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## Anthony Simonsen Wins \$100,000 in Bowlero Elite Series

PBA two-handed star Anthony Simonsen defeated New Jersey middle school history teacher Amy Brehm, 258-220, to win the \$100,000 top prize in the second of three Bowlero Elite Series tournaments featuring pro bowlers versus Bowlero amateur league bowlers.

Simonsen, who won the professional side of the Elite Series bracket by defeating three-time PWBA titlist Stefanie Johnson, was invited to participate in the special event along with fellow PBA stars EJ Tackett, Norm Duke, Bill O'Neill and Jesper Svensson. PWBA was represented by Johnson, Mexico's Sandra Gongora and Latvia's Diana Zavjalova.

In unrelated news, Simonsen has withdrawn

from the PBA China Tiger Cup because of a previous business commitment and will be replaced in the exclusive eight-man field of PBA stars by fellow two-hander Kyle Troup, the next qualifier in line to make the trip.

Simonsen was the No. 3 qualifier in competition points earned during the nine event FloBowling PBA Summer Tour; Troup finished ninth in points.

The PBA's inaugural trip to China is set for Nov. 19-22 for a singles competition including a field of Chinese bowlers along with a U.S. vs. China team event.

The American contingent will include points leader Sean Rash, Tackett, Jason Sterner, AJ Johnson, O'Neill, Kyle Sherman, Tommy Jones and Troup.



## Bowlero Corp Announces Purchase of the Professional Bowlers Association

NEW YORK, NY, — Bowlero Corp, the world's largest owner and operator of bowling centers, announced today its purchase of the Professional Bowlers Association (PBA), the pinnacle of professional bowling since 1958. The purchase brings unprecedented innovation to the sport as it combines Bowlero's industry expertise with the PBA's global talent pool and fan base, which together will elevate the sport of bowling to new heights.

Under the new agreement, Bowlero Corp establishes itself as the first media company in the sport, dedicated to growing and enhancing the PBA experience. All scheduled tournaments and programming will continue, with plans to build upon key initiatives including the PBA's groundbreaking FOX Sports partnership, featuring enhanced telecasts with new technology and deeper storytelling, while bringing

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## Shannon O'Keefe Captures Second Consecutive PWBA Player of the Year Award

ARLINGTON, Texas - Shannon O'Keefe has earned the Professional Women's Bowling Association Player of the Year award for the second consecutive season, wrapping up the honor with her runner-up finish at the QubicaAMF PWBA Players Championship this past weekend in Raleigh, North Carolina.

O'Keefe, of Shiloh, Illinois, leads the 2019 PWBA Tour season in points, which determines the PWBA Player of the Year. As the points leader, she automatically is seeded into the semifinals of



Shannon O'Keefe

next week's season-ending PWBA Tour Championship and, since she can finish no lower than third, no one can catch the 40-year-old right-hander.

"Winning my second PWBA Player of the Year award is mind boggling and humbling all at the same time," O'Keefe said. "This one most certainly means

more because I was able to do it, competing from beginning to end, by sticking to my mental process and season goals."

O'Keefe has won four titles this season - PWBA Twin Cities Open, PWBA Tucson Open, PWBA East Hartford Open, BowlerX.com PWBA Orlando Open - and now owns 12 PWBA Tour titles. She not only leads the tour in points, but also in earnings, average, cashes and championship-round appearances.

She put together an impressive run in six championship-round appearances

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## UNITED STATES SWEEPS TEAM GOLD MEDALS AT 2019 WORLD BOWLING SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Matt Cannizzaro

LAS VEGAS - For the third consecutive time, the United States swept the team gold medals at the World Bowling Senior Championships.

The Senior Team USA women topped Australia, 2-0 (232-164, 236-180) in the best-of-three Baker final at the South Point Bowling Plaza, and the men picked up a 2-0 (215-168, 211-205) victory over Finland.

Led by all-events gold medalist Leanne Hulsenberg, the Senior Team USA women struck often and marked in all but one frame during the gold-medal match to hold off the Australians, who only threw six strikes during the two games.

