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Widmer Tracks His Way to Number 3

Scott Widmer locked up his third NEBA title by striking out in the tenth in the final match to beat RJ Broege 214-187. The righty started the day off by grabbing the last guaranteed match play spot with 997 (games: 196, 191, 161, 207, 242). His score ended up being the only minus to advance on the low scoring conditions which made him the 40th seed. In matches, he averaged 217 and snuck by two rounds with single pins victories as he defeated six champions including the #1 seed. He won \$1,275 plus a paid \$100 entry into the Ebonite T of C later this month. Widmer won his first tournament at the doubles in 2007 then followed it up with his first singles title the next month. In addition to being part of NEBA as one of our competitors, he also does some behind the scenes work by managing the website.

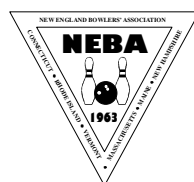
RJ Broege narrowly missed the cut on the morning squad with his 993 series so he reentered. His 1029 on the last squad gave him a spot in match play off the at-large list. He also advanced to final with after a couple close wins over a handful of fellow champions. The left-hander's runner-up finish earned him \$750 and increased his lead for Bowler of the Year to 54 points.

- Widmer Matches:
Best of 2 of 3 over w/212
def Rich Macierowski 194-155
def Jon Matunas 252-247
def Chris Sole 201-200
def Dave Forcier 229-203
def RJ Broege 214-187

- Broege Matches:
Best of 2 of 3 over w/191
def Roger Baral 197-166
def Bill Holota 195-194
def Rich Reynolds 208 40-36 tie
def Geoff Wetzler 235-214
loss to Scott Widmer 214-187

Championship Match

Widmer
X s6-2 X X X 9/ 9/ X 9/ XXX = 214
Broege
X X 9- X X s7-1 9/ 9/ 9/ Xs8-1 = 187



11 Strike Jackpot

No Winners
\$458 Carryover to December

Field Averages

198.8 Qualifying
204.6 Match Play

Ebonite Ball Winners

Raffle for Vital Sign
- Bob Dickinson
Score - Cliff Wheelock (1009)

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Laurel Lanes Plantsville, CT

Entries 172

Qualifiers 40

Cuts & Leaders:

6:00PM 1014
- Tony Reynaud 1070

9:00AM 997
- Tim Hansen 1090

12:30PM 1059
- RMacierowski 1148

At-Large 1010

Senior 1050

High Qualifier
- R. Macierowski 1148

High Out of \$
- Joey Baral 269

High Sr Out of \$
- Rick Cashell 1004

November 27 ~ Non Champions

Squad Times: Saturday 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

Entry Fee: \$80

November 28 ~ Ebonite Tournament of Champions

One Squad: Sunday 10 a.m.

Entry Fee: \$100

Wallingford Bowl is located 980 North Colony Road, Wallingford, CT ~ (203) 949-1100

Reservations: Make a reservation on-line at www.BowlNEBA.com -OR- Call -OR- Text (203) 377-0161 before 10:00 p.m. on Friday. Leave a message with your squad & name. Bowlers residing within a 35-mile radius of the center should bowl the morning squad since the radius rule will be enforced at 1:30.

Make a reservation to be entered into a raffle for an EBONITE Ball in a weekend raffle !! ~ 1 in 6 Seniors Make Cut

INCOME				DISBURSEMENTS	
ENTRIES	147 @ \$80	= \$	11,760.00	PRIZE FUND (BREAKDOWN BELOW)	\$ 10,320.00
RE-ENTRIES	25 @ \$80	= \$	2,000.00	\$ 10,320ENTRIES	
MEMBERSHIP (RENEWAL)	7 @ \$25	= \$	175.00	\$ 0.00 NEBA	
MEMBERSHIP (NEW)	3 @ \$25	= \$	75.00		
MEMBERSHIP (NON)	2 @ \$15	= \$	30.00	LINEAGE (\$2.00/GAME)	\$ 1,892.00
FINE	2 @ \$10	= \$	20.00	EXPENSES	\$ 1,548.00
CENTER DONATION		= \$	50.00	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 13,760.00
TOTAL INCOME		= \$	14,110.00		

