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## Andrew Anderson Wins USBC Masters for First PBA Tour Title

by Aaron Smith, USBC Communications

SYRACUSE – Andrew Anderson completed his schooling of the 360-player field at the 2018 USBC Masters by capturing his first career PBA Tour title on Sunday.

The 22-year-old Team USA member from Holly, Michigan, went undefeated in match play at the On-center Convention Center this week and held off Alex Hoskins of Brigham City, Utah, in the championship

match, 213-199, to win the coveted title and \$30,000 top prize. Hoskins claimed \$25,000 for the runner-up finish.

The USBC Masters is a major on the PBA Tour schedule, and Sunday's championship round was broadcast live on ESPN.

"This is surreal," said Anderson, who is working toward a degree in elementary education. "You think about it all the time, how cool it would be to hold up that trophy, and it's unbelievable. I can't believe that just happened."

Anderson and Hoskins were even early in the title tilt, before Anderson surged into the lead with four consecutive strikes starting in the fourth frame. He opened the door for Hoskins by chopping the 6-10 combination in the



Masters Champion Andrew Anderson

eighth frame, but Hoskins was unable to take advantage, recording an open of his own in the eighth frame.

Anderson finished the match first and had the opportunity to lock out Hoskins with a strike on the first delivery of his 10th

frame, but he left a 4 pin. After converting the spare, Anderson left another 4 pin on his fill ball to give Hoskins a chance to throw three strikes for a one-pin victory.

"The shot in the eighth was just a bad, bad shot,"

Anderson said. "I threw the shots in the ninth and 10th really well, and I would throw those over and over again. A couple of 4 pins gave him an opportunity."

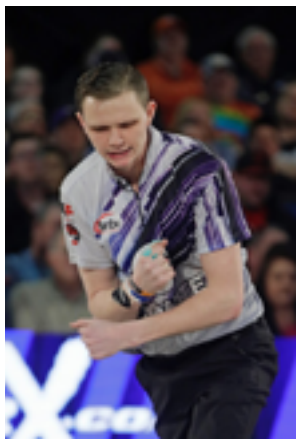
Hoskins recorded the first strike, but he left a 3-6-10 combination on his second shot to fall short.

Anderson has had a memorable 2018, which also includes earning a spot on Team USA and a third-place finish at the PBA Tournament of Champions. Sunday marked the second TV appearance of his professional career, and he was able to put his experience to work as his game plan came together.

"It really gave me so much more confidence," Anderson said. "I knew what to look for and was ready and more prepared. The game plan was al-

ways to be farther left than everybody, and the three right-handers ahead of me made a little more hook to the right for me, so that helped me feel comfortable going in."

Hoskins was making his second consecutive trip to the stepladder finals at the Masters. He finished third in his tournament debut last year in Las Vegas. Sunday, continued on page 14



## PBA'S APRIL XTRA FRAME COVERAGE INCLUDES PBA TOUR, SENIORS, WOMEN

PORTLAND – PBA's Xtra Frame live coverage of the best in bowling in April will include PBA Tour's return to Portland, Maine, for the Port Property Management PBA Xtra Frame Maine Shootout and the OceanView at Falmouth PBA League Elias Cup finals.

Coverage in Portland begins with the "draw party" to determine the bracket positions for the 64 players entered in the Maine Shootout Monday at 1 p.m.

Three-game single-elimination matches will be live-streamed on Tuesday and Wednesday, including the semifinal and title matches beginning at 6 p.m. ET on Wednesday, April 18. The XF Maine Shootout will be the final

qualifying event to determine the eight players who will compete in the PBA Tour Finals May 4-5 in Allen Park, Mich.

Following the Maine Shootout, Xtra Frame will cover the PBA League "seeding" tournament on Friday, April 20, to determine the matchups for Saturday's opening round of best-of-two-game Baker team matches. PBA League telecasts will air four consecutive Sundays at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN, beginning on April 22.

Next up will be the start of the 2018 PBA50 Tour season where Xtra Frame will provide live start-to-finish coverage of the PBA50 Florida Open from New Port Richey, Fla., April 21-23, followed by

the PBA50 UnitedHealthcare National Championship presented by Spanish Springs Lanes and Radical – the senior tour's first major of the year – from The Villages, April 24-28, and the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open from Mooresville, N.C., April 29-May 2.

April also means the start of the 2018 PWBA season. Xtra Frame will cover preliminary rounds of the Las Vegas Open, April 27-28.

Fans can watch the entire month of coverage for only \$7.99. A three-day subscription is also available, for \$3.99, and the 12-month Season Ticket plan is offered for about \$1.25 week. To sign up for the plan that works best for you, visit [xtraframe.tv](http://xtraframe.tv).

## It's Been a Miserable Life as a Bowling Reporter Until ...

by Fred Eisenhammer

WINNETKA – It's been a miserable existence.

Absolutely miserable.

I've lived with this condition since I started reporting about bowling nearly seven years ago.

It's about time I finally got healed.

You see, I've been dogged for so long by the fact that I've never, ever personally witnessed the finishing touches of a perfect game.

Perfect games are a rare feat, but they do occur. Sometimes often. The problem is, one never knows when it will happen.

There have been a number of perfect games bowled all around me. Rick Stine has bowled a few in my league. Joe Curry has bowled a couple. Mike Hahn has bowled one. But by the time I've dashed over to catch a glimpse of



Justin Pluchino recently did something remarkable – repulsing a jinx with total confidence en route to a memorable perfect. He's owed a huge debt of thanks from one bowling reporter. Photo by Fred Eisenhammer

that final shot, I've arrived too late and all I've caught is the celebration party.

Every time I'm alerted to the fact that a bowler is in the process of winding up a perfect game, I rush to the scene with the idea that this may be a potential story.

And the same thing al-

ways happens.

A bowler misfires on his 10th, 11th or 12th shot. I've felt so guilty – because the aspiring 300 bowler never knew that I was the one who jinxed him out of his rhythm.

Incredibly, I had segued into "The Cooler." For continued on page 3



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# OKLAHOMA'S TREY FORD III BECOMES YOUNGEST PBA REGIONAL TITLIST AT AGE 17

SHAWNEE – Trey Ford III, a 17-year-old two-handed bowler from Bartlesville, Okla., threw three strikes in the 10th frame of the championship match to defeat David (Boog) Krol of Nixa, Mo., 245-229, in the seventh annual PBA FireLake/Grand Casino Resort Southwest Open presented by Hammer at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., Sunday, winning his first PBA Regional title and becoming the youngest player ever to win a PBA Regional title.

Ford, who began bowling PBA events with parental consent as a 13-year-old amateur, became PBA's youngest member ever when he joined the organization at age 15 years, 157 days in 2016. He previously had a second-place finish



in a PBA Southwest Region event at FireLake last September, and won Sunday's \$2,700 first prize at the age of 17 years, 226 days.

After leading the 13 games of qualifying and receiving byes into the Round of 8, Ford eliminated two Wichita State collegiate players to advance to the finals. Thomas McNeal Jr. of Puyallup, Wash., was

Ford's first victim, losing 2-0 in the best-of-three-game Round of 8. Jacob Kersten, originally from Clarkston, Mich., came up short in the one game semi-final round, 236-222.

Krol, also a two-handed player, qualified in second place and had a similar road to the final. In his opening match, he defeated Scott McCleery of Lubbock,

Texas, 2-0, and then put away another Wichita State Shocker, Cortez Schenck of Scottsdale, Ariz., 192-191.

The pro-am portion of the event on Friday included a fundraiser for the Shawnee area Big Brothers Big Sisters chapter. FireLake General Manager Chris Skillings announced more than \$10,000 was raised for that cause.

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## FURTHER REVIEW COSTS PETE WEBER A REGIONAL TITLE

Research into Trey Ford’s first PBA Regional victory also uncovered a mistake dating back to 1979 when Pete Weber won his first regional in early fall in St. Louis, also at age 17. At the time, however, Weber was credited with a PBA Regional title although he didn’t become a PBA member until Nov. 30 of that year. So while he was the youngest player ever to win a PBA Regional at that time, he should not have been credited with a title because he wasn’t a member.

The correction means Weber now has 46 standard regional titles, one behind Chris Warren of Grants Pass, Ore., and Weber, who has won five PBA50 regional titles, has 51 overall – one behind Dale Traber of Cedarburg, Wis. (39 standard and 13 PBA50). *Submitted by PBA.*



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those of you who don’t remember the 2003 romantic-drama casino film, William Macy played the lead in which he was always on call to cool off some hot gambler in the process of winning big. Macy, being a luckless fellow, always did his job to perfection when he sneaked close to the hotshot player. Suddenly – like magic – the player cooled off as he brushed up to the bad-luck hero.

That wasn’t my plan as a bowling reporter. I had no desire to cool anyone off. I absolutely wanted all the bowlers with the hot streak to maintain their hot streaks and finish their 300s.

But no such luck – for me or for the bowler I was watching.