"I think the team gold is the coolest because you



Senior Team USA Men's and Women's Teams Capture Gold

get to share it with your teammates, but it also was the most stressful because you never want to let them down," said Hulsenberg, who also won doubles with left-hander Tish Johnson. "In the Baker format, anything can happen. We, and

I mean I, had a little trouble early on, and I was really nervous. The others were rock steady until I was able to calm down. It definitely was intense, but it was a lot of fun, too."

Hulsenberg was joined in the win by Johnson, Sha-

ron Powers and Lucy Sandelin.

Johnson has been part of the team for all four editions of the World Senior Championships, which first was held in 2013 and is held every two years.

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The Perfect Game

by Steve Felege

Another Piece of the Puzzle

By now, perhaps many readers of this column are sick and tired of reading about Glenn Allison. If so, read no further. But these articles are about more than a man and an historic series. They are also about fair play and challenging the status quo, especially when the status quo reeks of deceit from a bygone era. The Perfect Game has just discovered a new tidbit, but first we'll refresh our memories.

The modern history of all-time-high bowling scores reads like this:

- > **Allie Brandt** - Oct. 25, 1939 - 297, 289, 300 = **886** (sanctioned)
- > **Ray Orf** - Feb. 6, 1972 - 290, 300, 300 = **890** (sanction denied)
- > **Glenn Allison** - July 1, 1982 - 300, 300, 300 = **900** (sanction denied)
- > **Jeremy Sonnenfeld** and 34 others - Feb. 2, 1997 to the present - 300, 300, 300 = **900** x 35 (sanctioned).

The circumstances surrounding the denial of recognition for both Ray Orf and Glenn Allison by the ABC are the reason for articles continuing to be written about these events. Bowlers want the truth; the United States Bowling Congress wants the issue to go away. Here's the latest.

When Ray Orf delivered his 890, the local inspector was ordered, by the ABC, to forego lane inspection. That was unprecedented. He was not to touch the lanes because the ABC was sending in Roger Tessman to do the job. It was Tessman's recommendation that sanctioning for Orf's series be denied. He never said exactly why, but we already knew that.

That was a total farce. By the time Tessman arrived, the lanes had been reconditioned for league play, with the ABC's approval. Prior to his arrival, that league had already bowled on the lanes he was to inspect. This sequence of events was actually recommended by the ABC. We previously knew this as well.

Recently, I spoke to someone\* familiar with the Orf fiasco. That person told me the local inspector was a man named Cliff Leeker. He had been inspecting alleys for the ABC for over twenty years. What we didn't know before is this: By the time the ABC told him to stand down, Mr. Leeker had already inspected the lanes and found the conditions acceptable! He kept quiet about this because he was afraid of the ABC.

Remember, this is exactly what happened to Glenn Allison ten years later. In both cases, the ABC broke from their very own protocols. It appears henchmen were dispatched from ABC headquarters in Wisconsin to deny sanctioning scores which would have been approved by the local ABC affiliates. In other words, had the ABC followed their own standard procedures, both Ray Orf and Glenn Allison would be part of the official records today! The folks at the USBC know this, yet sit on their hands and do NOTHING!

Why would the American Bowling Congress do that? Was it to protect Allie Brandt's 886 record? We will never know. What we do know is this: The ABC took actions which unfairly prevented two of the greatest bowling triumphs in history from being officially recognized, and the USBC is intent upon keeping it that way. Does the word "BOYCOTT" ring a bell?

\*Name withheld for fear of retribution by Chad Murphy/USBC (I didn't make that up).

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# Field Set For FloBowling ATX Invite

by Lucas Wiseman

AURORA, Ill. – After a grueling stretch of nine events, the eight players with the highest points totals on the FloBowling PBA Summer Tour have earned spots in the Flo-Bowling ATX Invite.

The special event will take place Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. Eastern live on FloBowling from Austin, Texas, the home of FloSports. The bracket competition will award \$25,000 for first place.

Sean Rash earned the No. 1 seed in the bracket with 9,135 points, while EJ Tackett was second with 8,670 points. Anthony Simonsen was third with 7,660.

