

Dan Bock Wins 30th Annual Minnesota Masters

Dan Bock of Albert Lea defeated Terry Schacht of Oakdale to win the 30th annual Minnesota Masters tournament on January 3rd, 2010 at Cedarvale Lanes in Eagan. Bock was undefeated and waited while Schacht came through the loser's bracket and had to beat Bock twice in the double elimination single game match play format. With both bowlers having an open in the 1st two frames the match was a little slow getting started but then Bock strung together a 3-bagger to gain some momentum. Schacht was having some trouble getting a double and found himself down by 20 pins in the 6th. Bock left a 4-9 after his turkey and Schacht had a glimmer of hope until Bock picked it up and then doubled to put Schacht away 212-193 to claim his first Minnesota Masters title and a paid entry into the USBC Masters tournament in Reno in February 2010. This was the 3rd runner up finish in the Minnesota Masters for Schacht as he was 2nd in 2000 & 2002.

72 bowlers started the day bowling 8 games of qualifying. The top 16 advanced to the double elimination single game match play. Bock and Schacht also squared off in the winner's bracket final with Bock winning 246-183. Schacht waited while David Langer of Brooklyn Park and Tim Keeler of Omaha, NB were fighting it out to see who would take him on. A 4-9 open split by Langer in the 9th frame let Keeler move on with a 195-180 win and give 4th place to Langer. Schacht defeated Keeler in the loser's bracket final 245-210 for 3rd place.

The average to make the top 16 was 214.8 (1719 pins) and the 21st place and last cash was a 210.1 average (1681 pins). Tom Hess of Urbandale, IA was the High Qualifier with a total pin-fall of 1940 (242.5 avg) followed by Matt McNiell of Chanhassen with 1874 (234.2 avg) and Scott Pohl of Burnsville with a score of 1853 (231.6 avg) for the 8 games of qualifying.

John Kreyer Jr of Fridley, who won the Minneapolis Masters, was 7th in the St Paul Masters and 7th in the Minnesota Masters for 15 total points, just edging out David Langer with 18 points, claimed the On Track Masters Triple Crown. He pockets the \$500 from On Track Pro Shops for the bowler with the best finishes in the 3 Masters' tournaments.

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