I did my “Cooler” act to more bowlers than I want to divulge. I was really hopeful that things would change course three years ago. That’s when I spied bowler extraordinaire Bryan Alpert well on his way to a 300 game at Corbin Bowl in Tarzana amid sounds of hysterical cheering. Naturally, I sauntered over to Bryan, who has rolled a ton of perfect games and certainly has no problem with pressure.

But then “The Cooler” struck. Bryan didn’t know what hit him when he failed to complete his perfect game. Bryan is a friend of mine, so I left the bowling center sheepishly and never admitted to him what I had wrought.

Then just last month, Justin Pluchino changed everything. He changed my life. Life is worth living again.

Justin, just 22 years old but the hottest bowler around, has been spinning 300s like a spider spins a web. Meaning, easily and frequently.

One of my league teammates, Noel Petok, a 300 aspirant himself, saw Justin’s perfect in the making on the other side of Winnetka Bowl and pointed me in that direction. I sneaked behind the throng of spectators who were watching Justin in action.

I was expecting the worst.  
And then a funny thing happened.  
Justin didn’t blink.  
Somehow, somehow, Justin showed that he is immune to jinxes. Justin closed out his 13th 300 game in convincing fashion, blasting three no-doubt-about-it strikes.  
I saw it all.

I finally got to soak in the drama and exchange high-fives with the smiling celebrant right after he threw his final shot.  
Suddenly, I’m not “The Cooler” anymore.  
I have my life back.  
All I can say is, “Thank you Justin Pluchino!!”

# PBA’S “60 MOST MEMORABLE MOMENTS” UNVEILING CONTINUES: 31 THRU 35

The countdown to unveil the complete list of the PBA’s “60 most memorable moments” in its 60-year history continues, one a day, Monday through Friday, on all PBA Network outlets. Last week, “memorable moments” 31 through 35 were unveiled. Here are those five moments as the countdown continues:

- 31) Mike Aulby** won the 1996 Bayer/Brunswick Touring Players Championship to become the only player to win bowling’s “Super Slam” consisting of all five majors (U.S. Open, PBA National/World Championship, PBA Tournament of Champions, USBC Masters & PBA Touring Players Championship). Aulby also won Showboat Invitational and Brunswick Memorial World Open titles, and remains the only player to win every 56-game format tournament the PBA has offered. Aulby was the first player to earn PBA Rookie (1979) and Player of the Year (1985) honors.
- 32) In 2017, Jason Belmonte** became the only player to win the USBC Masters four times, defeating then-amateur **Michael Tang**, 279–212, in Las Vegas for his eighth PBA major title. By winning the 2015 Masters, Belmonte became the only player to win the event three consecutive time, defeating **AJ Johnson** in Green Bay, Wis.
- 33) In 1981, Bill Beach** defeated **Bill Lillard**, 200-191, in the first “PBA Senior Tour” event, the PBA Senior Championship in New Orleans, La. The re-named PBA50 Tour has provided 50-and-older players with numerous memorable moments, including **Mark Roth** becoming the first player to earn both “PBA Senior” (2001) and PBA Player of the Year honors (1977-’79 and 1984), and where **Joe Scarborough** bowled the first certified 900 series in PBA history in his first three games of the 2013 PBA50 Sun Bowl at The Villages.
- 34) In 1975, Earl Anthony** became the first player to earn \$100,000 in a single season with his victory in the Buzz Fazio Open in Battle Creek, Mich. Anthony’s seventh win of the year was worth \$5,000 and put his season earnings at \$100,890. Earlier that year, Anthony won a record third consecutive PBA National Championship in Toledo, Ohio...a feat he repeated in the same event in 1981, ’82 and ’83. In 2009, Anthony was selected as No. 1 on the PBA’s list of the 50 Greatest Players during its 50th Anniversary Gala in Las Vegas.
- 35) “Wrong Foot” Lou Campi** of Dumont, N.J., won the PBA’s first event, the 1959 Empire State Open in Albany, N.Y., and collected a \$2,500 first prize.

To check on releases of subsequent “moments” as they are revealed, check the PBA Network: PBA on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/ProfessionalBowlersAssociation](http://www.facebook.com/ProfessionalBowlersAssociation)) or Instagram (pbatour); subscribe to the PBA channel on YouTube (PBABowling); tweet along on Twitter (@pbatour), and on the web: <https://www.pba.com/PBANetwork/Most-MemorableMoments>.

## 2018 PBA50 Tour Season Kicks Off in Sunshine State With Florida Open and PBA50 National Championship

**Reigning PBA50 Player of the Year Brian LeClair begins season with injury concerns**

CHICAGO, Ill. – Reigning PBA50 Player of the Year Brian LeClair heads a list of PBA’s top players ages 50 and over who will open the 2018 PBA50 Tour season in the Sunshine State on April 22 with the PBA50 Florida Open and the PBA50 National Championship.

The PBA50 Florida Open, formerly the Pasco County Florida Open, will be conducted April 22-23 at Lane Glo Bowl in New Port Richey followed by the season’s first major championship, the PBA50 National Championship presented by Spanish Springs Lanes and Radical April 24-28, in The Villages.

Both events will be streamed live in their entirety on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame. For Xtra Frame subscription and schedule information visit [www.xtraframe.tv](http://www.xtraframe.tv).

LeClair enters the 2018 season with some trepidation because of an aggravated ACL injury to his left knee. He sustained the injury while bowling in a local tournament in early March and has been able to bowl only a few games over the last several weeks.

*“I started bowling last week for the first time in more than a month,”* said the 53-year-old LeClair. *“I probably won’t know how well it will hold up until I start competing. I’m not so much worried about the pain because I can bowl through some of that – it’s the stability that I’m worried about.”*

Ironically, it’s the second consecutive year that LeClair has had to deal with an injury shortly before the start of the season. Last year it was a recurring back injury.

*“Last year I had an issue with my back but was able to get it worked out before the season started,”* he said. *“Now, I have this issue with the knee, which is very disappointing because I’ve been looking forward to the start of this season since the day after last season ended.”*

LeClair got his player of the year season off to a fast start with a 191-187 win over Norm Duke to win the 2017 Pasco County Florida Open. It was the first of two wins that made him the only player to win more than one title in 2017. His second win came in the Johnny Petraglia BVL Open.

He spent nearly two decades competing regularly on the PBA Tour without a win but his lengthy career was finally rewarded when he won PBA50 Player of the Year honors thanks to his two titles and a runner-up finish in the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open.

*“I’m anxious to get back out there if all goes well and prove that last season wasn’t a fluke,”* LeClair added. *“As I said before, it was the most satisfying accomplishment in my career because I was able to achieve it bowling on a tour that included some of bowling’s all-time greats.”*

### PBA50 FLORIDA OPEN SCHEDULE

Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla.(All times Eastern)  
**Saturday, April 21**  
9 a.m. - Noon - Practice Session  
**Sunday, April 22**  
8 a.m. - A Squad qualifying (10 games)  
1:30 p.m. - B Squad qualifying (10 games)  
**Monday, April 23**  
8:30 a.m. – Cashers Round (5 games)  
Noon – Match Play Round 1 Qualifying (5 games)  
3:15 p.m. – Match Play Round 2 (6 games)  
Top five advance to stepladder finals  
7 p.m. – Stepladder finals

Among those greats scheduled to compete in the opening events of the season will be a host of Hall of Famers including Walter Ray Williams Jr., Pete Weber, Parker Bohn III, Amleto Monacelli, Johnny Petraglia, Mark Williams, Bryan Goebel and two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr, who was inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 2018.

While not a major in 2017, top qualifier Lennie Boresch Jr. of Kenosha, Wis., led The Villages event wire-to-wire and beat Bob Learn Jr., 264-213, in the title match for his second Sun Bowl In The Villages win and third career PBA50 Tour title.

Competition begins with Florida Open qualifying on Sunday, April 22 at 8 a.m. ET with one 10-game qualifying round followed by cashers and match play rounds beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, April 23. After match play the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m. Practice for the event is scheduled for 9 a.m. - Noon on Saturday, April 21.