Jason Sterner won the final event of the Summer Tour, the PBA Illinois Open, to jump from way outside the number to inside with 7,140 points. The victory Saturday in Aurora, Illinois, gave Sterner 5,000 points.

AJ Johnson qualified fifth with 6,930 points, Bill O'Neill was sixth with 6,670, Kyle Sherman finished seventh with 6,648 and Tommy Jones got the last spot with 5,790.

Sterner's victory at the Illinois Open allowed him to jump inside the number while knocking Kyle Troup out. Troup missed out on an invitation to the event by just 30 points, finishing ninth with 5,760 points.

The top eight also earned invitations to the PBA China Tiger Cup in November. Here are the final points standings for the top 50 on the PBA Summer Tour:

	Name	Hometown	Events	Total Points
1.	Sean Rash	Montgomery, Ill.	9	9135
2.	EJ Tackett	Bluffton, Ind.	9	8670
3.	Anthony Simonsen	Little Elm, Texas	8	7660
4.	Jason Sterner	Rochester, N.Y.	8	7140
5.	AJ Johnson	Oswego, Ill.	9	6930
6.	Bill O'Neill	Langhorne, Pa.	8	6670
7.	Kyle Sherman	O'Fallon, Mo.	8	6648
8.	Tommy Jones	Simpsonville, S.C.	9	5790
9.	Kyle Troup	Taylorsville, N.C.	9	5760
10.	Jakob Butturff	Tempe, Ariz.	7	5480
11.	Tom Daugherty	Riverview, Fla.	9	4690
12.	Marshall Kent	Yakima, Wash.	9	4660
13.	Jason Belmonte	Australia	4	4440
14.	BJ Moore	Greensburg, Pa.	6	4170
15.	Wes Malott	Pflugerville, Texas	8	4168
16.	Dom Barrett	England	8	4020
17.	Chris Barnes	Double Oak, Texas	8	3910
18.	Brad Miller	Lees Summit, Mo.	9	3890
19.	Kristopher Prather	Plainfield, Ill.	8	3815
19.	Dick Allen	Lexington, S.C.	8	3815
21.	Andrew Anderson	Holly, Mich.	9	3790
22.	Francois Lavoie	Canada	5	3680
23.	AJ Chapman	Manchester, Iowa	9	3600
24.	Josh Blanchard	Mesa, Ariz.	8	3470
25.	Jake Peters	Henderson, Nev.	5	3395
26.	Stuart Williams	England	9	3315
27.	Ryan Ciminelli	Lancaster, S.C.	5	3200
28.	Norm Duke	Clermont, Fla.	6	3080
29.	Sam Cooley	Australia	8	2960
30.	Greg Young	Viera, Fla.	9	2900
31.	Zacharay Wilkins	Canada	7	2728
32.	Kamron Doyle	Brentwood, Tenn.	9	2670
33.	Darren Tang	Las Vegas	9	2618
34.	Anthony Lavery-Spahr	Pasadena, Texas	9	2605
35.	Zeke Bayt	Westerville, Ohio	9	2350
36.	Jesper Svensson	Sweden	7	2055
37.	Nicholas Pate	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.	8	2045
38.	DJ Archer	Friendswood, Texas	9	2000
39.	Greg Ostrander	Brick, N.J.	7	1958
40.	Nick Kruml	Downers Grove, Ill.	8	1943
41.	Shawn Maldonado	Houston	8	1935
42.	Michael Davidson	Versailles, Ohio	8	1833
43.	Tom Smallwood	Saginaw, Mich.	5	1785
44.	Brad Angelo	Lockport, N.Y.	5	1645
45.	Thomas Larsen	Denmark	4	1633
46.	Patrick Hanrahan	Wichita, Kan.	9	1598
47.	Kenneth Ryan	Farmingdale, NJ	7	1510
48.	Devin Bidwell	Wichita, Kan.	8	1488
49.	Tim Pfeifer	Oakdale, Pa.	4	1480
50.	William Svensson	Sweden	7	1460

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Noon: Matches 1 & 2  
3 p.m.: Matches 3 & 4  
6 p.m.: Matches 5 & 6

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 17**  
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Hulsenberg was part of the win in 2017, and Sandelin was atop the podium with Johnson in 2015. Powers, who had an outstanding week at the 2018 Pan American Bowling Confederation Senior Championships, made her debut on the world stage this week.