Upcoming Tournaments & Meetings

- **Nov 27**
\$2,000 added
Non-Champions
Wallingford, CT
- **Nov 28**
\$2,000 added
Ebonite Tourn of
Champions
Wallingford, CT
- **Dec 11-12**
\$3,000 added
Westgate Lanes
Brockton, MA T
- **Dec 12**
Annual Meeting

POS	NAME	QUAL. SCORE	BOY PTS.	\$ WON	POS	NAME	QUAL. SCORE	BOY PTS.	\$ WON
1.	SCOTT WIDMER	997	72	\$ 1,275 +\$100ToFC Entry	21.	DON LANGO JR.	1079	22	\$ 180
2.	R.J. BROEGE	1029	60	\$ 750	22.	CHRIS VIALE	1021	22	\$ 180
3.	GEOFF WETZLER	1027	49	\$ 450	23.	RUSS MICHAUD	1097	22	\$ 180
4.	DAVE FORCIER	1018	49	\$ 450	24.	JOE TALARCZYK	1060	22	\$ 180
5.	STEVE HARDY	1105	39	\$ 300	25.	FRANK LOCASCIO	1061	22	\$ 180
6.	RICH REYNOLDS	1003	39	\$ 300	26.	ROGER BARAL	1071	22	\$ 180
7.	CHRIS SOLE	1036	39	\$ 300	27.	STEPHEN DALE JR.	1066	22	\$ 180
8.	STEVE BLANCHET	1018	39	\$ 300	28.	CHRIS WUJEK	1059	22	\$ 180
9.	JON MATUNAS	1058	30	\$ 220	29.	JON VAN HEES	1061	22	\$ 180
10.	BILL SODERQUIST	1016	30	\$ 220	30.	TIM HEALEY	1010	22	\$ 180
11.	BILL HOLOTA	1014	30	\$ 220	31.	RICH MACIEROWSKI	1148	22	\$ 180
12.	BOB DICKINSON	1050	30	\$ 220	32.	JIM BOSSE	1063	22	\$ 180
13.	MIKE MULLIN	1080	30	\$ 220	33.	RYAN DEVLIN	1015	15	\$ 160
14.	TODD LATHROP	1006	30	\$ 220	34.	MIKE CORDEIRO	1014	15	\$ 160
15.	TONY BENNETT	1115	30	\$ 220	35.	MIKE PATRIE	1057	15	\$ 160
16.	DANNY KHUU	1048	30	\$ 220	36.	TIM GILICK	1056	15	\$ 160
17.	ALEX AGUIAR	1030	22	\$ 180	37.	DARRELL GUERTIN	1012	15	\$ 160
18.	BOB FLEETWOOD	1100	22	\$ 180	38.	SCOTT SANTOS	1052	15	\$ 160
19.	TIM HANSEN	1090	22	\$ 180	39.	STEVE FIUME	1046	15	\$ 160
20.	TONY REYNAUD	1070	22	\$ 180	40.	CHRIS CARLSON	1013	15	\$ 160
HIGH QUALIFIER – R,MACIEROWSKI– 1148				5 PTS. \$ 75	HIGH GAME OUT OF MONEY – JOEY BARAL – 269				\$ 50

Champion's Message: Wow, what a day! From the lowest point in game 3 of qualifying to squeaking out the win and everything in between, it's a day I won't soon forget.

Thanks to Joey, Becky and Debbie for your hard work and commitment that goes into running NEBA every month and thanks to Frenchie Gilbert and his staff at Laurel Lanes for hosting the 594th NEBA. Also, thanks to our sponsors, Ebonite, Cambridge Credit Counseling, Buddies Pro Shop and Harry's Pub & Grill at Westgate Lanes. Thanks to every single NEBA member, without you we wouldn't have such a great tournament to bowl every month. Thanks to Chris Forry & Tim Gillick from Buddies Pro Shop for your hard work and advice and to Don Lango Jr. from Strike Line Pro Shop for helping me over the summer. Thanks to everyone who took the time to congratulate me on Facebook, by text, phone or email. There are too many people to list but every message was very much appreciated. Thanks to everyone who stayed to watch the finals including Jon Matunas (texting the play-by-play), Mike Bissmann, Rob Grexer, Jeff Paternostro, Bill Holota and NEBA's biggest fan, George. Thanks to Tony Reynaud for your positive attitude and pep talks when I need them. You're a great friend and competitor, I hope to compete with you for many more years. A quick shout out to my friend, Angel Hernandez, who I don't get to see as often as I would like. A very special thanks to my wife, Jaime, for your support even when it means managing two toddlers alone. I'd also like to thank my in-laws and my parents for extra help watching Dylan and Olivia. Without family support, days like today would not be possible. And last but not least I would like to thank my son, Dylan (Happy Birthday kiddo!), and my daughter, Olivia, who both quickly remind me what is important on the many, many Sundays with endings nowhere near as enjoyable as this one. - Scott Widmer

