# EJ TACKETT CLIMBS LADDER, WINS SECOND CONSECUTIVE PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIIP 

## Tachett yoes bach-to-bach, makes Player of the Year statement <br> by Nolan Hughes

ALLEN PARK - EJ Tackett wrote another illustrious chapter in his young career on Sunday afternoon at Strobl Arena in Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich.

Tackett, the lone right-hander in the field, defeated four consecutive southpaws - Eric Jones, Graham Fach, Jesper Svensson and top seed Matt Russo to win the PBA World Championship title. He not only defended his 2023 title but claimed the third World Championship victory of his career. In the grand finale of the World Series of Bowling XV, Tackett became the seventh player in PBA history to reach 23 titles and five major victories. He joined Walter Ray Williams Jr., Earl Anthony, Norm Duke, Pete Weber, Jason Belmonte, and Mike Aulby.
"I'm still young. I've


# MATI RUSSO WIINS SECOND CAREER TITLE at PBA SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP 

## Top seed Russo wins all-two-handed stepladder finals

ALLEN PARK - A Russo defeated Packy theme developed at Hanrahan, 228-192, in Strobl Arena inside the PBA Scorpion ChamThunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich. On Tuesday night, in an all-two-handed stepladder final, Matt Russo took down the No. 2 seed to claim the second PBA Tour title of his career.

The top seeded
by Nolan Hughes pionship title match as part of the World Series of Bowling XV.
"I've dreamed of this since I was a kid," Russo said. "It's one thing to win off TV, but to do that in front of those people was phenomenal."


2024 PBA World Championship Winner EJ Tackett with son Tripp
got a lot of career left," and win some championTackett said. "It's some- ships. Who knows where thing you can't really this might take me." think about. I've always said that l'm going to go out for about 20 years, give it my all and be competitive. Hopefully over continue decade, I can

Tackett, Russo, Svensson and Fach clinched berths in Sunday's finals by qualifying in the top four of the PBA World Championship, which consisted of 61 games

The stepladder finals featured five two-handers - Russo, Hanrahan, Keven Williams, Jason Belmonte and Jesper Svensson - and it included four left-handers. After Svensson dispatched Belmonte in the opening match, only southpaws remained in
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of qualifying throughout the PBA World Series of Bowling XV. Jones, who qualified sixth, reached the championship round by winning Saturday's play-in stepladder, featuring the fifth through ninth qualifiers.
Brett Spangler, Mo-
tiv's ball rep and Tackett's close friend, said their gameplan was similar to their plan in Wednesday's Shark Championship, but they were more aggressive about manipulating the environment. Essentially, they were intentional with each shot of practice to maximize scoring potential for the entire afternoon.

As the only righthander on the show, Tackett could set himself up for easier transition if he broke down the 43 foot Earl Anthony pattern the right way. Tackett gave himself a B+ effort for how he set up the lanes.
"I've led a lot of events in my career where you go out there, bowl one game and win," Tackett said. "That's kind of how I felt today: Just go out there, bowl one game and win and then it's a new tournament. Bowl one game and win, one game and win."

In the opening match, the now-23-time PBA Tour champion defeated 19-year-old Eric Jones, 246-205.

Tackett fired six consecutive strikes after continued on page 6


E TTACKETT BREAKS DROUGHTTO
WIN PBA SHARK CHAMPIONSHIP Tackett earns his first title of the season and 22nd of his career

## by Nolan Hughes

ALLEN PARK - In of the World Series of his sixth championship Bowling XV. round appearance of the 2024 season, EJ Tackett finally emerged with the title at Strobl Arena inside Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich

Tackett defeated Shota Kawazoe, 228-213, in the PBA Shark Championship title match as part

Tackett earned his 2nd career title, tying Marshall Holman for 12th on the all-time list, and first of the 2024 season.
"I've made so many shows this year. I've been so close and that has a lot of built up and pent up emotion, good
and bad," Tackett said "When I was on the practice lanes, I just had this feeling come over me that I was ready to bowl. I don't know if someone was with me today. I lost my grandpa last year, PaPaw. Maybe he was with me today."

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## Another One Bites The Dust....

