

Buzzard Club of America

Houston Chapter January 2018 Newsletter



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 CHIEF BUZZARD – Arlen Deason

January Celebrations

Birthdays

Kevin Clayton2
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December Meeting Minutes

The latest meeting of the Houston Buzzard Club was held on December 3, 2017 at Delmar Lanes.

Roger Moon started the meeting by reminding members that dues for 2018 are \$12 and are due by the March meeting. He then handed out prize money from the November tournament.

Arlen Deason provided the Treasurer's Report and announced that the format for today's tournament would be as follows: 1st game, 9-pin no-taps; 2nd game, frames 3,6,9 strikes; 3rd game, Crazy 8's. Also, the payout will be 1:4 and prize fund would be increased to \$10.

Applications for Russell Rucker, Donna Barnes, Stuart Stock and Barbara Carson were approved for membership.

The membership then approved two rules changes for 2018. First, to split the men's divisions more equitably, change the Men's Division average ranges from Class A designated as Over 150 and Class B as 150 and Under to Class A designated as Over 165 and Class B as 165 and Under. The second rules change is to eliminate the opportunity to bowl for \$10 during a member's birthday month.

The Nominating Committee then provided the slate of officer candidates for 2018. All incumbent positions, except for Vice President were re-elected unopposed. Pete Harvey was elected to the position of Vice President.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned to bowl.



2017 Overall High Scores

Category	Name	Score
Women's High Scratch Game	Gail Hoke	256
Men's High Scratch Game	Bob Van	268
Women's High Handicapped Series	Janice Porter	768
Men's High Handicapped Series	John Beuhler	782
Women's High Scratch Series	Gail Hoke	741
Men's High Scratch Series	Robert Fitzwilliam	758
Most 200 Games	Jeff Starkey	10 Games

And the Winners Are . . .

We had 44 bowlers attend the December tournament at Delmar. We had many more winners and high scoring due to the unsanctioned format and payout change. The first game was 9-Pin No Tap, second was 3-6-9 automatic strikes and the third was 8 and 9-Pin No-Taps. Also, the prize money was increased to \$10 per participant in a 1:4 payout ratio. Here are the winners:

Class A Men	Score	Payout
Arlen Deason	924	\$23.90
Tom Balsano	922	\$21.70
Wayne McCurdy	902	\$18.40
Russell Rucker	860	\$16.20
John Rodgers	853	\$12.08
Wayne Harvey	853	\$12.08
Sidney Newell	834	\$9.60
Robert Fitzwilliam	823	\$8.50
Aaron Porter	822	\$7.40
Kenneth Deason	820	\$6.85
Roger Moon	819	\$6.30

Class B Men	Score	Payout
Jerry Bryce	846	\$23.90
Terrance Castellese	688	\$21.70
Jeffrey Brewer	681	\$18.40

Class A Women	Score	Payout
Sheri Gardner	882	\$23.90
Dee Skinner	869	\$21.70
Debbie Kirkland	868	\$18.40
Kelly Patterson	832	\$16.20
Bette Kelley	819	\$13.45
Blyth Steele	768	\$10.70
Shelly Cortez	744	\$9.60
Donna Castellese	742	\$8.50

Class B Women	Score	Payout
Gayle Miller	833	\$23.90
Janice Porter	823	\$21.70
Theresa Patino	812	\$18.40
Barbara Castellese	795	\$16.20
Deb Sutton	777	\$13.45
Tana Green	749	\$10.70
Gail King	714	\$9.60

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Welcome New Members!

Please say hello to the following new members: Russell Rucker, Donna Barnes, Stuart Stock and Barbara Carson We are glad you are here!



Pot of Gold

Aaron Porter won \$12 with winning numbers in the first two games.

December 275 & Above Club

Arlen Deason	278 276
Wayne McCurdy	300
Robert Fitzwilliam	300
Dennis Christian	300
Theresa Patino	297
Wayne Harvey	297
Bette Kelley	296
Sidney Newell	296
Dee Skinner	285
Russell Rucker	280
Tom Balsano	277
Kelly Patterson	277
Rick Broussard	277

More Winners!

