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AMERICAN WOMEN WIN GOLD, MEN BRONZE IN TEAM EVENT AT 2025 IBF WORLD CUP

by Gene J. Kanak

HONG KONG – Team USA finished up its run at the 2025 International Bowling Federation World Cup in style, winning the Women’s Team gold medal and the Men’s Team bronze during Tuesday’s arena-setting finals at Queen Elizabeth Stadium in Hong Kong.

Since team competition only began at the World Cup starting with the 2022 event in Queensland, Australia – the tournament only awarded singles medals from 1965-2019 – Tuesday’s win marked the first time in program history that the Team USA women earned World Cup team gold.

The American women’s squad of Bryanna Coté of Tucson, Arizona; Jillian Martin of Stow, Ohio; Shannon Pluhowsky of Dayton, Ohio, and Lauren Russo of Ballwin, Missouri, entered bracket match play as the No. 3 seed, but by the time the final balls were thrown on Tuesday, they stood alone atop the podium.

The Team USA ladies began their historic march to victory with a 3-1 semifinal win over No. 7 Singapore.

The bout began with the Americans striking six times in the first eight frames en route to a 222-183 victory, but Singa-

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Members of Team USA pose with their medals at the conclusion of the team finals at the 2025 IBF World Cup in Hong Kong. The women won gold while the men earned bronze. Back row (from left to right): Shannon Pluhowsky of Dayton, Ohio; Jillian Martin of Stow, Ohio; Lauren Russo of Ballwin, Missouri; and Bryanna Coté of Tucson, Arizona. Front row (from left to right): Packy Hanrahan of Wichita, Kansas; Chris Via of Blacklick, Ohio; Matt Russo of Ballwin, Missouri; and Kristopher Prather of Romeoville, Illinois. Learn more about each group’s medal-winning performance by clicking here: <https://hubs.ly/Q032wZkM0>

IT’S TACKETT’S TIME

After two straight Player of the Year seasons, EJ Tackett’s stature as the man to beat is undeniable. Now what?

by Nolan Hughes



EJ Tackett’s past two seasons have elevated his status, in the words of PBA Tour Commissioner Tom Clark, into the pantheon.

Seven titles. Four major No. 1 seeds in a single season. Three major titles. Two Player of the Year honors. Two High Average awards, including the second-highest of all time. A Hall of Fame-worthy career in about 18 months.

If you ask him about these past two years — *What has been working*

so well? What changed in your physical or mental game? What do you make of your recent successes? — he will provide some nondescript answer along the lines of “I’m just bowling really well.”

Occasionally, if you pester him with those same questions long enough, his understandable annoyance by your singular focus on his 2023 and 2024 seasons will come to the forefront.

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Liz Johnson & Marianne DiRupo Join PWBA Hall Of Fame

by Dave Williams

An honor that has long been overdue will become reality in 2025 with the induction of Liz Johnson and Marianne DiRupo to the PWBA Hall of Fame. One of the reasons for the delay in honoring these two amazing talents was the disruption of professional women's bowling from 2003 to 2015.

What might have been accomplished by these two fine athletes during those missing twelve years remains a mystery. For DiRupo, it essentially ended her career, with her final victory coming at the 2002 Players Championship, one of the major events on the women's tour.

Two years after the demise of the women's tour, DiRupo came back to win the 2004 USBC Queens, one of only two professional events for women that would continue every year (the other was the U.S. Open). In all, DiRupo won five regular titles and 3 majors. She held the record for 300's on the women's tour for many years, including four in one event at the 1998 Sam's Town Invitational.

For Johnson, what might have been is the only cliché to explain a career cut short by those twelve years. From 1996 to 2002, Johnson amassed a total of eleven titles, including two majors. She added two U.S. Open titles (2007 and 2013) and two USBC Queens titles (2009 and 2015) during the lean years when there was no professional tour for women.

Then beginning in 2015 she continued her winning ways on the newly formed PWBA tour, with a victory at Detroit, and yet another title at the U.S. Open at North Brunswick, N.J. Since then, she has added 8 more championships to her resume, giving her a total of 25, good for fourth on the all time list.

