

# Old-timer still bowls at 100

TEN-PIN



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The Old Timers Tournament committee had to create a whole new age category for Carl Koch, who will be entered in this year's event on Saturday, Nov. 28, at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Koch is 100 years old, which makes him the first of his age category in the 68 years of the annual event.

There is even hope for someone like Gordon Bickle as Carl Koch carries a 128 average. Most folks at that age could not even carry a bowling ball. As a memento of this occasion, Joe Norris, 90, the legendary Hall-of-Famer will present a watch to Carl Koch during the opening ceremonies, which start at 9 a.m.

It will include placement of plaques in the Detroit Hall-of-Fame display for the new inductees this year.

The general public is welcome to come in and enjoy watching the ceremonies and the event itself.

There will be room for a few late entries, so if you want to take part, call John Chmelko at (810) 756-3240.

•As we all look forward to Thanksgiving Day, once again bowlers would be thankful for getting a "turkey" or a few more strikes than the traditional three-bagger which is a part of the bowling lore.

We are thankful for the Brooklyn hits that carried. We're also thankful for the technological advances which have made this sport more enjoyable. No more trying to keep score with broken pencil, or wondering if the scores were even added up right.

Even the automatic pinsetters give us such an easy way to bowl compared to days of yesteryear when Warren Teubert of Redford recalls the days when in his youth he would work as a pin-boy for a few cents per line.

The automatics are something we all take for granted now, but back then the guys that were the tippers somehow got a few extra breaks and some very lucky pin-falls.

As to the pin-boys, there were plenty of bumps and bruises which went with the job, but at days end they had money in their pockets.

The pin boys also had a chance to bowl and get the pins for each other, therefore many of the early star bowlers got a head start by setting pins.

Most of all we are thankful for the opportunity to bowl.

When I was sidelined by open heart surgery a few years ago, it was painful to just sit there and watch the others enjoy the game.

I also would give thanks for having so many wonderful people to bowl with in league play. Even the best of competitors are good at this thing called sportsmanship.

Lant, but not least I thank Davey Berman who passed away a few days ago.

He left a legacy behind for all to follow, for even in his 80s, Davey was a competitor, loved to win, but when he did not bowl well, had the ability to enjoy the moment, the good fellowship and camaraderie that he will be remembered for.

His team won the league championship last season, and he really enjoyed that, for whenever he is now, one label shall apply to Davey Berman: "The Champion."

•The PBA Greater Detroit Open has announced the starting date for the next Pro-Am, that will be May 1 at Taylor Lanes.

The premium ball this year will be a choice of either the Storm El Nino or the Storm Sky Bolt. Call (734) 946-9092 for details.

•Airway Lanes in Waterford was the first tour stop of the Metro Bowling Tour Winter season.

The five finalists were well matched as in Match No. 1 it was Dan Spicer of Waterford versus Dwayne Griggs Jr. of Pontiac. Griggs cruised past Spicer with handicap 300-198.

Match No. 2 pitted Kurt Lewis of Waterford against Griggs. Lewis kept sparing, while Griggs was striking to win 278-222.

In Match No. 3, it was Dan Kurawski of Waterford to cool down Griggs and advance 206-193.

The championship match found Todd Baker of Lake Orion.

Baker started his qualifier block with a 278 actual and actual series of 1,366, with handicap added it was 1,522, giving him the third highest totals ever in the MBT.

Baker started off the final match striking in frames one and three, and covering a tough split in frame two.

Dan struck in bunches until he missed a one pin spare in the tenth for 238. Baker needed two strikes to win in the final frame, got the first one but was stopped by a 10 pin, the result was a 238-234 victory and title for Kurawski, becoming the lowest average (164) bowler to win on the Metro Bowling Tour.

Next stop is at North Hill Lanes in Rochester. For more information, call Roy Akers at (248) 673-7407.