# AMF Land Park Bowl Closes Its Doors 

by Dave Williams

Following a fire that caused extensive damage to AMF Land Park Bowl in Sacramento, Calif., on February 11th, 2024, parent company Bowlero Corporation made known their intention to permanently close the facility that opened in the fall of 1960

The 32 lane center was originally operated by David and Dale Hanna, and owned by the Gonzo Sakai family of Clarksburg, Calif., according to an article appearing in the Sacramento Bee from October 30th 1960.
"We have deeply appreciated your patronage and support over the years. We've made great bowling memories together," the Bowlero Corporation wrote on its website. The Land Park Bowl history is perhaps one of the most interesting in all of bowling when it comes to ownership.

Following the initial operation and ownership mentioned above, Brunswick Recreation Centers (BRC), a division of the Brunswick Corporation, took over the operation of the center, most likely by repossession, through an act of defaults on payments for the bowling equipment.

During conversations with Robert Feuchter, Chairman and CEO of American Recreation Centers (ARC), I can recall a special arrangement that he had with BRC, when one of their existing locations did not fit into a clustering concept espoused by both of the major bowling chains.

Enter American Recreation Centers. Feuchter, a tremendous visionary and leader for the ARC team, who unfortunately died only one year after his retirement from a brain tumor, stepped in and purchased Land Park Bowl from BRC. When AMF acquired ARC in the mid-1990's, Land Park Bowl was once again a part of the allocation of bowling centers that changed their name from ARC to AMF

Another reason that I remember Land Park Bowl so well involves a district manager's meeting held there in 1989. One of the ideas that I brought from my days at AMF to share with ARC was a free game-a-day card for the summer months of June, July and August.

The program director at Land Park suggested calling the card a "Say No To Drugs - Say Yes To Bow' ing" Game-A-Day pass, after Nancy Reagan's car paign to stop drugs. The rest, as they say, is histor and the card became the forerunner of the popula "Bowl Free This Summer" card promoted by man marketing gurus to this day.

## Catching Up On Marin County

When Bob Johnson wrote a profile about your truly a couple of weeks ago, I thought back abou all of the wonderful bowling memories from Mari County, and what might have happened to the Mari County Bowling Association since the closing c

Country Club Bowl, their last remaining public bowling center.
"The Marin County USBC folded when Country Club Bowl closed," said Lynn Matsubara of the California USBC Association. "Petaluma USBC is a one center association (AMF Boulevard Bowl), and the next closest center is AMF Double Decker Lanes in Rohnert Park. Not many places left around there for bowlers."

Greenbrae Lanes in Greenbrae, Calif., was the first of Marin County's three bowling palaces to close. It was built on a peninsula and the value of the property must have been in the 10's of millions of dollars. I can remember bowling there in 1974, and recording my very first 800 series, an 811 . During that summer adult-youth league program, I averaged $252 \ldots$ something that was absolutely unheard of in those days.

The next center to go was Nave Lanes in Novato, Calif., where I had many of my earliest 300 memories, including two of the six in eight months that set a national record in 1975. Nave Lanes was a unique building with a Roman Empire theme, highlighted by Nero's Restaurant. The structure was inspired by the nearby Marin County Civic Center, Frank Lloyd Wright's last public building masterpiece.

Finally, Country Club Lanes, with the giant " 40 lanes bowling pin" visible from Highway 101, was the last to close, following the COVID-19 shutdown that was such a blow to so many bowling centers across the nation. As a 15 year old youth, I traveled to Country Club Bowl to participate in a Singles and Doubles Tournament with Mark Wetch, who had his own car and was old enough to drive.

After an uneventful showing, Mark asked if I wanted to stick around and bowl the next squad. We decided to have some lunch, and I believe it was Bea Hoffmann that opened the snack bar so that we could get a bite to eat. In the singles of the next squad, I was able to put together games of 212,258 and 289, for a 759 se-
ries, the second highest in the nation that year for my age group.

What was the super food that I had for lunch that day, you might ask? A turkey sandwich with french fries and a chocolate milkshake. It's an unusual combo that remains one of my favorite meals to this day.

Grand Opening of Country Club Bowl, September 2nd, 1959 (image provided by Marin Independent Journal)

Bea Hoffmann (1937-2017) was an extremely upbeat individual that I got to know through participation in the North Bay Travel League, an alliance designed by and for bowling center employees. Every week, Bea was on the air, announcing the top bowling scores from Marin County on KTIM Radio. She served as president and secretary of the Marin County Women's Bowling Association, secretary for the Marin County Men's Bowling Association, and as a bowling coach for many youngsters during her illustrious career in bowling.