Another bowler that was greatly affected by the loss of years without women's professional bowling during her prime, Leanne Hulsenberg, sits in third place on the all time list with 27 victories, topped only by Aleta Sill (31) and Lisa Wagner (32).

Johnson holds a commanding lifetime lead in the majors, with a total of ten. Her closest rival is Dotty Fothergill, who captured 6 majors during the 1960's and 70's. Following her are four of the all time greats, each with 5 majors: Donna Adamek, Kelly Kulick, Patty Costello, and Aleta Sill.

Have You Ever Been To Succasunna?

Marianne DiRupo spent most of her life in Succasunna, New Jersey. It's an unincorporated city in Morris County with a population of a little over 10,000 inhabitants. The town is known for an abundance of sunflowers during the months of August and September, including a world renowned "Sunflower Maze." It's also home to world famous wrestling star Tito Santana, who taught Spanish and Physical Education at a local middle school until retiring from teaching in 2023.

In spite of DiRupo's close proximity to my home, and the fact that she was a member of the AMF Staff of Champions (after I had left AMF), I don't ever remember meeting her during my travels. In conversation with Joyce Brokling, director for the Morris County USBC, I learned that Marianne spent all of her time bowling at Circle Bowl-Ledgewood. That would make sense, because I had been employed by owners of competitive centers over the years in Dover, East Hanover and Rockaway.

Joyce sent me a list of DiRupo's accomplishments in Morris County, requiring a very long spread sheet. One of the items that caught my eye was her league bowling average improvement, from a 198 during her first adult season in 1986, to a 240 average (for 78 games) in 2007 that was the highest recorded in the nation. Marianne was elected to the Morris County USBC Hall of Fame in 2006. Her accomplishments are too numerous to be included!



Liz Johnson and Marianne DiRupo

Marianne will always be remembered for her intense style while competing in events that can still be viewed on YouTube. She now resides in Matthews, N.C. (near Charlotte), where she provides instruction to bowlers, which has always been her passion (dirupobowling.com).

The Legend That Is Liz Johnson

What can you say about a legend, that's still bowling! Her most incredible accomplishment has to be the 10 major titles, as listed below:

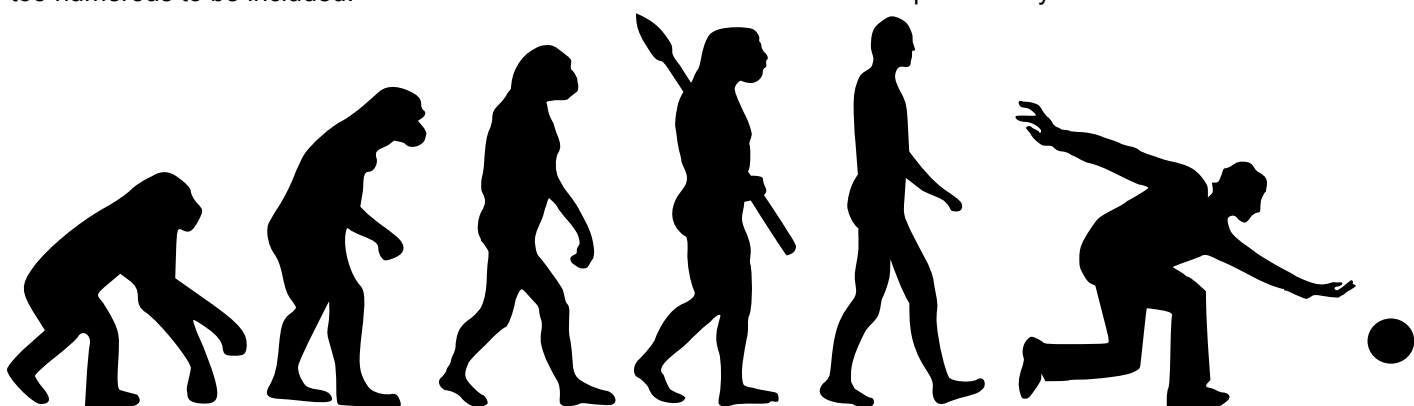
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- 2017 Players Championship
- 2017 U.S. Women's Open

It's interesting to note that Johnson was a standout softball pitcher during her youth, in Cheektowaga, N.Y. She won a total of 60 games in high school. Other notable baseball pitcher/bowlers include Don Carter, Johnny Petraglia and Earl Anthony. And let's not forget world famous horseshoe pitcher Walter Ray Williams Jr., dominating for many years a sport that requires a similar motion to bowling and softball.

