

# SASBA

## Out on The Twig



### Kilcullen, McBride, Adkins, Busscher, Lawrence win Annual Christmas Tournament!

The team of Ed Kilcullen, Steve McBride, Blane Adkins, Mark Busscher, and Robert Lawrence fought their way to the top in the two-day Swiss qualifying and awaited the survivor of the stairstep Baker-style final to bowl for the title. In the first match, John Denton, Roger Parish, Joe Lecroy, Chip Holliday and Claude Heniger defeated John Burns, Rob Pohlman, Daniel Adkins, Bob Loffredo and Clyde Fravel 244-207. They then blasted Ronnie Diamond, Ross DiCapo, Doug Barron, Greg Staton and Walter Goldston 260-216. Ronnie and crew then lost to George Calloway, Gene Rivers, Ricky Roberts, Brent Duroy and David Anthony 245-191. In the title match, an early open by the #1 seed and a double by George's gang created a 20 pin deficit. The match stayed that way entering the 10<sup>th</sup> with David and Mark finishing up. A double by Busscher drew

them within 10. David then left a 5-7 split (which he had converted the previous match). One more by Mark would clinch it, but he hung a 10 pin...meaning if David picked it up again, they would win. He got it close, missing on the pro side and the title belonged to Ed and company. It was Ed and Blane's first title, McBride's 5<sup>th</sup>, Busscher's 4<sup>th</sup> and Lawrence's 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thanks to Jamie Brooks, Steve Wunderlich and crew for being great hosts. The shot was fair, the bowl cool and very clean. The meeting room downstairs was beautiful (Thanks Peggy Brooks) and the Bar-B-Que was excellent (thanks Coburn's). We had 140 in attendance at the Awards Dinner.

This tournament is the most fun event of the year. Members get to bowl with people they've never met. Wives go shopping together.

The pace is slower, but one-lane lane courtesy this year sped it up. I think that's a keeper. Even in the last game, teams that were out of it were still competing, laughing and talking smack. LOL

The first three weeks in January, we have a Member/Guest Doubles in Beaumont, an Age Bracket Event at Cityview in Fort Worth and the Claude Thomas Memorial (regular singles) in Shreveport, LA.

We want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. For all you bowlers reading this, I have a New Year's Resolution/Bowler's Prayer. May all your splits be little ones, May all your spares be single pins, May all your strikes be in a row and May All your stone 8s and 9s be in practice!

#### Jim's Notes

I've lost so much weight, Ross can now achieve it! There was at least one septuagenarian on each team making the finals. Sam Magill had the only 300! TET Award went from Kerry Fulford to Mike Kenerson. We had bowlers all the way from Massachusetts and Florida.

**Jim's Tips:** You wouldn't go play golf with 3 drivers, 3 3-woods, 2-3 irons and a putter. Yet far too many senior bowlers go to a tournament armed with several big-hooking solids and hybrid covers, yet no pearl covers...nothing that goes long and gets to the pocket on toasted lanes with some energy left. When they get dry, as in this 5-man team event, if you can't move deep enough and

and throw a pearl such as Ringer Platinum or Melee Cross, you are likely giving up pins to the field. To play outside or the track on such patterns, requires perfect shotmaking with no room for error, which few are successful at.

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#### Friday Sweeper Results

1. Clyde Fravel 521
2. Robert Lawrence 517
3. Randy Summers 517
4. Dave Lile 514
5. Pete Seibel 513
6. Greg Staton 513

**JANUARY 3-4, 2015**

**MEMBER GUEST DOUBLES**

**LIMITED TO 80 BOWLERS**

**CROSSROADS BOWLING CENTER**

**4370 DOWLEN RD**

**BEAUMONT, TX 77706**

**PH: 409-899-2695**

**HOSTED BY: MARK WILLIAMS**

**\$2250 ADDED MONEY ENTRY FEE: \$380/TEAM**

**NAME SHIRTS REQUIRED**

**FRIDAY 2 GAME SWEEPERS \$20**

**TIMES: EVERY HOUR STARTING @ 12 NOON**

**LAST SWEEPER @ 5 PM**

**MEETING AT 8:00 AM SATURDAY**

**"A" SQUAD BOWLS AT 8:45 AM**

**"B" SQUAD BOWLS AFTER REOILING**

**HOST HOTEL**

**HAMPTON INN**

**3795 IH-10 SOUTH**

**BEAUMONT, TX 77705**

**PH: 409-840-9922**

**\$65**

**JANUARY 10-11, 2015**

**AGE BRACKET TOURNAMENT**

**3 DIVISIONS (50-59) (60-69) (70 AND OVER)**

**CITYVIEW BOWLING CENTER**

**6601 OAKMONT BLVD**

**FORT WORTH, TX 76132**

**PH: 817-346-0444**

**HOSTED BY: COLLEEN AND MICKY**

**\$2250 ADDED MONEY ENTRY FEE: \$230 EACH**

**NAME SHIRTS REQUIRED**

**FRIDAY 2 GAME SWEEPERS \$20**

**TIMES: EVERY HOUR STARTING @ 12 NOON**

**LAST SWEEPER @ 5PM**

**MEETING AT 11:00 AM SATURDAY**

**ALL 3 AGE GROUPS BOWL AT NOON**

**MATCHPLAY AND 2ND CHANCE AT 8:45 SUNDAY**

**HOST HOTEL**

**BEST WESTERN PLUS FT. WORTH SOUTH**

**100 E. ALTAMESA BLVD**

**FORT WORTH, TX 76134**

**PH: 817-293-3088**

**\$59 (INCLUDES HOT BREAKFAST BUFFET)**

**MENTION SASBA**

**Notes: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the SASBA staff! The first tournament of 2015 is the Member/Guest Doubles in Beaumont, followed by an Age Bracket Tournament at Cityview. The following week is the Claude Thomas Memorial Singles at All Star Lanes in Shreveport. Please note the additions/changes to the 2015 schedule.**

**SASBA Tournament Entry Form****SASBA****TOURNAMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_**Jim King—**  
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(Subject to change)

**\*denotes changes or corrections**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>CENTER</b>	<b>CITY</b>	<b>TYPE</b>
January 3-4, 2015	Crossroads Bowling Center	Beaumont, TX	Member/Guest
January 10-11, 2015	Cityview Bowling Center	Fort Worth, TX	Age Bracket
January 17-18, 2015	All Star Lanes	Shreveport, LA	Claude Thomas Singles
February 7-8, 2015	Armadilla I	Pasadena, TX	Age Bracket
February 14-15, 2015	Firelake Bowl	Shawnee, OK	Regular Singles
Feb 28-March 1, 2015	Cityview Lanes	Fort Worth, TX	Annual Non-Champs
March 7-8, 2015	All Star Lanes	Kenner, LA	60/50/Guest Trio
March 14-15, 2015	Brunswick Zone	Denton	70/60/50/50 Foursome
March 28-29, 2015	Astro Super Bowl	San Antonio, TX	Member/Guest Doubles
April 4-5, 2015	Cowtown Bowling Palace	Fort Worth, TX	Champion/Non-Champion Dbls
April 18-19, 2015	Brunswick Westcreek	Fort Worth, TX	Gary Pfeil Memorial Singles
April 25-26, 2015	Emerald Bowl	Houston, TX	Regular Singles
May 2-3, 2015	To Be Announced		
May 16-17, 2015	Plano Super Bowl	Plano, TX	70/60/50/Guest Foursome
May 23-24, 2015	Armadilla I	Pasadena, TX	Member/Guest Doubles
May 30-31, 2015	University Lanes	Denton, TX	SS Singles

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