



# **Ramsey Basurto Wins 1st PBA REGIONAL T** "I can't describe this feeling!"

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After struggling game 19, it came down to a one game match against Cerell Cardines. Winner of the match would determine the winner of the Regional.

Able to string together a 5 bagger in the middle of the game to WIN his 1st PBA Regional Title.

"Thank you to my wondeful Wife Elysia Basurto and Son Blake-man believing in me for over the past 5 years. The has been a goal of mine for 10 years and it can't feel better then this. Thanks Vise Inserts for the feel and the support. Also Big Shout out to Cerell Bowling great all weekend long that young is going to be special. Thanks to my road dawg Matt Murtishaw keeping me calm during the day. I wouldn't be here without our friendship.'

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1	Ramsey Basurto	4617	230.85	10-2-0	300	4917	917
2	Gregory Thompson Jr.	4574	228.70	9-3-0	270	4844	844
3	Cerell Cardines	4596	229.80	8-4-0	240	4836	836
4	Robbie Patterson	4534	226.70	6-6-0	180	4714	714
5	John Burkett	4511	225.55	6-6-0	180	4691	691
6	Matt Zweig	4528	226.40	5-7-0	150	4678	678

# **DIANDRA ASBATY AND DAVE FERRARO ELECTED TO USBC HALL OF FAME FOR 2023** by Dave Schroeder

ARLINGTON, Texas Diandra Asbaty of Chicago and Dave Ferraro of Kingston, New York, have been elected to the United States Bowling Congress Hall of Fame and are the final additions to a six-person induction class in 2023.

Asbaty and Ferraro were elected in the Superior Performance category and join Jill Weber of Burlington, Wisconsin, and Mike Rose Jr. of Orlando, Florida (Outstanding USBC Performance), Ron Mohr of Las Vegas (Veterans) and Jamie Brooks of Fort Worth, Texas (Meritorious Service), who were elected by the USBC Hall of Fame Committee in November.



The induction ceremony will take place April 26 during the 2023 **USBC** Convention in Las Vegas.

Asbaty and Ferraro were on the ballot of five men and two women voted on by a national panel of USBC Hall of Fame members, veteran bowling writers and USBC Board and Hall of Fame Committee members. Though Asbaty and Ferraro fell short of the required 70% of the votes cast needed for election, the USBC Hall of Fame Committee selected the two candidates for induction.

Asbaty, a 42-year-old right-hander, excelled collegiately at the University of Nebraska, internationally with Team USA and collected wins on the professional level, continued on page 12

**MOOKIE BETTS, JIMMIE ALLEN TO PARTICIPATE IN 2023 U.S. OPEN IN INDIANAPOLIS** 

ARLINGTON, Texas -The Bowling Proprietors' Association of America has awarded Los Angeles Dodgers outfielder Mookie Betts an exemption into the main field at the 2023 U.S. Open. which will be contested at Royal Pin Woodland (formerly Woodland Bowl) in Indianapolis Jan. 29 - Feb. 5, 2023.

by Gene J. Kanak



Country music su- year's Grammy Awards many years, and both United States Bowling

perstar Jimmie Allen will participate in the event's pre-tournament qualifier (PTQ) after being forced to decline his exemption in order to perform at this

in Los Angeles on Feb. 1.

Betts and Allen have served as advocates and ambassadors for the sport of bowling for

still compete in high level events across the country as much as their busy schedules will allow.

Last summer, Allen took part in the 2022

Congress Open Championships, which was contested at the South Point Bowling Plaza inside South Point Hotel & Cacontinued on page 4

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# RUCKER RECORDS FIRST WIN AT 2023 PWBA GREATER DALLAS REGIONAL

ALLEN, Texas – Although Saturday's Professional Women's Bowling Association Greater Dallas Regional saw plenty of strikes during qualifying at JB's Allen Bowl, the title came down to a spare conversion as Ashley Rucker of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, filled her final frame to collect her first regional win.

Rucker, a 30-year-old left-hander, covered her third 7 pin of the title match and toppled nine pins on her fill ball to take home a 212-203 win against youth standout Bella Castillo of Odessa, Texas. Rucker earned the \$1,700 top prize for the victory and a spot in the season-ending PWBA Regional Showdown in December.

Select pairs during qualifying and the stepladder finals were broadcast live at BowITV.com.