Johnson won the 1992 Coca-Cola Youth Bowling Championships in the Girl's Scratch Division. She attended Morehead State University, where she won both the Rookie of the Year and Collegiate Bowler of the Year Honors. She stayed in college for only one year, as she was determined to make professional bowling her career, and as quickly as possible.

Both Marianne DiRupo (1992) and Liz Johnson (1996) won the PWBA Rookie of the Year honor, cementing at an early age their career path in bowling, for many years to come...

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BOB CORRIGAN Senior "Bowler of The Week"

by Frank Weiler

REDLANDS – This week Bob Corrigan topped all the **JOE BOWLER's** in the Golden Agers senior league and as a result he is Senior "Bowler of The Week". Bob not only rolled the High Scratch Series (216-258-204=678) of the week he also rolled the High Scratch Game (258). This dual high doesn't happen every week so Bob's accomplishment made his selection for this week's award easy.

Bob's selection was long overdue since he regularly rolls high scores. Trouble is he is consistently good but usually second fiddle to someone else's top score. It always happens that if Bob bowls 650, **JOE BOWLER** bowls 651! Not this week. This week Bob topped everyone including **JOE BOWLER**.

It is no surprise that Bob topped the scoreboard this week because he has been an **ELITE bowler** for decades. His resume includes many honor scores and league awards.

Bob is a "smooth operator" on the lanes with a style similar to PBA Hall of Famer **David Ozio**. Mister Ozio has been recognized for decades as the number one stylist to ever compete on the Professional Bowlers Tour. Bob Corrigan fits the Ozio mold.

Bob's current 192 league average ranks in the **TOP FIVE** averages of the Golden Agers League. Just another indicator of Bob's excellence as a bowler. Also, his high scoring and consistent scoring is primarily responsible for his team, "The Sharks", having the league best record of 46-13.

Congratulations to Bob Corrigan for his selection as Senior "Bowler of The Week". Your bowling exploits again prove that "**CALIFORNIA BOWLERS ARE THE BEST BOWLERS IN THE WORLD**".



Bob Corrigan

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pore fired back during Game 2, using a late double to top Team USA, 190-186, and even the match.

That was as much ground as the ladies in red, white and blue were willing to give up, however, as they used a clutch four-bagger in frames five through eight to win Game 3 by a score of 223-205 and then took advantage of three open frames from Singapore to take Game 4 by a count of 224-172 to win the match and officially earn their shot at the Women's Team gold medal.

Standing in their way would be top-seeded Malaysia, which cruised to victory during the other women's semifinal, sweeping No. 5 Macao by scores of 202-184, 211-178 and 205-176 to punch its own ticket to the gold-medal match.

Whereas the quarterfinal- and semifinal-round matches were best-of-five affairs, the women's finals format was best of three, so getting off to a solid start was crucial.

The Team USA ladies did just that, staying clean and using key strikes in the ninth frame and during the first two shots in the 10th to take the opener by a final score of 214-195.

But as expected, Malaysia wasn't ready to go down without a fight, a fact that was made clear as it used a closing five-bagger to rally for a 222-211 victory during Game 2 to even the match and leave the Women's Team gold medal riding on the outcome of one final game.

Like the two that preceded it, the third game was a nip-and-tuck affair, but Team USA used clutch doubles in the sixth and seventh and ninth and 10th to grind its way to a 198-176 victory to win the match and its first World Cup Women's Team gold medal.

Malaysia claimed silver while both Macao and Singapore earned bronze.

Given the wide range of ages and international experience levels represented on the Team USA women's roster at this year's World Cup, that medal meant different things to each of the four athletes who competed in Hong Kong.

