Professional Bowler Angelina Ramsay Passes at 69

by Morgan Ramsay

POWAY – Angelina Ramsay née Ortega, a professional bowler on the Ladies Pro Bowlers Tour (LPBT), died at 69 on June 1, 2020, at her Poway home in San Diego County where she lived for 45 years. She died of metastatic breast cancer.

Angelina bowled live on ESPN in the final rounds of the 1992 LPBT Hammer Eastern Open in Baltimore. She was the favorite to win, leading the tournament until lane conditions famously caught up with her.

"Angelina Ramsay went 8-0 in match play and jumped from 18th to first after four rounds," reported the Chicago Tribune on October 13, 1992. Her opponents included Carol Gianotti, Leanne Barrette, Tish Johnson—all have since been inducted into the Professional Women's Bowling Association (PWBA) Hall of Fame. Angelina finished in 5th place, only 116 total pins behind Gianotti and nearly tied with Stacy Rider. Video: Angelina Ramsay vs. Stacy Rider.

Bowling results, 5C.

Ramsay hammers down lead

BALTIMORE — Angelina Ramsay went 8-0 in match play Monday and jumped from 18th to first after four rounds of the LPBT Hammer

Eastern Open.

Ramsay has 5,910 total pins, and is averging 218 over 26 games. Carol Gianotti, the winner last week at the LPBT event in Delaware, is 36 pins behind in second, helped by a 297 game which left her with a total of 5,874.

Florida Today, October 13, 1992

After moving to San Diego in December 1975, someone asked her, "Do you know how to bowl?" She replied, "Of course!" But she didn't, and in her haste to make new friends, she launched her pro career in 1976 at Clairemont



Angelina Ramsay

Bowl. By 1985, she was named Bowler of the Year by the <u>United States Bowling Congress</u>. Her career average was 212 or higher, including many 300 and 800 series games. She never had a coach, but she coached other bowlers, San Diego Chargers and Padres athletes, and local dignitaries such as a San Diego police chief and the wife of a San Diego mayor.

She recalled being a "tomboy" for much of her early life in the Philippines, climbing trees and fighting boys. Her mother was a dressmaker, but her father was a boxer turned guerrilla fighter during World War II. After the war, he served as the Provincial Postmaster in Luzon. She remembered that her family home, having the only TV in the neighborhood and food for everyone, was a pillar of community—before the dictator Ferdinand Marcos, seeking to punish his political enemies, seized their property.

Taking after her father, Angelina trained in martial arts, achieving a black belt in judo, and then at 21, the oldest of six siblings, she was the first and only continued on page 8

60 & Over Scratch Classic Sunday, June 14, 2020, 11am Canyon Lanes, Cabazon

CABAZON—There are still a few spots left for this tournament. Tournament is limited to 36 bowlers. Temperatures will be taken of everyone coming into this event just to be safe. They will be bowling on every other lane. The second 3 games will

be bowled on the lanes that were not bowled on for the first 3 games. This will be the second tournament for 60 and Over Scratch Classic. Any questions or to get signed up, contact Eddie Katz at 562/243-0175 or follow 60 and over Scratch Classic on Facebook.

Prather Outlasts Field To Win Fast-Paced Strike Derby

by Lucas Wiseman

JUPITER, Fla. – Kris Prather was able to slow down, take his time and put up just enough strikes in the final round to win the 2020 PBA Strike Derby on national television Saturday night.

Prather, who sat and watched Anthony Simonsen post a total of six strikes in two minutes, needed just seven to win the \$25,000 top prize and that's exactly what he did at Bowlero Jupiter.

Throughout the night, eight of the PBA Tour's biggest stars had two minutes in each round to throw as many strikes as possible. The night started with a seeding round before heading into a single-elimination bracket.

The special made-fortelevision event was an opportunity for the PBA to appeal to the masses in



2020 PBA Strike Derby Champion Kris Prather

a prime time, network TV time slot on FOX.

Unofficially on the night 213 strikes were tossed, well over the initial over/under set by FOX Bet of 196.5, as the players showed off their athleticism tossing strikes as quickly as they could. The 213 strikes came on 369 attempts, for

an overall strike percentage of 57.72%.