Australia's roster included two-time QubicaAMF Bowling World Cup champion Jeanette Baker, Heather Robertson, Christine Clark and Mary Dodds.

On the way to the showdown with Australia, the United States dropped its opening semifinal game to Germany, 182-172, before rallying with wins of 214-206 and 215-171. Australia's semifinal against Sweden also went three games (167-181, 211-193, 223-195). Germany and Sweden each received bronze medals.

The Senior Team USA men had a little shorter path to the title, winning four consecutive games in the medal round.

Anchor Parker Bohn III, a two-time participant at the World Senior Championships, needed a mark in his final frame to complete the sweep. He left the 6-9 combination on his first shot and converted it for the win.

He was joined on the lanes by four-time World Senior Championships participant Ron Mohr, three-time team member Lennie Boresch Jr. and first-time competitor Walter Ray Williams Jr., a multi-time world champion as a member of adult Team USA.

Sunday's team win gave Boresch his third gold medal of the week - he also won singles and teamed with Mohr for the doubles title - but the latest win was the most special.

"This is what we came here for, and we got it done, which is an incredible feeling," Boresch said. "We bowled well, kept the pressure on them and had a couple breaks go our way. There's nothing like standing on that podium together, and to do it three times in a row is pretty awesome."

Finland's roster included Kimmo Lehtonen, Kai Virtanen, Mika Luoto and Mika Koivuniemi.

To set up the championship meeting, the top-seeded United States defeated Germany, 2-0 (247-154, 212-184), and Finland topped Sweden, 2-1 (201-202, 212-189, 226-212). Germany and Sweden each received bronze medals.

The four Senior Team USA men are incredibly accomplished individually, and they've combined for 115 national titles in Professional Bowlers Association and PBA50 competition.

Williams and Bohn account for 100 of those wins, and getting to bowl with two of the most successful bowlers of all-time is something Boresch and Mohr truly have appreciated this week.

"When I found out I was on a team with Walter Ray Williams Jr., and that Parker and Ron were coming back, too, I knew this would be a really special experience, but nerve-racking and exciting at the same time," Boresch said. "I wanted to make sure I was at my best this week, for sure. It has been a huge thrill. I'm just a big kid from Wisconsin living a dream these past few years, and I'm sure it'll hit me pretty soon. What an unbelievable week with some great people."

In the four-player Baker format, each player bowls two frames, while the leadoff bowler also takes the ninth frame, and the second bowler handles the anchoring responsibilities.

The qualifying portion of the team event featured six traditional team games, and both Senior Team USA teams were dominant on the way to earning their respective top seeds for the semifinals.

The men finished the six games of qualifying 239 pins ahead of No. 2 Sweden, and the women were almost 200 pins ahead of Australia.

There were 21 complete women's teams this week in Las Vegas and 38 in the men's field.

"I've been part of this for three years now, and it never gets old," Team USA assistant coach Bill Spigner said. "The feelings and emotions never change, even with the ups and downs. I couldn't ask for a better group of players along the way, and this year's group has been incredible all week."

The conclusion of team qualifying Sunday also wrapped up the all-events race at the 2019 World Senior Championships.

Senior Team USA's Hulsenberg earned her second consecutive all-events gold medal at the event with an 18-game total of 3,882, a 215.67 average. Australia's Baker claimed the silver medal with a 3,709 total, and Sweden's Susanne Olsson took the bronze with 3,672.

On the men's side, Norway's Tore Torgersen started the week with a 248 game, earned the top seed for the singles semifinals and maintained that momentum through 18 games, eventually taking the all-events gold medal with a 4,065 total, a 225.83 average.

