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EJ Tackett Wins Inaugural Main Event PBA Tour Finals for Third 2017 Title

ORLANDO, Fla. – After winning his first GEICO Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year Award in 2016 at age 24, EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., has indicated he's not ready to relinquish his role as the Professional Bowlers Association's premier player.

Tackett became the 2017 season's first three-time title winner when he defeated Australia's Jason Belmonte, 666-628, in the three-game total pinfall title match in the inaugural Main Event PBA Tour Finals at Main Event Entertainment.

The finals aired on CBS Sports Network. Tackett earned \$30,000 (along with his eighth career PBA Tour title) which will go toward his two-year earnings total in his ongoing bid for a return trip to the 2018 Main Event PBA Tour Finals.



EJ Tackett with Main Event Senior Promotions Manager Jeremy Carter

Tackett won his berth in the title match as winner of the Group Two preliminary rounds, topping 18-time

PBA Tour champion Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C.; Dom Barrett of England, and Ryan Ciminelli

of Cheektowaga, N.Y. Belmonte had an uphill battle in his four-player pod, but led Group One over com-

petitors Jesper Svensson of Sweden; Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., and Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas.

In the title match against Belmonte, who had held the PBA Player of the Year title for three years in a row before Tackett overtook him in 2016, Belmonte took a one-pin lead after the first game, 225-224. Tackett then took charge, winning game two, 222-191, when Belmonte failed to convert two difficult splits. The young Indiana high-rev player kept Belmonte at bay throughout game three, winning again, 220-212, for a 38-pin margin of victory.

"The lanes were a little weird at times," Tackett said of the title match. "I don't know if it was from Tommy (Jones) or Belmo, continued on page 6

TERRY LANKSTER CALIFORNIA BOWLING HERO

by Frank Weiler

REDLANDS — Bowling is fun and bowlers love bowling. BUT, there's more to life than bowling. Most bowlers have a life off the lanes, they are great people doing great things for family, friends, community and country.

Most bowlers are heroes to someone in their life. Most bowlers do things for others, most do things that make CALIFORNIA a better place to live. Today I am writing about a BOWLING HERO: TERRY LANKSTER. It just so happens Terry is a great bowler as well as being a hero.



Terry Lankster

Terry's entire life has been one of service. He is a retired Marine and a retired Sheriff's Deputy. In 1997, he retired from the U.S. Marine Corps after serving our country from sea to continued on page 9

Marshall Kent Victorious in Grand Casino Hotel & Resort PBA Oklahoma Open Event

SHAWNEE, Okla. – In a title match that featured five lead changes, Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., outlasted 18-time PBA Tour winner Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, to win the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort PBA Oklahoma Open Sunday for his second title of the season and fourth of his career.

With both players struggling to start the match, Kent fired four consecutive strikes in the ninth and 10th frames to defeat Barnes, 194-188, during the ESPN telecast contested on two specially-installed lanes in the Grand Hotel Event Center for his first win on national television.



"That was a lot harder than I wanted to work," said the 24-year-old Kent, "but I'm grateful to be standing here as the winner. It's a dream come true."

With both players hampered by splits, Barnes held a 12-pin lead in the eighth frame but Kent was able

to come back with strikes in the eighth, ninth and the first two in the 10th to clinch the win.

"The first half of the game I just didn't throw the ball well," Kent said. "I knew after the seventh frame I still had a chance continued on page 9

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George and Justin Pluchino Represent Formidable Father-Son Combination

by Fred Eisenhammer

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Nationally and locally, there have been plenty of father-and-son bowling dynamos.

Now, we may have to add George and Justin Pluchino to the list.

George, the dad, is the first to say that he needs to make considerable improvement before he and his wunderkind 21-year-old son are ready to join that elite father-son level.

But the fact is: George is no slouch. And Justin continues to put up head-turning numbers. The two represent quite a formidable force.

The Pluchinos are now part of the same team in a Winnetka Bowl summer league on Tuesday nights. Their teammates include Jayne Pluchino, the mother and wife; and Ethan Thomas.

Late last month, Justin added a perfect game (his seventh) and an 800 series (his third) to his rapidly expanding resume. George, who averaged about 200 in the early 2000s at Matador Bowl, is averaging 172 with a 204 high during the early going of the summer season. Justin, the anchor, is averaging 220 and recently won one of the men’s titles with Bill Lew in the recent Equalizer no-tap doubles tournament. This is just the second time the two Pluchinos have bowled together in a league.

