

# New Ulm Bowling's Sanctioned 300 Games

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Date Bowled	Bowler Name	Seq	Establishment	Sanct	Lanes	Team	League	Games	Series	Hcp	Doc	Date Birth	Notes
Tuesday, March 17, 1942	<b>Gene Tauer</b>	1	Concordia Lanes (State St)	ABC	5-6		City	300-192-150	642		LTR		1st 300 in 27 years operation Concordia
Tuesday, March 31, 1942	<b>Harry Woerner</b>	2	Concordia Lanes (State St)	ABC	3-4	Tausch/Green	City	300-160-185	645		LTR		Only 2nd in 27 years at Concordia
Thursday, October 31, 1963	<b>Fred Aufderheide</b>	3	Bowl-O-Mat	ABC							PHO		1st since Woerner 21 yrs previously
Thursday, March 30, 1972	<b>Marlyn Sellner</b>	4	Bowl-O-Mat	ABC	5-6	Kretsch Bar	Couples	300-181-266	747		NUJ	6/13/37	Artricle and pix 1st wk April
Thursday, March 10, 1994	<b>Dave Brown</b>	5	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	7-8	Kegel Klub	Straightaway	126-176-300	552	0	BX	12/27/47	14X before open frame
Monday, September 08, 1997	<b>Craig Anderson</b>	6	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	1-2	So Side Pub	Home	300-190-169	659	2	BX	10/19/51	1st game of 1st night . Had 14 X in row.
Wednesday, September 06, 2000	<b>Les Geiger</b>	7	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	9-10	Nicklasson Athletic	Sioux	158-202-300	660	10	BX	3/1/62	Bowled 300 after 202 game.
Thursday, April 08, 1999	<b>Ross Sonmore</b>	8	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	11-12		Straightaway	300-215-175	650	0	BX		Filled every frame after bowling 300
Monday, April 01, 2002	<b>Scott Harder</b>	9	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	11-12	RS Electric	Downtown	300-223-208	721	9	BX	8/15/86	15X in 16 frames; arv from T C late to start w/out warmup
Wednesday, December 10, 2003	<b>Nick Seidl</b>	10	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	3-4	B&L Bar	Klossner	300-204-198	702	0	BX	2/16/81	15X in 16 frames
Thursday, January 22, 2004	<b>Andy Torvick</b>	11	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	1-2	Comfrey Heating	Straightaway	300-175-258	733	0		3/27/80	1st of 3 thru 2011
Thursday, January 06, 2005	<b>Chad Condon</b>	12	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	7-8	Kegel Klub	All-star	266-300-237	803	0	BX	10/23/70	Set record hi indiv scratch 803score 26 X in 23 frames
Thursday, January 20, 2005	<b>Chad Oachs</b>	13	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	7-8	Chad's Pro Shop	All-star	244-300-185	729	0	BX	11/15/75	5 X, open before 12X
Wednesday, March 30, 2005	<b>Nick Seidl</b>	14	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	ABC	13-14	B&L Bar	Klossner	233-300-194	717			2/16/81	2nd 300 same league
Tuesday, January 29, 2008	<b>Chad Oachs</b>	15	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	USBC	15-16	Chad's Pro Shop	All-Star	213-300-178	691	0	BX	11/15/75	17 strikes in 23 frame stretch
Sunday, February 10, 2008	<b>Andy Torvick</b>	16	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	USBC	13-14	Comfrey Heating	Straightaway	300-186-172	658	0		3/27/80	Bowled in first game
Wednesday, January 14, 2009	<b>Ken (Babe) Paa</b>	17	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	USBC	5-6	Paapalinis	Golfers/Busin	300-246-240	786	?	BX	11/28/41	19X to open series, total 28K in 30 frames. Bro. Carl on team had 27K w/722 = comb 1508
Thursday, April 15, 2010	<b>Chad Oachs</b>	18	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	USBC	1-2	Chad's Pro Shop	All-Star	300-248-233	781	0		11/15/75	3rd of 3 thru 2011
Saturday, November 13, 2010	<b>Ben Wolf</b>	19	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	USBC	1-2	Grand Slam	Junior Men's	300-215-223	745	?	BX	11/19/93	28X in 23 Frames, 5 Sp, 2 open
Thursday, January 27, 2011	<b>Andy Torvick</b>	20	Concordia Lanes (19th N St)	USBC	3-4	Hanson Heating	Straightaway	225-300-244	769	0	BX	3/27/80	4th 300; 5X G1, 12G 2; 22X in 23 Frame String

- The list above includes only sanctioned 300 games. The first recorded 300 game was bowled by bowling legend Riley Dahms in 1936 at the Concordia Lanes on State Street. He bowled it on lanes 1-2 in practice. *New Ulm Bowling Annual, 1956*. Additional details may be available in 1936 Brown County Journal or New Ulm Review.
- The first 300 bowled in a league was recorded by Erwin (Toots) Cordes 3-13-1941 at Concordia State Street lanes in the Home League which was the second level in the progressive bowling leagues at the time. The league had chosen not to sanction that year. Toots had games of 199-199-300 for a 698 series. *New Ulm Bowling annual, 1956*. George Walden also bowled a non-sanctioned 300 game 12/31/1966 at George's. He bowled the game on lanes 1-2 during the weekly informal jackpot bowling. Two years later he was bowling with Fritz Aufderheide when he made his 300.
- While other 300 game in non-league bowling have been rolled, the last publicly reported one was Sunday, Aug. 4, 1957 by Linus Neidecker at the Bowl-O-Mat. He had games of 213-300-191. *New Ulm Bowling Annual, 1958*.
- The *New Ulm Bowling Annual 1956* recognized Ed Meyer for recording 15 consecutive strikes without getting a 300. Bowling in the Straightaway at Concordia, he ended his first game with six strikes (including three in 10th). He had nine straight to open the second game before running into a 4-5 split in the 10th. All strikes were 1-3 pocket hits except one.
- A number of 299 games have been recorded as an official ABC/USBC award worthy of a ring and patch. Daren Zanke rolled a 299 Jan. 27, 2011, tapping out the 10th. Also of note is a 299 bowled by Cathedral Athletic director John Vetter April 5, 1972 in Windom where he worked. He also tapped the 12th ball and finished with a series of 214-235-299 for 748. It came a week after Marlyn Sellner bowled his 300 in New Ulm. If provided, info on other sanctioned 299 or 298 games is welcomed and will be added to the website archives by New Ulm Sports Central and are noted on the USBC site. Also of noted achievements is 11 strikes in a row which would honor those who didn't get nine or eight pins on the last ball. Les Geiger, one of the 300 bowlers, had such a game in the Sioux League in 2007, missing a 300 in the 10th frame.
- Major New Ulm Bowling History may have been included in two research works which have become lost. An extensive copy of decades of material was loaned for a bowler's banquet by Red Wyczawski. Whereabouts of this material as well as that gathered by Jeff Rose is not known. Please provide information to New Ulm Sports Central.
- Torvik bowled two 300 games in January, 2011. He had a perfect game at Granite Bowl South in St. Cloud in the Bischoff tournament with games of 219-256-300=775.

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