

Markham Bowling News

One bowler tops 800 boasts 813 triple

MARKHAM — Phyllis Cleverdon was the lone bowler in Markham to top 800 last week and was also the only person to break 600 in the Taylor Transport. She posted a fine 813.

Dorothy Jarick nosed over 700, posting 703, for top spot in the Markham Veterans League. Other top scores were recorded by — Ruth Blaney, 670; Vera Platt, 688; Rick Bowden, 666; Ron Burdette, 663; Nev Oddie, 659; Vern Ward, 658; Norm Lusted, 655; Kline, Holland, 650; F Howard Parsons, 639; Irene Bloomfield, 638; Wayne Evans, 635; Howard Jarick, 626; Ron Jarvis, 616; John Hall, 612; Cynthia Davis, 611; and Sally Schell, 604.

Richvale League leader was Bill Cox at 759. The other 600 or better score came from Keith Pollon at 625.

Delores Cripps sent the pins scattering for a fine 716, good for top spot in the Thursday Ladies Bowling League. Other high triples came from — June Wilson, 666; Joan McBain, 634; Dea Gray, 627; Ev Covery, 610; and Bernice Lawton, 606.

Sheila Collins managed 711 and that was the top score in the Emerson Electric League last week. Others top scorers included — John Allen, 689; Don Barker, 660; Jim Collins, 626; Bob Gough, 625; Dorothy Thomas, 620; Roy Watermain, 620; and Bill Collins Jr., 607.

The Monday Nighters saw three 600 bowlers. They included — Warren Latremouilli, 655; Linda Blundell, 611; and Errol Blundell, 649.

Morry Weaver sparked in the St. Patrick's League with 722 triple. Also scoring were — Phill Brunt, 683; Earl Johnson, 676; Barb Buchanan, 661; Paul Carruthers, 654; Doreen Evans, 639; Pat Blaney, 636; Tom Spanton, 615; Terry McCormick, 608; and Rob Libby, 600.

Ken Fields was one of two bowlers to break 700 in the Markham Mixed League. He managed 753 while John Shaw posted 729, followed by — Jim Meharg, 696; Betty Keeling, 653; Bob Churchward, 639; Pat Henderson, 638; Marge Samarillo, 637; Norm Jarvis, 630; Fred Brazier, 627; John Brazier, 623; and Jim Keeling, 623.

John Bandera led the way in the West Markham League with 701, followed by — Al Millett, 664; Haddy Johnston, 656; Alex Williamson, 650; Ron Cooley, 649; Lois Schmidt, 639; Steve Schmidt,

620; Carol Sadeckie, 618; Lois Hearfield, 609; Murray Vinnells, 609.

Five bowlers earned 600 or better in the Wednesday Ladies League March 27. Top ladies were — Marion Barber, 703; Mary Cosburn, 673; Jean Walker, 642; Dorothy Jarick, 619; and Marge Samarillo, 615.

Vic Binnelli's 750 would not ordinarily be high enough to capture top spot in the Thursday Men's Bowling League, but March 28 he edged Wayne Evans by two pins for that position.

Evans managed 748, followed by — Larry Schultz, 719; George Shepherd, 695; Mike Tinker, 690; Gary Green, 658; Ron Martin, 651; Earl Rowe, 649; Gord

Howe, 645; Haddy Johnston, 644; Don Barker, 643; Peter Shuttleworth, 638; Nev Oddie, 634.

George Tweedie gave a consistent performance in the Claremont League last week and emerged with a fine 730 triple.

The following managed scores in the 600 range — Innis Botham, 688; Marie Privitera, 674; Ethel Shaw, 674; Doris Underhill, 670; Dave Ferguson, 654; Earl Rowe, 649; John Shaw, 648; Jean Martin, 640; Alberta Austin, 639; Steve Sager, 631; Jean Smith, 622; Verne Middleton, 621; Lil McGregor, 615; Marge Samarillo, 618; Aggie Ferguson, 616; Gord Clark, 605; and Peg Vanderlight, 605.



To the victors goes the trophy

Stouffville's Atom All-Star team, coached by Bob Hassard, defeated Port Perry 3-1, Friday, to sweep the league playoff finals in

three straight games. Two trophies were presented to the club. One is held here by Asst. Capt. Paul Barry. Jim Thomas

Bev Sefton

**Tops
200
twice**

STOUFFVILLE — Bev Sefton had her 'strike' ball working well in the Thursday Ladies Bowling League, scoring a 632 triple and counting singles of 230 and 207.

Two hundred plus games were recorded by: Barb Melhuish, 217-251; Florence Forfar, 202; Marlene Bell, 204-205; Joyce Shadlock, 207; Marg Wagg, 254; Mildred O'Neill, 201; Joanne Harper, 205; Judy Armstrong, 258; Marlene Grove, 243; Gail Hunter, 236; Grace Bulley, 202; Diane Graves, 219-229; Lydia McPhee, 265; Judy Bond, 201; Norma Herbert, 206-213-208.