The PBA50 National Championship will get underway with the first of three six-game qualifying rounds on Wednesday, April 25, beginning at 9 a.m. followed by second and third rounds on April 26 and 27. The top 32 players will then advance to the first eight-game match play round at 9 a.m. on April 28 before a cut to the top 16 players for the second match play round at 2 p.m. which will determine the top five for the stepladder finals at 7 p.m. The practice session is scheduled for April 24 from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

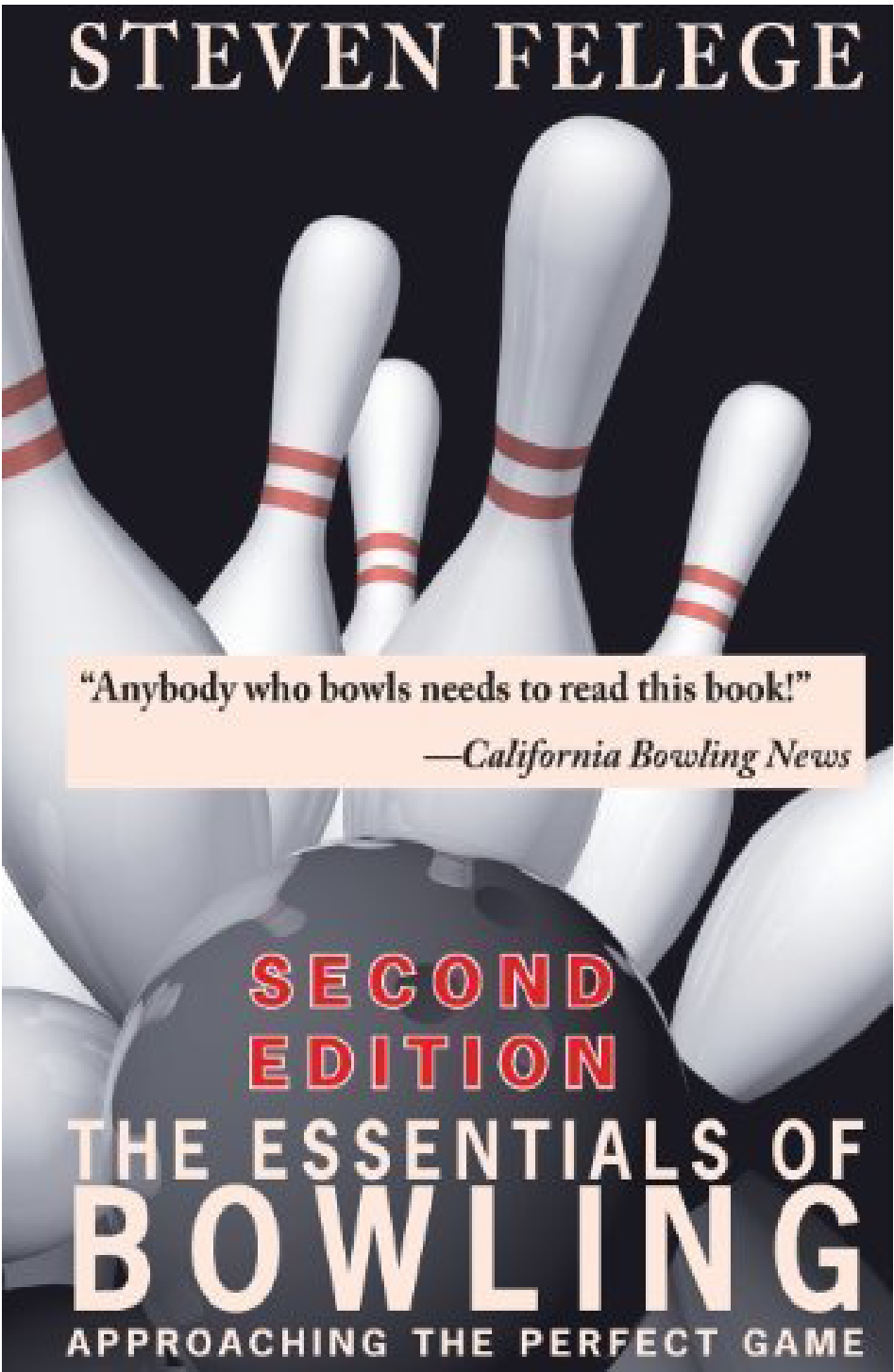
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### PBA50 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Presented by Spanish Springs Lanes and Radical Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla.  
**Tuesday, April 24**  
A Squad Practice Session: 9-10 a.m.  
B Squad Practice Session: 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
C Squad Practice Session: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Pro-Am squads: 2, 4:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, April 25**  
9 a.m. - A Squad qualifying (6 games)  
1 p.m. - B Squad qualifying (6 games)  
5 p.m. - C Squad qualifying (6 games)  
**Thursday, April 26**  
9 a.m. - B Squad qualifying (6 games)  
1 p.m. - C Squad qualifying (6 games)  
5 p.m. - A Squad qualifying (6 games)  
**Friday, April 27**  
9 a.m. - C Squad qualifying (6 games)  
1 p.m. - A Squad qualifying (6 games)  
5 p.m. - B Squad qualifying (6 games)  
Top 32 advance to Match Play Round 1  
**Saturday, April 28**  
9 a.m. - Match Play Round 1 (8 games)  
Top 16 bowlers advance to Match Play Round 2  
2 p.m. - Match Play Round 2 (8 games)  
Top five bowlers advance to stepladder finals  
7 p.m. – Stepladder finals



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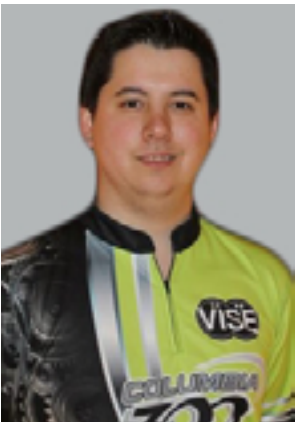
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# PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF WINS 14TH REGIONAL TITLE IN DUBLIN

DUBLIN – **Jakob Butturff** of Tempe, Ariz., posted a 14-2 match play record and a 24-game total of 5,967 pins Sunday to win the PBA Earl Anthony West/Northwest Memorial at Earl Anthony’s Dublin Bowl in Dublin, Calif., Sunday while amateur **Dennis Acma** of San Ramon, Calif., won the PBA50 Earl Anthony Memorial.



Jakob Butturff

Butturff cruised to his 14th PBA Regional title and the \$2,500 first prize by 299 pins over Canadian native **Ray Lussier** of San Jose, Calif., who had an 11-5 record and a 24-game total of 5,668 pins, including match play bonus pins.

Acma went 7-5 in the 12-game match play finals and knocked down 4,482 total pins for his 20 games to top **Bob Rosenau** of Redding Calif., by 35 pins. Acma collected \$1,500, but doesn’t get credit for a PBA title because he isn’t a PBA member.

- The only PBA Regional event on the April 13-15 calendar is the PBA Bowlers Discount Pro Shop East Open, presented by Hammer, at AMF Towson Lanes in Towson, Md.
- As the PBA50 Tour season closes in, PBA50 players will have a final tuneup opportunity in the PBA50 Sarasota South Open at Sarasota Lanes in Sarasota, Fla., April 18-20.
- The April 20-22 PBA Regional calendar includes the Debbie & Leo Nunan Memorial Central Open presented by Track at AMF Stardust Lanes in Grove City, Ohio; and PBA South Point West Challenge for non-champions plus the South Point Member/Non-Member Doubles, both presented by Brunswick, in Las Vegas.
- Closing out the month over the April 27-29 weekend will be the PBA Rockaway Lanes East Open, presented by Storm, in Rockaway, N.J., and the PBA Brighton Construction Myrtle Beach South Open at Myrtle Beach Bowl in Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit [pba.com](http://pba.com), open the “schedules” tab and click on PBA Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area...and remember, you can follow “live scoring” for all PBA Regional events on [pba.com](http://pba.com) (easily accessible for Apple device users using the PBA app).



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# Dallas Strikers Bid for Third Straight Elias Cup Title as PBA League Returns to Maine



*OceanView at Falmouth PBA League Elias Cup finals to conclude Go Bowling! PBA Tour’s ESPN schedule*

PORTLAND, Maine – Led by player-manager and PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke, the Shipyard Brewery Dallas Strikers will return to Bayside Bowl in Portland next week in pursuit of a third consecutive Professional Bowlers Association League title, cheered on by the most fun-loving fans in bowling.

The 2018 OceanView at Falmouth PBA League will celebrate its sixth season – and fourth year in Portland – with three days of team competition to decide the 2018 Elias Cup. The PBA League, which is part of the 2018 Go Bowling! PBA Tour schedule, will conclude the PBA’s 38th consecutive year of ESPN coverage with four consecutive Sunday telecasts, including the PBA League Elias Cup finals on Sunday, May 13, at 10 a.m.

Duke, who won the 2017 Mark Roth PBA League Most Valuable Player Award, will return with a solid core of Dallas Strikers stars including 2016 MVP Tommy Jones, veterans Bill O’Neill and Rhino Page, and newcomer Kyle Sherman of O’Fallon, Mo.

Chasing the Strikers will be the hometown Port Property Portland Lumberjacks, managed by Tim Mack; the Go Bowling! Silver Lake Atom Splitters, managed by Mark Baker; the Sysco Philadelphia Hitmen, managed by Jason Couch; [bowlingball.com](http://bowlingball.com) L.A. X, managed by Andrew Cain; the GEICO New York City WTT KingPins, managed by Carolyn Dorin-Ballard; the Barbasol Motown Muscle, managed by Del Ballard, and the OceanView at Falmouth Brooklyn Styles, managed by Johnny Petraglia.

Each of the 2018 teams will field a roster of previous team members, but a number of newcomers will get an opportunity to experience Portland’s raucous fans for the first time. Rather than approaching their deliveries in silence, a long-time tradition in professional bowling, Bayside Bowl fans encourage the PBA players with loud chants, slogans and newly-created nicknames while waving “fatheads” and dressing in sometimes strange costumes.