## BOWLING HONOR ROLL

**CLOVERLANES (Livonia)**  
Suburban Prop. Travel (Men): Billy Gracie, 207/221; Mark Voigt, 205/612; Jeff Bennett, 237/701; Rudy Kramer, 234/606; Bob Pittaway, 232.  
Suburban Prop. Travel (Ladies): Gail Fehrenbach, 210/526; Barb Hernandez, 208/518; Barb Buhler, 200/550; Gloria Merz, 202/545; Viv Waldrop, 200; Kathy Butler, 198/558.  
St. Alden's Men: Conrad Sobania, 233; Tony Kalumy, 223/225/020; John Schenck, 219/620; Dave Wheeler, 209/209/605; Bob Polsky, 208.  
Feldco Men: Dave Donnell, 277/727; Cal Corina, 269/672; Bill Barnes, 257; Tony Bennett, 268/630; Bill Cribbles, 259/686; Steve Gulesky, 690.  
All Star Bowlers: Sandy Winkler, 266/673; Tracie Harok, 265; Sam Greaves, 259/695; Karen Carter, 258; Katie Maser, 207/695; Karen Hagan, 670.  
**MERRI BOWL (Livonia)**  
Wednesday Senior House: Mike Miller, 300; Jack Trebor, 814.  
Saturday Mike Edwards: Mike Colton, 299.  
Tuesday Mike Edwards: Shannon Klep, 278.  
Saturday Mike Edwards: Dave Looker, 300; Larry Gish, 300.  
Newburg Ladies: Kathy Duchene, 197; Joan Smith, 190; Donna Graham, 187.  
Northwest Miss: Tommy Sarnin, 220; Jo Ann Day, 207; Doug Strick, 224-222-224/660.  
Early River: Cathy Truskowski, 618; Wanda Oates, 507; E. Roman, 517.  
Senior Mary Bowlers: Al Dawson, 223-212/575; Roy McMahon, 207/204/585; Jack Henderson, 520; Dolores Egan, 505.  
Senior Lady & Ladies: Leonard Krawczak, 206/207/224/637 (139 average); Leo Letto, 194/608; John Doe, 137; Earl, 190.  
Monday K of G: Jim Johnson, 239/675; Max Hansen, 219/757; Frank Hoffman, 722; Wayne Loring, 720; Frank Koryakovich, 118; Dave Altman, 726; Randy Presnell, 697.  
**WONDERLAND LANES (Livonia)**  
Classic: Don Mytty, 219/742; Bill Sayon Jr., 278/740; Jim Holman, 229/726; Mark Payne, 209/725; Ed Duke, 280/721.  
Westside Senior Men: Dan Glatzer, 222/655; Dan Kuchinski, 242/646.  
Motor City Men's Early: Bob Copcia Jr., 257/634; Tom Small, 264/663; Emory John, 257/634.  
Nite Owl: Pat McKenna, 247/693; Davis Beini, 250/687; Darin Lipton, 253/616; Rick Linder, 249/664; Rich Bourbeau, 257/661.  
**WOODLAND LANES (Livonia)**  
Senior House (Premium Bowling Pro): Jo Johnson Jr., 278/709; Rick Jan, 280/714; Gary Daurand, 279/729.  
Midnight Miss: Dave Parker, 655; Dale Murrell, 290/701.  
Thursday Nite Men: Dave Rich, 200/756.  
Morning Glories: Margaret Yen, 252/644; Dan Jan, 215/672; Swirling Seniors: Tom Gerovac, 204; John Bohm, 222; Fred Swan, 238.  
Bowling Specialist: Chuck Simpson, 219/605.  
G & A: Jeff Pink, 300; Perry Proffer, 25/686; Joe Foster, 268/695; Ron Stevens, 255/682; Mike Rankin, 247/707; Steve Richardson, 277.  
**PLAZA LANES (Plymouth)**  
Suburban Prop. Travel: John Hurley Sr., 299; Bob Pittaway, 268; Lou Ivankic, 287/710.  
St. Cecilia's Men: Tom Duercher, 205/211-236/712; Bob Hurst, 250-214/204/688.  
Waterford Men: Jim Kurash, 231-268-223/722.  
Bumgarden Men: Bryan Schwartz, 259-226-246/731.  
Guys & Dolls: John Burkhardt, 211-280-227/717.  
Reggie: Bob Bray, 249-220-235/704.

