


## Bowlology

Hi , my name is Josh Hyde. I have been doing a bowling newsletter since 2008. One of the features in my bowling newsletter is called Bowlology. This part of my newsletter covers the physical aspect of the game of bowling. There are a number of bowlers who do not understand the basics of the sport. The information in this book covers everything from the perfect strike to the pendulum swing. There is something for every bowler in this book. Please enjoy as you learn about the great sport of bowling.

My dad, Roger Hyde, was a PBA member back in the 80 s. Since then, he has dropped his card. At the time, I was a little too young to understand how my Dad was a part of the sport of bowling. He owned and was a pro-shop operator for nearly 15 years. Classic Products of Fort Wayne, Indiana, was my Dad's team sponsor of the traveling league. At the 1993 Bud Light PBA Regional in Fort Wayne, my dad qualified third as a non-member. The next day, he would beat Scott Devers, Eugene McCune and the champion of the tournament-Troy Stus. Three years later, he would get the opportunity to bowl in the U.S. Open won the amateur part of the U.S. Open.

I have had the opportunity of receiving my Bronze Certification and Silver Coaching Certification from the USBC. During my bowling career, I have been fortunate enough to have bowled five 300 games and a 837 series. There have been three great moments in my bowling career: bowling a perfect game, becoming a PBA honorary member (see my card below) and becoming a PBA Hall of Fame Committee member. Applying my knowledge of the sport of bowling has given me opportunities that I never dreamt of. I hope bowling fans and bowlers alike enjoy this book as much as I have enjoyed writing it.


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## Master of the Lanes

A Bowlologist is known as the Master of the Lanes who captains the Keglers and must know $80 \%$ of all the Kegler categories. A Kegler knows that they were specialists and knew what the expectations were. In Bowlology terminology, a Kegler is an expert in a specific bowling category and knows at least $80 \%$ of that category. A person needs to score $80 \%$ overall to become a bowlologist with a score of 560 out 700 . If a person scores a 560 out of 700. Each Question is worth 5 points. Good Luck and High Scoring
(Reference color key below for bowling categories.)

## Equipment History GRAY

Bowling History GREEN

PBA History RED
USBC History BLUE

BPAA History BROWN

| PBA History 80\% of the questions need to be answered correctly to be a specialist in this field | Equipment History-80\% of the questions need to be answered correctly to be a specialist in this field. | BPAA History-80\% of the questions need to be answered correctly to be |
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| USBC History-80\% of the questions need to be answered correctly to be a specialist in this field | Bowling History-80\% of the questions need to be answered correctly to be specialist in this field. |  |
| Name: | Email: | PBA\#: |
| High Series: | High game or \#300s: | USBC\#: |
| Balls - Questions | Lanes - Category | Pins - Response |
| Player who became the first two-time TOC champion. | PBA History | Jim Godman |
| First Player to bowl a 300 in USBC Open Championship | USBC History | Billy Knox |
| First Bowling Ball Company | Equipment History | Brunswick |
| First Bowler to surpass 1 million | PBA History | Earl Anthony |
| First Bowler to win with the resin reactive ball. | Equipment History | Marc McDowell |
| First Three Time Tournament of Champions winner | PBA History | Mike Durbin |
| Oldest Bowling Publication | Bowling History | Bowlers Journal International |
| First Four Time Tournament of Champions Winner | PBA History | Jason Belmonte |
| Youngest Bowler to win a PBA Major | PBA History | Anthony Simonsen |
| Longest Running Bowling Organization in History | Bowling History | United States Bowling Congress |
| Youngest Bowler to win PBA Majors | PBA History | Anthony Simonsen |
| Youngest Bowler to win three majors | PBA History | Anthony Simonsen |
| Youngest Bowler to win four majors | PBA History | Anthony Simonsen |
| First Bowler to bowl a USBC sanctioned 900 series | USBC History | Jeremy Sonnenfeld |
| First Bowler to defend the USBC Masters Title | USBC History | Dick Hoover |

