

Fluker Captures 1st Handicap Bracket Challenge

OCTOBER 27, 2019 – Batavia’s Tom Fluker won the tournament while Albion’s Bailee Snook won the hearts of bowlers and spectators, alike, on Saturday at the 1st Genesee Region Handicap Bracket Challenge tournament at Mancuso Bowling Center in Batavia.

Fluker defeated Sam Oddo of Batavia, 224-202, in the title match to claim the \$275 first prize in the event, which attracted 32 bowlers.

The entrants were divided into four eight-player brackets with the top four averages as the No. 1 seeds in each bracket and the remaining players drawing for their seedings. The first round consisted of two-game matches and the ensuing rounds were one-game matches.

Fluker opened by defeating Bailee’s sister, Paige, and then went on to win three more matches to face Oddo. In the semifinals, he just got past 13-year-old Bailee by five pins.

He rolled a 211 game scratch – 241 with handicap – while Snook rolled 149 and received 87 pins handicap based on her 133 average.

For the tournament, Snook averaged 159, much better than her average, in posting a 3-1 match play record. One of her games was 200, her first 200 ever.

Oddo reached the finals with a 248-216 win over Shayne Herold of Batavia (200-176 scratch), and earned \$150 for his second-place finish.

Snook and Herold won \$95 each (with Snook’s prize money going into her SMART scholarship account). Other cashers were Batavians Geoff Harloff, Tom McJury and Scott Shields and Attica’s Mark Brown.

Matt Balduf of South Byron had the tournament’s high game of 299, leaving a solid 10-pin on the final ball.

Hyde Wins Senior Masters; Fonte 2nd, Neubert 3rd

NOVEMBER 4, 2019 -- The old bowling axiom, “hook is for show, straight is for dough,” came into play over the weekend at the 14th annual Genesee Region USBC Senior Masters Tournament at Mount Morris Lanes.

Bowling in the tournament for the first time, 53-year-old right-hander Mickey Hyde of Le Roy utilized that strategy to emerge victorious against 42 other entrants on Sunday.

“I pretty much stayed straight up the alley,” said Hyde, who averaged 234 for his seven games, capped by a 246-208 victory over Tim Fonte of Dansville in the title match. “Normally, that shot doesn’t work for me any place else, but it has here before.”

Hyde, manager of the Tompkins Bank of Castile Le Roy branch, earned \$270 plus a free entry into the GRUSBC Scratch Memorial Tournament in January and a plaque from Joe’s Trophies & Awards.

The three-person stepladder finals in the event for association members 50 and over featured three first-time Senior Masters participants -- Hyde, Fonte and Batavian Bill Neubert.

Fonte downed Neubert, 218-173, in the first stepladder match to earn the right to face Hyde, who secured the top seed by virtue of a 714 series in the three-game qualifying round and 463 in the two-game second round.

Fonte, 71, pocketed \$170 for his runner-up finish while Neubert, 69, won \$120 for placing third. Both Fonte and Neubert played a direct line, and it carried them to the stepladder round.

Reaching the semis were Dave DiSalvo of Mount Morris, Mike Pettinella of Batavia and Kevin Gray of Honeoye Falls. They each won \$70.

Other cashers were Paul Spiotta, Jim Pursel and Scott Shields, all of Batavia; Marty Weaver of Castile; John Lowe of Le Roy, and Bob Hodgson of Medina. They won \$55 apiece.

DiSalvo was the high qualifier with 758, followed by Spiotta (724), Pursel (723) and Hyde, and also had the high score in the two-game semifinals with 472, followed by Pettinella (463) and Hyde (463).

Hyde, Fonte and Neubert advanced to the finals with games of 221, 215 and 210, respectively.

The field was cut to 12 after the qualifying round and to six after the two-game second round. The one-game semifinal round determined the stepladder finalists.

Gladys Ford Senior Women Results

NOVEMBER 13, 2019 -- Official results of the Gladys Ford Senior Women's Tournament held on Nov. 2-3 at Perry Bowling Center.

CLASS AA -- 75 & up -- 13 entries

Margaret Shepard, Castile	667	-- \$ 150
Caroline Appleby, Warsaw	643	90
Fran Matthews, Silver Lake	638	50
Joanne Reed, Livonia	624	38.50

CLASS A -- 70-74 -- 8 entries

Gail Riley, Dansville	649	110
Barbara Sales, Geneseo	606	60
Georgene Della Penna, Bat.	589	40

CLASS B -- 65-69 -- 4 entries

Barbara Heim, Perry	632	76
Pat Gilbertson, Gainesville	594	40

CLASS C -- 60-64 -- 8 entries

Laurie Cole, Albion	633	110
Judy Bzduch, Perry	631	60
Chris Bovee, Dansville	624	40

CLASS D -- 55-59 -- 3 entries

Sue Boring, Albion	590	82.50
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CLASS E -- 50-54 -- 2 entries

Dawn Johnston, Livonia	660	57
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Culp Wins Fourth Scratch Memorial Crown

JANUARY 6, 2020 – High-revving right-hander Scott Culp captured his fourth Genesee Region USBC Scratch Memorial Tournament title on Sunday in wire-to-wire fashion at Oak Orchard Bowl in Albion.

The 41-year-old Honeoye Falls resident led the qualifying round on Saturday with an 888 four-game total and came back to lead the semifinal round on Sunday with a 919 four-game total to earn the No. 1 seed for the five-bowler stepladder finals.

