

# ***Nothnagle, Perry teams capture titles in GRUSBC Association Tournament***

## **UPDATE -- APRIL 17**

**Results of the 16th annual Genesee Region USBC Association Tournament are official, with the Nothnagle Drilling team winning the Open Division and the Perry Girls team taking the Women's Division.**

The tournament took place on March 24-26, 31-April 2 at Perry Bowling Center (Team event) and Mount Morris Lanes (Doubles & Singles events).

Division champions are as follows:

Open Team -- Nothnagle Drilling, Le Roy Legion Lanes, \$1,000. Team members are Kristin Clements, Jeff Nothnagle, Andrew Martin and Polly Nothnagle.

Women's Team -- Perry Girls, Perry Bowling Center, \$360. Team members are Montana Bzduch, Joann Van Duser, Katy Bzduch and Rachel Huntz.

Open Doubles -- Steve and Cory Werner, Perry Bowling Center, \$400.

Women's Doubles -- Roe Smith and Missy Potter, Mount Morris Lanes, \$300.

Open Singles -- Matthew Hurlburt, Perry Bowling Center, \$300.

Women's Singles -- Barbara Casavant, Oak Orchard Bowl, Albion, \$200.

Open All-Events -- Jeff Nothnagle, Le Roy Legion Lanes, \$120.

Women's All-Events -- Traci Spanitz, Le Roy Legion Lanes, \$80.

Highlights included 300 games by Ed Toscano and Matt Hurlburt, both in Singles competition, and a 290 game by Scott Gibson in Doubles.

**[CLICK HERE](#) for official standings.**

**[CLICK HERE](#) for the prize list.**

**Prize checks have been distributed to proprietors at Perry, Mount Morris Lanes and Oak Orchard Bowl for their bowlers and some are being mailed to cashers.**

**Polly Nothnagle won the 14-pound MOTIV Venom Shock and Mark Washburn won the 15-pound MOTIV Venom Shock.**

## ***Burger, Cobb duo claims top spot at No-Tap Doubles***

**FEBRUARY 20, 2023 -- Sixty-nine teams -- three short of a full house -- competed in the 3rd Genesee Region USBC No-Tap Doubles Tournament over the weekend at Letchworth Pins in Portageville.**

At the end of it all, after three squads on Saturday and three on Sunday, the duo of Tina Burger and Rodney Cobb of Bliss took home the top prize of \$720 with a combined effort of 1,624 with handicap.

Results are unofficial pending average verifications.

Cobb rolled an 843 series, including a 300 game, while Burger added 595 on the final squad yesterday. This, plus their 186 pins handicap, pushed them to the lead past the teams of Volkert Whiting/Tom Irwin Jr. and Jordan Gelser/Mark Washburn, who each posted 1,618. They will split the second and third place money of \$360 and \$240.

Also cashing were as follows:

\$200 -- Matt Nolan-Paul Baney 1611.

\$180 -- Jeff Nothnagle-Andy Martin 1592

\$170 -- Barb Casavant-Breanna Seeever 1584.

\$160 -- Dave Duboy-Mike Bramer 1583.

\$150 -- John Wolff-Bill Neubert 1582.

\$140 -- Gary Kuchler-Rob Manners 1575.

\$130 -- Brandon Luce-Haley Luce 1569.

\$110 -- Matthew Lowin-Rodney Green 1563, Samantha Hyde-Mickey Hyde 1535, Shawn Hurlburt-Darren Morgan 1534.

\$100 -- Kelly Klump-Jeff Barber 1532, Scott Gibson-Bob Cassidy 1532, Roe Smith-Pat Smith 1528, Cordell Fanton-Troy Fanton 1524.

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## ***Perry teams dominate Youth Team tournament***

**FEBRUARY 7, 2023 -- The Perry Bowling Center team of Mason Herman, Gavin Slocum and Allie Faryna took first place Sunday in the Genesee Region Youth Team Tournament at their hometown center.**

The trio combined for 1,905 with handicap to win the top prize of \$100 scholarships and trophies each.

Faryna and Slocum teamed with Dillin Goulet to place second at 1,841, while another Perry team, Shyann Covell, Goulet and Hunter Clark placed third at 1,830.