The title match stayed close through the first six frames, with Rucker holding a 10-pin advantage as Bella stepped up for her seventh frame.

Bella, a 13-year-old two-hander who had earned the top seed for the stepladder after eight games of qualifying on Saturday's 43-foot lane pattern, left her second consecutive 4 pin but was unable to convert the spare. She followed with a 2-10 split in the eighth frame and another open, giving Rucker the chance to open up her lead.

Rucker stayed clean in the eighth and ninth, but since she was unable to strike in either frame, Bella still had a chance to make things interesting with a strong finish.

Bella showed her resiliency by striking on her final four deliveries to force Rucker to mark in the 10th frame.

The former collegiate standout at Arkansas State hit the pocket on her first shot to leave her third consecutive 7 pin on the right lane, but she made quick work of the spare to put her on track for the win.

Rucker admitted if she was going to have to make any spare in that situation , she didn't mind seeing such a familiar foe. In addition to her three conversions in the title match, she also made three 7 pins in her semifinal win against 2021 PWBA Arlington Regional champion Jacqueline Evans of Acton, Massachusetts (211-151).

"I like shooting my 7 pins, because I leave a lot of them," said Rucker, a former member of Junior Team USA. "I would have liked to strike, but if not, I wanted to leave something I could make. I was relieved it was a 7 pin and not a split or anything. I know I leave a lot of them, but I was glad to see that one."

Her semifinal match against Evans helped her settle into the final pair, but Rucker already felt comfortable stepping into JB's Allen Bowl after a successful debut at the 24-lane center during another competi-



Ashley Rucker of Bartlesville, Oklahoma

my execution for today, and I am super excited. It means a lot to finally get a win, because I've come close a few times. I'm very glad to get this first win."

Rucker averaged 229 during Saturday's eightgame qualifying round to determine the top four for the stepladder finals, earning the second seed.

She was leading the sold-out field of 60 athletes heading into the final game of qualifying, but Bella raced up the leaderboard to go from fifth to first after firing 279 in Game 8.

Bella earned the top seed with a 1,849 total (231.13 average), while Rucker finished with 1,832. Oklahoma City's Jasmine Ware qualified third with 1,812, and Evans was the final advancer in fourth with 1,809.

In addition to her strong showing at the Greater Dallas Regional, Bella earned time in the national spotlight after winning the Celebrity Super Clash at the Jimmie Allen PBA Challenge on FOX and competing at the PWBA Dallas Classic Series in 2022.

In the opening round of Saturday's stepladder, Evans delivered strikes on six of her first eight attempts to build an advantage over Ware on the way to a 237-206 victory.

Ware stayed clean to remain in the match until the final frame, but she was only able to roll one double during the game.

The next PWBA Regional event will be March 25 at the PWBA Greater Detroit Regional. The tournament will be held at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Michigan, just before the start of the United States Bowling Congress Masters.

The regional schedule features nine events across the United States in 2023 leading up to the Regional Showdown.

The field at the Regional Showdown will feature 16 players. Each regional champion in 2023 will automatically be seeded into match play at the event, while the rest of the field will be determined through an eight-game qualifying round that will be open to all PWBA Regional-eligible bowlers.

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tion.

That comfort, along with strong execution throughout the day, all played a part in Rucker's breakthrough win.

"I bowled here one other time for a SASBA event, and I was averaging 260 going into the last game," Rucker said. "I knew I really matched up well, at least with the house shot, so I was excited that this event was being held here. Overall, I was very happy with The 16 players will compete in round-robin match play before the field is cut to the final four bowlers for the stepladder finals. More details on the location and date of the Regional Showdown will be available at a later time.

The 2023 PWBA Tour season will start in May at the PWBA Stockton Open in Stockton, California. The event will be contested from May 4-6 and kick off the 12-event national tour schedule.



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# **CARLA SMITH Rolls 300 and** Ties LAUGHLIN BLAST Record

by Frank Weiler

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tween the PBA, BPAA and USBC. To allow for the additional TV exposure, the event will have slight adjustments made to its traditional format. At the U.S. Open, the removal of the fourth qualifying round will allow for a

The arrangement for the 2023 event came together through cooperation be-

nine-player stepladder over two days, giving on-site fans and the national TV audience even more great bowling action to take in from Royal Pin Woodland, which owns the distinction of being the only center to have hosted every PBA major championship.

