominated to the Greater Portland USBC Hall of Fame is a huge honor! To the average bowler, Hall of Fame members are viewed as the best of the best, they are idolized and are seen as role models.

These special bowlers represent what we all aspire to be, not just the best in the sport but the most giving in the sport. These are the leaders, the teachers we watch and learn from. They don't ask to be honored nor do they expect to be

honored, they do what they do for the love of the sport and the people who participate in their sport.

Greater Portland USBC Hall of Fame has two separate but equal categories:

Superior Performance and Meritorious Service. Each have different nomination requirements, however they both have the same respect and admiration.

Superior Performance requirements are as you would expect. These are the best of the best. King and Queen on the lanes. They are great bowlers who go out of their way to support and promote the sport

of bowling.

Once nominated, their names and biography are forwarded to the voting members of the Hall of Fame and a member is selected to be inducted in the current years Hall of Fame Class.

Meritorious Service is the category for the bowlers who give all they can to promote the sport and the Greater Portland USBC Association. These people go above and beyond to donate their time, money and knowledge. They are a rare breed as they remain behind the spotlight and make things happen. Without these people things would not hap-

pen. They organize, coach, encourage and support others.

Meritorious Service nominees are voted on by the voting members, but the final selection is made by the Board of Directors.

The ballots for this year's nominees have been mailed out and are due back NLT March 15, 2020.

We hope all voting members remember what an honor it was to be nominated and take a few minutes to vote and return the ballots in a timely manner. You can vote for as many nominees you feel deserve to be inducted.

Did You Know?

There are several steps to the Hall of Fame nomination process. It starts with a member taking the time to complete the nomination application and sending it to the office. The deadline for nominations for next year is December 31, 2020.

Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet

The Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet will be held on **June 13, 2020 at East Morland Golf Course.**

We introduce the new Hall of Fame Inductees and take a minute to honor the Hall of Fame alumni in attendance.

We celebrate the Greater Portland USBC Scholarship Award recipients as well as tournament winners .

Special award recipients to include Sponsor of the Year, Volunteer of the Year and Board Member of the

Year are introduced.

We would like to encourage all our members to join us in this celebration. The cost is \$35.00 per person.

Greater Portland USBC Annual Meeting

On **May 30, 2020 at 11:00 AM** the Greater Portland USBC will hold its Annual Association meeting. This meeting is open to all members of the association and we encourage all members attend.

Important information is shared at the meeting to include budget concerns, new rules from the National Meeting, and association concerns.

We will be voting on two Executive Board Positions: Vice President and Sergeant at Arms.

We will elect the delegates to the 2021 National Convention and 2021 State Annual Meeting.

If you would like to be considered for either the Board Positions or Delegate Positions please complete the appropriate applications located on our Web Site and get them returned to the Association Office NLT 1 April, 2020.

The meeting will be held at King Pins Portland in the meeting room at 11:00 AM, 30 May 2020

Hope to see everyone attend!

2019-2020 Greater Portland Championship Tournaments

Are you ready for a fun time? This year the Greater Portland Open Championship Tournament and the Greater Portland Women's Championship Tournament will be held simultaneously at **Milwaukie Bowl on April 4-5, 11-12, and 18-19.**

These two tournaments remain separate but will be held and managed at the same location and same time. We feel this will be advantageous to the bowling center hosting the tournaments as well as the board members managing the tour-

naments.

Rest assured that both tournaments will retain their characteristics that we have worked so hard to design. In other words, we will still have the special surprises we have always had for the Women's Tournament and hope to add a little excitement to the Open Tournament.

We are planning on running Brackets but will have them broke down by average or division. Tournament prize funds will remain separate. We have added squads to help with ease of

scheduling. You can bowl multiple events provided they are on separate squads. Teams must have at least one different bowler each entry, as well as doubles must be with a new partner each entry.

Due to limited lane availability we recommend registering in advance. If a squad becomes full, we will inform captains and suggest a squad change. Prepaid entries will have preference! Please get your paid entry in early.



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Volunteer Spot Light

Every now and then there is one person that always seems to step up and help. Rebecca Cole is one of those special members. Rebecca goes above and beyond to help our association. She volunteers to help run tournaments, assists with fundraisers at all levels and helps spread the word on events happening both locally and statewide.

GPUSBC Board of Directors would like to express our sincere appreciation for all she has done to promote the sport and the local association. If you happen to see Rebecca Cole please take a minute and show her your appreciation as well.



Board of Directors Spotlight



Kaylee Scheetz has been appointed as the GPUSBC Youth Director.

Kaylee joined the board in January to fill our Youth representative position. This position has a great deal of responsibility. She will be the voice of our youth bowlers to the Board of Directors and an ambassador to the youth representing the Board of Directors. As a member of the board Kaylee has already stepped up to assist with tournaments.

If you see Kaylee please thank her for volunteering to fill this very important position.

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Greater Portland USBC is in need of new directors. These are volunteer positions and vital to the success of our association. We currently have no representatives from the west side of our association. If interested please contact the office or complete the on line application.

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