“I am actually having fun,” said George, like Justin, a right-hander. “Justin is having a lot of fun – but he bowls well. I have to earn it.



George Pluchino, right, and his son, Justin, third from left, are bowling on the same Tuesday night league team with Ethan Thomas and Jayne Pluchino.

Photo by Fred Eisenhammer

Asked what it’s like to bowl with his dad, Justin’s eyes widen and he smiles broadly. “It’s really awesome,” he says.

George was asked whether he taught Justin the finer points of the game to help propel him into the top-flight bowler he is today.

“He got nothing from me,” said George, laughing. “I can’t take credit.”

In any event, George is a talented bowler in his own right, owning a powerful 724 series. He’s also bowled two 290 games, missing a perfect game twice because of an errant shot (foot foul) on his final shot. “I killed two 300s in my life,” he said with a laugh.

The Pluchinos-plus-Thomas team, incidentally, ranks in the upper echelon of its highly competitive league.

“Hopefully, I can get better,” George said.
If he does, the Pluchino duo may take up residence alongside the Webers, Tripps, Engleharts and Lews.



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by Dave Williams

The excitement in the community of Muskegon, ironically the home of Brunswick's manufacturing plant, was electric. As the entries continued to rise, Sandy had to coordinate five separate squads in the 42-lane center. Even veteran distaff star bowler Marion Ladewig, the managing owner of nearby Sherman Lanes, was scheduled to make an appearance.



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Bowling Calendar

by Bette Addington

July:

- Every Weekend
- Till 7/30 – 68th Peach Handicaped Singles Tournament, McHenry Bowl, Modesto
- 2 - 9 – TAT Amateur Tournament, The Orleans, Las Vegas
- 5 - 7 – High Roller for Ladies Only, Gold Coast Bowling Center, Las Vegas
- 8 – Silver Foxes TOC Tourn., 12 noon, AMF Sierra Lanes, Fresno
- 8 – Glenn Allison's Anchor Girl Trio Tourn., 9am, 1:15pm & 6pm, La Habra Bowl
- 8 - 9 – Cal Bowlers Tour Handicap Doubles, Diablo Valley Bowl, Concord
- 8 - 16 – CUSBC 2017 Youth Championships, Country Club Bowl, San Rafael
- 15 – Xframe Tournament Club, 4pm, 6pm, Oak Tree Lanes, Diamond Bar
- 15 - 16 – HammerPins Handicap Summer Foursomes, Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, NV
- 15 - 22 – USBC Jr. Gold National Championships, Cleveland, OH
- 16 – Yosemite Lanes Doubles, 12 noon, Yosemite Lanes, Modesto
- 18 - 19 – 1st Modesto Queens Tourn., Yosemite Lanes, yosemitelanes.com
- 21 - 23 – 18th MAMBO, Nat. Bowling Stadium, Reno, mambo.org
- 22 – Xframe Tournament Club, 4pm, 6pm, Actio Lanes, El Monte
- 22 – CBT Funtime No-Tap Doubles, Keystone Lanes, Norwalk
- 22 – Cal Bowl Open, Cal Bowl, Lakewood
- 28 - 30 – Reno Jr.-Adult Invitational Tournament, National Bowling Stadium, Reno
- 30 – CUSBC Diddy Watts Youth State Singles Qualifier, Cal Bowl
- 30 – Scratch 6-Gamer Doubles, 12 noon, Yosemite Lanes, Modesto
- 30 – Last Summer Swing Event, Bowlium Lanes, Montclair
- 31 - 8/6 – US Women's Open, Plano Super Bowl, Plano, TX

August:

- 4 - 6 – 9th Cal Bowlers Tour Reno Invitational, Nat. Bowling Stadium, Reno, NV
- 7 - 16 – Military Team Classic, South Point, Las Vegas, NV
- 8 - 10 – USBC Sr. Championships, Texas Station, Las Vegas, NV
- 9 – National Bowling Day 2017
- 12 - 13 – CUSBC Diddy Watts Youth Singles Challenge, McHenry Bowl, Modesto
- 18 - 20 – CUSBC Senior Singles, West Lane Bowl, Stockton
- 20 – 12th Willie Taylor Memorial Tournament, Yosemite Lanes, Modesto
- 27 – HammerPins Fall Classic Scratch 10-Gamer, Travis Bowl, TravisAFB

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Main Event

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or a little of both of them moving the oil around. But I threw a couple of shots that I thought were really, really good, and I had a solid 10 pin on one and a stone 9 pin on the other that I didn't see coming at all. I really thought I had struck.