The first show, which will air live on FS1 on Feb. 4, will feature the No. 5 through No. 9 seeds in a traditional stepladder format. The advancer will join the top four seeds for the second stepladder Feb. 5 on FOX.

The 2023 event still will feature three eight-game qualifying rounds, but now the field will be cut to the top 24 athletes for round-robin match play after Round 3. Recent editions of the U.S. Open cut to the top 36 athletes after Round 3 with an additional eight-game round determining the top 24 for round-robin match play.

For 2023, 48-game totals, including bonus pins for each win in match play, will determine the nine finalists. Historically, the U.S. Open has featured 56 games.

U.S. Open competitors will battle some of the most challenging lane conditions in the sport while vying for a PBA major title, a spot in the tournament's long and storied history and the chance to wear the green jacket awarded to the winner.

Anthony Simonsen of Las Vegas is the defending champion at the U.S. Open

## **U.S. Open** continued from page 1

sino in Las Vegas from March 12 - July 18, 2022. The Open Championships is USBC's flagship tournament, an event that has brought thousands of teams to various host cities across the country 118 times since 1901.

Betts, meanwhile, has consistently been an ardent supporter of both USBC and Professional Bowlers Association tournaments. The Dodgers' all-star outfielder has maintained an average of right around 200 during 11 career PBA events.

Betts grabbed headlines in 2017 when he recorded a perfect game during qualifying-round action at PBA World Series of Bowling IX at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nevada.

It's hard to predict whether or not Betts will achieve similar success at the 2023 U.S. Open; nevertheless, scores aside, he's just excited and grateful for being granted the opportunity to compete in Indianapolis.

"I've always enjoyed competing alongside the PBA pros and the other top bowlers in the world. Getting to do so at a major championship with the history and prestige of the U.S. Open is going to make that even more special," Betts said. "I'm grateful to BPAA for giving me this opportunity, and I'm going to try to make the most of it."

Allen was disappointed about having to decline his exemption into the main field; nevertheless, he plans to make the most of his opportunity to compete in this year's U.S. Open PTQ.

"I regret not being able to bowl in the U.S. Open, but I'm still looking forward to the PTQ. It's always an amazing experience when you get to watch the best of the best at work. It doesn't matter whether it's on a stage, in a stadium or on the lanes," Allen said. "By bowling the PTQ, I won't just be watching the best; I'll be on the lanes bowling with them. I never thought that I'd get the chance to do something like this, so I'm very grateful."

Given all the positive attention and support that both Betts and Allen have helped create for bowling over the years, BPAA Executive Director Frank DeSocio thinks the exemptions are well deserved.

"Mookie Betts and Jimmie Allen are strong bowlers and tremendous ambassadors, and the work that they've done has benefitted the sport of bowling and bowlers all across the country for many years now," De-Socio said. "The BPAA is proud to reward them with the opportunity to be a part of the 2023 U.S. Open, and we know that the decision to do so is going to be among the many reasons why this year's tournament is one that competitors and fans will never forget." ven without Betts' and Allen's participation, this year's tournament will be unlike any other in U.S. Open history.

The 2023 U.S. Open will feature a pair of television shows with a major title and \$100,000 top prize being



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and is a four-time major champion on the PBA Tour. All rounds of qualifying and match play at the 2023 U.S. Open at Royal Pin Woodland will be streamed live on BowITV. The 2023 event marks the third time Woodland has hosted the U.S. Open, and the famed center is scheduled to host the tournament in 2024 and 2025 as well.

In addition to its history with the U.S. Open, including both the men's and women's event in 1996 (qualifying and match play, before the finals took place at Market Square Arena), Woodland has hosted countless PBA Tour stops and previous editions of the USBC Masters and Junior Gold Championships. To learn more about this year's tournament, visit the 2023 U.S. Open information page.



# Here's An Interesting Statistic...

# Winning The U.S. Open - By One Pin!

While searching twitter.com and Elon Musk's entries for the latest installment of "Twitter Files," I couldn't find any new entries from the likes of Matt Taibbi, Bari Weiss, Alex Berenson and others, so I decided to search for my other favorite topic - bowling news, within the content provided by members of the Twitter universe.