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Youth Bowling

Team titles up for grabs

MARKHAM — Lisa Ruddy, teaming up with Suzanne Larsen, scored 888 total for the pee-wee girls' championship in Markham Youth Bowling Council action March 30. Mark Upton and Matthew Richardson combined for 897 to lead the pee-wee boys section.

With 189 single and 356 double, Lisa Ruddy dominated the individual pee-wee scoring. Randy Furois posted the high

single game of 195, while Blaine Kennedy had the second-highest double of 340.

Scoring an impressive 1340, Linda Nahabedian and Denise Cochrane took top spot in the bantam doubles championship series. John Davies and Robbie Palmer led the boys posting 1287.

Carol Manak posted the top triple of 559, while girl's top single came from Julia Grove at 212. David Spanton led the bantam boys with 550 and 247.

A 1278 total was good enough for the junior doubles championship recorded by George Lewis and Craig Elliott. The top girls team consisted of Brenda Thorne and Carmel Kauluk posting 1268. Top single performance came from Jane McNamara, 664 and 243 and George Lewis, 643 and 298.

Harold Schroeter and Neil Steenson topped the senior lanesmen with 1321. Kathy Horasz combined with June Schroeter for 1237 to lead the distaff side.

Uxbridge

team takes
zone crown

UXBRIDGE — An Uxbridge bowling team will be among 18 competing in the Eastern Ontario championship Sunday in Peterboro.

The team, consisting of Hubert Joosten, Ken Coppins, Bob Barrett, Sid Treliving and Gord Stitt, captured the zone G title March 10. The next step after the Eastern Ontario final is the all-Canada competitions.

Ontario **CONSUMER
Buy-Line**

Watch out for distribution schemes
that promise big profits

It looked like the opportunity of a lifetime when I spotted the ad in the newspaper offering distributorships for a relatively small investment. The meeting with the company selling the distributorships was very professionally handled. Before I knew it I was turning over my savings and signing on the "dotted line". The company, based in the United States, promised to provide me with a number of electronic wall games for use in taverns and locations where I could place the games. Once the games were installed the company indicated that all I would have to do would be to sit back and collect my money. Well it didn't work out exactly like that. The machines I received are of poor quality. On top of this I can't get service in Canada and the locations provided by the company have proved to be almost 100 miles from my home. I invested over \$3,000 but in six months, I have only recovered \$35.

I think you should warn people about investing in these retail distribution schemes.

Everyone dreams of making a profit with little investment and spare-time effort, but few schemes offering these advantages can deliver what they promise.

Many of the companies selling these so-called distributorships are based in other jurisdictions. They have no Canadian offices and often stay in a city only long enough to get a group of people together for a sales pitch and sign them to contracts.

The company selling the distributorship is supposed to supply locations where you, the distributor, can sell the product. You are supposed to make a profit by marking up the price before it is sold to the public. Complaints received by the Ontario Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations indicate that many companies fail to provide suitable locations. It is left up to you, the distributor, to find retail outlets that will accept such things as vending machines or display cases. In most cases the distributor has little or no knowledge in this area.

The owners of these retail outlets have no real commitment to sell or promote your merchandise. The company with which you signed the contract has already made its money on the sale of the games. All too often people entering into these schemes are left without adequate retail support or training to handle the problems that develop.

Look before you leap

Recently, I signed to become a distributor for a popular brand name product. I invested all my savings, was given a list of "secured" locations and took delivery of the merchandise. Then the problems began. The retail outlets, which are miles from home, don't seem to want the goods in their stores. I am now left with \$2,500 worth of merchandise that is difficult to sell. What can I do?

In most cases, the contracts for these distributorships are legally binding. They are drawn up to protect the company and leave the individual investor or distributor without guarantees or rights of cancellation. Companies pushing this type of distributorship urge investors to sign contracts on the spot following a high pressure sales pitch.

If a deal is really good:

- It can wait.
- Take two or three days and do some checking.
- Make absolutely sure there is a demand for the product. You may find there are already a number of similar products on the market.

• Contact the Better Business Bureau or the Consumer Protection Bureau and check the company's credentials.

• Contact a lawyer and have him explain the terms of the contract.

• Never sign a contract without looking at all the implications.

• Don't be taken in by high pressure sales and promises of substantial return for a small investment.

Other types of business opportunities can also cause you problems.

For a pamphlet on Buying a Franchise or Starting a Small Business, write: Consumer Buy-Line, Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations, 555 Yonge Street, Toronto, M4Y 1Y7, Ontario.

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