

## Hal Abrams wins 2nd Annual Minnesota Senior Masters

Hal Abrams of Prior Lake defeated Ron Lindner of Mayer to win the 2nd annual Minnesota Senior Masters tournament on January 4th, 2009 at Stillwater Bowl in Oak Park Heights. Lindner was undefeated and waited while Abrams came through the loser's bracket and had to beat Lindner twice in the double elimination single game match play format. Abrams was not to be denied as he beat Lindner in the first match 193-180 and in the 2<sup>nd</sup> 215 -175 to claim his first Minnesota Senior Masters' title and a paid entry into the USBC Senior Masters tournament in Tucson in June 2009.

41 bowlers started the day bowling 8 games of qualifying. The top 16 advanced to the double elimination single game match play. Lindner and Abrams won their first 3 matches and squared off in the winner's bracket final. Lindner downed Abrams 237-212 to send him into the losers' bracket to take on John Eiss of Orono. In a very close match, Abrams downed Eiss 191-180 to get another chance at Lindner. In the semifinal of the losers' bracket Eiss took on Little Canada's Rich Anderson with Eiss easily advancing 206-145.

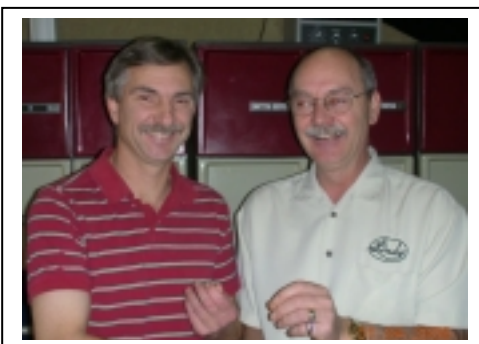
The average to make the top 16 was 215.6. Roger Thompson was the High Qualifier with a total pin-fall of 1964 (245.5 avg) followed by Gary Green of Houlton, WI with 1890 (236.2 avg) and Mike Wirz of Eau Claire, WI with a score of 1870 (233.7 avg) for the 8 games of qualifying.

Mike Wirz also claimed the On Track Senior Masters Triple Crown. He was 5<sup>th</sup> in the St Paul Senior Masters, won the Minneapolis Senior Masters and was 9<sup>th</sup> in the Minnesota Senior masters for a total of 15 points. He pockets the \$250 from On Track Pro Shops for the bowler with the best finishes in the 3 Masters' tournaments.

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**Runner Up Ron Lindner with  
Senior Masters Champ Hal  
Abrams**



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Mike Wirz for winning the On  
Track Masters Senior Triple  
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