Finland's Koivuniemi, who rolled the week's only 300, claimed the silver medal with a 4,045 total, and Boresch held on for the bronze medal with 3,947, just three pins ahead of Sweden's Tomas Leandersson.

All players this week bowled qualifying games in singles, doubles and team (six games each).

The 41 countries represented this week in Las Vegas were Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Belarus, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, England, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Malta, Mexico, Mongolia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Scotland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, United States, Ukraine, Venezuela and Wales.

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OPERATION FREEDOM PAWS FUNDRAISER TOURNAMENT RULES

1.

This tournament is open to all current USBC members in good standing certified by USBC.

2.

**Tournament date:** September 29, 2019. **Squad Times:** 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM

3.

**Entry closing date:** September 29, 2019 at 2:00 PM - or when squad is full.

4.

The tournament will be held at 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET BOWL, 1441 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, San Jose, CA 95112.

5.

**Format:** Three (3) game singles bowled on the same pair of lanes.

6.

**Two Divisions:** Women’s or Men’s There will be a Youth Division if we have at least 5 entries for that division; otherwise, Youth tournament participants will compete in the Women’s or Men’s Divisions.

7.

**Handicap:** 100% of 220

8.

Bowlers may enter in both squads at the full tournament rate for each entry. Re-entries are based on squad availability per the Tournament Manager’s approval. Walk-ins allowed, but not within ½ hour of the start of a squad.

9.

**The entering average rule for this tournament will be as follows in this order:**

10.

a. Highest ending 2018-2019 USBC fall/winter average (minimum of 21 games)

11.

b. Highest ending 2019 USBC summer average (minimum of 21 games)

12.

Bowlers are responsible for verifying their own averages. Any falsification of the highest known average will result in immediate and final disqualification. If a “sport” or “challenge” league average is the bowler’s only verifiable average, the bowler must notify the Tournament Manager of such fact so that she can adjust that average per the USBC Conversion Chart to determine the correct entering average. **USBC rule 319a2 (10 pin increase in average) and 319e (average adjustment) are waived.**

13.

Replacements for original entrants may be made providing the replacement meets eligibility and average requirements per rule 8, and must bowl under his/her own name.

14.

**Entry fee:** \$45 per person (lineage = \$11.25 + prize fund = \$15 + OPERATION FREEDOM PAWS = \$18.75)

15.

Check or money orders made payable to California Bowling Writers – cash only on day of event.

16.

All prize money will be returned 100%. Prize ratio at least one (1) for every five (5) entries. Prize money will be based on total pins plus handicap per division. In the event of any ties, prize money will be combined and divided equally between the two tied positions. **YOUTH ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE WITH A SIGNED USBC SCHOLARSHIP WAIVER PRIOR TO THE START OF COMPETITION.** Scholarships will be held with the USBC SMART program (800) 514-2695 x3343.

17.

Bowlers must check in at least 30 minutes prior to scheduled squad time and must show proof of current membership by showing their 2019-2020 USBC membership card (or receipt) - or their USBC bowl.com printout that shows that the 2019-2020 membership card has been purchased.

18.

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.

19.

Designated prize funds will be paid accordingly to each division within 30 days upon completion of the tournament, except when USBC headquarters has authorized delay in payment, pending settlement of any claim or protest which affects position standings.

20.

This tournament is certified by USBC. The Tournament Manager shall be the authority to interpret USBC and tournament rules, policies and procedures in deciding disputes.

21.

An appeal or protest of a decision involving eligibility or playing rules must be filed in writing with the Tournament Manager and the USBC before tournament prizes are paid. The decision of USBC is final and binding on all involved parties. Any violation of tournament rules is cause for disqualification, loss of entry fee, forfeit of all prize monies and possible suspension from USBC membership.

BRACKETS AVAILABILITY - DEPENDING ON PARTICIPATION

PWBA

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this season, averaging more than 225 and posting a 9-2 record.

O’Keefe will make her seventh championship-round appearance at the PWBA Tour Championship in Richmond, Virginia. She won the event in 2017.

CBS Sports Network will have live coverage of the PWBA Tour Championship finals on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 5 p.m.