ROUND 1 (TOP 2 ADVANCE FROM EACH MATCH)

RICH REYNOLDS 221	TODD LATHROP 229	BOB DICKINSON 219	BILL HOLOTA 258
BILL SODERQUIST 185	STEVE BLANCHET 204	CHRIS VIALE 174	RJ BROEGE 191
MIKE PATRIE 179	TIM GILICK 170	DARRELL GUERTIN 167	STEVE FIUME 152
SCOTT WIDMER 212	DANNY KHUU 234	DAVE FORCIER 198	CHRIS SOLE 254
JON MATUNAS 211	GEOFF WETZLER 220	TIM HEALEY 197	ALEX AGUIAR 202
RYAN DEVLIN 210	CHRIS CARLSON 152	SCOTT SANTOS 160	MIKE CORDEIRO 193

ROUND 2 (LOSERS FINISH 17TH TO 32ND)

#1 RICH MACIEROWSKI 155	#2 TIM HANSEN 194
SCOTT WIDMER 194	RICH REYNOLDS 216
#16 CHRIS WUJEK 160	#15 JOE TALARCZYK 176
JON MATUNAS 180	BILL SODERQUIST 193
#8 MIKE MULLIN 236	#7 RUSS MICHAUD 178
ALEX AGUIAR 220	BILL HOLOTA 211
#9 DON LANGO, JR. 179	#10 ROGER BARAL 166
CHRIS SOLE 256	R.J. BROEGE 197
#5 STEVE HARDY 180	#6 BOB FLEETWOOD 207
CHRIS VIALE 179	GEOFF WETZLER 276
#12 JIM BOSSE 153	#11 STEPHEN DALE, JR. 164
BOB DICKINSON 191	DANNY KHUU 189
#4 TONY BENNETT 166	#3 TONY REYNAUD 189
TIM HEALEY 156	TODD LATHROP 226
#13 FRANK LOCASCIO 169	#14 JON VAN HEES 156
DAVE FORCIER 257	STEVE BLANCHET 202

ROUND 3

SCOTT WIDMER 252
JON MATUNAS 247
MIKE MULLIN 192
CHRIS SOLE 203
TONY BENNETT 163
DAVE FORCIER 244
STEVE HARDY 202
BOB DICKINSON 192
RICH REYNOLDS 214
BILL SODERQUIST 205
BILL HOLOTA 194
R.J. BROEGE 195
TODD LATHROP 165
STEVE BLANCHET 197
GEOFF WETZLER 212
DANNY KHUU 182

ROUND 4

SCOTT WIDMER 201
CHRIS SOLE 200
DAVE FORCIER 245
STEVE HARDY 226
RICH REYNOLDS 208-36
R.J. BROEGE 208-40
STEVE BLANCHET 189
GEOFF WETZLER 257

ROUND 5 - SEMI-FINALS

SCOTT WIDMER 229
DAVE FORCIER 203
R.J. BROEGE 235
GEOFF WETZLER 214

ROUND 6 - FINALS

SCOTT WIDMER 214
RJ BROEGE 187



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Minutes of the Meeting held November 7th at Laurel Lanes, Plainville, CT

Board Members Present: President Chris Monroy, 2nd Tim Healey, TD Joey Nereu, John Bercier, Matt Brockett,

Mike Bissmann, Dave Forcier, Rob Grexer, Larry King, Dave Kipperman, Ed Roberts, Jon Van Hees, Chris Viale & Russ Michaud (late);

Member(s) Present: Bob Miles; Board Member(s) Absent: Sec/Treas Becky Kregling, 1st VP Alex Aguiar, John Ellis, Chris Forry,

