

DENNIS TAKES SHARK TITLE, TROUP TAKES BOWLER OF THE YEAR!

Lanesharks Bowlers Tour finished the season with some high scores and some high drama on the lanes. We had 39 of the best amateurs and regional pros to show up to compete for the \$1500 1st place prize and the SharkBowl title. During practice we gave away a free entry pass for the entire 2009-10 season which was won by Joey Clinton from Gastonia N.C. Three bowlers had a chance to win. All three threw only 1 strike which forced the tiebreaker, one ball on an alternate lane. After one attempt we eliminated one bowler. After the second try Clinton struck to win the free entry pass. Kyle Troup needing to make a good showing after a couple of lack luster finishes in Lenior and Forest City, exploded with a whopping 1292 for 5 games to lead all qualifiers. Low to make the cut was 1156. We took 9 bowlers to the matchplay portion of the tournament.

We had 2 300's bowled in the final qualifying game rolled by Kyle Troup and Rob Layman. Layman was unable to make the matchplay and Jon Prebor also missed the cut assuring Troup the Bowler Of The Year Crown. Our first match featured a new bowler making his first matchplay on the tour, 8 seed, Richard Sumlin from Morganton N.C. squared off against the 9 seed, Ricky Marshall from Upstate S.C. Sumlin was able to hold off Marshall by doubling in the tenth frame and secure the win 227-224. During the round of 8 matches , there was much drama as the final 8 bowlers battled for the SharkBowl title. The 1 seed, Kyle Troup was hoping to get his first shark title today but was denied by another hungry bowler wanting to make his mark on the tour. Richard Sumlin once again was able to double in the tenth frame to preserve the win over Troup 226-220. The 2 seed Ricky Jewell from Greenville, S.C. lock horns with the Kings Mountain pinkiller, the 7 seed Chris McSwain. Jewell was able to outlast McSwain and took the win in dramatic fashion 253-247. The 3 seed, Chris Watson from Winston-Salem, N.C. making his second matchplay of the season won a nail biter against The 6 seed, Brad Ceraolo from Mooresville N.C. 216-212. The 5 seed, Brian Dennis from Durham N.C. took on the 4 seed, Jim Lee from Rogersville, TN. This match looked as though Lee would win easily until an untimely spare miss gave Dennis the opportunity to take the win and advance to the final 4. Dennis won the match 204-198. The round of 4 featured some of the best talent from the Shark Tour. Dennis was able to hold off a hard charging Sumlin to win 246-220. Jewell was able to outscore Watson 269-226. In the final match, Dennis and Jewell put on a great title match with Brian Dennis coming out on top 217-213. Dennis became not only the first SharkBowl winner but also became the first 2-time champ on the tour. He received \$1500 for the win and a free entry to next season's SharkBowl Championship. Dennis also made a move to 3rd in the points championship.

Once again thanks to all the bowlers that made this first season a great success. We will continue to try to provide you guys a great product. We are currently in the process of getting a schedule ready for next season. We are also working to get the bowler of the year fund sponsored once again. Hope to see everyone again next season.

39 entries/ 37 paid entries

Prize fund - \$3950

\$250 added by Lanesharks Bowlers Tour

1- Brian Dennis	\$1500
2- Ricky Jewell	\$ 700
3- Chris Watson	\$ 405
4- Richard Sumlin	\$ 405
5- Chris McSwain	\$ 205
6- Kyle Troup	\$ 205
7- Brad Ceraolo	\$ 205
8- Jim Lee	\$ 205
9- Ricky Marshall	\$ 120