# ***LaPiana, Klein/Prevost teams place first in GRUSBC Adult-Junior Tournament***

**JANUARY 17, 2023 -- Bowlers from Mount Morris Lanes and Le Roy Legion Lanes took top honors at the Genesee Region USBC Adult-Junior Doubles Tournament on Sunday at Medina Lanes.**

In the 12-and-Under Division, **Gianna LaPiana and her father, Chad LaPiana**, Mount Morris residents, placed first with a 1,392 score with handicap -- earning Gianna a \$250 scholarship and a trophy.

In the 13-and-Over Division, LeRoyans **Hudson Klein and Trey Prevost** combined for a 1,336 score with handicap to place first -- earning Hudson a \$250 scholarship and a trophy.

Thirty-three teams participated in the tournament -- 14 in the 12-and-Under Division and 19 in the 13-and-Over Division.

Scholarship winners are as follows:

## **12 & Under (14 entries)**

1 – Gianna LaPiana/Chad LaPiana, 1,392 -- \$250 scholarship plus trophy for Gianna

2 – Madeline Bourg/Matt Bourg, 1,341 -- \$125 scholarship

3 – Gavin Slocum/Matt Slocum, 1,312 -- \$70 scholarship

4 – Emily Maloy/Karen Allis, 1,300 -- \$35 scholarship

## **13 & Over (19 entries)**

1 – Hudson Klein/Trey Prevost, 1,336 -- \$250 scholarship plus trophy for Hudson

2 – Dominic LaPiana/Chad LaPiana, 1,326 -- \$125 scholarship plus trophy for Dominic

3 – Shyann Covell/Richard Covell, 1,319 -- \$70 scholarship

4 – Sarah Wilson/Jeff Wilson, 1,310 -- \$50 scholarship

5 – Kyle Brett/Reid Cole, 1,308 -- \$35 scholarship

6 – Trea Nickerson/Rick Pernicone, 1,308 -- \$35 scholarship

# ***Scott Culp captures 4th Scratch Memorial crown***

**JANUARY 9, 2023 -- Scott Culp of Honeoye Falls successfully climbed the stepladder finals consisting of five former champions to claim the 69th Genesee Region USBC Scratch Memorial Tournament title on Sunday at Mancuso Bowling Center.**

The high-revving 44-year-old right-hander, who won the event in 2017, 2018 and 2020, saved his best for last -- rolling a 279 game to defeat Matt Slocum of Perry, who posted 204. Slocum won the tournament in 2007.

The victory was worth \$700 for Culp, who has been one of the area's finest league and tournament bowlers for the past two decades. Slocum, who has returned to action this season after suffering a collapsed bicep muscle in his right arm, earned \$350.

**[CLICK HERE](#) for the complete tournament scores.**

Culp, qualified in the fourth position for the stepladder finals, and proceeded to defeat Jake Rosenbeck of Medina, 198-190; No. 3 seed Adam Philp of Le Roy, 222-195, and No. 2 seed Kevin Gray Jr. of Warsaw, 245-180, before facing Slocum.

Culp said he didn't think he'd get past the first game of the stepladder finals due to a sore arm.

"My arm started bothering me in the first match, so I backed off a bit -- (releasing it) easier at the bottom," he said. "Bowling on the same pair for the finals, I was able to get lined up and that made it tough for the guys coming in."

He said he used the Storm IQ Tour for most of the tournament -- ending with that ball and the Roto Grip Hyper Solid Pearl in the title match.

Slocum, another powerful righty, said he was happy to be in top form after suffering the injury in the same tournament last year.

"I was able to line up in practice and used the same ball throughout -- the Roto Grip Hectic. Slocum posted a 933 score for the four-game semifinals, edging Gray Jr. by 13 pins for the top seed.

Gray Jr., the 2016 and 2019 champion, won \$240, while Philp, who won in 2011, earned \$200, and Rosenbeck, the 2021 champion, pocketed \$180.

Gray earned an additional \$25 for being the overall high qualifier with 1,000 for his four games. Rosenbeck fired 277 in his fourth semifinal game to jump into the finals.

The tournament -- which was contested on a special "Challenge" oil pattern designed by Kegel -- drew 74 entrants over three qualifying squads (two on Saturday and one on Sunday morning). The GRUSBC added \$300 to the prize fund.

The top 17 bowlers after qualifying bowled four more games on Sunday afternoon to determine the five finalists.

Medina's Curtis Foss placed sixth, Batavia's Mike Pettinella was seventh and Le Roy's John Lowe was eighth. All won \$160.