Rich Macierowski, Jack Stehle & John Younger

1. Reports of Officers & Tournament Director Summaries - Report by Joey Nereu on Nutmeg, East Providence and Somerset Tournaments.
2. Board Members Attendance - Motion by Ed Roberts to dismiss from the Board Rich Macierowski, Russ Michaud, and Chris Forry for violation of board attendance policy. 2nd by Matt Brockett. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
3. Motion by Matt Brockett to reconsider above motion with regard to Russ Michaud as Michaud arrives late to meeting. 2nd by Rob Grexer. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Russ Michaud is reinstated to the board.
4. Board Members Attendance Policy - Motion by Chris Viale to change attendance policy from 3 absences to 2 unexcused absences as grounds for board to consider dismissal. 2nd by Dave Kipperman - unanimous vote - motion passed. NOTE: After the meeting, this was deemed to be an illegal motion and vote since it was not in compliance with the NEBA Bylaws. This motion altered the Bylaws. Per the Bylaws, all changes to the Bylaws must have been on the agenda for the November meeting & can only be voted upon at the Annual Meeting by the entire membership.
5. Board Members at Large Appointment for 2011 - Anyone interested must apply in writing to the President Chris Monroy by December 4, 2010 (no later than one week before the annual meeting). Presently, 2 people have given proper written notice to the president for consideration of appointment to the board as members at large - Ed Roberts and Larry King. The board was informed that proper procedure must be followed in order to be on the board as a member at large for 2011.
6. Election of 2nd VP - We have two candidates - Larry King and Chris Viale. No motion was made to accept ballots via email. Motion by Ed Roberts to have the vote by paper ballot only (Non secret) with the following deadlines: if mailed must be postmarked by 11/26/10 or if hand delivered, must be turned in by the conclusion of the Tournament of Champions event on November 28, 2010. 2nd by Mike Bissmann. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
7. Discuss Proposed Bylaw Changes
(to be acted upon at Annual Meeting unless proposal is withdrawn by person who submitted it):
 - a. Change the minimum number of lanes to host a singles or doubles to tournament from 40 to 32.
8. Discuss Proposed Tournament Rules Changes
(to be acted upon at Annual Meeting unless proposal is withdrawn by person who submitted it):
 - a. Add women to the senior. "One of women and six senior participants (age 50 and over) across all squads will qualify for the match play finals with a minimum of one (1) in singles tournaments. One \$50 cash spot will be paid to the woman or senior participant with the highest qualifying score that did not qualify for the match play finals."
 - b. Increase the minimum to cash ratio from 1 in 5 -to- 1 in 5.25 (see chart below)
9. Agenda for Annual Meeting - Shall included: Items 5A, 6A and 6B from the Agenda for the November meeting, confirmation of legality of vote on increase of entry fee to \$100.00, Vote tally for 2nd VP, Nominations for BOD at large.
10. Increase Entry Fee - As part of discussion of 6B in the agenda, motion by Russ Michaud to increase entry fee for all regular events to \$100.00 starting the 1st regular event of 2011. 2nd by Chris Viale. Motion passed by unanimous Vote. The Board refused to consider suggestions to have a survey on the issue or to consider other entry fee increases. This vote subject to confirmation that vote on the entry fee increase was properly before the board at the meeting and did not need to be before the board at the annual meeting. (NOTE: This vote is legal since the change is not part of the Bylaws. Tournament rules can be changed at any time).
11. Discussion of 2011 schedule - The host centers for February and April will be flip-flopped so as to allow us to have a larger center for the 600th event as such. NEBA will be at East Providence in April and Wonder bowl in February. The preference to have Westgate event in December to be held on 12/10-11 instead of 12/17-18. Also there is interest to add a 3pm squad for the 600th event at East Providence.
12. Committee Reports - None
13. Sponsors - The Board was told to hit the bricks to find sponsors dollars, Chris Monroy will negotiate with Ebonite for 2011-12 deal.
14. 600th Tournament - Towels will be offered for the 1st entry. Entry fee is \$150.00 for 1st entry and re-entries are \$100.00.

Are you interested in helping NEBA grow?

If yes, contact Becky Kregling or Chris Monroy about how YOU can be a
2011 Director At-Large.