Players who will experience Portland bowling fans for the first time include 2018 PBA Tournament of Champions winner Matt O’Grady of Rahway, N.J., with the Brooklyn Styles; Japanese star Shota Kawazoe with the Motown Muscle; Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., with the NYC KingPins; 2017 PBA Rookie of the Year Matt Sanders of Indianapolis with the Philadelphia Hitmen; AJ Johnson of Oswego, Ill., with the Silver Lake Atom Splitters, and Thailand’s Yannaphon Larpapharat with the Portland Lumberjacks.

The PBA League’s return to Portland will get underway with the Port Property Portland PBA Xtra Frame Maine Shootout April 16-18, a singles competition with a PBA Tour title at stake. The Maine Shootout will be covered from start to finish, live on PBA’s Xtra Frame online bowling channel (subscriptions are available at [xtraframe.tv](http://xtraframe.tv)).

On Friday, April 20, all PBA League teams will bowl an eight-game Baker format “seeding tournament” to determine seeding positions for the Baker format single-elimination match play bracket. In Baker format team bowling, each of the five players bowls two frames to complete a game.

The PBAL quarterfinal matches will take place on Saturday, April 21, with the No. 1 seeded team vs. No. 8 and No. 4 vs. No. 5 on the first ESPN telecast that will air on Sunday, April 22. Immediately following on Saturday will be the second round of quarterfinal round matches between team No. 2 vs. No. 7, and No. 3 vs. No. 6. Those matches will air on ESPN on Sunday, April 29. All quarterfinal matches will be “best-of-two-game” Baker format team contests with a one-ball roll-off if necessary to break any ties.

Saturday’s winning teams will advance to the semifinal round on Sunday at noon. The semifinal round winners will then bowl for the Elias Cup later on Sunday. The semifinal matches will air on ESPN on Sunday, May 6, with the Elias Cup finals airing on May 13, also at 10 a.m. All of the PBA League matches will be live streamed as they happen on ESPN3 and the ESPN app. At the conclusion of the competition, the PBA will announce the Mark Roth PBA League Most Valuable Player.

## PORT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT PBA XTRA FRAME MAINE SHOOTOUT SCHEDULE

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, April 16-18

### Monday, April 16

- 10 a.m. Maine Shootout official practice session
- 1 p.m. Port Property Management PBA Xtra Frame Maine Shootout draw party (to determine pairings for single-elimination match play)
- 4 p.m. – Full Plates Full Potential pro-am

### Tuesday, April 17

- 10 & 11:30 a.m., 2:30 & 4 p.m. – Round of 64 best-of-three-game single elimination matches
- 7 and 8:30 p.m. – Round of 32 best-of-three-game single elimination matches

### Wednesday, April 18

- 11 a.m. Round of 16 best-of-three-game single elimination matches
- 2 p.m. Round of 8 best-of-three-game single elimination matches
- 6 p.m. Semifinal round best-of-three-game single elimination matches
- 7:30 p.m. – Championship match, best of three games

## OCEANVIEW AT FALMOUTH PBA LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, April 20-22

### Friday, April 20

- 7 p.m. – OceanView at Falmouth PBA League seeding tournament (8 games, Baker team format to determine pairings for PBA League competition)

### Saturday, April 21

- Noon – PBA League Quarterfinal Match 1, Teams #1 vs. #8 (best of two games, Baker format; ESPN telecast Sunday, April 22, 10 a.m.)
- PBA League Quarterfinal Match 2, Teams #5 vs. #4 (best of two games, Baker format; ESPN telecast Sunday, April 22, 10 a.m.)
- 3:30pm – PBA League Quarterfinal Match 3, Teams #2 vs. #7 (best of two games, Baker format; ESPN telecast Sunday, April 29, 10 a.m.)
- PBA League Quarterfinal Match 4, Teams #6 vs. #3 (best of two games, Baker format; ESPN telecast Sunday, April 29, 10 a.m.)

### Sunday, April 22

- Noon – PBA League Semifinal Match #1, Winner Match #1 vs. Winner Match #2 (best of two games, Baker format; ESPN telecast Sunday, May 6, 10 a.m.)
- PBA League Semifinal Match #2, Winner Match #3 vs. Winner Match #4 (best of two games, Baker format; ESPN telecast Sunday, May 6, 10 a.m.)
- 3:30pm – PBA League Elias Cup Championship (ESPN telecast Sunday, May 13, 10 a.m.)

## HISTORY OF MARK ROTH PBA LEAGUE MVP AWARD WINNERS

- 2014 Chris Barnes
- 2015 Dick Allen
- 2016 Tommy Jones
- 2017 Norm Duke

## 2018 PBA LEAGUE ROSTERS

- OceanView at Falmouth Brooklyn Styles (manager Johnny Petraglia):
- Barbasol Motown Muscle (manager Del Ballard Jr.):
- GEICO NYC WTT KingPins (manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard):
- [bowlingball.com](http://bowlingball.com) L.A. X (manager Andrew Cain):
- Sysco Philadelphia Hitmen (manager Jason Couch):
- Go Bowling! Silver Lake Atom Splitters (manager Mark Baker):
- Port Property Portland Lumberjacks (manager Tim Mack):
- Shipyard Brewing Dallas Strikers: (player-manager Norm Duke),

## HISTORY OF PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP CHAMPIONS

- 2013 NYC WTT KingPins presented by GEICO
- 2014 Silver Lake Atom Splitters
- 2015 Bass Pro Shops Silver Lake Atom Splitters
- 2016 GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers
- 2017 Shipyard Brewing Dallas Strikers

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- (Bryon Smith/Chris Barnes/Dom Barrett/Wes Malott/Tommy Jones).
- (Mika Koivuniemi/Chris Barnes/Craig Nidiffer/Tom Daugherty/Dick Allen)
- (Norm Duke/Bill O’Neill/Shawn Maldonado/BJ Moore/Tommy Jones)
- (Norm Duke/Bill O’Neill/Rhino Page/BJ Moore/Tommy Jones)





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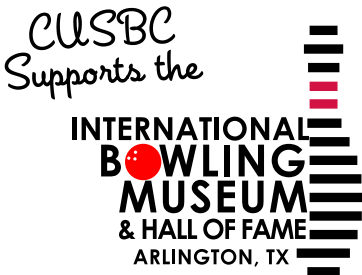
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**SUNDAY – Vegas Rollers:** Scott Schneider 237, Phil Padilla 234, Alexis Gioia 192. **Wally’s Vegas Cruise:** Leo Moreno 255/616, Albert Valdez 236/641, Robert Blanton 220, Erin LaBrada 245, Suzanne Allison 204.

**MONDAY – Lake Parkers:** Larry McCurry 247/606, Bob Jacobi 246/605, Brian Parker 233/628. **Golden Awards:** Jim Erickson 254, Gary Hein 229, Carl Brooks 213. **Whittier Elks:** Andre Rijinders 231, Bud Zerbe 204, John Wackeen 202. **Gamblers Fun:** Chuck Griffin 234, Jeff Seymour 217, Ray Lozano 214, Linda Myers 191.

**TUESDAY – Glenbrook Gals:** Penny Bird 226, Kerri Bird 198. **Friendly Seniors:** Larry McCurry 224, Andy Bott 214, Marian Horton 192. **Pedagogues:** Vern Harmon 257, Bob Ward 200. **Guys & Dolls:** Nathan Hornung 257, Rick Moffat 215, Bill Moore 215, Tee Delgado 197. **Ageless Wonders:** David Warren 209/604, Mike Chapman 202.

**WEDNESDAY – Silver Foxes:** Charlie Juster 250, Larry Green 237/646, Ed Jamison 638, Randi Hein 190. **American Nation Can:** Michael Thompson 257/653, Brian Parker 251/642, Roger Stites 226, Rick Scialla 616, Mary Beth Thompson 193.

**THURSDAY – Early Birds:** Mary Beth Thompson 195. **Sunset Rollers:** Bill Scherger 251/646, John Mulay 208, Don Whiteman 201. **All Schools:** Dehlin Greenwood 205, Norm Puckett 202. **Frank’s Gold Cup:** Scott Kraye 267/725, Kevin Jones 265, Marlow Dinger 259, Brandon Kraye 706, Mark Few 706, Jordan Kraye 200.

**FRIDAY – Vegas Gamblers:** Brian Bendt 279/729, Steve Harrison 264, Dave Rough 263/731, Dexter Harrod 736, Sharon Westerhold 257/628, Ines Otbo 234/610, Laura Solorio 215, Tee Delgado 600.

Until next week, GOOD LUCK and HIGH SCORING!

ANAHEIM – Only one bowler managed to break the 900 barrier this week in the 590 Classic.


Steady Chris Hefner was on his game and showed his maple moxy with lots of strikes. His games of 245-212-223 and 243 added up to 933 and landed him on top of the leaderboard.

