

Robinette Wins Pro-Shops Invitational

Jim Robinette defeated Larry O'Neill, 247-207 to win the Pro-Shops Invitational event, which was the final stop of the Middle Atlantic All-Star Bowling Association, or MAASBA's first season. This event, co-sponsored by three of the top bowling pro shops in the Washington area, Carmen Don Pro Shop and The Pocket Pro Shop in Alexandria, and Skor-Mor Pro Shop in Arlington, saw numerous high scores and records posted.

Robinette collected \$660 for winning, while O'Neill pocketed \$380 as the runner-up. Baltimore's Bruce Hollen finished third for \$230. The three finalists were nearly three operators of the co-sponsoring pro shops. Robinette is one of the co-owners of Carmen Don Pro Shop, while O'Neill is from The Pocket Pro Shop. Steve Sipe, of the Skor-Mor Pro Shop finished fourth behind Hollen, despite rolling the first 300 in MAASBA history to finish six pins short in the semi-finals. Sipe collected \$160.

By winning his second MAASBA title, Robinette topped the list of money winnings for the MAASBA season with \$1331. Sixty-two different bowlers out of the first year membership of 154 cashed in one or more events. Larry O'Neill topped the average list for the year, mainly on the strength of his 240+ average for nine games during the Pro Shops Invitational at Seminary Lanes.

Local bowlers managed to cop all the titles of the six MAASBA events. A list of Champions is shown below:

MAASBA CHAMPIONS 1980-81

Date	Event	Champion	Prize
Dec.	Brunswick Normandy	Chuck Fairchild, Springfield, VA	\$530
Jan.	Ten Pin Coliseum	Mike Hahn, Sterling, VA	630
Mar.	Perry Hall	Mike Ladd, Vienna, VA	575
Apr.	Princess Anne	Jim Robinette, Alexandria, VA	500
May	Northside Lanes	Roger Painter, Dumphries, VA	420
Jun	Pro Shops Invitational, Seminary Lanes	Jim Robinette, Alexandria, VA	660