Throughout her 2019 campaign, O’Keefe has professed the need for a different outlook in comparison to her 2018 season, despite winning the coveted award for the first time in her career.

Taking home the award consumed her during the second half of 2018, O’Keefe said, and it affected her performance as Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, New York, made a late charge. But, for the second consecutive year, O’Keefe was able to clinch the award at the PWBA Players Championship.

"Last year, I was so obsessed with the player of the year race and points, I completely missed the last three tournaments," O’Keefe said. "I felt like I was just waiting for time to run out and the season to hurry up and end. I worried about what other people were doing, and I got lost in what I was doing and how I ultimately wanted to compete.

"The mental discipline I brought into this season was necessary for me to continue in my path of growth to be the best I can be. This season is so much more vivid. I was able to embrace my struggles and celebrate my successes. I lived in every moment, good and bad. I didn't listen to or let the outside noise distract me from reaching my daily, weekly, season and career goals. I'm proud of how I stayed true to the plan, and I'm not sure if this season would have been as successful without it. I will continue to carry this mindset throughout the rest of my career."

McEwan again was the top contender to take over O’Keefe's spot in 2019 after winning the U.S. Women's Open in June. McEwan officially was eliminated from PWBA Player of the Year contention with her seventh-place finish at the PWBA Players Championship.

O’Keefe's 12 wins are the most by any competitor since the relaunch of the tour in 2015, and her four wins in 2019 marked the most in a season by a single player since 2001.

Her run this year also included winning a gold medal for Team USA at the Pan American Games in Lima, Peru (in doubles with Stefanie Johnson), along with one silver medal (singles) and two bronze medals (team, all-events) at the World Bowling Women's Championships in Las Vegas.

O’Keefe (2018 and 2019) and United States Bowling Congress Hall of Famer Liz Johnson of Palatine, Illinois (2015-2017), are the only players to win the PWBA Player of the Year award since the tour's relaunch.

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# NEW KUWAIT BOWLING CENTER TO HOST FINAL PBA WORLD BOWLING TOUR EVENT

The newly renovated Kuwait Bowling Centre will host the final PBA International-World Bowling Tour event on the 2019 Go Bowling! PBA Tour schedule Oct. 31-Nov. 6. The tournament also is the final qualifying event for the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals that will follow the Kuwait Open in the same facility.

The Kuwait Open will feature a prize fund of \$218,000 with a \$50,000 first prize. Other events remaining on the PBA-WBT schedule for 2019 are the Thailand Open, Sept. 27-Oct. 4 at Blu-O Paragon in Bangkok, and the U.S. Open, Oct. 23-30, at Victory Lanes Family Entertainment Center in Mooresville, N.C.

The 2019 World Bowling Tour Finals, culminating 12 months of international competition, will feature the top three male and top three female athletes from the 2019 WBT points list as of the completion of the Kuwait Open. For the first time, the WBT Finals also will include one male and one female from each of the three World Bowling zones (Asian, European and Pan American), expanding the field of contenders to six men and six women. Each zone will determine which of its athletes qualify for the finals.

The current WBT men's top five points leaders are Americans Anthony Simonsen (2,712 points), Andrew Anderson (2,276), EJ Tackett (2,136), Kyle Troup (2,040) and England's Stuart Williams (1,984). The top five women in points are Danielle McEwan (4,765), Liz Johnson (3,784), Indonesia's Tannya Roumimper, Poland's Daria Pajak and Colombia's Clara Guerrero.

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FOUR DIVISIONS:

\*QUEENS & SENIOR QUEENS (Scratch)

\*PRINCESS & SENIOR QUEENS (Hdcp)

ENTRY FEES:

\$80 per person

(pre-paid by 9/20/19 via check or paypal)

\$100 cash (on-site entries)

Bowl.com printouts required for Princess entries.

FORMAT: 5 GAMES QUALIFYING.

The top 6 bowlers in each division will advance to a single game double elimination bracket. The four champions will bowl a one game match to determine the overall champion of the tournament. Handicap (90% of 200) will apply for the Princess champion.

