Boyd Cook

Date of birth -

Residence - Phoenix,Arizona

Posthumous selection was his catagory and he was a proprietor in Clinton and also quite a bowler.

Boyd's years in Clinton,Iowa the State of Iowa and even nationally began at a time when bowling was just beginning.

Clinton had only 2 lanes at the Curtis Company for employees and there were 7 lanes downtown known as the Clinton Recreation Parlor. In 1936 Boyd Cook along with Harold Rodefer became owners of the 7 lane Clinton Recreation Parlor located at 6th Ave., South in Clinton. During these years of depression Boyd worked hard to keep bowling alive in Clinton.

In 1946 Boyd became a partner with Frank Tate and they opened the Clinton Recreation Lanes on 5th Ave South in Clinton and this establishment had 12 lanes.

Boyd was also a very outstanding bowler rolling a 300 game on April 19,1932 and had a 760 series.

In 1942 a national organization was formulated to exemplify a elite number of bowlers and it was called the 700 Bowling Clubs of America. This was organized in LaCrosse,Wisconsin and Boyd became a charter member of the 700 BCA. Clinton chapter was formed immediately and was Chapter # 2. In 1944 the 700 BCA held its first National Telegraphic Tournament,so named, because each participant bowled on the same day at the same time on their home lanes. They then telegraphed their scores to the other chapters. On this day, Boyd and his team members Ed Goettsch,Ray Lego,Norb Trine and Al Poffenberger had a team score of 3218 and a game of 1159 to win the event. These scores were scratch and remained all-time highs during the years of this event. Boyd had the high series for the team with 679.

Boyd bowled in more then 25 ABC Tournaments and a like number of Iowa State Tournaments. On the winning team in 1935 Clinton Glass & Starch with a series of 2929.

During his years of bowling he carried high averages and the highest was 198 in 1944.

Boyd had the distinction of winning the Clinton City Tournament Doubles Championships a record three times.

Boyd passed away in Phoenix,Arizona in 1983.

Inducted into the Iowa Bowling Hall of Fame in March 1986,Posthumously.