



DINO DENNIS Is Perfect.....Again What is His Secret?

by Frank Weiler

REDLANDS — Dino Dennis has a PH.D. in education and has been a teacher, administrator and supervisor. He has affected the life's of hundreds of students in a positive way over decades of service. He is a bowling hero.

This Doctor is a bowler. In his spare time Dr. Dino Dennis is a bowler. He has been a bowler for decades and his success on the lanes rival his accomplishments in education.

Over the years Dino Dennis has rolled sixteen perfect games and four eight hundreds, with a high of 847. He regularly averages 220 and currently is on a 221 pace.

Recently Dino did it again. He rolled his sixteenth perfect at Empire Bowl. It is amazing that a man of seven decades plus is still so good. What is his secret? I think it must be his wife Pat. Behind every successful man there is a great woman. Dino is grateful to Jay at Round One Lanes for drilling the Elite Traitor bowling ball that was used to roll his perfect game. I am grateful to the BOWLING NEWS for supporting Citrus Belt bowlers.

I wonder if Dr. Dennis is the only PH.D. in California to have rolled a perfect game and an eight hundred series? Maybe the only such bowler in the USA? Dino wishes to thank his wife Pat for her love and support.

This Substitute Definitely Did His Part

by Fred Eisenhammer

MISSION HILLS – There's more to the story about Anthony Sharpsteen and his 888 series.

It was reported last week that the right-handed Sharpsteen turned in an amazing performance at Mission Hills Bowl on Jan. 25, 2011 when he set a north Los Angeles County United States Bowling Congress record for a series with games of 289, 299 and 300.

It was undoubtedly the highest series ever recorded in the Los Angeles County area.

According to the California Bowling News, "a packed 9 pin and two solid 7 pins kept Anthony from the elusive 900 series."

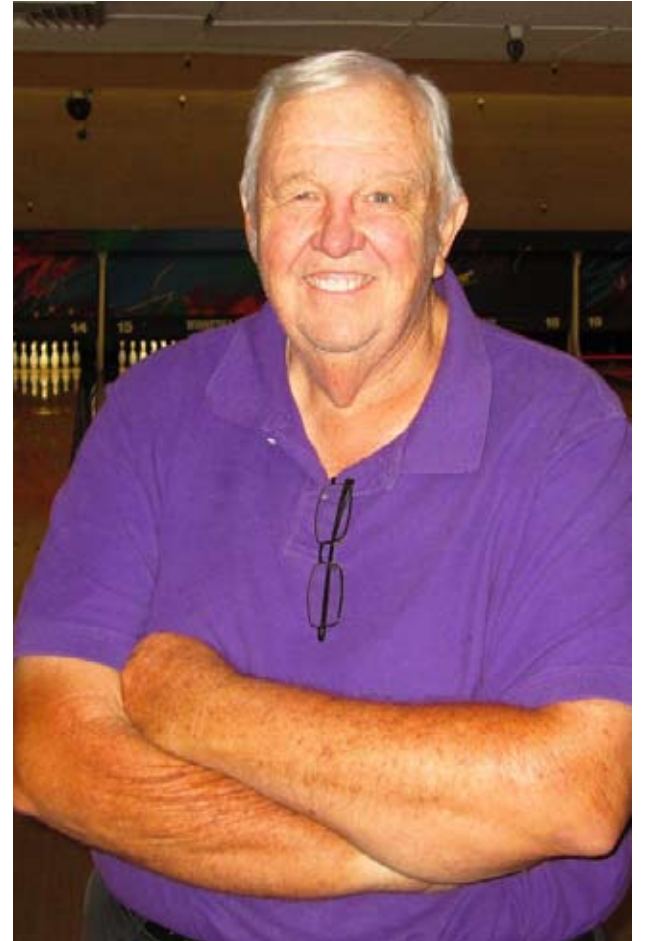
But there was more to it than that.

First, Sharpsteen competed as a substitute for his team. And what a sub he was.

Second, his five-man team lost all three games by a total of a mere five pins. Each game was decided by a pin or two. What eventually cost Sharpsteen's team was the fact that the opposing team's No. 4 man (Scott Lemmen) and anchor (Rusty Bryant) struck out in the 10th frame of each game.

Bryant, who works in the Pro Shop at Winnetka Bowl, looked back at that crazy night and put it all in perspective in his typically understated manner:

"[Sharpsteen's] team bowled well and our team bowled well too," Bryant said.



Rusty Bryant was one of the bowlers on the opposing team when Anthony Sharpsteen crushed his 888 series. Photo by Fred Eisenhammer

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