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# 1991 - PART 7

by Carol Mancini

**We'll be saying "So Long" to 1991 in this segment. Can't believe how many bowlers entered multiple tournaments every weekend. Must have been before rents went up, gas was cheap, and people didn't eat out every meal! And let's not forget the cell phone accounts, computer expenses and on-line "stuff"**

- THE centers for weekend action in the Fall of '91 were: **San Hi Lanes, San Gabriel Lanes, Del Rosa, Sports Center, Del Rio, Arizona Charlies, Pickwick, Hemet, Canoga Park, Thunderbird, Granada, Mission Hills** and **Midtown**. (I mention these because they ran the biggest ads!)
  - K.C. Carrier produced a 3 ball bag on wheels. It featured a 3 ball stacker plus a shoe compartment. Only \$139.95. Try to lift THAT out of the trunk of your car!
  - Richard Miller of Simi Valley was elected the 45th President of the California State Bowling Assn. He was installed at the Magic Castle in Hollywood. Billy Shoup was the out going President. Miller was a math teacher in Reseda. Magicians performed during lunch.
  - Wayne Smith (180 average) bowled a 118 triplicate. He also got a patch and his picture in the paper.
  - **Del Rio Lanes** (and me) ran a Halloween No-Tap for kids "witch" featured "Goop and Gore" awards for best costumes and high scores.
  - JUNIOR NEWS: Robert Smith tied Randy Pederson's long standing JAT record of 4 consecutive 900 series for 4 games. Robert also had six 800 series in a row. David Yamauchi followed Mickey Colletti as Head of JAT. (18 years later, he is still raising funds, holding tournaments, and guiding the youth bowlers. Honest competitions, integrity and effort is what makes a JAT bowler! Big thanks to David Yamauchi! (He's a great cook too!)
  - The Western Women Pro Bowlers were the best in the west. Remember these gals? Pam Buckner, Ellen Casner, Vesma Grinfelds, Cindy Mason, Mary Michel, Virginia Norton, Tori Romeo, Pat Rossler, Michelle Silver, Dorris Street and Paula Vidad.
  - The "Strike K" bowling glove came in 11 different colors. The ad said "Sweat free grip, hand control, and easy thumb release." What color is YOUR glove?? Do you have a glove?
  - **Alhambra Valley Lanes** had an October event. The "Hallospook" mixed doubles was somebody weird idea. Sometimes, the weirder, the better!!
  - The column at **Colima Lanes** was written by and for "The Menehunes."
  - 33 Pro Shops advertised weekly!
  - The wonderful Barbara Vega was the "Big Mama" of the S.E.D. Junior travel. Her bowlers were young ladies and gentlemen ON and OFF the lanes. (That's what I heard and saw.) Best banquets!!
  - Fun picture of **Friendly Hills** PCB finalists. Winner David McMahan, Mike Fowler 2nd, Dave Piazza Manager, Corey Groth 3rd and Tom Underwood 4th.
  - Char Ford won the WWPB Tourny at **Palomar Lanes**.
  - Dunkin Donuts was the sponsor of the \$1,000,000 National Bowling Challenge. Earl Anthony was on the mike and not on the lanes.
  - Dave Osborn was the Manager (owner?) of **Fountain Bowl**. A big job for any guy, but he did it all, and did it right. Dave, you can always be proud of your days in the bowling biz!
  - I've heard of some strange leagues but 2 of my favorites are: "Doll Collectors" at **Del Rosa Lanes** and "Tattoo League" at **Bowlum**. Yup, winners got a free tattoo!
  - The "I'm Not Cooking" Thanksgiving Day tournaments at **Del Rio Lanes** were some of my favorites. The men bowled and the ladies did \_\_\_\_\_. I furnished the coffee and donuts plus a lot of BS!
  - Gip Lentine (pictured with mustache and long hair) won PCB Garden Grove Open at **Garden Square**.
  - Sheldon Hippo was inducted into LABA Hall of Fame. When Shel showed up for a pot game, the question was "Who is going to come in second?"
  - California Governor Pete Wilson declared November 24-30 as California Womens Bowling Week. WIBC celebrated their 75th birthday. There were 2.7 million members of the WIBC!
  - Local sage, Dick Stoeffler, wrote a weekly column on "asbestos" sheets! His barbed wit spoke true...often painful. No one was immune to his poison pen. He berated everyone from "The Kennedys" to the ABC to local center owners. He thought bowlers should be limited to use only one ball a night. Skill, not manufactured scores was a pet peeve. (We miss knowledgable writers in California. The old timers had something to say...good or bad. Now its just tap tap tap on the keyboard.)
  - Great guy Fred Riccilli was honored by the Western Seniors Bowlers. Not only a great bowler, he operated a great center and a credit to the So. Calif. bowling Community.
  - **Santa Fe Lanes** in Vegas had a stadium size ice skating rink...in the desert!!
  - We were reminded in a Frank Kietz column that the BVL was formed in 1942. Their first purchase was "The Wings of Mercy", a medical evacuation airplane. The BVL is still the pride of bowlers and special friend to Vets everywhere.
  - The perfect Xmas gift for a bowler in 1991 was a PRO-AM entry into the AC Delco Pro Tournament at **Gable House** in January. Receive a new Rhino ball and bowl with a pro...the perfect stocking stuffer. One size fits all!
- 1991 was a great bowling year in Southern California. Over 110 centers advertised their wares each week. Centers actually ran tournaments on weekends, clubs of all sorts had hundreds of members and plenty of action. National, state and local associations were active. PEOPLE CARED ABOUT OUR SPORT AND ITS MEMBERS. When was the last time YOU attended a league meeting, or an association meeting? What do you know about the new rules? Where your dues go? Just asking! See you in 1992!*

