

1924 - Leo Bentley at age 12 became a pinsetter at Fred Visci's Bowling Lanes.

At age 19 on 3/23/31 Leo has a bet of 25 cents per game with Steve Bosco at Cooke's Recreation. Leo Bentley won 75 cents, bowling a 900 series against Steve Bosco's 784 ! Leo picks up the nickname of " Boy Wonder " at that time.

By the way Steve had to pay for the bowling also !!

Leo bowled his first 600 series at age 17. On 5/23/59 Leo rolled his 1000th, - 600 series and more than 20, - 700 series. He averaged 208 for 108 games during the 1934 -35 season.

At the LBA City Tournament in 1945 held at Cooke's Recreation Leo was a member of the champion team Krakas's Café; Doubles Crown with George Stephanchick; Singles champ 644; and the All Events title with 1860. LBA's 1st Grand Slam!!

2/7/1934 - Cy Justin bowls 279-264-289—832. His team Cooke's Recreation rolled at that time an all time high series of 3469 and a single high game of 1206 another record at that time. Team members were Andy Thomas, Pete Smith, Ed Riffle, and Ray Ellis.

1950's - Tony Pompei appears twice on Cleveland TV's "Bowlers Jackpot" and has scores of 237 and 247; and wins two wrist watches! These two scores ranked among the highest in the shows history. Sam Levine and Paul Wilcox were the TV hosts.

3/10/1971 - Ernie Klanchar receives 7 LBA City Tournament awards at the LBA Banquet.

Sheriff Smith Trophy - 315 Pins Over Ave., A.E. Hcp 2085, A.E. Act. 2025. Team Act. 3121, Team Hcp. 3166, Doubles Act. and Doubles Hcp. With Joe Sroka.

1/20/1977 - Dan Mason 18 year old junior bowls a 300 game on lanes 13 & 14 at Reb. Rec.

His team mates : Jeff Kallas 177, Tony Grasso 145, Mark Johns 212, & Eric Lockhart 169. Baldo Campana & Tony Pompei were their coaches.

2/3/1977 - LBA City Tournament has 148 teams, 504 singles, 252 doubles, 415 All Events

Team Act. winners – Ziebart Rustproofing – Capt. Steve Vancs

700 Tournament : Actual Champ was Dennis Denman with a 692

: Hcp Champ was Gary Zakrajsek Sr. with a 689.

3/29/1977 - Mike Krupar of Elyria bowls the 1st 300 game on the new east lanes of Rebman

Recreation (lanes 41 & 42).

3/31/1977 - Jim Ragnoni bowls a 300, his father Ed a 300 on 4/8/58 become the 1st father/son Combination to have 300 games in the LBA.

Alex Black Sr 2/15/58 & son Alex 7/23/79 are 2nd
Tom on 2/8/74 & Baldo Campana 9/1/82 are 3rd
Nick Ksenich 11/24/34 & son Joe 9/23/82 are 4th
Gary Zakrajsek Jr. on 12/06/82 & on 12/13/82 Gary Zakrajsek Sr. are 5th
son Rick Zakrajsek 9/12/84 Become the 6th father/son combination
son Mark Zakrajsek 2/3/91 Become the 7th father/son combination.
Allen Shullick 3/18/97 and son Pete 11/26/97 are the 8th combination.

2/3/1982 - Rick Adkins & Jim Catanzarite set a 57th LBA Tourn. dbls record of 1442.

Don Butcher gets 3 awards: singles Hcp of 746, A.E. Hcp 2048, and 308 pins over ave.

1/25/1983 - Baldo Campana (722) & Randy Hayas (812) bowl a doubles league score of 1534 in the Whitt Classic Doubles league. ABC recognized this score as a 3rd all time high.

Dale Beam LBA City Tourn. 3 titles, Singles Act. 698, & Hcp. 756, & All Events Hcp. 1986

3/27/1992 - The Ragnoni's become the first family with three generations of LBA bowlers to bowl 300 games:

1. Ed Ragnoni 4/8/1958, Jim Ragnoni 3/31/1977, & Chris Ragnoni 3/27/1992

2. Nick Ksenich 11/21/1934, Joe A. Ksenich 9/23/1982, & Joe C. Ksenich 2/11/2008

11/3/1993 - Gary Zakrajsek, Sr. and son, Mark, bowl 300 games in the same game, night and league, a National Bowling Hall of Fame Record.

2/9/2003 - Jesse Hernandez & Rick Shawver at the 78th LBA City Tourn. a new dbls record 1488.

2/12/2005 - LBA City Tourn. (2004-5) Team record 3671 G. Burz, J. Dominguez, Jr. B. Locher, J. Duley, B.Saegert.

2/13/2005 - Al Frazier, Jr. & Mark Frazier at the 80th LBA City Tourn. new dbls record 1582.