As the event came to the conclusion, Prather watched as Simonsen struggled in the final match. Simonsen got off 19 shots in the two minutes but just six of them struck. That took some of the pressure off Prather.

"I knew if he had 10 or 11 strikes, I was going to be trying to go back and forth as fast as I could," Prather said. "With how slow you have to throw it to get it to actually hook from that far left, if he would have struck any more than seven or eight, I probably would have struck less than what I did."

The show began with Sean Rash earning the top seed in the bracket after posting a score of 14 in the seeding round. He was followed by Kyle Troup (12), EJ Tackett (11), Prather (10), Bill O'Neill (9), Simonsen (9), Tommy Jones (9) and Shawn Maldonado (7). All ties were broken by highest string of strikes.

In the first round of the bracket, Rash defeated Maldonado, 10-5 and Troup took down Jones, continued on page 5

PWBA CANCELS 2020 TOUR SEASON

ARLINGTON, Texas

– The Professional Women's Bowling Association
(PWBA) has canceled its
2020 PWBA Tour season,
including its two major
events, the USBC Queens
and the U.S. Women's
Open.

The PWBA is a joint operation of the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America (BPAA) and the United States Bowling Congress (USBC), and leadership for both organizations determined workability concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic and varying nationwide restrictions would not allow the PWBA to conduct full-field tour events.

Several operational factors were considered, most importantly the feasibility of providing standardized health and safety protocols for PWBA Tour athletes and staff while traveling throughout the country during a time with constantly changing conditions. The PWBA made the decision now, so athletes, host centers and ball manufactur-



ers no longer would be in a holding pattern and can plan accordingly.

"When we looked at the way other professional sports leagues are resuming play, the consistent approach is regular testing while isolating athletes and staff from outside contact." USBC Executive Director Chad Murphy said. "Sadly. we do not see a workable way to operate a national tour in 2020 across varying venues and states in a manner that meets standards for a professional sports league."

Bowling centers are

facing varying regulations as they reopen from the shutdowns of the last few months. While many centers have started to reopen, some are operating at a limited capacity to follow state guidelines. With professional sporting events currently unable to operate with spectators, PWBA cannot provide its primary host center value of customer engagement through Bowl with the Pros events.

The potential restricted capacity of centers also would affect the ability of the PWBA Tour to conduct events. For the 2019 sea-

son, the PWBA averaged 78 competitors for each of its first three events, and the USBC Queens drew a field of 192 competitors.

The PWBA has discussed, and will continue to explore, the possibility of conducting special events later in 2020.

"We'll continue to explore the possibility of conducting PWBA events in 2020 for the players, the fans and the industry," BPAA Executive Director Frank DeSocio said. "If conditions improve to allow special events to be an

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BREAKPOINT — RAMSEY BASURTO The Man Synonymous with CBT

by Bette Addington, California Bowling Writers



(l-r): Troy Brooks--CBT Co-Owner, Elysia Basurto--CBT Co-Owner and digital marketing & software designer, Ramsey Basurto--CBT Co-Owner



If you are a bowler from Southern California, chances are you have heard of CBT (Competitive Bowling Tournaments). This organization was started in December, 2017, by best bowling buddies Ramsey Basurto and Troy Brooks who felt a need to get a tournament club started that was not only put on by bowlers for bowlers but could "make sure that the prize fund would always be guaranteed, and not just based on entries." Tough goal to achieve but these two took their initiative and ideas and ran with it.

This article is all about Basurto, although, one can't help but know that Brooks is close by in every aspect of what CBT does. Ramsey said, "Troy and I have become best friends and family thicker than blood. I would do anything for that man!"

Ramsey, 32, is a native Californian, born in Van Nuys, CA. He started bowling at age 7 and was drawn away from bowling, at age 15, to pursue Basketball in high school. But, the love of bowling came back at age 26 and he says he "has not put the ball down since." And it is evident, as this guy is everywhere! Try to follow him on Facebook, I dare you!!

