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| **Across****1.** A ball thrown by a right-handed bowler that hooks left-to-right instead of right-to-left.**3.** A system to help a bowler of lessor skill to be competitive with higher skilled bowlers in league or tournament play.**5.** A shot that hits more of the head pin than desired, often resulting in a split.**9.** When a bowler gets a spare and then a turkey and then another spare.**10.** This is a method for a bowler to compare their skill against other bowlers.**12.** Getting a spare after throwing a gutter ball on the first throw.**14.** All ten pins down on two ball rolls of a frame.**18.** A throw that results from the ball hitting the opposite "pocket" from the bowler's normal handedness.**20.** Three strikes in a row during a single bowling game.**21.** Any frame in which a strike or spare was not made. | **Down****2.** 3 spares in a row in a single game.**4.** In team play, the only bowler on the team not to strike in a given frame must buy a beer for his teammates.**6.** This is usually the best bowler on the team, and/or the bowler considered to be the coolest under pressure.**7.** A bowler who intentionally bowls poorly early in a season compared to his actual skill level, in order to record a low average.**8.** A single game of bowling where the player has a mark in all ten frames.**11.** A spare or a strike.**13.** Phrase used when describing pins that hit one another and fall.**15.** All ten pins down on the first roll.**16.** A hidden pin left behind another pin after the first ball roll.**17.** The ideal place for the ball to hit the pins in order to maximize strike potential.**19.** The time and distance that a thrown bowling ball travels in the air before contacting the lane surface. |