"I also threw a couple of bad shots that shouldn't have struck, and did, so it all evens out," he added. "It was back and forth, not only with pin carry but bad shot making. I missed a couple of spares; he missed a couple. I had chances to take the lead in both 10th frames in the first two games but didn't. In the second game I could have taken a huge lead but left that stone 9 pin. That's stuff you can't control. "The last game I threw a couple of bad shots, but down the stretch I threw probably my best two shots of the tournament in the eighth and ninth frames," Tackett continued. "I knew getting those two strikes would force (Belmonte) to strike out to force me to spare, so they were very important." The win was Tackett's first against Belmonte after losses in 2014 title matches in the USBC Masters and the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Oklahoma Open, so a fledgling rivalry has taken root.

"I beat (Belmonte) in the Detroit King of the Swing, but that doesn't count," Tackett said of the 2016 non-title special event, "so now I'm 1-2 against him. We'll have to meet more and see where the record goes."

In the preliminary match to decide third and fourth places, Jones started with five strikes, but Svensson started with six and never slowed down in winning 267-224.

Going into the Main Event title match, Tackett had won 2017 titles in the DHC PBA Japan Invitational and the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions. Belmonte also had won two titles in 2017, both majors – the USBC Masters and the Barbasol PBA Players Championship – setting the stage for an exciting PBA Player of the Year race as the PBA Tour heads into the second half of season.

MAIN EVENT PBA TOUR FINALS

Main Event, Orlando, Fla., (aired on CBS Sports Network)

1, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$30,000.

2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$18,000

3, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$10,000.

4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$5,000.

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- Bowlers are responsible for verifying their own averages. Any falsification of the highest known average will result in immediate and final disqualification. If a certified "sport" league average is the bowler's only average, then it will be adjusted per the chart in the USBC Rulebook to determine the correct entering average. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify score if submitted average is lower than correct average thereby resulting in more handicaps. Prize winning will be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average.
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 - Tournament dates:** July 29 and July 30, 2017. **Closing date:** July 26, 2017.
 - Entry fee breakdown:** Prize Fund: \$15.50; Lineage: \$19.50; Expenses: \$15; **Total \$50.** Checks or money orders will be accepted made payable to SLACBA. Write "Sr. Singles" in memo. Any returned checks must be paid in cash or money order on-site plus a \$25 penalty fee.
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 - In the event a winner of any division is unable or declines to attend the state tournament, the second, third or fourth place finisher from that division (in order of finish) will be eligible to compete.
 - Bowlers must check in 45 minutes prior to scheduled squad time and must show proof of membership by showing their USBC membership card, a duplicate membership card printout from www.bowl.com or a letter of verification from the local USBC association.
 - Bowlers arriving late shall begin play and the score shall count beginning with the frame then being bowled. Missed frames shall be credited with a zero. Frames may not be made-up. Bowlers not present to bowl when it's their turn will be credited with a zero for that frame.
 - In the event a bowler cannot finish their series, zero points will be scored the remaining frames.
 - This tournament will be certified by USBC.
 - The tournament director shall be the authority to interpret USBC and tournament rules, policies and procedures in deciding disputes. If deemed necessary, the tournament director shall consult with the board of directors of the SLACUSBC.
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Malott Defeats Jones to Retain King of Bowling Crown

SHAWNEE, Okla – Ten-time PBA Tour winner Wes Malott defended his King of Bowling crown Monday for the second time in a best-of-three-game Xtra Frame pay-per-view showdown by defeating 18-time Tour winner Tommy Jones at FireLake Bowling Center.

In the third installment of the King of Bowling challenge series, Malott came back from a loss in the first game and won the next two to beat Jones 2-1 for the title contested on the 44-foot Oklahoma Open lane condition.

Jones got off to a strong start winning the first match 278-200, but Malott was able to come back with a 258-238 win in the second game and a 212-204 win in the third game for the title. Jones had a 34-pin lead in the third game but had back-to-back splits in the sixth and seventh frames that he did not convert which turned the momentum back to Malott.

“Those were the best matches I’ve bowled in a long time,” said Malott. “I consider myself fortunate to come away with a win with the start Tommy had.

“You never give up in a match like this because you have the opportunity to come back,” Malott added. “I’m just happy to win it again and now I’m ready for the next opponent.”