So, what attracted him to the sport of bowling? He said, "I genuinely love the sport. To be honest, when I was invited to join the Del Rio Brunswick Invitational league, I fell back in love with the sport. The area that I live in does not have any competitive leagues or tournament." Although he does not, to date, have any bowling titles under his belt, his intense desire will not keep him from continuing to try. "During the past 18 months in particular, I have been attacking the sport working towards my goal of professional level competition." And, his interest in the sport, drives him to help others achieve that goal as well through the tournaments he organizes with CBT.

The first CBT event in December of 2017 was held at Keystone Lanes in Norwalk. From that modest beginning, CBT grew to hosting 34 events in 2019 in which they paid out \$154,521 in prize funds! So far this year they have already hosted 7 events and their plan is to host 33-36 for a total this year in spite of the Covid-19 hiatus. "We are eager to get back to work for our bowlers and to see everyone again, says Ramsey, "As soon as we are able, we will most likely host an event every weekend. We would like to get as close to our goal as possible." And, that, my friend, is something I'm sure you can be sure of! Staying true to his form, Ramsey has accomplished this feat where no one else has and has hosted two events already at Sunset West Bowling Center in St. George, UTAH! First one (CBT Beat the Board) was the weekend of May 23-24 and was a huge success. This past weekend, he hosted an event there again (CBT No Tap Beat the Board and another two-day event! See all results on CBTBowling.com.

When asked how he keeps this energy going to strive to keep CBT coming up with new events and all the planning it takes with centers, Ramsey said, "I know that we have to grind to get our name out there. I personally might push the team too much, but we have a perfect ying-yang effect on each other to keep us balanced. We want as many bowlers to experience CBT as possible because we believe that it is one of the best tournament experiences anyone will have." CBT's team includes Ramsey, co-owner Troy and Ramsey's wife Elysia who controls "the Tech behind it all and is the reason why we look so flashy with both an up-to-date App and Website. She runs live scoring during our events where bowlers can get real time results following each squad and then final tournament results posted with-in an hour of each event. I do not know anyone else who does that." Giving the bowlers what they want! That's what CBT strives for and accomplishes.

CBT bowler Michael Gomez stated, "CBT bowling, Ramsey, Elysia and Troy Brooks put out an amazing tournament that does test our skills on challenge shot or sport shot patterns. He (Ramsey) does so much for the bowling community between these tournaments and his online raffles as of late. I, myself, have won a couple of tournaments and have cashed out in dozens of others. The famcontinued on page 7



LAS VEGAS TO HOST 2022 USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Terry Bigham

ARLINGTON, Texas – The United States Bowling Congress Open Championships will head to Las Vegas in 2022 with the South Point Bowling Plaza serving as the host venue

The event previously was scheduled to be conducted in a newly built facility in Houston but because of business interruptions caused by COVID-19, the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority and USBC mutually agreed it is not feasible for Houston to host the event in 2022.

The Sports Authority planned to have a new building in a dynamic North Houston setting completed by January 2022. Plans had been approved and was on schedule until the economic disruption from the pandemic made the project timeline unworkable.

"The USBC is an incredible partner and we are disappointed that we will not be able to host this prestigious event," said Sports Authority CEO Janis Burke. "Our organizations put in years of planning on the building and event, but we hope to have a chance to host the USBC Open Championships in the future."

USBC and HCHSA plan to work toward a new agreement for Houston to host the Open Championships in the future. Currently, the next available date is 2028.

"We continue to believe Houston is an ideal city for the Open Championships and the partnership with the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority has been strong through these unexpected challenges," USBC Executive Director Chad Murphy said. "Thankfully, South Point in Las Vegas stepped up to provide their amazing venue for 2022, once again showing tremendous support for our tournament bowlers." With the schedule change, the Open Championships will be conducted at the South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas in 2021 and 2022. The event is the world's largest participatory event, attracting over 50,000 bowlers who compete over a four-month period.

Visit <u>BOWL.com/OpenChamp</u> for more information on the Open Championships.

