

Ron Boroff

North Central Texas Hall of Fame

Ron Boroff is a man of the lanes. He started bowling at age 7 in a youth league at the local 8 lane bowling center in his home town of Paulding, Ohio. In 1982 he first moved to Texas. He was 27 years old and averaged 180.



His job moved him to several cities landing in Ocala, Florida where he spent 10 years and he started being noticed for his bowling abilities. He shot his first 300 at the age of 36 and since has accumulated over 30 sanctioned 300s.

He moved back to Texas in 1995 and his bowling career kept getting better and better. He shot his first 800 at the age of 43. In 1999 he endured a serious injury to his sliding foot after falling from a ladder. He was out of bowling for nearly a year and still has issues with this ankle to this day. But that injury became a turning point for Ron and within a few months of returning to the lanes he added another 300 and 800 to his resume. He continues to add them and now has over twenty 800 series. The next big moment was winning his first PBA Regional title at the age of 51. He bested Brett Cooper, Rick Lawrence, Chris Barnes, and Chris Johnson in the match play finals, a good 15-30 years older than his competitors. At the age of 61 he had his best finish on the National PBA50 tour by making the step ladder finals aired via Xtra Frame. The last game he shot 234 to move from 11th place to the show in Fort Wayne Indiana. He bowled John Petraglia in his first match and had a great performance but fell just shy of winning that match finishing fifth place. Ron describes the feeling he had on the show as any of us would feel, young and old alike, excitement, nerves and a little bit giddy.

Ron has won numerous tournaments along his bowling journey. He has molded his family in his likeness being the catalyst that started all of them bowling. They too, are competing to try to get to his level. He inspires his son, Ryan, daughter, Catie, and wife Anita. Even his grandson Paxton is showing signs of loving bowling just like grandpa. He positively influences other bowlers he meets through leagues (bowling 4 nights a week) and tournaments, many sticking around to watch "the old guy beat the kids."

He shows no sign of slowing down and truly proves that you can get better with age.