The deadline to apply in writing is December 4, 2010

Meetings are usually held during the Sunday morning squad 4 to 5 times a year

Email Becky@BowlNEBA.com or call or text 203-377-0161

Wallingford Bowl in Wallingford, CT
is host of the special tournaments
in November

Non-Champions Tournament

Saturday, November 27

Qualifying: 10:00AM & 1:30PM

\$80 entry fee

\$2,000 added money by NEBA

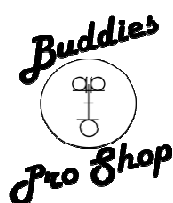
Ebonite Tournament of Champions

Sunday, November 28

Qualifying Squad: 10:00AM

\$100 entry fee

\$2,000 added money by Ebonite



2010 NEBA Statistics

Nov 8 - After 14 Tournaments

Annual Awards Sponsored by BuddiesProShop.com
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The Top 48 in Points Qualify for the Cambridge Credit Invitational

High Average (min. 47 games)*		
1 . Eric Copping (13)	111	228.49
2 . Mike Lichstein (10)	92	226.71
3 . Alex Aguiar (13)	120	225.99
4 . Tony Reynaud (13)	103	224.29
5 . Chris Viale (8)	66	224.24
6 . Bill Holota (9)	69	223.13
7 . Dan White (5)	51	222.59
8 . Frankie Calca (12)	120	222.31
9 . Chris Sole (7)	54	222.24
10 . R.J. Broege (14)	143	221.90
11 . Jon Van Hees (9)	65	221.62
12 . Chris Carlson (9)	83	221.06
13 . Tony Bennett (6)	51	220.33
14 . Dave Forcier (13)	98	219.20
15 . Roger Baral (7)	57	219.11
16 . Bill Green (9)	93	218.81
17 . Tim Healey (14)	133	218.74
18 . Stephen Dale Jr. (8)	68	218.46
19 . Mike Cordeiro (13)	121	218.18
20 . Scott Widmer (11)	99	217.31
21 . Rich Valenti (8)	55	217.16
22 . Vic Marotto (14)	136	216.93
23 . Randy Hagemoser (11)	72	216.69
24 . Matt Janas (13)	99	216.42
25 . Todd Reichenberger (7)	49	216.37
26 . Gary Kurensky Jr. (9)	71	216.30
27 . Don Lango Jr. (13)	148	216.26
28 . Jason Sherwood (7)	58	216.10
29 . Robert Dessert (8)	55	215.95
30 . Glenn Hood (7)	56	215.84
31 . Rich Reynolds (8)	51	215.78
32 . Jim Rusin (6)	56	215.43
33 . Chris Forry (13)	109	215.15
34 . Brandon Robertson (13)	124	214.85
35 . Jeff Monahan (11)	109	214.84
36 . Rai Doblmeier (9)	73	214.59
37 . Chris Hall (11)	93	214.52
38 . Miles Coplan (14)	84	214.50
39 . Norm Major (10)	78	214.35
40 . Sam Iacono (11)	113	214.34
41 . Russ Michaud (7)	48	214.31

* To be eligible for average awards,
must enter 1/2 tournaments (8 in '10)

Match Play Record (min. 11 matches)		
1 . R.J. Broege	29 - 10	.744
2 . Alex Aguiar	24 - 10	.706
3 . Eric Copping	18 - 9	.667
4 . Vic Marotto	17 - 9	.654
5 . Frankie Calca	16 - 9	.640

Match Play Average (min. 11 matches)		
1 . Eric Copping	26	237.85
2 . Mike Lichstein	17	234.12
3 . R.J. Broege	38	230.11
4 . Scott Santos	12	228.83
5 . Tony Reynaud	18	225.83