**MAVFLOWER LANES (Redford)**  
Wednesday Men's Senior Classic: Andy Parretto, 249-244-254/747; Tony Golchuk, 253/62/253/668; Bob Orenow, 268/238-211/717; Henry Pearson, 223-224-205/652; Milt Schroeder, 244-205-235/684; Charles Lawrence, 204-279/687; Bud Kraemer, 200/649.  
Good Neighbors: Virginia Mazar, 211; Gloria Merz, 192.  
Monday Seniors: Jim O'Neill, 244/622; Tony Rye, 238/655; Charles Federico, 235/635; Walt Schickler, 247/633; Jim Zeiler, 238/633.  
Friday Seniors: Howard Davis, 247/725; Walt Arsenault, 280/717; Tony Wolak, 240/685; Dick Brown, 265/680; Frank Fedor, 257/675; Herb Richardson, 248/600.  
**SUPER BOWL (Canton)**  
Super Bowlers: Robert Crespi, 279/793; Steve Seader, 269/706; Keith Tyler, 269/696; Jack Boyd, 247/688; Jim Harris, 256-243/671; Lee Schmitt, 300-255/742; Dick King, 268/727; Gary Horning, 278-255/737; Jeff Strake, 257-240/607.  
Youth League: Jessica Force, 204/587; Nicholas Bowers, 215/557; Tony Vitale, 259/666; Todd Schenck, 215/524; Steve Jacobs, 223/233/627; Matt Buresh, 243/593; Justin Honnath, 222/643; Amanda Sheridan, 211; Bill Schneider, 151; Jerad Bonkowski, 143; Justin Bonkowski, 214; Kevin Pence, 151; Ashley Smith, 93.  
**COUNTRY LANES (Farmington)**  
Greenfield Mixed: Chris Druggan, 204-224/627; Tom Gow, 226-227/206/679; Phil Shaw, 225/660; Mark Silverstein, 238/604; Gwen Gow, 205/535; Sandy Week, 207.  
Monday Midnight Men: Mike Kassa, 261/645; George Kassa, 258; Will Kassa, 645.  
Wednesday Night Ladies: Sue Kin, 224/582; Shelly Caza, 202/540; Becky Sockow, 202.  
Ewe T: Ron Mattison, 200/726; Dan Hoffman, 244; Dave Spitz, 240/680; Tony Elin, 238/629; Walt Makowski, 238.  
St. Paul's Men: Chris Becker, 257/636.  
Spares & Strikes: Marlene Ouellette, 200/504; Kevin Joy Landante, 200/574; Evelyn Drabicki, 200/572; Lisa Smith, 200/530.  
Sunday Goodtimes: Ralph Davis, 230/519; Tom, 201; Tom Schneider, 145-145-145-145-145.  
O'Neil Birth Ben Lanky Travel: Mitch LeBon, 257-208-203; Danny Cohen, 234-234; Ron Luvig, 213-212/204; Marc Etelman, 245-205; Nick Allinger, 246/208.  
O'Neil Birth Pagan: Steve Luvy, 205-234-237/671; Rob Greenleaf, 252-211/200/687; Matt Friedman, 214-204-234/652; Bryan Levine, 239-215/645; Steve Anandine, 233-206/617.  
O'Neil Brotherhood-Edie Jacobson: Marc Weberman, 237-225/658; Steve Anandine, 235-226/656; Rick Weberman, 224-216/631; Dennis Howitz, 222-210/624; Barry Frisman, 224-237/619.  
Country Juniors (Youth): Scott Moscoe, 235/614; Jason Hedger, 211; Brandi Paris, 130; Kelly Burton, 108.  
**DRAXSHIRE LANES (Farmington)**  
O'Neil Birth Morgenstern Uchayn/Zalger: Steve Heberman, 227-225/632; Larry Harwin, 205-212/611; Larry Schussel, 223-211; Al Trench, 211-219.  
**BEI AIRE LANES (Farmington)**  
Michigan Ball Men: Mike Chalk, 220-210-202/622; Tony Coppa, 240-217/644; Harry Kalkowsky, 206-204-247/657; Eli Kolodny, 233/608; Tom Duncan, 289.  
Our Lady of Sorrows: Larry Patera, 299/702; Robin Woods, 269/661.  
Temple Israel Brotherhood: Keith West, 266-235/684; J. Rubin, 235-235/684; E. Weiser, 225-206-215/646; D. Marsh, 231/623; H. Marsh, 205-223/609.

## Hall of Famer Mohacsi offers bowling tips



Mary Mohacsi

Hall of Famer bowler

list here, and in addition to her bowling exploits, she operates The Right Approach pro shop along with her son, Mark, inside

Merri Bowl Lanes in Livonia.

With over 20 years experience in fitting bowling balls, she offers this advice on getting set up properly with the right equipment:

•The best way to get fitted is to bring your old ball in and let the pro shop person who will do the fitting, drilling and help with ball selection look at the way you throw on the lanes.  
•The fitter can watch your ball speed, hand rotation, how you get the ball out on the lanes and what line you are favoring.  
•The ways to fit a ball are conventional, semi-finger tip or full fingertip. New bowlers should start with conventional grip.

•That gives them a good hold on the ball and allows them to work on their game from the approach to the foul line.

•Once they get the basics down and get over about 140 in average, then they can go to a semi or full fingertip, either one will produce a better roll.

•It is important to have the ball drilled properly and you should be able to try the ball out with the pro shop person there to make any necessary adjustments.

•Most of our customers come in and ask for our recommendations on which equipment to buy. We help them on the lanes with ball selection.

•We like to give them our suggestions at two or three different price points, then let them sit within their budget and their ability.

•Other concerns in proper fit are the various pitches (angle of drilling the finger and thumb holes), the size of the holes, the span and to use a milling machine to oval the holes, since the fingers and thumb are not round, but oval in shape for a precise fit.

•We do not recommend finger grips inserts for everybody, conventional grips do not need them, and those who are subject to arm stress like tendinitis would not benefit from grips.

•There are a lot of bowlers who would benefit a whole lot from a few lessons like most golfers do. It would help improve the game for many.

•Most of the time we listen to other teammates, who mean well, but so many times they get caught up in doing the wrong things, and we want to see the bowlers doing it right and scoring better and enjoying their game a whole lot more.

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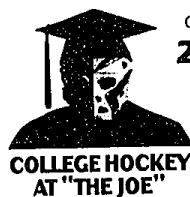
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