**Hot Series:** Juan Sandoval 234-245-171-238/888 and Dick McKenzie 234-215-222-197/870.

**Hot Games:** Andrea Fredericks 256, Nick Lam 245, Norm Walker 242, David Yeoman 241, Don Gardner 238, Tony Hale 234, Alan Bloom 232, Rich Heid 231, Hong Kha 230, Terry Brent 225, Cheryl Munson 225, Janet Anderson 223, Maiya Tallakson 222, Willy Bordenave 220, Steve Sparks 219, Ryan Sargent 216, Dan Milstead 214, Ron Douglass 213, Orlando Vanegas 212, Larry Green 212, Sandy Magana 211, Joy McGregor 206, Makcha Nelson 206, Frank Bellinder 203, Carl Adinolfi 201, Adrian Bradley 201, Mark Guillaume 201 and Rod Cantrell 200.

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**Bowling Calendar**

by Bette Addington

**APRIL**  
19-6/30 – USBC Women’s Championships, National Bowling Stadium, Reno, bowl.com  
20 – 7/1 – CUSBC 2018 Adult Championships, Keystone Lanes, Norwalk, calusbc.com  
20-22 – PBA Member/Non-Member Doubles, Southpoint, Las Vegas, pba.com  
22 – Teen Masters Dublin Open, Earl Anthony’s Dublin Bowl, teenmastersbowling.com  
22 – Game Time Bowlers Battle 4 “The Half-Way Point,” 11am, Oak Tree Lanes, Diamond Bar, 844/228-8539  
22 – Scratch 6-Gamer, 12 noon, Yosemite Lanes, Modesto, 209/524-9161  
22 – San Joaquin Bowling Club Singles Tourn., Valley Bowl, Madera, 559/385-8837  
22 – San Fernando Valley Ladies 600 Club Trash-It Tourn., 10am, Valencia Lanes, Newhall, 818/648-2037  
22 – PBA League Quarterfinals, 10am, ESPN  
23-27 – 2018 USBC National Convention, Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, bowl.com  
25 – USBC Hall of Fame Ceremony, Grand Sierra Resort, Reno  
26-28 – PWBA Las Vegas Open, South Point, Las Vegas, pwba.com  
29 – Fresno TNBA Scratch 8-Gamer, 11am, Madera Valley Bowl, 559/270-4152  
29 – HammerPins Mxd. Team Tourn., 10am Cloverleaf Bowl, Fremont, hammerpins.net  
29 – JAT at Cal Bowl, Lakewood, 9am, bowljat.org  
29 – PBA League Quarterfinals, 10am, ESPN  
30 – Entry deadline for IBMA Chuck Pezzano Scholarship, bowlingmedia.org/scholarships  
30 – Registration deadline for Turbo Tech Collegiate Expo for high school bowlers, 7/8-11, Fort Worth, TX, turbogrips.com

**MAY**  
3 – Sonoma Co. Open Pro-Am, 7pm, Double Decker Lanes, 707/585-0226  
3-5 – PWBA Sonoma Co. Open, Double Decker Lanes, Rohnert Park, pwba.com  
4 – CA Local Association credentials due (2018 State Convention), calusbc.com  
5 – WCST (West Coast Senior Tour) Singles at Cal Bowl, Lakewood, 760/792-4596  
5-6 – 2018 Pete Melton Memorial, 9am & 3pm Sat., Bowlero, Clovis, ccusbc.com  
5-6 – Pepsi Youth State Finals, Winnetka Bowl, Winnetka, calusbc.com  
6 – PBA League Semifinals, 10am, ESPN

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Now onto this week’s scores:

**Vegas Bound:** 516 Elison Doss-Dewinter, 483 Ashley Paschal, 647 Jim Yeomans, 618 Mike Choi, 176 Aimee Gonzalez, 172 Nancy Jimeno, 253 Tyler Salverda, 234 Garran Hein.

**Club 55:** Scr: 475 Joann Cunningham, 559 George Kelley, 540 Raul Medina, 145 Carmen Barron & Kathy Williams, 235 Dick Kakuta, 209 Tony Thousand. The summer league will start April 24, 2018 meeting at 9:30 am

**XFrame-TAT:** Scr: 702 Mike Jennings, 664 Reny Alkonga, 581 Jinny Lei, 207 Kelly Manuel, 191 Bonnie Chan, 267 Jun Contreras, 245 Darrow Tiongo.

**Young @ Heart:** Scr: 625 Bill Rugh, 555 Tim Harris, 535 Diane Mittelstaedt, 488 Carmen Barron, 206 Debbie Kaan, 186 Amy Abalos, 237 Tony Thousand, 201 Pete Jack. The summer league will start April 26, 2018 meeting at 9:30 am.

**Pinheads:** Scr: 600 El Trump Moore, 491 Don Lindsay, 493 Debi Moore, 415 Zana Forbes, 167 Susan, 140 Anna McArdle, 230 Dale Forbes, 175 Damon Nixon.

**Let it Ride:** Scr: 679 Mr Luck, 516 Mama Bear, 415 Stephanie Row, 189 Sancha Acevedo, 167 Lori Sharp, 254 Jason Weinstein, 249 Mr Taco Trujillo.

**Fil-Am:** Scr: 698 Mark Mauna, 653 Jun Chua, 536 Beth Rabaja, 511 Tess Dizon, 247 Andy Quejada, 224 Joey Nepomuceno, 199 Jennifer Chai, 189 Eleanor Carandang.

**Vegas On Layaway:** Scr: 486 Julie Orriny, 472 Teri Larson, 591 Tony Morales, 562 Gregg Sietsema, 183 Susie Vangorder, 181 Sherry Einwalter, 224 Jimmy Patuano, 212 Mike Sherman.

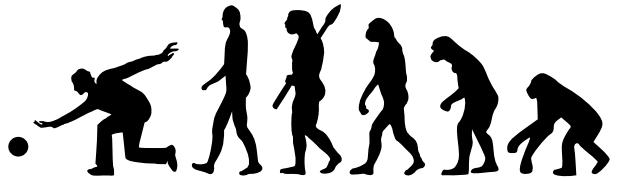
Our youth summer season will be starting up in May. We will have Tuesday night Youth/Adult at 6:30 pm which will be a sport shot league starting May 1st.

Our Thursday Youth have 2 on a team and bowl at 4:30 pm starting May 3rd. Our big group is Saturday broken down into 3 different groups ages 8 & under who bowl 2 games, 8 to 12 with 2 on a team and then our 12 & up group which is a Youth/Adult league with 3 on a team but can have 3 youth on a team. That will start May 5th and bowl at 10 am.

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# OCUSBC ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND SECRETARY/PRESIDENTS LUNCHEON

by Joy McGregor

ORANGE COUNTY – The Orange County USBC annual membership meeting is slated for MAY 20, 2018 AT 1 P.M. AT FOUNTAIN BOWL. The Secretary/Presidents luncheon will be held at 10 A.M. with lunch served at 11:30 A.M. in the bar at Fountain Bowl, BEFORE the annual meeting.

All Orange County bowlers should set aside this date to attend this important annual meeting of YOUR association! Your vote is needed for the election of board members and election of officers and directors to the 2019 state and national conventions. Keep the “Future For The Sport” alive; attend this annual meeting!

The meetings are always informative and include updates to Orange County By-Laws, membership and current tournaments and results. All news from USBC headquarters concerning new rules and any pertinent comings and goings, correspondence, and facts you may not be aware of. Come support your association, have some fun, renew friendships, greet your hard-working board, ask questions and glean some valuable working knowledge. All guaranteed to spur your interest and improve your brain cells. Exciting!

The deadline to submit applications for the board is 30 days before the annual meeting and all forms i.e. board applications, Hall of Fame and upcoming tournament flyers can be safely downloaded for your use by clicking on our website: [ocusbc.org](http://ocusbc.org).

The board is looking forward to seeing all our regular faces and some new members too. Remember this is YOUR association and YOUR attendance is crucial in keeping Orange County a top association; Orange County bowlers are the best! Refreshments will be served and lots of camaraderie will be provided so get yourself in gear, mark your calendar for SUNDAY MAY 20 AT 1 P.M. AND 10 A.M. FOR THE SECRETARY/PRESIDENTS LUNCHEON. The Secretary/Presidents luncheon will be followed by a free clinic so bring your equipment. Invitations are in the mail. See y’all at FOUNTAIN BOWL.