MANY THANKS to everyone for your prayers and well wishes. I'm still not sure what's ailing me, but thankfully the doctors installed a catheter (ouch!) a couple of weeks ago, or I wouldn't even be here writing this story. Still have a few more tests to go. One of my favorite verses in the Holy Bible which seems appropriate is Philippians 4:6-7.

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## ANDY TORO is Bowler of the Week

by Frank Weiler
 week "Bowler of The Week"? First of all he is a TEAM week "Bowler of The Week"? First of all he is a TEAM
PLAYER. He is a positive influence on everyone around PLAYER. He is a positive influence on everyone around
him. He is particularly supportive of his bowling teammates looking for ways to help them and always encouraging them. ANDY loves the sport of Bowling and competing He competes in several leagues and loves competing and in local tournaments and USBC Tournaments.
Second, ANDY is lighting up the scoreboard in several leagues this season. He is carrying the high average in the Senior Laughlin League (222). He has also bowled several 279 games this season and a huge 790 scratch series that tops the Senior Laughlin League. The 790 series is the second highest series rolled in Empire Bowl's senior leagues this season!
Andy may be the most feared bowler in Empire Bowl senior league history. He is a striking machine known for rolling a strike whenever it is needed in the clutch. That's the reason why his "Sandy's Friends" team leads the Se nior Laughlin League by four points with a 43-20 winning record. Congratulations to ANDY TORO for his great bowlrecord. Congratulations to ANDY TORO for his great bowling and high scoring. He is another example of why "CALI-
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converting a 4-pin in the opening frame. He left the $4-10$ split on the right lane in the ninth, following a shot he thought was good. The reigning Player of the Year rebounded with two strikes to shut out the younger EJ.

Over the next three matches, the left-handers dealt with the ramifications of the additional transition.

Fach, seeking his first title since his 2016 Players Championship victory, left five consecutive singlepins leading into the final frame. After an open frame and two spare conversions by Tackett, Fach had an opportunity to win the match with two strikes and nine pins in his 10th frame.

However, the higher-seeded Fach opted to finish on the right lane, which players have emphatically said all week is the harder of the two lanes. The Canadian southpaw, who decided to add some loft to his shot with a urethane ball, went high and left the 3-10. Tackett advanced with a 213-202 victory.

In the semifinal match, Svensson experienced déjà vu from his semifinal loss in the PBA Scorpion Championship finals last Wednesday. The two-handed Swede boasts the highest rev rate on tour but left seven single-pins in 11 shots: three straight 7 -pins, followed by three straight 10 -pins and a 6 -pin for one final kick in the teeth.
With the match in hand, Tackett was afforded an opportunity in the 10th frame to try a different ball. The result, a 2-10 split, gave Tackett the conviction to stick with the ball he had been using - the exact same ball with which he won the Shark Championship.
"Being able to look at (a different ball) in the 10th is a blessing and an enormous advantage," Spangler said. "Do we gear down and create some down-lane motion with a ball that we've been using, or do we go to something that's going to do that on its own? We got to actually look at it and (the latter) just didn't hook. It's great to have no worry or wonder about what you need to be in going into this title match."

Tackett prevailed over top seeded Russo in the title match. Though Russo threw reactive equipment, he battled the same carry issues of Svensson.

After Russo's sixth single-pin leave in the 10th frame, Tackett clinched the title - his first win with his four-month-old son, Eddie III (aka Tripp), in the audience

Before Tackett grabbed the Earl Anthony trophy, he hoisted his son from his wife, Natalie.
"I can't even describe the feeling," Tackett said. "It was so cool. I can't wait till he's old enough to understand what was happening during that time and how happy Natalie and I were.

Tackett made five consecutive championship round appearances earlier in the season, leaving each show without a title. The story of Tackett's season prior to the WSOB was his brilliance in qualifying followed by shortcomings on TV.
Not anymore.

On Wednesday, Tackett won the PBA Shark Championship; on Sunday, Tackett became the first player to win consecutive titles since Jesper Svensson in 2020.
"I've had plenty of stretches in my career where I've made a bunch of shows and I just couldn't win," Tackett said. "Luckily this stretch was one of the shortest ones that l've ever had. Nonetheless it still sucks when you're bowling well and then just not getting it done on TV."

All of a sudden, Tackett heads into the regular season finale at the PBA Tournament of Champions, where he earned the No. 1 seed a year ago, with the potential to win a third straight title.
The reigning Player of the Year leads the tour with a would-be-record average of 230.81 in 417 games and has overtaken Bill O'Neill in 2024 competition points. O'Neill had led since he won the seasonopening PBA Players Championship in January.