Despite the slow start, Malott made the decision to stay with the same ball and just make the necessary physical adjustments to his delivery.

“Bowling in general is a guess,” he said. “I wasn’t 100 percent sure what ball would be best so I went with the ball I felt most comfortable with. Fortunately, it was a ball that I could make the right adjustments with.”

Malott, who dominated the original King of Bowling series held at Kegel Training Center in Lake Wales, Fla., in 2009, successfully defended his throne when he won the revival of the competition on April 12 in Portland, Maine, defeating reigning PBA Player of the Year EJ Tackett and Australia’s Jason Belmonte, PBA Player of the Year the three previous years, with a 721 series. Tackett had a 664 series and Belmonte a 640 in the three-game, total pinfall contest.

Jones was selected as Malott’s challenger through fan voting on pba.com and PBA’s Twitter account which concluded on June 16.



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shining sea. Then he retired a second time in 2014 after nearly two decades as a Sheriff’s Deputy, serving Riverside County. Now Terry serves as a hospital chaplain for Grove Community Church. He also serves as chaplain for first responders in the area.

Terry’s entire life has been one of service. Service to country, service to community. There is only one word to describe such a person: HERO. Then because our hero happens to be a bowler, he is a BOWLING HERO. Terry Lankster is a Bowling Hero.

I was prompted to write about Terry because I heard about him rolling the first 300 game at this year’s California State Open Tournament. I knew that a perfect game rolled in a state tournament was big news and had to be reported on.

I was told that none of his teammates were surprised by his bowling so well at the state level because Terry is a stroker, known for being very accurate and consistent. While I am sure that Terry’s accuracy and consistency played a major role in his achieving perfection, he told me that his Marvel Pearl ball drilled by ZACK JELLSEY was just as important. Terry wants Zack to know that he is grateful for Zack’s support.

Terry’s feat is even more amazing when you consider that he has not been bowling that long. Our hero never bowled much during the first decades of his life. He bowled a little as a youngster at the urging of his mom, MATTIE PARRISH, but soon gave it up. He didn’t bowl again until decades later when he retired as a Marine. It was his brother PAUL who challenged Terry to beat him. Terry did.

Terry has been competing on the lanes ever since. He is now a scratch bowler, carrying a 203 average and regularly rolling 250s and 700s. He currently bowls in four leagues and his favorite teammate is his wife LATISA.

In addition to bowling himself, Terry enjoys coaching young bowlers. He currently is part of Empire Bowl’s youth coaching staff and is part of a team that instructs 90 young bowlers. Terry continues to serve, now as a bowling coach. Terry Lankster is a BOWLING HERO.

My thanks to Terry for his lifetime of service to country, community and now to the sport of bowling. Also, congratulations for rolling the first perfect 300 at this year’s California State Open Tournament.



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but I had to buckle down and make good shots. Finally, I executed the way I should have and was fortunate to put those strikes together.”

Kent, who was the top qualifier for the finals averaging 227.4 for the tournament contested on four different PBA lane conditions, earned the opportunity to choose the lane conditions for both Saturday’s semi-final and Sunday’s championship stepladder rounds. He chose the 40-foot Bear lane condition for Saturday’s round but changed his selection to the 32-foot Wolf condition for the championship round.

“In the semi-final the right side (of the lane) got a little ugly and the guys were struggling,” Kent said. “It just didn’t develop the way I thought and felt I would have a more consistent reaction on the Wolf. I was good with my decision, I just had to execute.”

Kent had not won a match on television in six appearances which included three runner-up finishes that came in the 2016 U.S. Open, 2015 Wolf Open and 2013 Scorpion Open. “This win was important for my confidence,” Kent said. “I proved I have the versatility to compete on a variety of lane conditions and I can win in a pressure situation.”

In the opening match, Barnes, who qualified fourth for the finals, defeated six-time Tour winner Jesper Svensson of Sweden, 190-149, who earned his berth in the championship round by winning Saturday’s semi-final round.

In the second match Barnes beat four-time Tour winner and No. 3 qualifier Rhino Page of Orlando, 206-185, to advance to the semi-final match where he beat three-time PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte of Australia, 256-218.

After a slow start in the tournament, finishing 28th after the first round and 12th after the third round earlier in the week, Belmonte surged to the no. 2 qualifying spot for the finals by averaging 256 in the fourth round on the 44-foot Oklahoma lane condition.

