

NCABA champs honored

Hall of Famer Ron Holt to represent association at 2001 ABC Masters

By Ray Brothers, Tournament Director

The Nation's Capital Area Bowling Association honored the champions of its 55th annual Championship Tournament at a luncheon held June 11 at the Holiday Inn in Alexandria. The tournament took place in April at AMF Clinton (team event) and AMF Seminary (doubles and singles).

This year's handicap team champion was "Sidekicks II" from the White House Lanes. William "Ham" Hamilton (607 series), Anthony Perry (473), Dante Cunningham (550), Houston Bigleow Jr. (570), and Darryl Grogan (548) recorded a total score of 3,625, and the winners shared \$4,250.

"Lawson's Pharmacy" from Silver Spring captured the scratch team event. Team members Fred Bevenour (543), Joel Lucas (703), Timothy Edwards (642), Shukdeo Sankar (669), and Richard Sabatelli (644) had a total score of 3,201 that netted them \$900.

Clinton's David Reed (763) and Kenneth Thomas (761) totaled 1,642 to become the handicap doubles champions and receive \$2,100. They also won the scratch division and an extra \$500 with their 1,524 total.

Andrew Luk of Springfield (750) topped the handicap singles category with an 855 total that was good for \$1,400. Dale City's Derek Petty (803) won the scratch singles division and \$350.

Richard Woo of Springfield took home the handicap all events title with his 2,312 total (694, 614, and 737), and he collected \$850. NCABA Hall of Famer Ron Holt of Upper Marlboro won the scratch all events with sets of 761, 691, and 700 for a total of 2,152. He was awarded \$1,600 and an entry into the 2001 American Bowling Congress Masters tournament.

Each of the winners received a championship jacket denoting their achievement(s).

Again next year, bowlers will be able to enter the team event three times as long as at least three members change. Bowlers may enter the doubles and singles two times as long as they change doubles partners. A bowler may only cash once in the singles event. The first entry in each event will count toward the all events score.

The tournament committee is open to any idea that will make our tournament better. If you have any suggestions, please drop a line to the NCABA office or give us a call. We want to thank all for participating in the tournament and hope to see you again next year.

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• **Scoring** – There were 253 games of 250 or better, including a 300 game by William Marshall. Wade Allen had a 299 game, and Daniel Spears tossed a 298. ... There were 56 sets of 700 or better (with Derek Petty's 803 series the highest). ... A total of 23 teams scored sets of 3,000 or more, there were 101 team games of 1,000 or more (with a 1,171 by Amir Zargarian's "Young Bucks" the highest), and 96 doubles games of 450 or better (Tyree Williams and Kenneth Lowe were high with a 562). ... Six bowlers earned ABC Century awards (watches), while 20 received ABC patches for sets of 150 pins over average.

• **Squad Sponsors** – Twenty-one energetic squad sponsors received either a bowling ball of choice (for 12 teams) or a free team entry (eight teams). ... Ken Larkin put together 26 teams for the tournament. ... Each team captain received a bowling towel for all the headaches of putting together and entering a team.

• **Two teams earn "7-8-9-10" bonus** – At the opening squad, the 7-, 8-, 9-, and 10-pins were set on each lane and each team, starting with the leadoff bowler, had to make the pins in order, plus the anchor had to strike for the team to collect \$250. Three teams made it to the final shot, but only two of the anchors recorded a strike (see page 9).

• **Raffle winners** – *Barbeque grill utensils in miniature golf bag*: (April 1-2), Kirk Williams, Jonathan Emery, Raymond Watson, Ron Dailey; (April 8-9), Chris Curington, Lamont Baxter, Laronda Bivins, Catherine Mitchell; (April 15-16), Don Baker, Margaret Dodson, Barry Smallwood, Roger Burd; (April 29-30), Russell Sorrey, Bobby Cousins, Carlton Scott. *Bowling balls (donated by T & J's Bowl Mart)*: Carlton P. Harris, Stephen Jones, Tom Weetman.