In ninth through 12th place, each earning \$135, were Dave DiSalvo of Mount Morris, Brian Green of Batavia, Aaron Philp of Le Roy and defending champion Devon Leach of Batavia.

In 13th through 17th place were Nick Johnson of Bergen, Hayden Allis of Medina, Dennis Van Duser of Perry, Brady Weber of Perry and Jim Pursel of Batavia. They each won \$120.

Aaron Philp had the tournament's high game -- his first USBC-certified 300 game during the opening qualifying round.

# ***Youth Doubles Tournament Results***

**DECEMBER 6, 2022 -- Twenty-four teams competed in the Genesee Region USBC Youth Doubles Tournament over the weekend at Le Roy Legion Lanes.**

## **A DIVISION (250 AND OVER)**

- 1 – Zach Abel/Kyle Brett, Oak Orchard, 1,351 -- \$100 scholarships and trophies each
- 2 – Conner Herdlein/Ben Sputore, Mancuso's, 1,279 – \$25 scholarships and trophies each
- 3 – Shyann Covell/Allie Faryna, Perry, 1,273 – trophies each
- 4 – Juliana Allis, Oak Orchard/Ben Sputore, Mancuso's, 1,261
- 5 – Kyle Brett/Juliana Allis, Oak Orchard, 1,245
- 6 – Jeremiah Roberts/Wyatt Willett, Mount Morris, 1,241
- 7 – Carter Armijo, Mancuso's/Gavin Slocum, Perry, 1,234
- 8 – Omer Fugate/Kyle Brett, Oak Orchard, 1,230
- 9 – Andrew Pocock/Hudson Klein, Le Roy, 1,227
- 10 – Gianna LaPiana/Brett George, Mount Morris, 1,218
- 11 – Trent Willis/Mason Santini, Mount Morris, 1,202
- 12 – Omer Fugate/Juliana Allis, Oak Orchard, 1,195
- 13 – Logan Callard/Juliana Allis, Oak Orchard, 1,180
- 14 – Ethan Clarke/Anthony Cuzzo, Mount Morris, 1,174

## **B DIVISION (249 AND UNDER)**

- 1 – Olivia Herman/Allie Faryna, Perry, 1,356 -- \$100 scholarships and trophies each
- 2 – Sarah Wilson/Jeffrey Wilson, Mount Morris, 1,294 – \$25 scholarships and trophies each
- 3 – Mason Semmel-Fuller/Anthony Cuzzo, Mount Morris, 1,287 – trophies each
- 4 – Zach Abel/Logan Callard, Oak Orchard, 1,256
- 5 – Jacob Salamone/Jackson Bennett, Mount Morris, 1,253
- 6 – Gavin Slocum/Olivia Herman, Perry, 1,220
- 7 – Jaramia Keane/Dominic Leone, Mount Morris, 1,163

## ***Roger Allis wins Senior Masters; Santini 2nd***

**NOVEMBER 28, 2022 -- Roger Allis of Medina broke into the tournament bowling winner's circle for the first time by capturing the 17th annual Genesee Region USBC Senior Masters on Saturday at Oak Orchard Bowl in Albion.**

The 60-year-old right-hander defeated Scott Shields of Batavia, 279-247, and Bob Santini of Mount Morris, 224-192, in the three-person stepladder final round to claim the \$325 top prize. He also earned a free entry into the GRUSBC Scratch Memorial Tournament on Jan. 7-8 at Mancuso Bowling Center in Batavia.

Allis rolled a 683 series in the three-game qualifying round – taking the 11th spot out of the 12 bowlers who advanced – and followed that with 440 in the two-game second round and 225 in the semifinals to make it to the finals. He averaged 231 for his eight games.

Santini, who registered 701 in the qualifying round, 440 in the second round and 268 in the semis, earned \$200 for placing second while Shields pocketed \$150 for placing third. Shields rolled 690 in qualifying, 406 in the second round and 204 in the semis to advance.

Batavian Mike Pettinella placed fourth – averaging a tournament-high 241 for six games, including 724 in the qualifying round and 520 in the second round. His 203 in the third round fell a pin short of tying Shields for the third and final spot.

Also reaching the semis were Dean Cadieux Jr. of Oakfield and John Beadle of Albion, who placed fifth and sixth, respectively. They and Pettinella won \$100 apiece. Beadle was the high qualifier at 733 and Cadieux was second at 729. They averaged 227 and 229, respectively.