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# Up Your Alley

San Joaquin Valley News

by Don Surdich

**HICKMAN & DANIEL WERE AWESOME**

Bill Hickman was rolling in the Commercial Classic on Wednesday night and in his first game rolled a ball that hit the pocket and carried everything but the 7 and 10 pin which are on the corners of the lanes. He now rolled his second ball toward the seven pin and turned around and walked back. He heard the bowlers howling and he turned around and the 7 and 10 pin were gone. To my knowledge this is the first 7-10 spare since George Condell converted the 7-10 over 10 years. Surprises were not over yet in the Classic as Marty Daniel in his second game coveted the Greek Church as his first ball had left the 4-7 pins on the left side of the lanes, and the 6-9-10 on the right side of the lanes. Most of the time bowlers just roll their ball toward the right side of the lanes with the hopes of hitting a few pins, not Daniel. He rolled his second shot toward the right side of the lanes and the 9 and 10 pin fell down and the 6 pin flew across the lanes and took out the 4-7. Don’t asked me where the name came from, I don’t know. I know that the United States Bowling Congress doesn’t give out awards anymore for these two outstanding shots. I hope our association can recognize these two individuals with an award and if possible should be given out soon, as the Classic is close to ending their run for the season. Two outstanding feats in the same night was unreal. Another feat was happening on lanes 3 & 4 as Barbara Bustos rolling her first 600 series in over six years. She rocked games of 210-214-194 for a 618 set. It looks like Dennis Gray is back to normal after having surgery last month with a 267/740 set.

**HIGH ROLLERS:** Bill King 213, Bill Barthel 258, Jeff Stout 223, Steven Olivarez 103, Pam Turpen 230, Danny Coggin 203, Steve Mead 198, Charli McMillian 174, Mike Robb 193, Corey Phillips 266/779, Caren Thompson 220, Lora Schullerts 144, Mo Harrington 168, Mike Danel 226, Leo Gonzales 199/516, Pam Graham 153, Rikki Cascia 227, Monty Stone 192, Pete DeVries 563, Annette Macklin 182, Phil Oldenhage 195, Ofelia Aquino 175, Lavonne Baker 207, John Nunes 267, Rae Coonce 225.

**AQUA SCORES FROM LOS BANOS:** Jarrett Sagouspe 206, Reece Blevins 190, Greg Irmimi 190, Jana Sousa 181, Tammie Ketcher 159, Eddie Garcia 201, Joe Lopez 193, Donald Sferrazzo 183, Debbie Reyes 171, Patti Alberti 153, Glenn Branco 244, Chris Pugliese 231, Dennis Lefevre 226, T.J. Lobig 210, Stephen Toscano 204, David Erreca 182, Diane Erreca 175, Jana Sousa 166, Cecillo Panduro 160, Adrian Gonzales 200, Dave Basch 182, Linda Raw 150.

**McHENRY SENIOR RESULTS:** The following seniors from Bellevue Bowl placed in the money last Friday at McHenry Bowl in Modesto during their Spring Crazy Bowl of different no-taps for each game. In the first game had for the men’s high game were Jerry McMillian and Frank Gasper. In the second high game for the women had T.J. Rowen and Linda Roach placing in the cash. A ton of 300 games were rolled including McMillian and yours truly. Up next on the schedule for the seniors is Yosemite Lanes 9-pin no-tap this Friday at 1 p.m. Entry fee is only \$13 and that includes your high game and overall series for both men and women. There is no pot luck at Yosemite.

**SPRING TIME ON THE WESTSIDE:** The new Auqa Entertainment Center is Los Banos this Sunday, April 22 is hosting the Merced/Atwater Women’s 500 Club Annual Spring Fling Mixed team event. It is a handicap tournament with three games of 8-pin no-tap, 9-pin no-tpa, and 2-6-9. You will use your highest 2017-2018 composite average found on Bowl.com, if none then your summer 2017 average. There is only one squad time at 11 a.m. Entry fee is \$24 per bowler. Any combination as long as their is one man and one women on the mixed 4 on a team. The Aqua center is small, if your interested in putting in a team you better get going. Bellevue has the entry forms by the trophy case on the concourse. You can’t win if your’re not in!

**HALL OF FAME DINNER:** I received information from Barbara Bustos, Hall of Fame chair for this year’s Hall of Fame and Scholarship dinner to be held this Saturday, 21 at the Atwater Community Center. Bustos said that her committee has gathered for the auction several top-notched bowling balls in weights from 12 to 15, a John Deere bicycle, a guitar w/lessons, art works, jewelry, and other goodies to start the night off. The raffle tables is full of amazing and different prizes and gifts. Tickets are available at Bellevue Bowl for \$25 or any association directors, no tickets will be sold at the door. Come see your friends and have some fun.

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# 2018 Imperial Valley USBC Open Championships

by Mickey Dale IVUSBC Public Relations

EL CENTRO – The Imperial Valley USBC Open Championships were held last weekend at the Strikezone in El Centro. Nearly 100 bowlers took part in the two-day tournament that was sponsored by Robinson Ford in Calexico, Las Palmitas Restaurants of El Centro and Leo’s Pro Shop, which services the bowling center.

In the handicap-based tournament, there were several divisions that bowlers competed in: Team; Doubles; Singles; High 3; and All Events.

The team of Matt Gray, Shawn Bartholomew, Michael Donate and Trevor Robinson combined for a total of 3028 to take the division. Karen Larsen, Marnita Pavao, Gary Pavao and Jerry Vaught took runnerup honors with a 2970 total. The team of Danny Chin, Ceazer Moore, James Gray and Derek Murray was in third with 2959 and posted the high scratch series with a total of 2773 pins.

In Doubles, Carl Danesi and John Whitehead took the title with a score of 1497, narrowly defeating Tuesday Verbrugh and Enrique Garcia’s 1481. Frank Zavala and Emilio Sandoval were third with 1459. The top scratch honors went to David Granados and Nolan Coyne with a 1324 three-game series.

Danny Maring peaked at the right time to post the high scratch and handicap series to win the Singles portion of the tournament. His sparkling series of 237-236-265 for a 738 scratch and 828 handicap total were best in Singles. Mike Reyla’s 198-268-213 and total of 679 earned the official scratch title as Maring didn’t sign up for that portion of the tournament.

In High 3 division, taking the top individual scratch game in team-doubles-singles, Nolan Coyne’s 255-265-257 games with a total of 777 earned the victory. He narrowly defeated James Gray by 2 pins after his 298-220-257 total of 775. Gordon Belt’s 277-248-245 for 770 was a close 3rd.



Danny Maring was tops in handicap and scratch Singles of the tournament.

In All Events, combining handicap totals of the 3 divisions, Juan Garcia posted the win with a 526-665-635 total of 2312. Enrique Garcia’s 2283 was second with Carl Danesi third with a total of 2256. Nolan Coyne’s 719-665-677 series totals topped all scratch bowlers with 2061.

James Gray rolled a terrific scratch series of 781 (236-298-247) in team competition to earn the top seed in the upcoming Masters Tournament. The field of 16 will compete for the prestigious title over the April 28-29 weekend.

## CAL BOWL BOWLING REPORT

by Lil'

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LAKEWOOD — It’s the time of the year when leagues are ending, sign ups are being taken for the new Summer season and lots of busy things are happening. Congratulations to all the teams who won first place in their leagues. Welcome to the bowlers who are starting in a new Summer league. . . have fun and most of all enjoy your bowling.

Let’s see how the bowlers did last week...

**V.A.:** Dan Martinez 573, Chris Martinez 518, Michelle McGarry 521.

**Big Bear:** The Big Bears growled at the pins this week. Team #6 are the champs this year. Congrats to Annie, Rita, Sid, Paul and Curt! Some scores to report: Jerry Cant 269/717, Aaron Law 256/708, Sonny Dew 265/697, Mark Fowler 254/685, Emeka Williams 665, Harold Dubose 256/660, Louis Whitlock 246/654, Paul Staff 258/641, Chris Abing 641, Ken Seiple Jr. 639, Sid Nakagawa 637, Kelly Wynn 636, Steve Clark 247/633, Debra Gipson 260/681, Sue Cant 245/638, Michelle Criswell 610, Denise Reed 558.

**Gobs and Gabs:** Jimmy White 742, Georell Culp 700, Paul Staff 684, Daryllynn Davis 651, Liza Agoncillo 619, Jayme Brown 562, Crystal Alvarez 228, Aiko Johnson 220, Michelle Criswell 563, Leo Silva 272, Ed Cabs 254, Gary Wright 253.

**Mini Couples:** Dave Burchman 584, Mike Onusic 539, Rudy Tomaneng 519, Emily Burchman 536, Nene Camanag 498.

**Grandma/Grandpa’s:** Walter Milsap 253/675, Larry Cosgrove 532, Alfred Dimas 528, Chris VanDeven 528, Billy Williams 518, Walter Gist 518, Jim Young 495, Donna May 202/542, Anna VonMuegge 202/533, JoAnne Mount 520, Yvonne Clarke 501.

**Fil-Am:** Matt Mosley 714, Leon Bradford 696, Rey Santos 681, James Borillo 266, Dave Burchman 262, Chris Abing 236, Christy Estimo 590, Maria Directo 530, Liza Agoncillo 223, Beth Austria 203.

**Laughlin Bowler Bears:** Michael Savolskis 255/642, Kye Patterson 242/622, Mark Fowler 604, Jaime Grabinski 594, Allen Swickard 539, Dominic Ravaglia 531, Joe Monroe 530, Bea Hackler 460.