BOWLING CALENDAR

SPECIAL NOTICE: PLEASE CHECK WITH EACH EVENT IF YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE TO BE SURE THE CENTER IS OPEN FOR THE EVENT

JUNE

by Bette Addington

- USBC Open Nationals, National Bowling Stadium, Reno, NV—POSTPONED to Sept. 12 Nov. 21 (2021 will be in Las Vegas, NV)
- USBC Women's Nationals, SouthPoint, Las Vegas, NV—POSTPONED to Sept. 19 Oct. 18, bowl.com (2021 will be in Addison, Illinois)
- 6-12 Suncoast PBA Sr. US Open, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas—CANCELED
- 13 Silver Foxes Doubles Tournament, 10:30am check-in; bowl at 12 noon, Rodeo Lanes, Clovis, 559/381-0356—CANCELED
- 13 BB&K's Scratch 6 Game Triple Knockout, presented by Parkin's Bowling Supply, 11am, Victor Bowl, Victorville, 909/450-9415
- 13 CBT's No Tap Singles/Doubles, Bowlium, Montclair, squads at 10/12/2/4/6, 661/418-8007, cbtbowling.com
- 13 PBA Summer Clash, Bowlero Jupiter, FL, 3pm-5pm, FOX
- 13-14 CUSBC 2020 State Convention, Hotel Piccadilly, Fresno—CANCELED
- 13-14 Storm Youth Championships, Western Bowl & Expo Bowl, Indianapolis, stormbowling.com—CANCELED
 - 14 60 & Over Scratch Classic, 11am, Canyon Lanes, Cabazon, 562/243-0175
 - 14 BB&K's Scratch 8 Gamer #2, 10am, Arlington Lanes, Riverside, (MUST PRE-PAY Drew Parkin/60 bowler limit), 909/450-9415—POSTPONED to July 12
- 20 CA Women's 500 Club's 2020 Princess Tourn., Buena Lanes, Ventura, Gloria hess@outlook.com—CANCELED
- 28 HammerPins Summer Scratch 8 Gamer Singles, 10am, Stars Rec. Ctr., Vacaville, 707/631-1331

- 2-6 Bowl Expo, Gaylord Rockies Hotel & Conv. Ctr., Denver, CO—CANCELED
- 5 BB&K's Scratch 6 Gamer, 9am & 3pm, Bowlium, Montclair, 909/450-9415
- 5 PBA/PWBA Mixed Doubles presented by Go Bowling!, 4pm, FS1
- 6-9 Turbotech Collegiate Expo, Las Vegas—CANCELED
- 7-12 PWBA Las Vegas Open, Sam's Town, Las Vegas—CANCELED
- 8-12 USA Bowling Youth National Championships, Texas Station, Las Vegas—CANCELED
- 8-26 Youth Open Championships, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas—CANCELED
- 11-26 CUSBC 2020 Youth State Championships, Forest Lanes, Lake Forest—CANCELED
 - 11 EBI Harley Valley Bowl Scratch 6 Gamer Singles, 5pm, Harley's Valley Bowl, Simi Valley, 805/415-7018
 - 12 BB&K's Scratch 8 Gamer #2, 10am, Arlington Lanes, Riverside, 909/450-9415

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Here's What We Might Expect Once Bowling Centers Are Open - UPDATE

by Dave Williams

Last month we took a look at what bowling centers in other parts of the country have done as they reopen following the COVID-19 forced closures, and what we might expect in our locations as the restrictions are loosened. I reached out to Executive Strike and Spare Lanes in Louisville, Kentucky, to get an update on their progress.

General Manager Jason Uchwal reports that things are progressing nicely, as their company shares experiences from among their 14 locations in 4 different states. "Every state has different challenges, and here at Executive Strike and Spare we have been able to advance as the state allows us to reopen," states Uchwal.

When asked about the physical changes that we alluded to in our earlier article, Jason confirmed that all were in some form of progression. "Rather than open every other lane, we have revised and enhanced that procedure to provide no more than 10 people within a 4 lane section. This means that a family of five or more can bowl without abusing the tentative restriction," says Uchwal.

Protective screens have been erected at all the registers at the reception desk and the snack bar/restaurant areas. As of this week, the state of Kentucky has not yet allowed for the reopening of the bars at bowling centers. "Cleanliness has become a priority and we have exceeded the recommendations for wiping down video games, equipment and house bowling balls," according to Jason. "Our employees are required to wear face masks and we check their temperature before every shift - 100.3 degrees are the maximum allowed. We recommend that customers wear face masks, but it is no longer a requirement for them."