Typing in 'bowling news' brought me to an interesting page known as "The Bowling News Network," presented by bowlingballgalaxy.com. The very first tweet captured my attention with the following title: Five Times the U.S. Open Was Won By One Pin. This should be interesting, I thought to myself, as I couldn't even think of one title match that was decided by one pin.

Surprisingly, all five of the title matches decided by just one pin at the U.S. Open have been contested since the year 2000! (So much for my photographic memory). And here I was, all set to journey back in time to the days of the BPAA All Star Tournament (forerunner to the U.S. Open), to look at all those historical matches.

The first of the historic one pin matches was won by Robert Smith of Simi Valley, Calif., over Norm Duke, originally from Ft. Worth, Texas, but now living in Clermont, Florida. Suddenly my memory came back to me as I remembered Smith striking out in the tenth frame for a final score of 202, forcing Duke to get the first strike in the tenth. Duke left an 8 pin, spared and struck on the fill ball for a 201.

This would be the first of 7 PBA titles for Smith in a nine year span (2000-2008), in addition to one international title in the Philippines in 2010. While living in many different parts of the world, including Hawaii and Hong Kong, the 49 year old now resides in Oxnard, Calif., according to the official PBA website.

Not enough can be said about Norm Duke, who is without question one of the top ten bowlers of all time, as we have documented many times. With 40



by Dave Williams



Jakob Butturff (right) with former Miss USA Kimberly Pressler (2018)

national PBA titles, and one of only three bowlers to complete the Grand Slam of bowling (USBC Masters, PBA Tournament of Champions, U.S. Open and PBA World Championships), he remains a fan favorite wherever he goes with the familiar chant, 'Duke, Duke, Duke.' (The others to complete the Grand Slam of bowling are Mike Aulby and Jason Belmonte).

The next one pin title match at the U.S. Open came at the 2005 event, when Chris Barnes of Denton, Texas, narrowly missed leaving the 4-10 split in the tenth frame, when the 10 pin toppled at the last second. Barnes converted the 4 pin and struck on the fill ball for a 213-212 victory over Patrick Allen of Elmwood Park, New Jersey. Allen now runs the pro shop at the beautiful Parkway Lanes that's located in Elmwood Park, while Barnes still competes regularly on both the national and senior PBA circuits.

Single pin title match number 3 came in 2012. How could I ever forget this one? I certainly did not forget Pete Weber's famous announcement when he defeated Michael Fagan of Westbury, N.Y., by a score of 215-214: "Who do you think you are? I am!" Fagan put a halt to his pro bowling career in 2017. He is now the Director of Business Development for a company that owns bowling centers in Minnesota. Weber, a St. Louis native that we have reported on many times, is in the same rarified air as Norm Duke, with a career that has only been topped by the immortal Walter Ray Williams Jr., in titles and money earnings. He has made the U.S. Open and their storied difficult lane condition his personal priority, with a record 5 victories. His famous father, Dick Weber, and the legendary Don Carter are tied for second, each with 4 victories when the tournament was known as the BPAA All Star.

Jakob Butturff of Tempe, Arizona, has played a part in the last two one-pin matches, with defeats at the hands of Dom Barrett of Cambridge, England (207-206, at Wichita, Kansas, in 2018), and then to Chris Via of Springfield, Ohio (214-213, at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nevada, in 2021). In addition to his 7 PBA tournament victories, Jakob also has 3 Gold Medals in Team USA competition.

I can't help but wonder what young viewers of You-Tube in 25 years will think when they see all of the competitors at the 2021 U.S. Open wearing surgical masks. There doesn't appear to be any significance to wearing the masks, except that they all contain a major sponsor name or logo. There's also no mention by the announcers about the masks during the broadcast, as we had all become 'comfortably numb' about the process of wearing masks by that time.

Speaking of Pink Floyd, has anyone else noticed the bizarre correlation between the COVID-19 confusion and many of the lyrics in "Comfortably Numb?" Here are just a few:

I hear you're feeling down Well I can ease your pain I'll need some information first Just the basic facts Can you show me where it hurts?

Okay, okay, okay Just a little pinprick There'll be no more But you may feel a little sick You have become comfortably numb

It would appear that Pink Floyd was not only psychedelic, but also psychic.