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- 4, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., \$10,000.
- 5, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$9,000.

Stepladder Results

- Match One – Barnes def. Svensson, 190-149.
- Match Two – Barnes def. Page, 206-185.
- Match Three – Barnes def. Belmonte, 256-218.
- Match Four – Kent def. Barnes, 194-188.

Saturday’s Semi-final Stepladder Round Standings

- 5, Jesper Svensson, Sweden (advanced to 5th qualifying position for Sunday’s finals)
- 6, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, \$8,000.
- 7, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$7,000.
- 8, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., \$6,000.
- 9, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results

- Match One – Smallwood def. Daugherty, 232-211.
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Another Reminder About Bowling Etiquette

by Fred Eisenhammer

When will bowlers learn?
One can never remind players enough about bowling etiquette. This may be an appropriate time for that reminder because many new bowlers are starting their summer seasons – and they still haven’t gotten the message.
As for those veteran bowlers who should know better... well, it doesn’t hurt to hear this lecture again. Remember, you’re not bowling in a vacuum. There are bowlers all around you. If you forget everything else, just remember this: Be considerate.

OK, so do you have a pet peeve about etiquette and courtesy when you bowl?

I have one.
When I release the ball at the foul line, oftentimes a bowler on an adjoining lane will thunder to my side and rifle his or her ball while I’m still tracking my shot and anticipating my upcoming pin action (or lack thereof).
It’s easy to get startled by such an ill-mannered bowler . . . and annoyed. Why can’t that bowler just wait a few seconds and allow me to watch my electrifying shot (thinking positively) before I triumphantly return to my seat?
The fact is that rudeness often prevails in a bowling house. It’s rarely intentional, but it can produce a heart-stopping – and irritating – moment or two.

On the same topic, perfectbowling.com, a nifty website that provides bowling tips, advice and other interesting data, came up with its list of nine bowling rules for etiquette and courtesy.
So here goes – the etiquette rules from perfectbowling.com:

- 1 – The first rule is to never bother another bowler while they are in the process of bowling.
- 2 – Bowlers on the right-hand lane have the right-of-way to bowl first.
- 3 – Never pick up your ball from the return rack while another bowler is preparing to bowl and is in his/her starting position.

Fred Eisenhammer: *In other words, don’t be so eager to take your shot. The pins will still be standing there!*

- 4 – Refrain from using obscenities or vulgar gestures.
- 5 – After your shot, let others bowl.

Fred Eisenhammer: *In other words, don’t linger on the lane after your shot.*

- 6 – Wear proper shoes.
- 7 – Keep food and other refreshments off the approach.
- 8 – Remember, there are others waiting to bowl.

Fred Eisenhammer: *In other words, don’t wander off aimlessly . . . or socialize too long when your turn is about to arrive.*

- 9 – Above all else, have fun.

I’ll add Rule No. 10 to the list:

- 10 – Let the bowler next to you complete his or her turn and walk back to his or her seat before you start your approach.



Of course, it’s inevitable that some bowlers will slip up from time to time, so it’s important not to get flustered if someone violates one of these rules.
No slamming your bowling ball on the lane in disgust. Distractions happen – even when pros are bowling.
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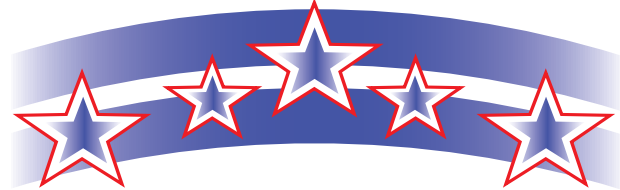
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SUNDAY – Summer Rollers: Ruben Licon 247, Paul Wadley 244, Conrad Rucker 226, Phil Padilla 620, Sylvia Robinson 189. **Wally's Vegas Cruise:** David Rogers 246, Juan Arevalo 243, Jon Romero 235/615, Erin LaBrada 212. **MONDAY – Golden Awards:** Martin Enderle 246, Jerry Rudd 243, Larry Green 237/608, Brian Parker 642, Jenny Campbell 213, Sharon Honn 201. **Adult/Jr.:** Wayne Copeland 243/623, Mike Mellick 228/633, Blake Copeland 236/673, Chris Moran 206. **TUESDAY – Friendly Seniors:** Raul Ortega 235, Larry McCurry 224, John Mulay 216/607. **Guys & Dolls:** Mike Hall 254/741, Steve Grossman 224/648, Bill Kessler 216, Jason Amaro 617. **WEDNESDAY – Silver Foxes:** Everett Freywald 289/635, Mike Drohan Sr. 268, Larry Green 246/640, Ray Danfield 629, Randi Hein 234, Jenny Campbell 205, Sharon Frazier 204. **American National Can:** Roger Stites 278/731, Kirk Keith 252/730, Brian Parker 218, Karen Balicki 210/591, Kathy Boyett 201. **THURSDAY – Early Birds:** Karen Balicki 244/619, Mary Beth Thompson 236/622, Leslie Schulte 205. **Sunset Rollers:** Bob Jacobi 244/590, John Mulay 200, Jay Knight 200, Mary Callinan 193. **Frank's Gold Cup Trios:** Larry Aquino 270, Doug Emerson 268/995, Ed Jamison 267, Rick Vanderhaar 983, Larry Green 900, Tee Delgado 256/833, Meliena Vo 254, Jordan Kraye 245/836. **FRIDAY – Vegas Gamblers:** Kevin Jones 279, Kirk Keith 275/687, Luis Diaz 265, Brandon Kraye 764, Greg Garcia 670, Leo Moreno 670, Tee Delgado 220, Starla Battiest 213. Until next week, GOOD LUCK and HIGH SCORING!