For Pluhowsky, the most veteran women's team member at 42 years old and with 25 years of Team USA experience under her belt, the answer was simple.

"Team USA had a strong performance this week," Pluhowsky said. "It started with all of us making the bracket in singles and then coming away with a medal. Then, when the team event started, we were able to compile what we learned through singles to help us advance to the bracket.

"Today, we just tried to have fun and enjoy the moment, staying focused on ourselves and making quality shots. It feels great to be World Cup champions."

Despite coming at things from the other end of the spectrum at just 20 years old and with three years of Team USA experience, Martin's feelings were largely the same.

"Being a world champion is an amazing feeling, something that you dream about a lot," Martin said. "Obviously, we came here to win gold, so it's great that we were able to achieve that. But it's also great that we got to form those bonds and learn how to work with each other as well.

"Also, it was great to be surrounded by such an amazing group of ladies. I don't have as much experience at the adult level and am still pretty young, so it can be pretty nerve-racking at times. But they were there for me the entire time, and I was grateful for that. It's wonderful to be surrounded by the best and to know that the work paid off."

According to Russo, that work was plenty hard both mentally and physically.

"We had things thrown at us that really tested our patience throughout the week, and I felt like we really stuck together through all of that and had a pretty solid outcome," Russo said. "As far as being a World Cup champion is concerned, it's pretty incredible to live out these dreams that I've had since I was a little girl. To be able to do it with some of the best athletes in the United States, including one of my closest friends in Bryanna (Coté) and Shannon (Pluhowsky) during her 25th year on the team, makes it even more special." continued on page 7

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now,” Tackett said, “but I went on a three-year run (2016-18) where I won 11 titles. This isn’t an accident.” This is where EJ Tackett always expected to be.

This two-year run, not to immediately push aside Tackett’s contention, began with his euphoric victory in the 2023 U.S. Open. The win marked the proud Hoosier’s first title in Indiana, completed the final leg of the Triple Crown, and closed a redemptive arc after losing the 2022 title match in demoralizing fashion.

The evidence of that trophy’s value is written all over Tackett’s face. The ramifications of such a rewarding success, however, may have been just as valuable.

When you achieve the single goal, you’ve dreamed of since childhood, ascending to the pinnacle your younger self so desperately sought to reach, you realize the undiscovered vastness that remains. “There is no limit,” Tackett said.

Tackett’s 2023 season was, to date, his magnum opus: A five-title, two-major-title, domineering campaign accentuated by two legacy-altering strikes in perhaps the greatest title bout of all time. If the 10-pin evaded a 6-pin’s love tap in Tackett’s final frame of the PBA World Championship, allowing Jason Belmonte to embezzle a second major of the season from Tackett’s grasp, you would be reading a very different story right now, though perhaps one you’ve already read before.

In 2017, Tackett and Belmonte each won four titles, but three of Belmonte’s wins were majors, thus relegating Tackett’s then-career year into the shadows of the two-handed titan. For Tackett to become the era-defining star he long desired to be, regardless of the accolades already under his belt, he had to beat Belmonte head-to-head. The king had to be dethroned personally. “He was the best in the world, and I wanted to beat him,” Tackett said of Belmonte. “If I took him down, that means more and that gives you more confidence, too. This is where I belong. This is why I should be here. I didn’t accidentally win this thing, you know. I beat the best player right now, and arguably of all time.”

Everything came together for Tackett on that **April afternoon** near Milwaukee. The ability? He’s had that his whole life. The confidence? He’s never had more: “I think (the U.S. Open) impacted that a lot” Tackett said. “I’ve been in this situation and performed, reflecting back on that saying ‘I did it then, I can do it again.’” The motivation? He let the Tournament of Champions slip away to Belmonte earlier that season — not again. Tackett buried two strikes to win the PBA World Championship and, once again, his visceral reaction told the world exactly what his latest conquest meant to him. “It’s my f***** time!” Tackett bellowed towards his father in the crowd. “BOOM!” his father responded, co-opting Belmonte’s signature celebration.