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# Dave Williams article "where have all the bowling centers gone"

Dear Dave,

I enjoyed your recent article about the closing of many bowling centers in California. For me, most of my bowling memories were made at Regal Lanes in Orange Ca, which was sold to Toyota of Orange in or about 2000.

I didn't realize it at the time, but the massive 72 lane center was one of the nicer centers in Southern California, if not the country. As a teenager, Regal Lanes kept me out of trouble that too many young men find. Score keeping and being a pacer for the 6:00 pm leagues generated income to be blown on video games afterwards. In 1979, my second date with a beautiful girl (who is now my wife) included bowling in Regal's "Midnite madness", a Friday night staple at the time. I made friendships over the years that last to this day, from people who I met in leagues to Tom Long & Ken Wright who ran the Pro Shop. I shot my first 300 at Regal back in 1997, at a time when shooting 300 meant a writeup in the Bowling News. However, one surprise meeting at Regal sticks in my mind more than any other.

It was the Summer of 1980, a Friday night and of course me & some friends were hanging out at Regal. At this time, I was bowling in a league, averaging 140 and thinking I was pretty good. We noticed that there was some tournament going on at the high end of the house, so we went over to check it out. Turns out it was a 5-game scratch tournament and watching a few of the guys bowl, I suddenly realized that a 140 average was not so awesome. I looked down at the last pair, lanes 71 & 72 and was shocked to see someone from my work, a guy named Larry Nordstrom. I didn't know it, but Larry had spent a year on the tour and was well known in the Orange County bowling community. I watched his last 2 games and was in awe as he shot a couple of 220's. He was just this guy from work, how in the world could he be such a good bowler?

From that moment on, Larry became my bowling mentor. I constantly asked him questions and soaked up the answers I got from him. His teachings hurled me up the average ladder quickly to the point that I was able to soon bowl with him & a few of his pals in a Scratch league at LinBrook (Larry's unofficial home house, with his picture on the wall for a 300). Larry & I became good friends and as the years passed, I would often watch him at tournaments he bowled, and he would often show up at the leagues my wife & I were at. We got together for Super Bowl parties & athletic events, but at the core of it was our mutual enjoyment of bowling. When I shot that first 300 at Regal Lanes, Larry was there & it meant so much to me that he was. He also was there the first time I shot 800 and it too meant so much to me. To think, if I hadn't noticed him that evening at Regal lanes, we probably never would have had that connection.

Sadly, Larry passed a few years ago, but the memories he created with me & my family will be with us forever.

Patrick Buckley

What great memories! I was only at Regal Lanes one time, and only because I was driving by and saw the sign. Do you know Butch Soper? I believe that was his hang out for many years.

I'm probably going to write another "closed bowling center" article next week. Your comments are exceptional and will fit into the article nicely.

*My* question to you is: may I use your name and comments in the article?

I usually have something together by Friday/Saturday and can send you a a column on occasion)

rough draft that you can review. We can add or revise if you feel necessary.

If your answer is yes, give me some more information about Regal Lanes, or any others in that area. I'm not that familiar with Orange County. I lived in Burbank for about a year, so the San Fernando Valley was where I was based as a promotions specialist at AMF Rocket Bowl (by the Atlas missile assembly plant - Rocketdyne).

I've received 4 emails about this subject, and you are the second that has mentioned meeting your lifetime helpmate in a bowling establishment. Look forward to hearing from you.

Regards, Dave Williams

P.S. - What is BuildersAV? Are you in real estate? Construction?

Hi Dave, in your article in the 1/19/2023 issue you said you didn't have any closures for Arizona, the first one that comes to mind is Golden Pin Lanes in Tucson. It hosted many PBA events over the years. On my way to visit my daughter in California three years ago I got off the freeway to stop at the center and was shocked to see it closed.

Thanks for the articles you right every week, it helps me to keep track of a lot of old friends still in SoCal, I've been here in Ohio for over 30 years now.

Thanks again, Rich

The only complaint I have is I miss Carols Corner.

Golden Pin Lanes didn't actually close because of real estate values, but I think the owner (not Pete Tountas) was close to 90. He tried to sell it for \$2.8 million, but no offers. Finally the city stepped in and offered him \$3 million. The property is still vacant today, but they saved the fancy brick entrance, and of course the sign (why do they always save the sign?). Articles state that the city plans to keep those landmarks and incorporate them into the new building which will provide city services such as healthcare. There's a lot of stories about this on the internet (including many pictures) so it will be no problem incorporating Golden Pin Lanes into a future "closed bowling centers" article... probably next week.