## Spare Strike Pillars

When Bowlology was founded in November of 2011, the Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter wanted to give bowlers some knowledge of the sport. These spare- strike pillars are essential to Bowlology in that they are the four pillars that a Bowlologist will need in order to help bowlers, coaches, and pro-shop operators. --The First Pillar is Knowledge of the Sport which involves split making, makeable splits, lane courtesy, the perfect strike, score-keeping, playing field, pin knowledge, pin carry, and general bowling knowledge.
--The Second Pillar is the Physical Game. If a bowler does not have a solid foundation, he or she is not going to be able to execute in every frame. Timing puts away the trail leg, the finish position, and the arm swing. These are the main attributes of a bowler's physical game.
--The Third Pillar is Lane Play which is how the bowler plays the lanes making hand position and speed adjustments. In most sports, the athletes are not going to have to worry about the surface of the field. However, in bowling, bowlers do have to know what the lanes are doing in order to be a contender in a league match. The same holds true when Jason Belmonte needs a strike to win the U.S Open. Lane play is a big portion of a bowler's game.
--The Final Pillar is Ball Dynamics. This is where the bowler and the pro-shop operator need to be on the same page. Each bowler is different. If a pro bowler wins a Major and Joe Bowler wants to use the same ball with the same layout and surface, more than likely Joe Bowler will not have the same results as the pro bowler due to differences in their game. They may use the same ball except with a different layout and surface. This is why it is so important for the pro-shop operator to know Joe Bowler's game. Pro-shop operators generally know the dynamics of the bowling ball. Ideally, the bowler needs to find a pro-shop operator that has some coaching experience. If he/she has a pro-shop operator and a coach, all three need to come up with a game plan so that the bowler can be successful on the lanes.
These four Bowlology Spare-Strike Pillars will enable bowlers, coaches, and pro-shop operators to identify bowling knowledge.


## Bowlologist Problem-Solving Chart

| Open | Spare |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Bowler falls off balance at the foul line | Physical Game |  |
| Bowler cannot identify his PAP | Ball Dynamics | Frame 2 |
| Bowler is muscling the ball | Physical Game |  |
| Bowler is not choosing the right ball | Lane Play and/or Ball <br> Dynamics | Frames 3 thru 5 |
| Bowler misses spares | Knowledge of the Sport | Frame 1 |
| Bowler is not using the correct surface on the ball | Lane Play | Frame 3 \& 5 |
| Bowler is not reading the lanes right | Ball Dynamics | Frame 4 |
| Bowler is using the wrong layout | Lane Play | Frame 3 |
| Bowler is playing in the wrong area on the lane | Lane Play | Frame 4 |
| Bowler is leaving the ten pin and is unable to string strikes | Frame 4 |  |
| Bowler fails to acknowledge bowlers on adjacent lanes | Knowledge of the Sport | Frame 1 |
| Bowler stands in the same spot every frame and does not adjust | Lane Play | Frame 4 |
| Bowler bowls well on specific pattern but has trouble bowling | Lane Play | Frame 4 |
| on other patterns | Knowledge of the Sport | Frame 1 |
| Bowler misses double wood spares |  |  |

This chart is for Bowlologists to use as a reference to help other bowlers.
The "Open" represents the problem.
The "Spare" represents the four key areas - Knowledge of the Sport, Physical Game, Ball Dynamics and Lane Play.

The "Strike" refers to the specific frame(s) in the Bowlology book.

The Spare-Strike Pillar is what a Bowlologist needs to become a coach in the program. In order to help bowlers in the sport of bowling, Bowlologist Josh Hyde has categorized multiple aspects of bowling into four general areas. These areas are Knowledge of the Sport, Physical Game, Lane Play and Ball Dynamics. This may sound simple at first; however, it is more involved. Bowlers, coaches, and pro-shop operators can improve their knowledge of the sport of bowling in this program. Bowlologist Josh Hyde came up with unique way of using bowling terms to identify problems and trouble-shooting with the open spare-strike system. The open represents the problem the bowler may have. The Spare is one of the four pillars and the Strike represents the chapter of the Bowlology book in which that problem can be found.

## Bowlologist Invents Tools of the Trade

| 12:1 House Patterns - high |
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| variation of oil density |
| from side to middle with |
| most oil in the middle |
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## Tournament Hierarchy



Bowlers' Mark


One-day PBA50 Regional Tournament



| Bowlers <br> HoF | Parker Bohn III | Marshall Holman | Don Johnson | Norm Duke | Mike Aulby | Mark Roth | Pete Weber | Dick Weber | Walter Ray Williams Jr | Earl Anthony |
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| Bowlers <br> HoF | Jason Couch | Dave Husted | Chris Barnes | Billy Hardwick | Mike Durbin | Dave Davis | Carmen Salvino | Don Carter | Johnnie Petraligia | Amelto <br> Monacelli |
| Bowlers <br> PBA <br> Tour | Francis Lavoie | Kyle Troup | Wes Malott | Bill O'Neill | Anthony <br> Simonsen | Jacob Butturff | Tommy Jones | Jesper Svesson | Ed Tackett |  |

## Bowlology Book Cover



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USBC Silver Coach
Ballss + Laness + Pins:=Bowling $39 \sim \mathrm{X} 60^{\circ}=$ Dimensions of the Lane

"Bowlology" -the study of bowling with the desired result being that the student gains more knowledge of and more respect for the sport.


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