The PBA regular season concludes with the PBA Tournament of Champions, which begins Monday with practice and PBA Elite League competition in Fairlawn, Ohio. Qualifying for the season's final major begins Tuesday

## Championship Round Scores

Match 1: No. 4 EJ Tackett def.
No. 6 Eric Jones, 246-205
Match 2: No. 4 EJ Tackett def.
No. 3 Graham Fach, 213-202
Match 3: No. 4 EJ Tackett def
No. 2 Jesper Svensson, 193-184 Championship: No. 4 EJ Tackett def No. 1 Matt Russo, 225-194

## Final Standings

1. EJ Tackett, $\$ 100,000$
2. Matt Russo, $\$ 60,000$
3. Jesper Svensson, \$45,000
4. Graham Fach, $\$ 35,000$
5. Eric Jones, $\$ 30,000$

More information on the World Series of Bowling XV is available here.


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win to his first-born son, who was born in December 2023. "Now I don't have it looming over my head to try to win as a dad," Tackett said. "I put that kind of pressure upon myself a little bit, like trying to win in the state of Indiana. The same thing happened when got married - I went winless in 2020 - so that was tough. Now, it's one of those things where, it doesn't hang over my head, but it definitely makes it a little bit easier moving forward."

The fifth-seeded Matt Russo's quest to win back-to-back titles - a feat no player has achieved since Jesper Svensson in 2020 - began with back-to-back open frames against Kris Prather. Prather strung a hree-bagger and converted all three 10-pin leaves to win 226-198.

Prather and the No. 3 seed Anthony Simonsen each fired nothing but strikes before the break of the second match, though both left 10-pins in their firs shot afterwards. Simonsen immediately returned to his striking ways while Prather left a 4 -pin and 9 -pin in his eighth and ninth frames, respectively.

Simonsen opened in the 10th frame after leaving the $3-4-6-7-10$ split to shoot 240 , allowing Prather an opportunity to strike twice on the pesky right lane o steal the win. The one-hander, a welcome sight for the traditionalists after Tuesday's all-two-handed stepladder finals, instead left a 3-6-10 to lose 240224

Simonsen jumped almost five boards left to start his semifinal match against Tackett, resulting in three 10 -pins in the first five frames. Tackett, meanwhile was off to the races and struck eight consecutive times from the second through ninth frame.

For the first time in Tackett's career, he defeated Simonsen on television with a 253-217 win.

That set up a rematch of the 2017 DHC PBA Japan Invitational title match between Tackett and Kawazoe, who sought to become the first Japanese player to win a PBA Tour title.

Kawazoe said it is his dream, and the dream of all Japanese bowlers, to win a PBA Tour title. It appeared the mighty burden of that dream weighed heavily on Kawazoe as he consistently missed left, crossing over the head-pin three times on the right ane.

Despite his struggles, Kawazoe stayed clean and kept himself in the match.
"There's a reason why he's here," Tackett said. "Shota is the best in Japan and he's proving it every time he comes over. He didn't have a very good look tonight, but he stuck in there, gutted it out and threw a double in the 10th to make me have to spare. I ex pect to see that a whole lot more. This won't be the last time you see him."

It would have taken a near-perfect effort to take down Tackett on Wednesday night. After making five consecutive championship rounds without winning, Tackett would not be denied.
After adding the Shark Championship to his evergrowing résumé, Tackett has now won each of the current WSOB title events. He previously won the 2017 Scorpion Championship, 2023 Cheetah and Norld Championships.

Tackett, who is on pace to break Jason Belmonte's 2019 scoring average record of 229.39, said his only chance at repeating as Player of the Year is to win a major championship.
"Bill O'Neill has bowled unbelievable this year with winning a major championship, and Kyle Troup has as well, winning the U.S. Open and winning another itte," Tackett said. "My best opportunity is the World Championship, but we'll be traveling to the Tournament of Champions, and l've had a little bit of success there at that bowling center. But before I even think about Player of the Year, I have to win a major Championship Round Scores
Match 1: No. 4 Kris Prather def.
No. 5 Matt Russo, 226-198
Match 2: No. 3 Anthony Simonsen def.
No. 4 Kris Prather, 240-224
Match 3: No. 2 EJ Tackett def.
No. 3 Anthony Simonsen, 253-217
Championship: No. 2 EJ Tackett def.
No. 1 Shota Kawazoe, 228-213
Final Standings

1. EJ Tackett, $\$ 20,000$
2. Shota Kawazoe, \$13,000
3. Anthony Simonsen, \$11,000
4. Kris Prather, $\$ 9,000$
5. Matt Russo, $\$ 7,000$

More information on the PBA Scorpion Championship is available here.