Two questions for you --- would it be alright to use your name and comments in the article? I usually have something together by Friday/Saturday and I can send you a draft of the story and we can add or revise items if you feel necessary.

If that's okay, go ahead and give me more! Do you remember Pete Tountas? What a unique style, but he made it work.

What about Ohio? There must be many closures that you have witnessed over the past 30 years. I used to travel to Columbus often when I worked for AMF. They had a really big center in Columbus (Main Lanes), and another in Newark (Valley Lanes). There were also a couple of assembly plants there for the AMF machines. Most of the parts were made in Japan and China by that time, but they continued the assembly in Westerville and one other town (can't remember the name). Look forward to hearing from you.

Regards, Dave Williams

(Carol is retired and lives with her daughter in Talent, Oregon. She still writes a column on occasion)



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# **USBC Hall of Fame** continued from page 2

including a victory in the 2012 USBC Queens.

She starred at the University of Nebraska (1998-2002), where she was a two-time National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association first-team All-American and helped her team win a pair of Intercollegiate Team Championships titles.

Asbaty is a two-time U.S. Amateur champion (1999 and 2006) and a 15-time member of Team USA (1999-2013), where she collected more than 50 international medals.

The highlight of her professional career came in 2012 when she won the USBC Queens in Arlington, Texas. That win made up for her second-place finish in the 2007 version of the event. Her second title on the Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour came in 2022 in the Professional Bowlers Association/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles in Houston, where she partnered with PBA star EJ Tackett for the win. Asbaty also collected a pair of professional titles in PBA Women's Series events while the PWBA Tour was on hiatus.

At the USBC Women's Championships, Asbaty has posted 19 top-10 finishes with a best finish of second place in the 2008 Classic Team event. She also had a fifth-place finish in Regular Team at the USBC Open Championships in 2007.

Her other accolades include winning the 1998 Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow Award, being named two-time World Bowling Writers Bowler of the Year (2006 and 2007) and International Bowling Media Associaton Female Bowler of the Year (2012), and multiple Amateur Bowler of the Year awards from both the IBMA and Bowlers Journal International. She was inducted into the World Bowling Writers Hall of Fame in 2005 and continues to serve the sport as founder of the Elite Youth Tour.

Ferraro, a 63-year-old right-hander, left his mark during a career that saw him collect nine PBA Tour victories, including three majors.

Those majors included a pair of wins at the PBA Players Championship (1988 and 1991) and, in the most important win of his career, a victory in the 1990 Tournament of Champions at historic Riviera Lanes in Fairlawn, Ohio.

In addition to those major wins, Ferraro collected six additional PBA Tour titles between 1986 and 1994. His pair of wins in 1992, while also earning the George Young High Average Award and the Harry Smith Point Leader Award, propelled him to PBA Player of the Year honors.

Ferraro was inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 1997 and, in 2009, was voted 36th on the list of the PBA's 50 Greatest Players. In addition to Ferraro, the men's national ballot included Bryan Goebel of Shawnee, Kansas, Wes Malott of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Randy Pedersen of Orlando, Florida, and Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas.

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DOWNEY – The top pair of lanes featured a match between DV8 and Finishing Touch Floors. One leading the round, the other with a spot clinched playing for the top overall seed. The second pair of lanes was the same scenario, as Cal Bowl looked to move up to the top pair bowled against Family Ties who has already won a round and is looking to get the highest position in the playoffs that they can. These scenarios played out in the Brunswick Invitational on Monday night as the third round of the Brunswick Invitational passed the midway point.

DV8 came into their match against Finishing Touch Floors with a 14-1 record, but always seemed snake bit when taking on Ramsey Basurto and his team over the last couple of seasons. In the opener, Kyle Duster was locked in from the outset, missing only on the final ball, shooting a 296 game. And, even with that, it wasn't enough. Ramsey Basurto did his best to keep pace, shooting 258 to keep his team in the game. Solid scores from teammates Joe Pepitone and Vernon Adams were enough to get the win for Finishing Touch. DV8 stayed strong, and a 255 from Daniel Hong was enough to even the match for them at a game each. In the final game, Duster started striking again, shooting a 275 game for a 784 series. 211 from teammate Alejandra Urrutia was more than enough to complete the comeback, winning the game and totals. With the win, DV8 takes the match, 4-1 and improves to 18-2 for the round. Basurto continued bowling well all night for Finishing Touch, shooting a 720 series in defeat.