**Pin Heads:** League Champs #8 won it all with 2 regulars — Larry Taylor and Frenchie Reese. The vacancy carried them all year! Congrats! Scores: Gregg Kelly 256/598, Gary Kelly 554, Damon Flewelen 545, Chuck Appleberry 515, Ashley Brown 226/602, Diane Robles 539, Audrey Louis 513.

**Bowling Buddies:** Rich Ewaskey 542, John Roach 398, Christine Ewaskey 435, Karen Foote 402.

**Young At Heart:** Henry Redman 231/648, Jimmy Hamilton 602, Anthony Leavell 571, Walter Milsap 568, Ron McClain Sr. 550, Andra Gibson 549, James Thompkins 530, Johnny Humphrey 530, Oritta Steel 225/590, Tua Sula 506, Dee Phipps 502.

**Cal Bowleros:** Carolyn Rousseau 541, Beth Austria 531, Leona Belletti 499. Side-pot winners—1st Game: Pat Bates 248; 2nd Game: Donna Gillespie/Carole Fischer 192; 3rd Game: Leona Belletti 216.

**Sierra Bugs:** Connie Wood 224/520, Kelle Falbo 519, JoAnn MacKnight 514, Myra Kremen 503. Side-pot winners—Game One: Pat Roberts 219; Game Two: JoAnn MacKnight 202; Game Three: Connie Wood 242. Side-pot winners—Game One: Linda Holden 245; Game Two: Cheryl Hilton 185; Game Three: Mary Spencer 248.

**C.A.U.L.:** Rich Dahman 670, David Regul 666, Nori Ito 657, Allan Lee 584, Blayke Miller 580, Eli Vegas 246/579, Tom Davis 565, Andy Vaca 557, Antoine Nguyen 554, Albert Demers Jr. 547, Leigh-Anne Kitch 472, Wendy Goetz 464.

**Senior Men’s Trio:** Team #1 rolled a 2256 Series which USBC gives an award for. 3 man team shooting over 2250 Gary White, Dave Wilson, Steve Ritch.

Let’s all have a great week of bowling. See you on the lanes.

## NEXT 10 DAYS WILL BE MEANINGFUL FOR TOM SMALLWOOD & FRIENDS

SAGINAW, Mich. –The next 10 days will be especially meaningful to Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., and, presumably, fellow PBA Tour competitors Bill O’Neill of Langhorne, Pa.; Ryan Ciminelli of Clarence, N.Y.; Canada’s Francois Lavoie; two-hander Kyle Troup of Taylorsville, N.C., and Texan Wes Malott as they pursue the eighth and final berth in the 2018 PBA Tour Finals which will take place May 4-5 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich.

The PBA Tour Finals, which will be televised by CBS Sports Network as part of the 2018 Go Bowling!

PBA Tour schedule, will include the top eight players in combined PBA Tour/World Bowling Tour earnings from the start of the 2016 season through this week’s USBC Masters and the Port Property Management PBA Xtra Frame Maine Shootout April 17-18 at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine.

Heading into the Masters, the top eight players in combined earnings were EJ Tackett (\$380,828), Jason Belmonte (\$380,357), Jesper Svensson (\$296,456), Dom Barrett (\$254,490), Anthony Simonsen (\$236,834), Marshall Kent (\$223,745), Tommy Jones (\$175,652) and, in the No. 8 position, Sean Rash (\$154,472).

With a \$30,000 first prize at stake in the Masters and \$10,000 to the winner in Maine, Smallwood has the best chance to break into the elite eight-man field. Smallwood’s combined earnings are \$153,057, just over \$1,000 behind Rash. Longer shots, but still mathematically in contention, are O’Neill (\$147,275), Ciminelli (\$137,080), Lavoie (\$128,055), Troup (\$125,780) and Malott (\$118,883).

The final results will be decided live on Xtra Frame during its exclusive coverage of the Maine Shootout on April 17-18. To watch that event, subscribe to Xtra Frame. Details can be found at [xtraframe.tv](http://xtraframe.tv).

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# HOW DO YOU BECOME A CHAMPION?

by Jerry Teunissen

In every sport, youth players dream to be just as good as the best.

In football to become as good as Ronaldo, Messi, in Athletics, young girls dream to become just as good as the 100 m king Usain Bolt, or Elaine Thompson and as good as Dutch Daphne Schippers, in skating to become as good as Irene Wust, Sven Kramer ....

Or in bowling to become as good as Jason Belmonte, Norm Duke, or Dutch Xander van Mazijk, world champion single event 2017 at Las Vegas?

Why not? Dreaming can be a start of a bowling career, why not?

Famous Dutch singer Marco Borsato sang “dreams are fake and lies” but I’m slowly starting to think Borsato sees it wrong ... because it does not count in sport ...

What’s wrong if you are young and are dreaming to become ever the best in Bowling, what’s wrong with that, right?

Only when you practice bowling at competition level, one will discover that bowling is a real sport. You have to deal with so many factors and to practice so much before you get to a result. But it is possible, Believe in yourself ....

For sure I will forget some points .... but what do you think of the following points. Track conditions, oil patterns learn to read, ball circulations, to change to different types of ball for different track conditions, changing track conditions during the games and respond to them, approach and release, maintain concentration during the game and not relax, have a good condition, yes yes that too .... the fitter you are the longer you can continue your performing at the bowling level, but the most important points to reach the top are,

A. Focus on the top and deny yourself everything you want to reach that goal. Do not put your goals to far away ... but try to get up in small steps.

B. Train and train again ... repeat and repeat that ...

C. Play in competitions with a higher level ... start a class higher the challenges... to get a better bowler... and discover what your opportunities are.

D. Gather the right people around you, who support you, do not worry about the negativity around your person.

If you are the age of 12, 13 or 14 years ... All these ingredients .... it’s a lot, I know, but why not and give it a try anyway ?

I do not know exactly, but Nick de Gelder must have thought so a few years ago. Why not? Why would not I try it?

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Ellen Jansen and Nick de Gelder

mother Jolanda and father Michel de Gelder, ... driver, coach, soul cutter, what has not that man been for his son Nick.... all at the same time....

Yesterday all the efforts paid off .... son Nick a junior and member of the Dutch Youth Team .... defeated all the established adult players, on his way to the finals of the Dutch Championship Bowling at the A class (the best bowlers of our country) and won the title.... great performance NICK.

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Congratulations Nick .... great performance ... and respect ....

How do you become champion bowling?


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# 457 Reasons Why Women Are Better Bowlers Than Men

by Frank Weiler

There are at least 457 reasons why women are better bowlers than men. Men think they are better but they’re not. There are at least 457 reasons that say otherwise.

Obviously I cannot list all 457 reasons why lady bowlers are better, so for now I will give you my first five reasons.

First of all women are better bowlers because they are more intelligent than men. Yes, WOMEN ARE SMARTER THAN MEN! Just about every woman I know is smarter than the guys I know. Of course MY WIFE IS SMARTER THAN ME and she reminds me of that every time she outsmarts me.

When I was in school all the smartest kids in my classes were girls. Most guys will admit the same if they are under oath. Every time I attend a graduation the valedictorian is a young woman.

While I was in the workplace women always excelled when given a chance. My last boss was a woman and she was brilliant. She taught me a few tricks of our trade. Many a wise man has said that if women ruled the world would be a better place. Soon we will find out when we have our first female President.

“Ask Alexa”. When I wanted to know if a hot dog is a sandwich I asked Alexa. “She” said a hot dog is a sandwich. I bet most guys didn’t know that. I didn’t know a DODGER DOG is a sandwich. Alexa knew! What did you expect, that she wouldn’t know? Like most women, Alexa knows everything.

Then I asked Alexa the big one. Are women smarter than men? “She” answered with more questions. In the home, doesn’t every housewife know how and do the work of two men? In the home when things get tough, who is the first to get going, who is the first to know the direction to take? In the home, who knows how best to make ends meet? What’s left to say?

Guys, are you afraid to hear more? Too bad, because here I go. Women are so much more athletic than men. Women are so much more coordinated than men. Have you ever watched some of the guys bowling in leagues these days? Their arms flay all over the place. They’re off balance and they run to the foul line trying to roll a bowling ball twenty miles an hour. Why? To impress their buddies? They must think our sport is about ball speed!

Now you have these young boys bending like a pretzel to roll it with two hands! Ugly? No. Just uncoordinated. Is this bowling? Not according to stylists like Brian Voss.

Female bowlers are so graceful. Women have better bowling form than their male counterparts. Want proof? Ask a silver coach. I’ve heard more silver coaches prefer

to show their students film of PWBA bowlers rather than PBA bowlers! The reason? Women are fundamentally sound when it comes to their bowling form. Women exhibit better timing, better balance and better arm motion.

Guys love to whine. Guys are the biggest cry babies in the world. Guys pout and kick ball returns. Bowling can make Guys act like boys. Guys are easily distracted when the going gets tough. Watch a guy when he leaves two splits in a row. Take cover!!!