Other cashers (\$70 each) were Brian Weber of Perry, Bill Logan of Albion, Rick Pernicone of Dansville, Paul Spiotta of Batavia, Fred Gravanda of Batavia and Reid Cole of Albion. Pernicone, Logan and Weber all broke the 700 mark in the qualifying round.

The tournament drew 45 entries -- 28 in the 50-59 age group, 13 in the 60-69 age group and four in the 70-and-over age group.

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## ***Nine in the money at Gladys Ford Senior event***

**NOVEMBER 11, 2022 -- Nine bowlers cashed at the Gladys Ford Senior Women's tournament last weekend at Le Roy Legion Lanes.**

Prize winners and their earnings are as follows:

Class AA (75 and over) -- Jeanne Rosa, Perry, \$150; Bee Sank, Mount Morris, and Grace Bogle, Perry, tie for second, \$50 each.

Class A (70-74) -- Marcia Zambito, Albion, \$85.

Class B (65-69) -- Marian Gerhardy, Albion, \$90; Arlene Underhill, Batavia, \$50.

Class C (60-64) -- Chris Bovee, Dansville, \$130; Cathi Fournier, Dansville, \$80.

Class D (55-59) -- Sue Boring, Albion, \$85.

Checks will be mailed out this weekend.

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# ***Curtis Foss wins 7th Masters crown; Pettinella 2nd***

**OCTOBER 24, 2022 -- The 60th and final edition of the Genesee Region USBC (and former Batavia) Masters Tournament was written over the weekend and, once again, Curtis Foss of Medina was the headliner.**

The 35-year-old right-hander captured his unprecedented seventh Masters' crown Sunday at Rose Garden Bowl in Bergen by winning six of eight matches and averaging 218 on a challenging oil pattern in the eight-bowler Peterson Point match play final round.

Foss amassed 409 Peterson Points. Under that system, 30 points are awarded for winning a match and points added or subtracted for each game score in relation to 200.

**[CLICK HERE](#) for final round summary.**

In claiming the \$300 first prize, Foss became only the second bowler in Masters' history to win three consecutive tournaments (2019, 2021 and 2022). The event did not take place in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tony Martino of Batavia won the Masters' three straight years from 1974-76.

Foss' previous titles came in 2008, 2009, 2014 and 2015.

The top-seeded Foss actually started slowly, losing 229-175 to Perry's Brady Weber in the opening match, before putting together three straight victories with games of 237, 204 and 277 to move into first place.

From there, he held that spot by winning three of his last four matches.

Genesee Region USBC Hall of Famer Mike Pettinella of Batavia finished in second place, posting seven games of 200 or better – highlighted by a 259 in a game five win over Mark Brown of Attica, another GRUSBC Hall of Famer.

Pettinella, 67, averaged 215 in the finals – splitting his eight matches and totaling 288 Peterson Points. He and Foss had a close battle in game two, with Foss prevailing, 237-235, by striking on his first ball in the 10th frame.

Foss, a Professional Bowlers Tour member who has 60 perfect games and 49 800 series to his credit, called his victory “an incredible achievement and one that I work for day in and day out each year.”

“It has always been my favorite tournament,” he said. “It means a lot to me, sharing it in winning with my dad (the late Robert Foss Jr., who won the event in 2012).”

A user of Storm bowling balls, Foss maps out and drills his own equipment at a pro shop he has set up at Oak Orchard Bowl in Albion.

“I am truly thankful for the support I get from my best friend, Brittany; my mom, Susan; the Hanks family; my grandma, Cathy, and friend, Melissa,” he said. “And, of course, all the love from my dad and (late) grandparents, Darrell and Millie. This is dedicated to them all.”

Rick Pernicone II of Dansville finished in third place, winning six matches while averaging 200 for 213 Peterson Points.

He was followed by Jake Rosenbeck of Medina (4-4, 206 average, 208 points); Weber (4-4, 199 average, 172 points); two-time Masters' champ Tom Rohl of Le Roy (4-4, 191 average, 69 points); Brown (3-5, 187 average); Derek Leach of Batavia (1-7, 165 average).

The GRUSBC contributed \$450 from the Masters Tournament fund to the prize list but will be dropping the tournament from its lineup due to a decline in entries over the past few years. This year's event had 22 entries.