The Club provides additional opportunities to take home some cash and prizes each month. Whether you are a new bowler or a seasoned pro, be sure to get in on the action!

December's prize winners were as follows:

Door Prizes: Betty Kelly, Wayne Harvey, Kelly Patterson, Bob Van, Chris Godown, Theresa Patino, Sheri Gardner and Pete Harvey.

Candy Guess: Robert Fitzwilliam

Lottery Ticket Winners: Theresa Patino and Sidney Newell

Ellie Deason 3-in-a-Row Roll Off Participants

When a member requalifies for Buzzards during a Buzzard Tournament (three splits in a row), they are eligible to participate in a special roll off! The following members qualified during 2017 to participate at the January 2018 Tournament:

Scott Lurton
Arlen Deason
Bob Van
Gayle Miller
Deb Sutton
Janice Porter

Good Luck!

10 Bowling Fun Facts

- The maximum number of holes allowed in a bowling ball is 12.
- The first indoor bowling lanes were built in New York City in 1840.
- The largest bowling center is located in Japan. It has 116 lanes!
- The largest bowling center in the US is in Las Vegas, Nevada. It's also the second largest bowling alley in the world.
- You get a "Golden Turkey" when you bowl nine strikes in a row.
- Reno, Nevada is home to the National Bowling Stadium.
- Fried heads are the dried up portion of the first 15 or 20 feet of the lane.
- There is no minimum weight requirement on a bowling ball. The lightest one ever made weighed only four pounds.
- A bowling ball can weigh up to 16 pounds (for ten pin bowling).
- A bowling pin is required to be 15 inches in height.



2018 Schedule

January 14

AMF Alpha Bowl
318 W Bay Area Blvd
Webster, TX 77598
281-838-1272

February 11

Tomball Bowl
14435 FM 2920
Tomball, TX 77377
281-351-1831

March 11

Copperfield Bowl
15615 Glen Chase Drive
Houston, TX 77095
281-550-8710

April 8

Delmar Lanes
3020 Mangum
Houston, TX 77092
713-682-2506

May 6

Tomball Bowl
14435 FM 2920
Tomball, TX 77377
281-351-1831

June 10

Delmar Lanes
3020 Mangum
Houston, TX 77092
713-682-2506

July 8

Tomball Bowl
14435 FM 2920
Tomball, TX 77377
281-351-1831

August 12

Delmar Lanes
3020 Mangum
Houston, TX 77092
713-682-2506

September 9

Copperfield Bowl
15615 Glen Chase Drive
Houston, TX 77095
281-550-8710

October 14

Emerald Bowl
9307 Boone Road
Houston, TX 77099

November 11

Copperfield Bowl
15615 Glen Chase Drive
Houston, TX 77095
281-550-8710

December 2

Delmar Lanes
3020 Mangum
Houston, TX 77092
713-682-2506



In Memorium

Member Ed Chisholm passed away on Wednesday, December 13.

Ed was born in Houston Texas on May 11, 1949. He was preceded in death by his parents, Horace and Estelle Chisholm; sister Sally Chisholm and brother David Chisholm.

Ed was a devoted husband to Jackie, loving father to his daughter Chantel, and his four sons Ben, James, Shane and Clint. Doting grandfather and great grandfather, he loved, protected, and encouraged his family; cherishing his children, and grandchildren. Ed served his family, friends and community, treating everyone with honesty and integrity. His life has been a stellar example of love, grace and kindness. His passing is lamented by all who knew him. He will be sorrowfully missed.

Reminders

- ❖ First and last names of bowlers are to be put on the re-cap sheets each month.
- ❖ Make sure the total number of splits and your games are totaled before you sign the sheet at the end of bowling.
- ❖ If you re-qualify, please make a note on the re-cap sheet and you can receive a Buzzard pin for \$ 2.00 and be entered for "THE ELLIE DEASON MEMORIAL THREE – IN – A – ROW" roll-off in January.