

Padgett wins State Bowling Tournament

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Noah Padgett, a junior at Watauga High School, won the Tough Shot Tour championship match this past Sunday in Raleigh at the South Hills Bowling Center 245-223 against Kennon McFalls. Competing in this year's 2nd tough

shot tournament, Noah made his way through 9 games of qualifying to be seeded 5th entering in match play where he went head to head with another competitor. In a two game format with the highest combined total moving on, Noah shot a 235 and 192 and advanced by 8 pins. In his semi-final match play which was another two game format, Noah shot a 268 and 213 and advanced to the championship match. Noah has had a successful 2012 year where he competed on the 15u NCUSBC all-star team in early February where they won a team competition against the South Carolina and Georgia state all-stars. Then in late April qualified for Junior Gold National Tournament where he travelled to Indianapolis, IN and competed in his first national tournament. Recently he qualified to compete on the 20u NC-USBC all-star team this coming 2012-2013 season.

Noah started bowling on a competitive level 5 yrs ago when he signed up for the youth bowling league at the Boone Bowling Center on Saturday mornings. This is where he found his love for bowling and has developed his game to where it is today. The youth league is open to anyone and the new season starts this coming Saturday October 6.. Bowlers will participate on 4 man teams every Saturday, bowling 3 games and having lots of fun with friends, learn how to bowl, and competing among themselves. Many will have opportunities to qualify and compete in other tournaments off the mountain throughout the season. This is where Noah got his start and is having a great time bowling with friends and competing. For more information if interested in bowling in the youth league please call Mario and Diane Perret-Gentil, the owners of Boone Bowling Center.

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