The king had been overthrown, ushering in the reign of Tackett. Over the past two seasons, Tackett has bowled 34 title events, winning seven titles (a 20.6% rate) and three majors (30%) while collecting 20 top-five (58.9%) and 25 top-10 (73.5%) finishes.

For years, critics fixated on Tackett’s perceived lower win percentage in televised matches, often brushing aside that a 20-something continued to make shows at a rate unmatched by anyone except Belmonte.

Now, fueled by a lifetime of aspiring to become the best and a decade of manifesting that ambition, Tackett is prepared to stockpile his trophy case.

“EJ knows who he is, and what that gets him,” Brett Spangler, Motiv’s tour rep and a close friend of Tackett, said in 2023. “This is a more skilled EJ than the years he won four titles. He’s not just doing what he likes to do when he wins. He’s being creative. He’s using tools that he’s had, but probably hadn’t developed to a point that he could win a tournament using them.” Tackett is about to embark on the 13th season of his career. If Tackett is as exactly successful in his next 10 seasons as the previous 10, a bold but perhaps attainable presumption, that positions him to tally:

46 career titles, one shy of Walter Ray Williams Jr.’s all-time record
10 major titles, tied with Pete Weber and Earl Anthony for second all-time
6 Player of the Year awards, tied with Earl Anthony for third all-time

“My body has to stay healthy, and I have to continue to work hard and go win — there’s no way around that,” Tackett said. “At this point, it’s a numbers game. I believe in the law of averages. If I keep making shows, eventually I’m going to win. If I win one out of four, I’m going to have a pretty damn good career at the rate I’m going and the amount of shows that I make.”

You think Belmonte’s happy about Tackett snatching his throne?

Tackett’s back-to-back POYs in 2023 and 2024 marked the first two-year stretch since 2012 in which Belmonte did not win at least one Player of the Year award. You think Belmo’s just going to sit back and let that happen unabated?

If Tackett’s still perturbed about not winning POY in 2017, imagine how Anthony Simonsen feels. Simonsen’s past two seasons are historic in their own right — six total titles with top 10 finishes in every 2023 title event — and he didn’t sniff POY either year. You think Simonsen’s content with being second fiddle, always the bridesmaid but never the bride? What about Kyle Troup, who beat Tackett to win two (almost three) titles in Indiana? What about Marshall Kent, or Bill O’Neill, or the other 50 exempt players, or all the past champions competing this season?

“If someone puts a target on my back because they want to take me down, that’s sports. I’m there to try to make sure that doesn’t happen,” Tackett said. “Every time I show up to an event, I’m not there to finish second. I believe I can win every time I step on the lanes. I know that’s not true and that’s not going to happen, but I’ve always said: ‘Why not? There’s no rule saying I can’t.’



EJ TACKETT TO SERVE AS PBA TOUR ADVOCATE FOR BVL

FAIRFAX, VA – The Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL) has announced that reigning Professional Bowlers Association (PBA) Player of the Year EJ Tackett will become the first PBA Tour Advocate for BVL.

The newly created position will feature Tackett of Bluffton, Indiana, using his notoriety as a multi-time PBA Tour champion to help raise awareness of BVL while visiting multiple cities on tour. BVL is the official charity of the PBA.

“We are ecstatic to add EJ to our team as an advocate for BVL,” said Nancy Schenk, BVL Chairperson. “His grandfather served during the Korean War, and he understands the commitment our veterans and their families make for our great nation. We look forward to having EJ help spread the word on how important BVL is in helping to brighten a veteran’s life.”

Since forming in 1942, the BVL has funded a variety of programs, particularly in recreation therapy, that benefit veterans and those in active duty.

In addition to garnering PBA Player of the Year honors in 2024, Tackett also earned the award in 2023 and 2016. He owns 23 career PBA Tour titles, five of which are majors, and is one of only five players to have been named both PBA Rookie of the Year (2012-2013 season) and PBA Player of the Year in a career. He is also one of just nine players to have won the PBA’s Triple Crown (U.S. Open, PBA World Championship, PBA Tournament of Champions) and is a six-time member of Team USA.

While PBA Hall of Famer and veteran Johnny Petraglia has long served as a spokesperson/ambassador for BVL, Tackett’s role comprises something different, and he is looking forward to the opportunity to represent BVL.

