

The Next Prodigy"

Let me tell you the story of an up and coming Prodigy. My name is Kyle Butler and Bowling has just recently come into my perspective as a sport I could thrive at one day soon. I am a 20 year old college student in Florida. Unlike most prodigies that are discovered at a very young age for their talent, my talent was unknown, undiscovered until a trip to the local bowling alley just one summer ago. I ended up going bowling one weekend in July 2009 and that is when it all began. Of course anyone knows that we all don't start out with the perfect throw, I was no exception that night. We got about 4 games in, none of which were over 100 for me. Hey it was the first time I have ever bowled Ten Pin in my life what more can you expect. One good thing did come out of that experience though; I was hooked on my new sport of Bowling. I went back just about every week for the all you can bowl special, where I got in at least 15 games per visit. It took about a month but I finally taught myself how to throw a descent hook with an alley ball. This is when I thought to myself, "Wow I might be pull this off." As the weeks went on I improved to eventually averaging around 205 for open bowling by September. By that time the staff at the bowling alley had talked me into joining one of the leagues. So my Dad shipped his 20 year old urethane ball to me to use. Then it came after 2 months on September 4th, 2009 Lane 23 my first 300 game. Nine strikes in a row before I realized, hey if I can get this last frame together this is goanna be big. The first ball of the tenth was a seemingly effortless strike hooked right into the pocket, by this point I don't know how I was still standing because I could not feel my legs at all they were shaking so badly. But somehow I got the second Strike just like the first. I was saying to myself as the rack was cycling, "Just one more, one more then you can sit down and rest." So I stepped up, (heart rate at 200 bpm, the rest of my body numb) and threw that last ball. Strike!!! About that time I hear over the loudspeaker "Congratulations to Kyle Butler on Lane 23 who just rolled a perfect game." From that day till now I am still using the old 1992 Urethane ball that my dad gave to me. If I ever get my hands on some newer equipment they say I'll be dangerous. Right Now I am halfway through my summer league with a 198 average. I hope to bowl in some local tournaments throughout the year and when I find the time I would like to go out to qualify for some regional PBA events, maybe even National events one day in the future. So there you have it, the beginning of my entire bowling career in 500 words.