

Gentlemen of the BTC

November 6, 2025

Bowling started Tuesday 11/4/25. We have nine full teams for this season and only one division which I think is good. 4 teams will make the roll-offs. Well, I forgot to look at scores for the day, so I really don't know how anybody bowled except me and Mike Seebock, known as Waldo. He had a 645 I believe and was 6 for 6 on 7 pins. Me, I was about 30 to 40 pins under my average but was a remarkable 1 for 1 on ten pins. Usually, if I only leave one ten pin, I bowl really well, but for some reason, I didn't.

So, I guess I will talk about the Bears, Cubs and analytics. First off, I don't like it. For 50 years, if you won the coin toss, you jump up and down and cheer because you're getting the ball. Now, you defer to the second half because that is better, even though, 4 out of 5 Bears wins, they got the ball first and last Sunday, they didn't and gave up a kick return for a touchdown and still won. What I am really saying is that I don't think it matters that much. If you play better, you usually win not matter the kickoff to start either half.

Now to the Cubbies. They pay their manager 8 million dollars a year to make 90% of his decisions by analytics. I mean I like him, but a lot of people can read. All I say is give me eight Nico Horners and the 69' Orioles' starters, and one good reliever and I will take my chances. Two 300 hitters in the National League, that is disgusting, but analytics say better to be 1-for-10, then 3-for-10 if that one hit is a home run.

Well, I could go on and on about what I don't like about technology in sports, but I know a lot of people love it. So sorry for now knowing what anybody bowled. Will try not to let that happen again.

Your secretary, D.J.

P.S. Go Bears. Beat those Giants.

P.S.S. Bowled anchor for my new team. If I got a strike on my first ball in the tenth frame in the first two games we win, instead, lost all three. Way to go Dave. Hopefully they want me to bowl again.

Tennis Report - Al Baldermann

First day of tennis went well. 19 players. No injuries.

Everyone seemed in good form after a summer of golf.

After tennis 10 of us, joined by Chuck DiNolfo, went to Balagio's for dinner. Great time.

Results

Lillwitz	13/20
Rollins	12/20
Ganz	11/20
Nick	7/20
Vizdal	5/16
Darabaris	15/24
Schiera	14/24
Bewley	12/20
Reschke	11/24
Kees	4/24
Tom G	18/23
Heraty	11/23
Johnson	11/23
Clark	8/23
Schroeder	18/24
Abramowicz	11/24
Anderson	10/24
Baldermann	9/24

Year-to-date results:

Tom, G	18	23	78%
Schroeder,Rich	18	24	75%
Lillwitz, Bill	13	20	65%
Darabaris,Mike	15	24	63%
Bewley, Kevin	12	20	60%
Rollins, Rob	12	20	60%
Schiera, John	14	24	58%
Ganz, Mike	11	20	55%
Heraty, Dan	11	23	48%
Johnson, Todd	11	23	48%
Abramowicz,Ron	11	24	46%
Reschke, Jim	11	24	46%
Anderson, Steve	10	24	42%
Baldermann, Al	9	24	38%
Nick	7	20	35%
Clark, Bruce	8	23	35%
Vizdal, Bob	5	16	31%
Kees, Roosevelt	4	24	17%

This year we will be determining court play strictly by percentages, no matter what court you played on the previous week. If players on a lower court move up because of their high percentage of wins on that court, they will either stay up or go down based on their play the following week. Likewise, if a player from the

top court moves down because of a poor percentage of wins they will be able to move up based on their play the following week. The basic idea is to have more interaction within the group.

Reminder...GIO next week after tennis or bowling.

Bowling News

We got through Week 1 of bowling, and it is now in the books! We have 9 FULL TEAMS, and all teams seem to be in good shape with enough subs to go around. I do have one bowler looking to fill out a roster so if your team would like to add a bowler to your roster and form some type of rotation, please let me know.

It was great seeing you all on the lanes this week, and scores seemed to be pretty good, especially keeping in mind that this was the first week of bowling for many of us. Frank Reichenberger was the only person who collected his pots (results in the standings section of the newsletter), while the doubles, survivor, and corner pin pots will be starting over the next couple of weeks, at the discretion of those pot collectors.

Before bowling we had a brief meeting to discuss the rules, the main change for this year is that we decided to go to 1 Division that all 9 teams will be part of. To qualify for the end of season championship roll-offs you will need to finish in first or second in either of our 2 halves. These are the 4 teams that will compete on the last night for the league championship. If one or both of our first half qualifiers, also come in first or second in the second half we will take 1 or 2 "wild card" teams which will be the team(s) with the most year-to-date points of the teams that have not already qualified for the year end championship roll-offs. Please ask me if you need any further explanation on this format, please ask me.

With so much going on in the first week, I will start collecting and filling out the USBC sanction cards this coming week. It is very helpful to me and appreciated if you could plan for this and have your sanction money this coming week. If you are bowing in another bowling league and have paid the sanction fee through that league nothing more is due. If the Builders Tee Club is the only league you are bowling in, or you did not pay your sanction fees through your other league the cost is \$32 for the full sanctioning, \$2 for the State dues, and \$15 for the Chicagoland dues.

Team sponsorship is the same this year at \$125 per team. This should be paid by week 6 please let me know if you need an invoice printed out to give to your sponsor.

Remember it is not too late to join the bowling league, all are welcome. If you come out to bowl and there are no subs needed, you can always bowl as a pacer on the bye team lanes. If you are interested in bowling or have any questions regarding our bowling league, please feel free to call or text me on my cell at 708-912-8831.

Bowling Secretary

Keith Tadevich

		<u>Lane</u> <u>Assignments</u>			
<u>Date</u>	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10
11/11/2025	7 vs. 3	1 vs. 6	2 vs. 9	5 vs. 10	8 vs. 4
11/18/2025	4 vs. 5	9 vs. 8	10 vs. 1	3 vs. 2	6 vs. 7

Standings

#	Builders Tee Club W		L
9	Traitors	7	0
3	Bright Metals	7	0
8	Beggars Pizza	7	0
5	Tri-Star	5	2
2	Oak Forest Bowl	5	2
6	Misfits	2	5
1	Ascend Wealth	2	5
4	Burr Oak Bowl	0	7
7	Smokey's Bandits	0	7

<u>Handicap</u>

Game 1 Mike Seebock 292

Jack Brown 255

Game 2 Matt Janda 264

Mike Seebock 257

Game 3 Hal Eberling 268

Ken Wisniewski 265

Mystery Pot

1st Game No Winner

2nd Game No Winner

Clean Frames

Forward Dennis Samoska Jr. 13

Ken Wisniewski 13

Reverse Randy Giovanneti 20

30 No Winner