Bowler of the Year Points	
1 . R.J. Broege (14)	458
2 . Alex Aguiar (13)	404
3 . Eric Copping (13)	379
4 . Vic Marotto (14)	325
5 . Frankie Calca (12)	311
6 . Tim Healey (14)	298
7 . Tony Reynaud (13)	278
8 . Joshua Corum (13)	268
9 . Dave Forcier (13)	265
10 . Don Lango Jr. (13)	257
Bill Green (9)	257
12 . Brandon Robertson (13)	248
13 . Chris Forry (13)	247
14 . Mike Lichstein (10)	244
15 . Scott Widmer (11)	234
16 . Jeff Monahan (11)	214
Norm Major (10)	214
18 . Matt Janas (13)	211
19 . Chris Viale (8)	210
20 . Bill Holota (9)	200
21 . Steve Fiume (13)	195
22 . Jon Matunas (14)	190
23 . Scott Santos (11)	188
24 . Miles Coplan (14)	183
25 . Mike Cordeiro (13)	178
26 . Chris Hall (11)	174
27 . Geoff Wetzler (11)	173
Chris Carlson (9)	173
29 . Jon Van Hees (9)	171
30 . Stephen Dale Jr. (8)	168
31 . Sean Richard (11)	165
32 . Tim Gillick (14)	161
33 . Ryan Evans (13)	160
34 . Matthew Pritchard (14)	156
35 . Tom Durand (10)	155
36 . Gary Kurensky Jr. (9)	149
37 . Sam Iacono (11)	147
38 . Rich Macierowski (8)	145
39 . Todd Lathrop (7)	144
40 . Matthew Brockett (11)	137
41 . Chris Monroy (6)	135
42 . Randy Hagemoser (11)	133
43 . Dave Kipperman (11)	132
44 . Cliff Wheelock (9)	131
Jaison Haynes (9)	131
Jim Rusin (6)	131
47 . Danny Khuu (11)	130
Chris Sole (7)	130
49 . Keith DeMaine (8)	128
50 . Chris Wujek (8)	126
Jimmie Pritts Jr. (5)	126
52 . Russ Michaud (7)	120
53 . Justin Urbano (14)	117
Michael Fortier (14)	117
55 . Ron Canalia (11)	116
Steve Hardy (8)	116
57 . Roger Baral (7)	115

Rookie of the Year	
1 . Ryan Evans (13)	160
2 . Danny Khuu (11)	130
3 . Justin Urbano (14)	117
Michael Fortier (14)	117
5 . Anthony Pepe (4)	106
6 . Robert Dessert (8)	96
7 . David Theriault (8)	91
8 . Ken Fortier (11)	90
9 . Billy Trudell (12)	89
10 . Rai Doblmeier (9)	82

Senior of the Year	
1 . Dave Forcier (13)	265
2 . Jimmie Pritts Jr. (5)	126
3 . Russ Michaud (7)	120
4 . George Tignor (8)	95
5 . Rich Valenti (8)	94
6 . Dana Motta (10)	92
7 . David Theriault (8)	91
8 . Bob Glenn (9)	89
9 . John Hayes Jr. (12)	80
Bob Dickinson (9)	80

High Qualifying Block	
1 . Josh Corum	1332
2 . Stephen Dale Jr.	1326
3 . Robert Dessert	1325

Points per Entry (min. 11 entries)	
1 . Alex Aguiar (18)	22.4
2 . Eric Copping (17)	22.3
3 . R.J. Broege (21)	21.8
4 . Bill Green (14)	18.4
5 . Bill Holota (11)	18.2

Points per Tournament (min. 7)	
1 . R.J. Broege (21)	32.7
2 . Alex Aguiar (18)	31.1
3 . Eric Copping (17)	29.2
4 . Bill Green (14)	28.6
5 . Chris Viale (8)	26.3

Finals per Entry (min. 11 entries)	
1 . Alex Aguiar (18)	67%
2 . Stephen Dale Jr. (11)	64%
3 . Eric Copping (17)	59%
4 . Bill Green (14)	57%
5 . Chris Carlson (14)	57%

Finals per Tournament (min. 7)	
1 . Alex Aguiar (12 of 13)	92%
2 . Bill Green (8 of 9)	89%
3 . Chris Carlson (8 of 9)	89%

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Note from the NEBA President

To the entire NEBA Membership

As my tenure as NEBA president comes to a close, I wish to extend a sincere expression of gratitude to the membership for the opportunity to serve as this fine organization's president. To be sure, since I was elevated to President in 2009, the Board and the organization as a whole faced considerable challenges and important issues. We had to hire a new tournament director, address issues of re-oiling lanes, no paid practice, entry fees and generally consider a whole myriad of issues during this period of time. A significant amount of trust had been placed in me in order to lead the organization through these trying times in a fair and efficient manner. I can only hope that in the last two years, I have accompanied that laudable goal as well as keeping the best interests of the entire organization at the forefront at all times.