League bowling has not yet resumed, but Mr. Uchwal says that they have a couple of options for their patrons once league play begins... bowling on just one lane, or bowling on two lanes in the traditional format. In either instance, only one team is permitted, and the adjoining lanes will be vacant. The size of Executive (52 lanes with an additional 10 lanes in a private party area) provide a special advantage for Jason, as he explains, "We are essentially operating as a 32 lane center, even though we have a total of 62 lanes."



The 71st Louisville Derby Bowling Tournament is underway, and continues through August 30th. The event is usually held during the time of the Kentucky Derby (horse racing), which this year has been postponed until September 5th.

Many of you that have been involved in bowling for quite a while might remember Executive as one of the higher scoring centers in history prior to the advent of the Limited Distance Dressing Rule ("short oil"). The 1984 World Almanac reports three Louisville bowlers among the top twenty 300 game keglers in history: Ronnie Graham (15), Ron Woolet (13) and Jim Ewald Jr. (12). Uchwal says that Ron Woolet still comes in to bowl on occasion, but he only knows Graham and Ewald from reputation.

Jason is looking forward to the summer when Executive holds a nationally acclaimed event, the 71st Annual Derby Tournament, comprised of team, doubles and singles events. Entry forms and additional information are available at their website: executive.strikeandspare.com.

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SABC Mixed Doubles Will Be Held As Scheduled This Summer

by Lucas Wiseman

The sport of bowling got some positive news Tuesday night when the PBA/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles announced it will proceed with the 2020 event as scheduled.

The mixed doubles is set for July 30-Aug. 2 in Houston at Copperfield Bowl and will be broadcast live on FloBowling.

The announcement comes in light of months of news of bowling events being postponed or canceled amid the coronavirus pandemic.

Details as to any adjustments to the mixed doubles to adhere to social distancing guidelines have not yet been announced.

In a Facebook post Tuesday, event organizers said:

"We know you have questions, but the most important one is answered first.......SABC Mixed Doubles is a go for July 30th - August 2nd. Rosters/Squads will be posted by June 8th.

"We are still working on the adjustments that need to be made due to the current environmental issues. Please bear with us until we can post more information."

The PBA/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles will celebrate its 21st anniversary this year. Over that span, the event has raised more than \$1 million in the fight against breast cancer.



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12-10. The other two matches finished tied and were decided by the highest string of strikes. Simonsen tied Tackett with 12 but had a five-bagger to Tackett's four-bagger, while Prather and O'Neill tied at 9 with Prather having a four-to-three edge in strings.

Simonsen defeated Troup, 13-12, in the semifinals, while Prather advanced with an 8-7 win over Rash.

The PBA Strike Derby was the first event back for the PBA since the PBA World Championship show on March 15. The PBA will once again be on FOX (United States) and FloBowling (international) on June 13 at 3 p.m. for the 2020 PBA Summer Clash.



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Practical Suggestions For Bowling Proprietors When Re-Opening After The Pandemic

by Frank Weile

BOWLING will "RE-BOOT". Knowing that, knowing that the best of times, the best of Bowling Times are ahead: WHAT SHOULD BOWLING PROPRIETORS DO WHEN RE-OPENING?

Bowling proprietors must be prepared for a variety of issues never encountered before. What should be done to protect bowlers? How and when should proprietors communicate with their bowlers? What should be done if a bowler tests positive for coronavirus? How worried should other bowlers be regarding the health risks of bowling in our current environment?

A proprietor needs to have a PLAN before reopening. The plan should include safety and preventive measures, employee training and written protocols describing actions to be taken when and if the coronavirus strikes their bowling center. The plan should include scheduled meetings with all league bowlers describing the centers new policies, protocols and operating procedures. Also, bowlers must be briefed on their duties and responsibilities.

Before opening doors to the public, proprietors should install the necessary safety materials for the safety of employees and bowlers. This may include the installation of safety screens, no-touch thermometers, sanitizer dispensers, mask dispensers and other equipment required by the local county and city health departments. Proprietors should contact local health officials for guidelines prior to reopening.