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title contention. With the additional transition on the 42-foot Scorpion pattern, players saw ball reaction they had not seen throughout 15 games of qualifying or two rounds of best-of-five-games match play.
"I really wasn't comfortable or confident in my ball selection on the show," Russo said. "I just wanted to make sure I threw good shots on the right lane. I knew that would be the trouble lane based on the league and other shows. I got the hits, made my spares and here I am as the Scorpion champion.
"They were so different from when we bowled qualifying," Russo elaborated on the lane conditions. "I knew they were gonna break down. I actually thought they were going to hook more than they did. But trusting my reps, myself and my eyes, I was able to take advantage of a good opportunity."

While two-handed, Russo did put his thumb in the ball until about three months ago. After missing the cut at the season-opening Players Championship, Russo drilled an arsenal for the U.S. Open without thumb holes.

The adjustment paid dividends as Russo finished 17th in the U.S. Open, made the show two weeks later in Missouri and never looked back.
"The best thing that ever happened is that I missed the cut at the Players," Russo said. "If I make that cut, I don't (take my thumb out), I'm not standing here as a champion and I'm not leading the World Championship."

Russo hugs his father, Tom, after winning his first title on television.
Svensson eliminated Belmonte, the man who pioneered the two-handed movement, in the opening match, 223-213. Belmonte split twice on the right lane; while he converted the 2-10, the non-strikes put him too far behind the powerful Swede.

Svensson started the next match against Williams by leaving the 7 -pin in five of his first seven frames, all with urethane. In the meantime, Williams fired four consecutive and five out of six strikes to build a 31-pin lead.

Williams nearly coughed up the entire lead with a missed 7 -pin in the eighth frame. But Svensson, who switched from urethane to reactive in his own eighth frame, made the adjustment too late and ultimately fell 235-184.

The third match pitted Williams against his close friend and PBA pre-game show co-host in Hanrahan. The southpaws immediately incorporated the crowd, exchanging messengers and WWE-style celebrations throughout the match.

Williams, who left a pocket 7-10 in the second frame, had a chance to win the match with all three strikes in the 10th frame. He said a fan's sneeze broke his concentration and he was not able to regain it, leaving the 2-pin and falling 247225.

Hanrahan carried his positive momentum into the title match as both he and Russo had a 279-max score available into the sixth frame. But everything flipped in an instant.

Hanrahan left a pocket 7-10 of his own in that sixth frame, then whiffed a 7-pin in the seventh. Russo, who led qualifying and lost just one game during match play, didn't need any more cushion and cruised along to his second career title.

Russo will return to Strobl Arena on Wednesday night for the PBA Shark Championship, where this time he will have to climb the ladder as the No. 5 seed.

Top seed Shota Kawazoe looks to become the first Japanese player to win a PBA Tour singles title. He will await the victor of EJ Tackett, Anthony Simonsen, Kris Prather and Russo.

Russo also leads the PBA World Championship, which consists of all 45 games of qualifying across the Cheetah, Scorpion and Shark Championships. Russo holds a 209-pin lead entering Thursday's 16 games of round-robin match play.

The top nine players after match play will advance to this weekend's stepladder finals, airing in two parts on Saturday and Sunday.

Championship Round Scores
Match 1: No. 5 Jesper Svensson def. No. 4 Jason Belmonte, 223-213
Match 2: No. 3 Keven Williams def. No. 5 Jesper Svensson, 235-184
Match 3: No. 2 Packy Hanrahan def. No. 3 Keven Williams, 247-225
Championship: No. 1 Matt Russo def. No. 2 Packy Hanrahan, 228-192
Final Standings
Matt Russo, \$20,000
Packy Hanrahan, \$13,000
Keven Williams, \$11,000
Jesper Svensson, \$9,000
Jason Belmonte, \$7,000
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# Brivnswick: .  by David Yamauchi 

DOWNEY - The Brunswick Invitational took to the lanes for the third week of the Wildcard round switching from the lower scoring long oil third-round pattern to the fourth-round USBC Nationals 2023 Team Event pattern. Del Rio Lanes was looking to keep the momentum going after a hot start in the first two weeks.

