

KILLOUGH MAKES BIG MOVE WITH KR STRIKEFORCE FALL OPEN WIN!!!

Dennis Killough of Indian Trail, N.C. made a big leap forward into the B.O.Y. race by winning the K.R. Strikeforce Fall Open in Winston-Salem, N.C. We had a field of 37 bowlers which featured some of the best amateur and regional pro talent from around the Carolinas and Virginia. The lane condition (Kegel Challenge Series - Route 66) which is 45 ft. in length provided the bowlers with a challenge to master their shot making and speed control. Some started out hot and some finished strong, but those that could maintain their speed and shot making skills were able to come out on top on this day.

Killough led qualifying by posting a score of 1226 for 5 which is an average of 245 and the cut to make the matchplay was 1064 for 5 which is a 211 average. So far this season the cuts have been a little more reasonable than last season, but the ones that have figured out the shot have been able to put up strong numbers. The first round match featured the #8 seed Mac Sanders from Greenville, S.C. taking on the #9 seed Bryson Rogers from Durham N.C. Sanders won the match easily and advanced to the round of 8 with a 236- 191 win over Rogers.

The round of 8 matches Dennis Killough faced off against Mac Sanders and won the match with ease 236-191. Randy Weiss, the #2 seed, From Columbia S.C. took on last month's champion and current point leader Rob Layman from Hickory N.C. Weiss was able to outlast Layman by defeating him 217-208. The #3 seed Will Geter from Huntersville, N.C. locked horns against Alan Miller, the #6 seed from Lexington N.C. Miller beat Geter easily 203-158 to advance to the final four. Ronnie Horton, the #4 seed from Christiansburg, Va. took on last season's bowler of the year, Kyle Troup; the #5 seed from Taylorsville, N.C. Horton beat Troup 213-190.

The round of 4 featured two closely fought matches. Killough defeated Horton 214-181 to advance to the championship match. Weiss was able to hold off a late charge from Miller to make it to the title match with a 196-183 win. The title match was very close through the first 5 frames, but Killough put together a strong finish to win the match 255-216. This Was Dennis' first Laneshark title and it jumped him to second in the B.O.Y. points race, first in the rookie points and first in average. What a great day for Killough.

Dennis told me that he wanted to dedicate this win to his Grandmother who had passed away just recently. The Laneshark Bowlers Tour sends it's prayers for you and your family, Dennis.

I would like to thank Tracy Golding and his staff at Northside Lanes for hosting the event. We appreciate everything that you did for us. We will definitely be back next season. So far we are averaging more bowlers than last season. Currently the top 9 would get paid in the points race. Those of you that have bowled so far, thanks for your support. Everyone that's not been able to get out to bowl, you are missing out. Hope to see everyone at Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C. on Nov. 15th for the Turbo Driven To Bowl Fall Challenge.

TOTAL PRIZE FUND \$2,550

\$2,208 prize fund/\$200 added by KR Strikeforce/\$142 added by Laneshark Bowlers Tour

- 1 - \$1,000 - Dennis Killough**
- 2 - \$400 - Randy Weiss**
- 3 - \$225 - Alan Miller**
- 4 - \$225 - Ronnie Horton**
- 5 - \$150 - Will Geter**
- 6 - \$150 - Kyle Troup**
- 7 - \$150 - Rob Layman**
- 8 - \$150 - Mac Sanders**
- 9 - \$100 - Bryson Rogers**