All employees should then be briefed on the new safety policies, protocols and operating procedures prior to reopening. All the new policies, protocols and operating procedures should be prominently displayed throughout the bowling center.

Once a bowling center is equipped with the materials and equipment necessary to ensure the safety of employees and bowlers it will be time to communicate with its bowlers. At this point a proprietor should invite all league bowlers to the bowling center for in-person meetings to describe and explain the new safety policies, protocols and operating procedures. All league bowlers should be required to attend such a meeting prior to being allowed to bowl in a league. No exceptions. A written record should be made of what was discussed at each league meeting and who was in attendance. Proprietors should be prepared and willing to answer all questions and concerns of their

league bowlers. A local USBC representative may be invited to attend such meetings.

As mentioned above, the league meetings with bowlers should describe the centers new policies, protocols and operating procedures. These new policies, protocols and operating procedures should include educating the bowlers about wearing masks, washing hands and limiting what they touch. Reasons should be provided for every policy, protocol and operating procedure. Proprietors should explain the responsibilities of every bowler and the necessity for transparency.

Each league meeting should address what needs to be done when a bowler tests positive for coronavirus. This makes things less stressful and promotes an atmosphere of trust and openness. Unless everyone signs on and is committed to protecting everyone else no one will be safe. A written draft of the new center policies, protocols and operating procedures should be provided every bowler.

What should be done if a bowler tests positive for the coronavirus? A bowler who tests positive for the coronavirus should notify his or her bowling proprietor and the bowlers they have been in contact with. When a proprietor is notified of a bowler testing positive for the virus, he or she should call a meeting with the other league bowlers to notify them. The proprietor should then contact county health officials and notify them. County health officials are notified so that all the bowlers who came in contact with the bowler who tested positive can be tested and all of their contacts traced and tested so as to isolate those testing positive. This is the necessary transparency I referred to above. Transparency is the key to protecting our league bowlers. It is very important that proprietors ensure their bowlers understand the importance of everyone reporting if they test positive.

It is the responsibility of everyone, including bowlers, to submit to a contact tracing process when they test positive. In California it is unnecessary to be concerned about the cost of testing or medical care for the coronavirus. The state will pay for both regardless of a bowler's immigration status.

No one is compelled to tell anyone else they have tested positive for the coronavirus if they haven't been near anyone else. If a bowler tests positive but has not been bowling, he or she need not notify his or her proprietor or other bowlers. There are good reasons for this. First, to avoid being stigmatized and branded as a carrier or unhealthy. Second, to avoid other persons from panicking. People are prone to unnecessary fear and stress when they feel they are at risk.

Bowlers should not be overly concerned about contracting the coronavirus. If everyone follows established safety procedures and protocols and everyone who tests positive for the virus notifies his or her proprietor and their fellow bowlers, there is no need to panic. If everyone knows we are in this together and that everyone's safety is in the hands of everyone else there is nothing to be afraid of. Transparency will allow local health officials to control the virus and it's spread.

It is important to educate employees and bowlers that for most people the coronavirus only causes mild or moderate symptoms. Healthy people usually only experience fever and cough that clear up in two to three weeks. However, older adults and those with existing health problems are at greater risk for serious complications. These complications may include pneumonia and death. The good news is the Federal Government recently reported that a two step vaccine may be available by January or February of 2021.

Bowling will not be the same, like it was before this pandemic. But we should be confident that "BOWLING WILL BE BACK BETTER THEN EVER".

Good luck and now let's "RE-BOOT" BOWLING.

NOTE: I am not a legal or medical expert. My suggestions are not meant as legal or medical advice but merely some commonsense suggestions for a Bowling proprietor to consider prior to and during the initial stages of reopening for business. Because I am a league bowler, my suggestions primarily concern actions affecting the safety and wellbeing of league bowlers.

Congratulations Bob Johnson (Former California Bowling News Editor)

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ily that we created while bowling comes as a second family, we all have as much passion for the game as the next. Anyone from an amateur bowler to a high-level bowler can compete in his tournaments because I believe anyone has a chance to win, all depends on some luck that's for sure, but it's really a fun, relaxed atmosphere."