DIAMOND BAR — We hope you all have a great 4th of July and a good time with your family & friends. On July 13th our Let it Ride league will be starting up. It's an any 4 person team. Will go through November. Meeting will be at 6 pm and bowls at 7 pm every Thursday night. If you have a team or would like to be put on a team give Alex a call at the bowl this league fills up fast we all ready have 18 teams signed up. Our Senior No-Tap Tournament is going to be switching to only once a month starting in August and will be the 3rd Friday of every month, remember it is only \$10.00 to bowl. We look forward to seeing you. Don't forget you can go onto www.leaguesecretary.com and download your league sheets every week. Now onto this week's scores: **Vegas Bound:** Scr: 630 Alex McKendall, 627 Garran Hein, 512 Clara Lotton, 240 Marty Camarata, 225 Austin Wasielewski & Tyler Salverda, 210 Shellie Camarata, 202 Aimee Gonzalez. **Club 55:** Scr: 558 Tony Thousand, 544 Raul Medina, 482 Kathy Williams, 209 Bob Marcelo, 205 Frank Franklin, 174 Marietta Simonson. **Young @ Heart:** Scr: 604 Dave Kaan, 601 Tony Thousand, 520 Amy Abalos, 503 Jennifer Chai, 236 Don Cuninghame, 221 Jim Harrison & Gary Alsop, 200 Mary Hoagland. **Let it Ride:** Scr: 641 Scott Cocherell, 597 Ders Thompson, 524 Nasty Split Acevedo, 248 Deadpool Nakatani Sr, 231 Tommy Simonson, 197 Jessica Rabbit Wood. **Filam Keglers:** Scr: 702 Paolo Dizon, 648 Bon Delacruz, 589 Kelly Manuel, 509 Florence Sullivan, 279 Larry Sian, 238 Jeff Panlilio, 201 Elvie Yee. **TBYBP Pin Heads Jrs:** Scr: 385 Jacob Walton, 344 Mia Maston, 144 Kyle Yonezawa, 120 Ariana Chavez. **TBYBP Rug Rats Jrs:** Scr: 92 Ethan Ruiz, 45 Bailey Phipps. **TBYBP Pin Pals Jrs:** Scr.: 220 Brandon Probert, 293 Jazzy Ruiz, 130 Logan Murga, 81 Tori Ruiz. **TBYBP Jr/Adult Strike Force:** Scr: 644 Dante Montoya & Leoj Chin, 395 Bella Roseli, 178 Edmond Gonzales. Our Winter Schedule is out so stop by the center and pick one up to see which league you want to sign up for the winter. Check our website www.oaktreelanes.net for more information and our youth website www.tbybp.com. Keep those great games coming.