In the title match, Culp defeated the second-seeded **John LaGeorge** of Retsof, 215-174, for the \$500 first prize.

Culp now has won four GRUSBC Scratch Memorial crowns, the previous three coming in 2006, 2017 and 2018.

LaGeorge, who won this tournament in 2001, pocketed \$300 for placing second in this year's event, which was contested on the Kegel Mercury 40-foot challenge pattern (qualifying rounds) and Kegel Route 66 V2 45-foot challenge pattern (semifinals and finals).

Defending champion **Kevin Gray Jr.** of Warsaw placed third, defeating fourth-place **Scott Allis** of Medina in the second stepladder match, 204-179, before falling to LaGeorge, 227-172, in third match. Gray also won this tournament in 2016.

Allis took the fourth spot with a 197-191 win over **Mike Pettinella** of Batavia in the first stepladder match, rolling a double in the 10th frame.

Gray won \$250, Allis \$200 and Pettinella \$140.

Also cashing (in the top eight who advanced to the semifinal round) were **Nathan Cordes** of Batavia (\$100), **Brian Weber** of Perry (\$90) and **Rick Pernicone** of Dansville (\$85).

The tourney drew 36 entrants.

Four bowlers from each of the two qualifying squads (1 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday) qualified for the semifinal round.

They were Culp, Allis, Weber and Pettinella on Saturday and Gray Jr., Pernicone, Cordes and LaGeorge on Sunday.

Statistically, the qualifying oil pattern played remarkably the same each day.

On Saturday, the 18 bowlers averaged 183.66 for the 72 games and the top four averaged 205.31. On Sunday, the 18 bowlers averaged 184.33 for the 72 games and the top four averaged 205.37.

The GRUSBC wishes to thank the management and staff of Oak Orchard Bowl for an outstanding job in hosting the tournament.

Adult-Junior Tournament Attracts 35 Teams

JANUARY 21, 2020 -- Thirty-five teams participated in the Genesee Region USBC Adult-Junior Doubles Tournament on Jan. 10-12 at Raider Lanes in Caledonia.

In the 13-and-Over Division, Allie Faryna (youth) and Matt Slocum of Perry combined for a 1,437 score with handicap to claim the \$225 first prize, and in the 12-and-Under Division, Kylie (youth) and Dana Regatuso of Mount Morris posted 1,391 with handicap to take the \$225 first prize.

Prizes are paid out as scholarships for youth and as gift cards for adults.

Other cashers were:

13-and-Over Division -- Zachary Neal and Regina Hanks, Oak Orchard Bowl, 1,392, \$175; Brooke and Sarah Jarkiewicz, Rose Garden Bowl, 1,387, \$125, and Kyle and Mike Johnson, Mancuso Bowling Center, 1,378, \$95.

12-and-Under Division -- Trea Nickerson and Rick Pernicone, Mount Morris, 1,384, \$175; Gavin and Matt Slocum, Perry, 1,354, \$125.

Genesee Region USBC Youth Doubles

March 2020 – Oak Orchard Bowl, Albion

DIVISION A

1. GAVIN BANEY/PAIGE SNOOK OAK ORCHARD 1484-\$100 SCHOLARSHIP EA/TROPHY
2. ZACH NEAL/JAYDEN NEAL OAK ORCHARD 1356/TROPHY
3. BAILEE SNOOK/PAIGE SNOOK OAK ORCHARD 1331/TROPHY
4. PAIGE SNOOK/BAILEE SNOOK OAK ORCHARD 1297
5. JULIANA ALLIS/MASON CADIEUX OAK ORCHARD/MANCUSO 1282
6. GRACELIN MAHNKE/PAIGE SNOOK OAK ORCHARD 1268
7. RYLEIGH CULVER/BAILEE SNOOK OAK ORCHARD 1267
8. JESSE KELLER/JAYDEN NEAL OAK ORCHARD 1244
9. JILLIAN MENZIE/MEGAN JARKIEWICZ ROSE GARDEN 1239
10. ZACH NEAL/GAVIN BANEY OAK ORCHARD 1238
11. BRAD JUNE/MASON SANTINI MT. MORRIS 1225
12. DENNIS VANDUSER/BROOK JUREK PERRY 1169
13. LEXI PATTERSON/TRENT WILLIS MT. MORRIS 1149
14. TONY SPRAGUE/CORINNE SALUSTE MANCUSO 1125
15. KYLE JOHNSON/TONY SPRAGUE MANCUSO 1092

DIVISION B

1. DOMINIC LAPIANA/BRETT GEORGE MT. MORRIS 1326-\$100 SCHOLARSHIP EA/TROPHY
2. GAVIN SLOCUM/ALLIE FARYNA PERRY 1304/TROPHY
3. TYLER BRETT/KYULE BRETT OAK ORCHARD 1287/TROPHY
4. THAILER SIEBERT/OMER FUGATE OAK ORCHARD 1287/TROPHY
5. ADELYN NEAL/OMER FUGATE OAK ORCHARD 1271
6. LILY MARTIN/JONAH MARTIN MANCUSO 1269
7. EMILY MALOY/LUKAS LEDDICK MANCUSO 1268
8. MIA OLLES/JULIA FULLER OAK ORCHARD 1226
9. GAGE BRENNAN/POM SIEBERT OAK ORCHARD 117