CBT events are centered mostly in the Southern California centers. With having one every weekend, they have to stay close to home although they do travel and have events over in Las Vegas occasionally. CBT loves Surf Bowl in Oceanside which is "why our annual CBT Cup will be hosted there for the second year in a row."

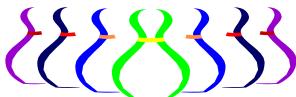
CBT Sponsors are also a big part of their success: 900 Global and Brooklyn Ball Reviews. Added Ramsey, "I would like to thank Craig Elliott for giving us the opportunity to represent 900 Global and giving some great equipment to our bowlers. Also sending a thank you to Nick Pollack, owner of Brooklyn Ball Reviews/Putting the Creativity Back into Bowling for joining us for the 2020-21 season. They are amazing at creating custom designs to order for our bowlers to sport anywhere and our Champions are always so excited to pick out one of the custom Champion designs Nick and his team created just for CBT." During this Covid-19 Pandemic and social distancing, CBT has even stepped up their efforts by offering "Ramsey's Raffles" where Ramsey is live on Facebook weeknights and spins a wheel and those who wish to participate can win gift cards from local pro shops. Just another way CBT stays in touch with its bowlers as well as sparks the interest of gaining new ones. How many other organizations do you know of take the time to be creative enough to do something like this?

Basurto looks into the crystal ball as he "plans to continue to grow and build our brand. As I look to the future, I have ambitions of hosting events that guarantee \$20,000+ prize fund, increasing sponsorships, and holding events in other states and signing a Staffer to the CBT brand." His own personal plans are in synch with CBT. "My plans are to be the best husband and father I can. My personal bowling goals are to win a PBA title (win an Eagle) and bring more juniors to the sport of bowling and continue to grow the sport," said Ramsey.

Hold on.... this Saturday, June 13, is the CBT's No Tap Singles/Doubles event at Bowlium in Montclair with squads at 10/12/2/4/6. Added incentive for any bowler who shoots the first 300 in Game 1 wins their choice of a Brooklyn Ball Reviews jersey or backpack. Spots are still open and "no" you do not have to bowl doubles, you can just bowl singles if you want.

If you would like to learn more about CBT or contact Ramsey Basurto, go to "CBT (Competitive Bowling Tournaments)" on Facebook or www.cbtbowling.com, or contact Ramsey at 661/418-8007.

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We're still on!

Greetings from Las Vegas!

August 5, opening day of the August Military Team Classic is just 2 1/2 months away and on this date we are proceeding business as usual.

The world has learned that it is hard to run a business when so much is out of your control. We are no different as we sit waiting to hear from the powers-to-be on when - and how - bowling will open in Las Vegas.

Optimistically, we think it will and we will be able to run the tournament. So unless we are told otherwise, we are preparing for thousands of bowlers to attend!

Shortly, when information becomes official we will send every entrant a direct mail piece containing all the plans for the event. We are hoping that letter can be mailed in mid-June.

Until then, be safe and healthy and we will touch base with you again soon!

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We Stand With You

by FloBowling Staff

The events of the last week have been tremendously painful to us all.

The murder of George Floyd was appalling and our hearts break for his family.

To our friends and families in the FloSports community we want you to know, no matter your race - you are valued, you are seen, you are heard. We are with you.

In these difficult times, it is more important than ever that we stand together - as friends & families, as athletes & coaches, as one community & as one nation.

There is no stronger bond than those formed with your brothers & sisters in sports.

We are best when we share a common purpose and live as one team.

FloSports is committed to equality and the fair treatment of every citizen of this country.

We will not accept prejudice in our community and will use our platform to celebrate Black athletes and coaches to amplify their stories, their lives, and their experiences.

We will continue to listen to each other and look inward to improve our own culture.

In our commitment to be part of the solution, FloSports will be donating to rebuild communities that have been broken by these tragic events. More to come.

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Ortega child to immigrate to the United States. Two years later, in 1974, she married the love of her life in Maryland. She became a naturalized citizen and proud American in 1979, a mother in 1980, and a mother of two in 1986. She also spent 16 years with the United States Postal Service in clerk and supervisory roles.