Women are better bowlers when it comes to composure. They don’t whine, they don’t pout, they don’t kick. They don’t act like a little girls and they don’t get distracted when the going gets tough.

Women accept adversity better than men. Women are not quitters. I have seen so many guys quit. Give up when the going got tough. So many guys lose it when they can’t strike. I’ve never seen a female bowler do the same.

Back in the day Bowling was first and foremost a team sport. Bowling started as a team sport and still today our leagues are team competitions. Through the years women have always proved to be better teammates than their male counterparts.

Guys listen up if you want to be a better teammate. Women are better teammates because they are more dependable, more consistent and more sympathetic than their male counterparts. My female bowling partners have been better teammates than any guys I have bowled with because of the aforementioned traits.

The best of these bowling virtues is sympathy. What bowler doesn’t need a shoulder to cry on? Women are better listeners and more understanding than men. They are more sympathetic when you leave a big split or a solid ten pin. There is a reason for this.

Women have more experience dealing with life’s mishaps. It’s something to do with mothering. Women have an instinct for being there for others. Hence they are better prepared to deal with bad breaks, taps and splits.

So there you have it, my first several of four hundred and forty seven reasons why women are better bowlers than men. Keep your eyes open for more on this subject from me in the future.

Before closing I should make one admission. While I have many great male friends and teammates I like women better than men. I love women because they are more fun to be around, more open and more caring than guys. Does that make me prejudiced on this issue? I think not. Why, because you would agree with me if you knew the women in my life and the women I bowl with.

Now get ready women, now that that is settled, what’s next? What’s next?

## Masters

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he again was looking to become the first amateur to win the Masters since Arizona’s Brett Wolfe won the 2002 event.

*“I surprisingly wasn’t as nervous as I thought I’d be in that moment,” Hoskins said of his final frame. “I was pretty calm and threw the first one really well. I think with how I saw the ball go through the pins, I felt like I needed to hit it a little harder on the second shot, and I got a little slow. It wasn’t my best shot, and that’s what it comes down to. He made better shots than I did, and that’s why he’s the winner.”*

Hoskins’ start to his semifinal match against USBC Hall of Famer and co-worker at Storm, Steve Kloempken of Pleasant View, Utah, didn’t bode well for a trip to the championship match as he opened in three of his first four frames.

After discussing what he was seeing on the lanes with his ball representatives, the 25-year-old right-hander made a move and fired six consecutive strikes, including one in a must-strike situation to start the 10th frame, to record the win and advance to face Anderson, 213-197.

Kloempken survived a back-and-forth match with Joe Paluszek of Bensalem, Pennsylvania, to advance to the semifinal, 189-188. With Paluszek finishing first, Kloempken converted a 10 pin after a strike in the 10th frame to secure the win.

In Sunday’s opening match, Kloempken rebounded from an early open frame to deliver seven consecutive strikes on his way to a 243-211 victory over 2017 U.S. Open champion Rhino Page of Orlando, Florida.

Competitors in the sold-out field this week bowled 15 games of qualifying, before a cut was made to the top 63, who joined defending champion Jason Belmonte of Australia in the double-elimination match-play bracket. Belmonte finished tied for 25th place.

### 2018 USBC MASTERS

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#### Sunday’s Results - Final standings

1. Andrew Anderson, Holly, Mich., 213 (one game), \$30,000.
2. Alex Hoskins (a), Brigham City, Utah, 412 (two games), \$25,000.
3. Steve Kloempken (a), Pleasant View, Utah, 629 (three games), \$15,000.
4. Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 188 (one game), \$10,000.
5. Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 211 (one game), \$8,000.

#### Stepladder results

Match One – Kloempken def. Page, 243-211.

Match Two – Kloempken def. Paluszek, 189-188.

Semifinal – Hoskins def. Kloempken, 213-197.

Championship – Anderson def. Hoskins, 213-199.







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DV8 Moves to 9-1, Sysco Extends Their Lead

Eric Snow and Rob Renko Go Perfect 300

by David Yamauchi

DOWNEY – The Brunswick Invitational hit the second week of the wild card round with the four round winners battling each other and the rest of the league fighting for the last two playoff spots. Scoring was way up as the league got a chance to strike on the house shot. Eric Snow strung 12 strikes in game two for a perfect 300 followed by Rob Renko matching his perfection in game three.

In the round-winner’s matches, **Sysco** was looking to extend their overall lead on the round they won taking on **J.A.T.** in the 1-2 match. Sysco came out strong taking game one by triple digits then continued to strike to take game two and all but assure two points for totals. J.A.T. didn’t quit and made a late rush and took advantage of an untimely open to steal one point. Paul Baracco was solid for Sysco with a 737 series and Gabriel Martinez threw in 720 for the four wins. David Yamauchi led J.A.T. with a big 747 set. Sysco will remain in the top match facing Cal Bowl next week.

In the 3-4 match, **Cal Bowl** and **Buddy’s Bowling Supply** matched up at 81 wins before hitting the lanes. Cal Bowl took game one in a close 27-pin match, then rolled their way to a 5-0 sweep of Buddy’s. Juan Zavala led Cal with a 731 set while Buddy Lucas managed 666 to pace Buddy’s. Cal Bowl will move to the top match next week while Buddy’s will face J.A.T. on the second pair.

In the wildcard matchups, the “A” match featured two 5-0 teams battling as **DV8** and **Bowling Guys** looked to stay undefeated in their quest for a playoff spot. DV8 took games one and two but dropped game three for a 4-1 win and moves to 9-1. Sam Hitchcock led DV8 with a nice 707 set while Clinton Meche was solid for Bowling Guys with a 701 set. DV8 will remain in the “A” match next week.

In the “B” match, the high of the five 4-1 teams paired up as **Keystone Lanes** faced **Linder’s Insurance**. Keystone went huge the first game with a 963 but Linder’s came back with a huge 980 game two to make totals close. Linder’s took game three but fell 4 sticks short for totals as Keystone takes the 3-2 win. Eddie VanDan-

iker was again strong for Keystone with a 738 set while Vernon Adams put up a nice 750 set to lead Linder’s.

Also at 4-1, **Century 21-My Real Estate** was looking to keep the momentum up against **Three Olives Vodka**. Century 21 started out strong backed by sub Samantha Jimenez’ 269 start and didn’t look back as they swept Three Olives Vodka. Samantha kept it rolling to a 727 set to lead Century 21 while Vince Duarte put up 701 to lead Three Olives.

The low 4-1 team **Forest Lanes** met the highest 1-4 team **Tito’s Handmade Vodka**. Forest took game one by 55 but Tito’s came back to take game tow by 49 and make totals close going into game three. Game three was all Forest as they posted a 134 pin win led by Reb Renko’s perfect 300 game. Rob’s 701 series led Forest while Andy Moran paced Tito’s limping into a 614 series.

**Herzog Insurance** and **Threadworks** were looking to bounce back after 1-4 starts to the final round. Herzog struck big with a 138 pin win in game one but lost a heartbreaker in game two but bounced back for a game three win and a 4-1 result. Eric Snow was perfect 300 en route to his 789 set to lead Threadworks while Gary Duran struck his way to 735 to lead Herzog.

**Bowlium**, **Professional Approach**, **Los Altos Trophy** and **Don Julio Tequila** rounded out the matches on Monday. Professional Approach came out big with a 99 pin game one win but dropped game two by 168 and fell to Bowlium 3-2. Billy Myers Jr. led Bowlium with a 695 set while Matt Schermerhorn paced Professional Approach with a 685 series. Los Altos Trophy swept right through Don Julio Tequila led by Mikey Villarreal’s 754 set while Rudy Martinez paced Don Julio with a 691 set.

Sidepots went to Herbert Jones (279) and Eric Snow (300) for \$66 each with the SuperPot going to Eddie VanDaniker (266) for \$198. Financial Advisor’s Pot went to Eric Snow (300) for \$190 with 2nd to J.T. Diso (289) for \$100. Come down Monday night and see the best scratch league in So. Cal. take the lanes at Del Rio as teams take on the 46’ long pattern in week 3 of the wildcard round!

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|                                      |                               |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Century 21 My Real Estate. . . . . 9 | Cal Bowl \$\$\$\$ . . . . . 7 |
| DV8. . . . . 9                       | Linders Insurance. . . . . 6  |
| Sysco \$ . . . . . 8                 | Bowling Guys . . . . . 6      |
| Forest Lanes. . . . . 8              | Herzog Insurance. . . . . 5   |
| Keystone Lanes . . . . . 7           | Los Altos Trophy . . . . . 5  |

TOP 10 THIS WEEK

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Eric Snow . . . . . 789        | Paul Barraco . . . . . 737     |
| Mikey Villarreal . . . . . 757 | Gary Duran . . . . . 735       |
| Vernon Adams . . . . . 750     | Juan Zavala. . . . . 731       |
| David Yamauchi . . . . . 747   | Gabriel Martinez . . . . . 720 |
| Eddie VanDaniker . . . . . 738 | Sam Hitchcock . . . . . 707    |

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