Cal Bowl improves to 15-5 with a 4-1 win over Family Ties. Family Ties got the opener, but the rest of the match belonged to Cal Bowl. Mikey Villarreal led Family Ties to the opening win with a team leading 232/608. For Cal Bowl, Ramon Torres had the hot hand. He led the pair by a wide margin, shooting 224-214-234/672. Cal Bowl will move up to the top pair next week, and will challenge DV8 for the lead.

Threadworks and led the way through the first two games, shooting 233 and 246. In the final game, Kevin Valmonte got locked in for 279 for a pair leading 669. With the big game, J.A.T. got the win and came back to win total pins, earning a 3-2 win for the match.

Three 200 games from Terry Henson was enough to lead U.S. Foods to a five game sweep over HB Complete Builders. His 649 series led the pair by 40 pins, besting teammate Gabriel Martinez who shot a 212/609. Christian Eichelkraut topped HB Complete Builders in the loss, shooting 233/595.

Bowlium improved their record to 10-10 for the found following a sweep of JK Inc. Arnold Cheesman finished his set for Bowlium with a 263 game for a 656 series to easily lead the pair. Ramiro Garcia added a 245/596 to help out.

The Professional Approach also got to 10-10 for the round. They swept all five from Westminster Lanes to even their record. Scott Silva rebounded from a tough opening game and finished with 242 and 222. Kevin Jones, subbing for the Professional Approach had the high game on the pair, shooting a 243 in the final game.

Don Julio Tequila got off to a quick start in their match against Bowling Guys on the final pair. Max Castillo shot a 211 game in the opener, leading Don Julio to a 39 pin victory. The next two games were close, but both went to the Bowling Guys, and they were able to pull out totals as well for a 4-1 victory in the match. Preston Epps led the pair, helping Bowling Guys to the wins, with 202/564.

Kyle Duster strung 11 strikes to win the first sidepot of the night with a 296 game. Ramsey Basurto took second place in the opening, shooting 258. Scott Silva earned the second sidepot, shooting a 242 game. JT Diso settled for second place with 230. Duster got back on track in the final game, winning the Super Pot, earning \$162 for his 275. Arnold Cheesman shot a 263 game to earn the runner up prize of \$81.

## **TOP 10 TEAMS ROUND 3**

DV818	U.S.Foods 11			
Cal Bowl15	Threadworks 11			
Forest Lanes 14	Allied Paving11			
Finishing Touch Floors\$\$ . 13	Junior Amateur Tour 10			
Family Ties\$ 12	Bowlium10			
TOP 10 THIS WEEK				

Kyle Duster	Arnold Cheesman656
Ramsey Basurto 720	Terry Henson649
Ramon Torres	Anthony Santos638
Kevin Valmonte669	Kevin Jones627
Chris Eguilos659	Daniel Hong 621

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Forest Lanes and Allied Paving both came into the next match with 10-5 records through three weeks. The opening game saw Allied Paving take an early lead in the match, winning by 58 pins. Edward Estrada led Allied Paving with a 215 game. In the middle game, JT Diso got hot for Forest Lanes, shooting a 230 to lead them to victory. The win was by only four pins, as Allied Paving retained their lead for totals. That lead wouldn't last though, as Forest took the final game by 82 pins, due largely to a 236 finale by substitute Kyler Orosco. With the big finish, Forest takes the match 4-1, improving to 14-6 for the round. Forest Lanes moves up to third place for the round and will bowl against Finishing Touch Floors who will be looking to rebound.

Threadworks took the first two games from J.A.T. on the next pair. Chris Equilos was subbing for

In addition to the second sidepot, Silva also took the Financial Advisors Pot for an additional \$160. John Struckman posted a 234 in the middle game for 2nd place and \$75.

Come down to Del Rio Lanes next week to check at the action in the Brunswick Invitational as the third round continues. The long oil will be on the lanes and the pressure is mounting as teams try to stay in contention for a playoff spot. Bowling starts at 8pm and we would love to see you here, watching the teams in the best scratch league around battle for the \$16,000 top prize.



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