Angelina is survived by her husband of 46 years, Leigh Ramsay; her daughter, Leilani Sigel, and son-in-law, Ryan Sigel; her son, Morgan Ramsay; her brothers, Rogelio Ortega and Buenaventura Ortega; her sister, Lealinda Ortega; her brothers-in-law, Paul Ramsay, Craig Ramsay, and Bruce Ramsay; her sister-in-law, Sue Bly; and many nieces and nephews across the United States and in the Philippines.

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option for the PWBA, we want to find a way to make that happen."

The 2020 PWBA Tour season was scheduled to start April 23 with the PWBA Tucson Open at Lucky Strike Bowl in Tucson, Arizona, but the PWBA announced the indefinite postponement of the 2020 season on March 16.

The PWBA Tour relaunched in 2015 after a 12-year hiatus. It continues to draw competitors from throughout the world each and has held 14 events each season since 2016. Twenty-seven athletes have won a PWBA title during the tour's five seasons since its relaunch.

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DOWNEY - The tradition of the Brunswick Invitational League was continued on Monday night as the 29th season came to an end. On this night we saw the team of Erickson Foods battle against the Forest Lanes team. In addition to the excitement about to unfold on the lanes, there was drama throughout the day as well, as Forest Lanes saw one of their bowlers fight off several events on his way to the match. Mike Nakunz woke up in Atlanta, Georgia. Spent some time in the ER due to bronchitis and two cracked ribs, made it to catch his flight home. only to find it delayed, and wound up at Del Rio Lanes right as the first frame was beginning. Exciting to say the least.

The match was a best of five event using all four of the different lane patterns that were bowled on during the season.

Game one found the teams bowling on the second round pattern, the short oil. Scores are always low on this pattern and tonight was no exception.

Bobby Campagnale led Erickson Foods with 224 but it wasn't enough to keep up with Forest Lanes.

29th Brunswick Invitational Erickson Foods Wins 3 to 1

by Mike Cammarata



Randy Myers, Bobby Campagnale, Raul "Spanky" Rosales, Jason Buenviaje & Brian Main
759 behind never made it back to the lanes played very tough. Raul Rosales and Bobby

Forest put up 759 behind consistentscoring from Jon Diso, Zack Jellsey and Mason Sherman.

Game 2 was bowled on the long oil, third round condition. It was a back and forth match, that came down to the final bowler. Mason Sherman got up in the 10th frame needing all three strikes just to tie the game. Mason got the first two strikes, but the third ball got a little wide and never made it back to the pocket. Erickson Foods dodged a bullet and took their four pin win into game three, with the match tied at one each.

The third game of the night was on the U.S. Open pattern that is used for the 4th round. The fourth round is the one that Forest Lanes won, to gain their spot into the playoffs.

On this night though, it wasn't as good to them. The

lanes played very tough, and while the game was close at the halfway point, it didn't end that way. Erickson Foods opened up a lead and won by 112 pins to get within one win of the championship.

The fourth game turned out to be the final game of the season. We had moved to a pair oiled with the house shot, which always means big scores. Tonight, those big scores went to

Campagnale. Both started with long strings of strikes. It put Forest Lanes on the defensive and they were chasing pins throughout the game. Still, Forest managed to hang in there and still were within reach heading into the final frames. On the house shot though, it's hard to make up sticks without stringing strikes and the carry just wasn't there for Forest Lanes.

It pretty much ended with the third bowlers in the 10th frame when Zack Jellsey left a nine pin, while Raul Rosales tripped out a spare that looked like a lock to be chopped.

First place for the season was proudly advertised at \$18,000 and the runner ups were to receive \$10,000 on this night. It seems that both teams hedged their bets a little, not quite wanting the risk of leaving with only \$2,500 per man I suppose. Was it a lack of confidence in their teammates or a fear of the other squad? We'll never know. I think the split wound up being \$15,200 for the winners and \$12,800 for the runners up, after the negotiating was done before bowling.

It was another incredible season at Del Rio Lanes and the phones are already ringing daily regarding teams for next year. Do you have yours? Follow the ads during the summer to get involved in the greatest scratch league in southern California.

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As for us, we're already looking forward to year number 30 in September.