“I have the great pleasure of being a part of a great organization, BVL,” said Tackett. “Not only have several of my family members served, but friends as well. I want to be able to show everyone that has served the love and support they deserve, and BVL does exactly that. I’m grateful that I can help in any way possible.”

Tackett will start spreading the word about BVL as he and his fellow competitors begin the 2025 PBA Tour season with the PBA Delaware Classic in Middletown, Delaware, on Jan. 20.

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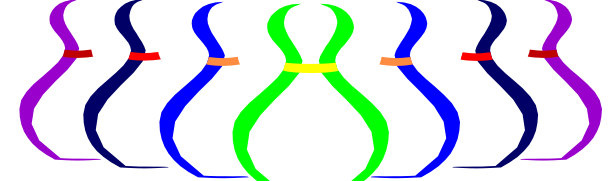
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Special would be a bit of an understatement when describing what Tuesday's victory meant to Coté, which makes sense seeing as how she was the only Team USA woman competing in Hong Kong who also was a member of the American women's 2022 World Cup squad that missed out on a team medal.

"To be a part of the first World Cup Women's Team gold in program history is just surreal," Coté said. "The moment really hasn't sunk in yet as I think I've asked myself a dozen times already 'did that really just happen?' We may not have gone 3-0, 3-0 today, but we bowled amazingly and selflessly. This moment will be cherished for a very long time.

"Today's win is definitely special because I kind of felt like we were underdogs at this event. We had many ups and downs, but when it came time to perform under the bright lights, we shined. And now we're going on the International Training and Research Center World Champions Wall."

The Team USA men's foursome of Packy Hanrahan of Wichita, Kansas; Kristopher Prather of Romeoville, Illinois; Matt Russo of Ballwin, Missouri; and Chris Via of Blacklick, Ohio, was hoping to put its picture up on that wall as well, right next to the shot of Team USA's 2022 World Cup men's gold medal team.

It would have been tough to bet against the American men at the start of Tuesday's semifinal round. After all, Team USA entered as the No. 1 seed in the Men's Team competition after having gone 11-2 during qualifying and then running roughshod over Thailand and Peru during Monday's Round of 16 and quarterfinals.

Unfortunately, Team USA's earlier-round success did not translate to victory during Tuesday's semifinal bout with No. 3 Puerto Rico.

Puerto Rico took advantage of a pair of open frames by the Americans to take Game 1 by a final score of 186-175.

Team USA swung back hard during the following game, striking eight times en route to a 234-158 victory that tied the match 1-1.

That was the last game the Americans would capture, however, as timely strikes from Puerto Rico combined with frequent single-pin leaves by Team USA allowed Puerto Rico to win the next two games (200-196 and 210-177) and the match.

The loss forced the Americans to settle for a bronze-medal finish alongside Kuwait, which was defeated 3-1 (205-153; 159-201; 245-206 and 234-233) by Malaysia in the other men's semifinal.

Malaysia would go on to top Puerto Rico 3-2 (203-170; 216-257; 197-180; 185-222 and 227-161) one round later to capture the 2025 World Cup Men's Team gold medal. Puerto Rico walked away with silver.

Even though the American men were unable to successfully defend the Men's Team title they won at the 2022 World Cup in Australia, Prather was very proud of the effort he and his teammates put forth in Hong Kong.

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"Overall, I'm super happy with our performance and proud of everyone," Prather said. "These events are incredibly difficult to win. I feel like we bowled every bit as well as Puerto Rico, but unfortunately the pins didn't fall our way, and that's sometimes how you lose. "I think we put forth a stellar performance during our time at the World Cup. We had great communication and saw great leadership from everyone at one point or another. We're going to go home with our heads held high, and I just look forward to making another run at the podium with these guys at some point." The 2025 IBF World Cup began on Jan. 5 and came to a close at the conclusion of Tuesday's medal ceremonies.

In addition to Tuesday's team medals, Hanrahan earned bronze during the Men's Singles event, which was contested at Top Bowl, Kai Tak Sports Park, in Kowloon, Hong Kong, China, from Jan. 7-10.