In the battle for the round, the "A" match featured Del Rio Lanes (Marquan Rivers) sitting a 9-1 taking on Forest Lanes (Jon Diso) coming off a 4-1 match in week 2. Del Rio Lanes took a 5-pin win in game one but dropped game two by 11. Del Rio Lanes came back to take game three by 28 for the $4-1$ win to stay atop the round. Marquan Rivers was again big for Del Rio Lanes with a solid 679 set while Jon Diso led Forest Lanes with a 685 set.

The "B" match featured Professional Approach Oak Tree (John Struckman) battling US Foods (Gabriel Martinez) who were on the tough end of a high scoring match the previous week. U.S. Foods started the night huge with a 923 to set the tone en route to a 5-0 sweep of Pro Approach Oak Tree. Scott Silva led Pro Approach Oak Tree with a 618 set while Kasey Uyesugi was huge for US Foods with a 716 series.
iColor Printing (Augie Labrado Jr.) was trying to bounce back after a tough week, but it wouldn't be easy as they got a tough draw in ThreadWorks (Eric Snow) who were trying to keep their round momentum going. Threadworks put up a clinic as they rolled to a huge 5-0 sweep of iColor Printing. Eric Snow put up an enormous 768 set to lead Threadworks while sub Omar Ponce Jr. managed 533 to lead iColor Printing.

Forever Hope Foundation (Eric Williams Jr.) who swept last week picked up a strong draw in DV8 (David Cogswell) with both teams hoping to keep their round hopes alive. DV8 started the night with a big 179 pin win
en route to a sweep of Forever Hope Foundation. Tyler Veneracion was huge for DV8 with a 695 set while Eric Williams Jr. paced Forever Hope Foundation with a 575 set.

Professional Approach Del Rio (Eric Daniels), Westminster Lanes (Jonathan Gale), Touchstone Homes (Christian Eichelkraut), and Professional Approach Keystone (William Morris) rounded out the battle for the round. Westminster Lanes took four led by Semaj Lewis' 594 while sub Gail Rodgers led Pro Approach Del Rio with a 500 set. Touchstone Homes swept past Pro Approach Keystone led by Kevin Cowden's 591 set. Pro Approach Keystone was paced by William Morris' 555 series.

The round winner matches featured Cal Bowl (Leonard Ruiz Jr.) again taking on Junior Amateur Tour (Kevin Valmonte) for the third week in a row, with both teams sitting at 96.5 wins for the season. J.A.T. was shorthanded with one bowler out sick but sub D.A. Smith came out striking with a 299-768 set to help Junior Amateur Tour to a 5-0 sweep for the second-straight week. Ramon Torres was solid to lead Cal Bowl with a 672 set. Junior Amateur Tour now has a 5 game lead with these two teams battling again next week.

Family Ties (Mikey Villarreal) sitting at 88 wins had overtaken Bowlium (Billy Myers Jr.) by one win as they sat at 87 wins. Family Ties came out huge the first game with a 897 to set the tone for a 5-0 sweep of Bowlium. Vince Duarte was huge for Family Ties with a 738 set while Arnold Cheesman struck to 652 to pace Bowlium.

The Financial Advisor's pot went to Vince Duarte and Ramon Torres (258) for \$115 each. Sidepots went to Vince Duarte (269) and (258) for $\$ 48$ each game with 2nd to Eric Snow (268) and Kasey Uyesugi (247) for \$24 each. SuperPot went to Jesse Perez (270) for $\$ 144$ with $2 n d$ to Eric Snow (257) for $\$ 72$.


TOP 10 WILDCARD ROUND WEEK 3
Del Rio Lanes . . . . . . . . . . 13 ProApproach OakTree . . . 8
US Foods. . . . . . . . . . . . 11 Westminster Lanes. . . . . 6
ThreadWorks. . . . . . . . 10 iColor Printing. . . . . . . . . 6
DV8. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 9 ProApproach Del Rio . . . 5

## TOP 10 THIS WEEK

## 768 D.A. Smith

768 Eric Snow 738 Vince Duarte 719 Mikey Villarreal 716 Kasey Uyesugi

698 Kaven Massey 695 Tyler Veneracion 685 Jon Diso 681 Daniel Hong 679 Marquan Rivers

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