Soon, a new President will be taking over and there may well be new members on the Board. I will state unequivocally that it has been indeed gratifying to see an influx of new members on the Board and generally, new and renewed interest in the Board's activities. During my 5 year tenure as a Board member, it was not unusual to see early on meetings composed of 3 people. The Board runs the organization. As long as you are a member in good standing in NEBA, you have an opportunity to be on the Board and to have a say in the direction of NEBA. Even if you have no desire to be in the Board, you, as a member have the right to attend any and all meetings and to voice your opinion. Simply stated, you CAN make a difference in the direction that NEBA takes. I would respectfully suggest to all to get involved with the Board at whatever level and make your voice heard. While there may be disagreements, NEBA as a whole only grows and benefits when ideas are considered and there is vigorous and zealous debate of those ideas. As such, get involved and make a difference in YOUR organization.

That being said however, I will conclude with one parting remark to the Board. I have strived to the best of my ability to lead at all times during the last 2 years with the best interests of the ENTIRE ORGANIZATION at heart. I have done my best to not play favorites and to lead with an even hand regardless of my feelings about a particular issue or person. I have tried to give all sides a fair chance to be heard. While there have been moments of heated contention and personal issues with some Board members, I have always put such personal issues to one side to allow all positions to be heard. That is the mature and responsible thing to do and that is what is in the best interest of the organization. However, I would remind all on the Board going forward that the organization is comprised of approximately 550 members. All put in their money and have a right to have their interests considered by the Board whether it be the Bowler of the Year or the person who bowls NEBA once a year and goes 100 under for the one squad they bowl. Always think ahead and consider the long term ramifications of each issue considered. There is a saying in the legal profession that goes, "Bad cases make for bad law". Never forget that what might be good in the short term may fall victim in the long term to the Law of Unintended Consequences. As such, never act on a whim. Always think about what the future might bring for each issue you consider. Above all, always think how your votes and decisions will impact the ENTIRE membership... again, not just the top 48 players in NEBA.

I wish the incoming President of NEBA and the new Board all the very best. It is my genuine wish that NEBA continues to grow and prosper in a time when competitive, scratch bowling appears to be on the steep decline. NEBA has been and I expect will continue to be, arguably, the best tournament organization in the United States. It has been a humbling privilege to serve as NEBA's President.

Chris Monroy

NEBA Board of Directors 2010 *

President: Chris Monroy	Members At-Large:	John Bercier, Matt Brockett, Mike Bissmann.
1st Vice-President: Alex Aguiar		John Ellis, Dave Forcier, Rob Grexer, Larry King,
2nd Vice-President: Tim Healey		Dave Kipperman, Russ Michaud, Ed Roberts,
Secretary/Treasurer: Becky Kregling		Jack Stehle, Jon Van Hees, Chris Viale, John Younger
Tournament Director: Joey Nereu		

January 1, 2011 is the end of Chris Monroy's term as president. 1st VP Alex Aguiar will move up to President and 2nd VP Tim Healey will move up to 1st Vice President. As a current member, you get to vote on who NEBA's next 2nd Vice-President will be.

USE THE BALLOT ON BACK TO VOTE ... All Ballots must be postmarked by November 26, 2010

* (Note change from mailing: It incorrectly stated Directors for 2010-11. The officers are 2010-11. The members at large are 2010)

Any current member in good standing who is interested in being on the board in 2011 must submit their interest IN WRITING to the President by December 4, 2010

Election for 2nd Vice-President

Voting closes November 28 at the conclusion of The Ebonite Tournament of Champions at Wallingford Bowl

All ballots must be
submitted in writing via USPS mail and postmarked by Friday, November 26

-or-

submitted on-site at Wallingford Bowl at the Non-Champions Tournament or Tournament of Champions.

Verbal, Email or Text ballots will not be accepted.

All ballots must include your name

Ballots sent through the mail must include a bowler number or the email address NEBA has on record for you.
Bowler numbers can be found after your name on the November mailing address label.

The 2nd Vice-President's Term is 2011-2012

He will move up to 1st Vice-President in 2013-2014 then to President in 2015-2016

Ballot for NEBA 2nd Vice-President

Name_____

Bowler #_____ or Email Address_____

Check the person you wish to vote to be NEBA 2nd Vice-President for 2011-2012

_____ Larry King

_____ Chris Viale

Mail to NEBA, Becky Kregling, PO Box 185761, Hamden, CT 06518.

Ballots must be postmarked by November 26 to be valid
or

submit to Secretary Becky Kregling or Tournament Director Joey Nereu at Wallingford Bowl on November 27 or 28