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Bowlum Sweeps Into The Third Round Lead

by David Yamauchi

DOWNEY – The Brunswick Invitational passed the half-way mark of round three with Professional Approach Oak Tree looking to extend their 19-1 hot start to the round. Knowing the Oak Tree bunch has already won a round, five teams were within 3 wins of the actual round lead.

In the “A” match, **Pro Approach Oak Tree** (Leonard Ruiz Jr) put their 19-1 record up against a hot **Bowlum** (Billy Myers Jr.) team who was coming off a 4-win week. In a close match, Bowlum took a sweep with 35, 27, and 25 pin wins for the 5-0 result. With the sweep, Bowlum moves into the round lead and sets up a rematch with Pro Approach Oak Tree next week. Arnold Cheesman led Bowlum with a 603 set while Bobby Hornacek paced Pro Approach Oak Tree with a 582 series.

The “B” match featured **Junior Amateur Tour** (Kevin Valmonte) focused on avenging their sweep in week 4, taking on **Family Ties** (Bobby Campagnale) who took 4 to jump up to the 4th seed. Family Ties took the first two easy but Junior Amateur Tour stole game 3 for a 4-1 win to Family Ties. Steve Gurrieri was huge for Family Ties with a 658 series while sub Anthony Santos led J.A.T. with a 618 set.

US Foods (Gabriel Martinez) and **DV8** (Matthew Zweig) were both sitting at 12-8 going into the night. US Foods took the first two, but dropped a close game three for a 4-1 win. Mike Bogue continued to be hot for US Foods with a 681 series while Brian Osborne led DV8 with a 609 set.

Threadworks (Paul Varela) was sitting at 11-9 taking on **Weaverbird** (Eric Williams Jr.) who were the of the 10-10 teams. Weaver-

bird took the bookend wins for a 4-1 win over Threadworks. Chris Eguilos led Weaverbird with a 618 set while super-sub Stephanie Zavala paced Threadwork with a 606 series.

Love Laundry (Ramsey Basurto) was coming off a sweep to match up with **Pro Approach Del Rio** (Augie Labrado Jr.). Love Laundry took the sweep 5-0 over Pro Approach Del Rio. Ramsey Basurto was huge for Love Laundry with a 678 series while sub Phillip Castro paced Pro Approach Del Rio with a 531 set.

Taco Bell (Kaven Massey) was back to full strength as they looked to bank some wins against their center-mates **Forest Lanes** (Jon Diso). This match was a run for the border as Taco Bell swept through Forest Lanes 5-0. Jarred Eusebio paced Taco Bell with a 647 series while Jesse Perez led Forest Lanes with a 581 set.

Don Julio Tequila (Gabe Garza), **Pro Approach Cal Bowl** (Austin Wasieleswki), **Del Rio Lanes** (Michael Barnett) and **Touchstone Homes** (Christian Eichelkraut) rounded out Monday’s action. Don Julio Tequila took 4 from Pro Approach Cal Bowl led by Gabe Garza’s 586 set. David Silva was high for Cal Bowl with a 559 series. Touchstone Homes swept through Del Rio Lanes led by Christian Eichelkraut’s 591 series. Ricky Arellano led Del Rio Lanes with a 508 effort.

Financial Advisors Pot went to Ramsey Basurto (245) for \$160 with 2nd to Steve Gurrieri and Paul Barraco (243) for \$35 each. Sidepots went to Arnold Cheesman (235) and Ramsey Basurto (245) for \$60 each with 2nd to Chris Eguilos (232) and Steve Gurrieri (243) for \$30 each. SuperPot went to Mike

TOP 10 ROUND 3 WEEK 5

Bowlum. 20	Taco Bell 14
Pro Approach Oak Tree \$. 19	Junior Amateur Tour. 14
Family Ties 17	Weaverbird 14
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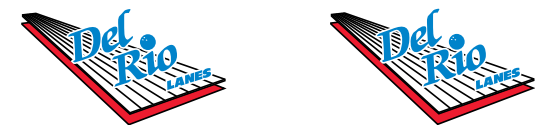


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