LAKEWOOD — We hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable 4th of July. There were several parades to watch on tv and even attend if they were in your city. Our weekly high scores were reported for this week so here they are... **Big Bear:** Vern Adams 289/766, Aaron Law 269/750, Jamie Carrington 278/713, David Patterson 267/705, Dion Morris 239/680, Steve Clark 666, Jeffery Shepherd 247/658, Paul Staff 655, George Harper 239/654, Travis Morris 276/650, Nathan Wyatt 633, Harold Dubose 627, John Woods 626, Debra Gipson 225/621, Michelle Criswell 221/595, Cathy Anderson 572, LaSandra Chaney 203/567. **Grandma's/Grandpa's:** Jim Plante 256/720, Larry Cosgrove 533, Walter Gist 200/520, Paul Morrison Jr. 206/515, Tua Sula 206/507, Roycie Murren 502, Joanne Burke 202/502. **Gobs & Gals:** Chris Eguilos 695, Carl Labayan 693, Leon Bradford 672, Liza Agoncillo 646, Shirley Owens 545, Laurette Boulton 518, Steve Bryant 269, James Matthews 259, Vern Adams 256, Michelle Criswell 217, Debbie Cadena 216. **Fil-Am:** Emmerson Wafer "300"/718, Vic Santos 279/702, Chris Eguilos 247/688, Ike Topaio 246/671, Cesar Usi 244/662, Abe Morales 235/650, Benjie Calinawan 628, Danny Eguilos 257/623, Rudy Tomaneng 242/621, Fred Guray 246/616, May Toledo 220/554, Avelina Cumbis 214/526, Christy Estimo 211/499. **Laughlin Bowler Bears:** Jonathan Gale 233/596, Marvel VanDroff 203/573, Allen Swickard 529, Julie Grabinski 545. **Vegas Crackpots:** Ernie Perryman 263/729, Mike Haynes 245/702, Alwyn Woods 231/659, John Doval 228/640, Nathaniel Hampton 240/637, Anthony Leavell 227/634, Lester Sells 236/597, Charles Sumling 242/594, Mariana Rodgers 237/620, Ellen Myers 223/597, LaDrena Boyd 563, Michelle King 218/543, Kim Taylor 536, Teka Williams 529. **Young at Heart:** Willie Brightmon "Sour Apple". Cal Bowl hasn't had a crop of Sour Apples lately! Bob Selner 243/698, Rey Santos 227/588, Fale Sula 221/584, Josh Hudson 223/580, Bob Sneed 231/575, Horace Kinney 573, Rich Heid 222/534, Tua Sula 530. **Recycled Teens:** Jim Plante 230/635, Boylee Inocente 214/608, Rick Seneris 226/590, James Lewis 578, Rod Nicas 247/570, Bob Selner 569, Joe DeJesus 226/560, Jojo Jasmin 551, Anna VonMuegge 517. **10 for 10 Monday:** Qwan Murphy 574, Dave Williams 565, Anthony Frederick 530, Joann Culpepper 514, Stacey Brown 484, Kahea Cuico 218, Teka Williams 187. **Pin Heads:** Chuck Appleberry 188/529, Marty Davis 484, Audrey Louis 498. **Cal Bowleros:** Darlene Hom 531, Carole Fischer 600, Carolyn Rousseau 526. **Sierra Bugs:** Shonna Hernandez 498, Myra Kremen 484. Side-pot winners — Game One: Sharon Barnett 213; Game Two: Debbie Christensen 117; Game Three: Sandy Wright 200. **C.A.U.L.:** Blayke Miller 279/749, Jeff Alinsangan 230/663, Rich Dahmen 233/648, Allan Lee 224/630, Frank Rossello 235/627, Tom Freid 579, Reggie Hart 574, Albert Demers Jr. 573, Reginald Cargo 563, David Regul 558, Leigh-Anne Kitch 469. **Senior Men's Trio: Is Emmerson getting close to ONE HUNDRED 300's??? What number was this one?** Emmerson Wafer "300"/767, Marc Kashinsky 279/708, Bob Selner 267/708, Roy Coleman 699, Larry Gray 279/695, Harold Dubose 258. **Marcus Lemons Vegas:** David Ferguson 266/705, Vernon Adams 258/686, Jello Gray 247/684, Will Young 278/679, Emmerson Wafer 248/658, Paul Staff 657, Leon Bradford 654, Felecia Tripp 249/661, Daryllynn Davis 257/641, Phylissia Smith 222/590, Crystal Barker 583, Milena Zelaya 223/582, Cheryl Durden 572, Teya Woodman 572. **Funsters:** Jim Plante 736, Dan Monzon 640, Bob Selner 634, Christy Estimo 580, Adela Santos 526, Pat Bates 526, Chris Abing 267, Steve Ralph 236, Tua Sula 216. Have a great week!





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