

Four Perfectos for Carrasco Thus Far in 1987-88

While most bowlers would give up almost anything for a chance at just one 300 game, Hyattsville's Pedro Carrasco, 31, already has rolled four of them this season.

Three of his perfectos have been at University. The first one came back in August during the Wednesday Nite Mixed 4's summer league. For that he received \$300 from Fair Lanes and a ring from the American Bowling Congress.

He rolled the second perfect game on January 4 in the Pete Edmonds Memorial League. Just five days later, he scored another in the Young Americans League at Annandale, coming through at the end despite a lane breakdown during the game.

His third 300 at University and fourth of the season occurred on March 3 in the RTR Classic, where his league-leading average hovers around 210.

Fair Lanes awards \$300 only for a bowler's first 300 game per fiscal year (July 1-June 30) in any of its centers, and ABC gives but one 300 ring per season, so Carrasco's only consolation for rolling his latest perfect games has been winning the league pot.

Despite his success this season, Carrasco may be leaving the area soon. He's a union electrician who has been out of work for a while. He's also been bothered by old sports injuries to his wrists, knees, ankles, shoulders—you name it—that often cause him some pain during the cooler months here.

The native from the Dominican Republic has had some rough times in leagues, too, including learning second-hand that he'd been dumped from his team.

It took "a few years" to get over something like that, he said, especially when it was done by people he considered to be friends.

But he's planning on remarrying his former wife soon and would like to take her and their six-year-old child and "start a new life" in Florida.

If he does move to a warmer climate, it will be interesting to see just what he can do to top his performance this season.