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THREE DIVISIONS:

\*MASTERS & SR. MASTERS (Scratch)

\*APPRENTICE (Handicap)

USBC Certified event

Handicap: 90% of 200

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ENTRY FEES:

\$80 per person

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FORMAT: 5 GAMES QUALIFYING.

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# PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: CHRIS BARNES WINS 28TH REGIONAL TITLE IN SHAWNEE

PBA Hall of Famer Chris Barnes from Double Oak, Texas defeated Dylan Burns of Garden City, Kan., to win the sixth annual PBA Grand Casino Resort & Hotel Southwest Invitational at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., Sunday. Barnes, who earned his 28th PBA Regional title and the \$4,000 winner’s check, won by a healthy 48-pin margin. He fell behind early in the final match as Burns started with four strikes, but Barnes responded with his own string of four, striking from the seventh frame through the 10th as Burns ran into all sorts of issues, helping Barnes to a 226-178 victory.

After 12 games of qualifying, both players received byes to the Round of 8 with Barnes the top qualifier and Burns right behind. In the best two-of-three-game Round of 8, Barnes defeated Keith Lesko from Prosper, Texas, 2-0, while Burns advanced with a 2-0 win over Austin Boulds of Creal Springs, Ill. In the semifinal round, Barnes squeaked by Anthony Lavery-Spaher from Pasadena, Texas, 245-231, while Burns eliminated Houston’s Shawn Maldonado, 219-203.

- Michael Davidson of Versailles, Ohio defeated Michael Martell of Brooklyn, N.Y., in a three-game total pins match, 640-617, to win his second PBA Regional title in the Boss Snow Plows/Ebonite Central/Midwest Open at Pin-Heads in Fishers, Ind., Sunday.
- Davidson, who earned \$3,000, downed Chris Colella of Indianapolis, 658-548, while Martell eliminated Patrick Dombrowski of Parma, Ohio, 646-568, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- The Sept. 13-15 PBA Regional schedule features the PBA50 King Pin Lanes Eastern Open in Rome, N.Y.; the Sturgis/Storm Central/Midwest Open at Sturgis Bowl in Sturgis, Mich.; the Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Liberal Kansas Southwest Open Ayr Lanes, and a doubleheader at AMF Mardi Gras Lanes in Sacramento, Calif. – the PBA and PBA50 West/Northwest Capital City Opens presented by DV8 and Genesis.

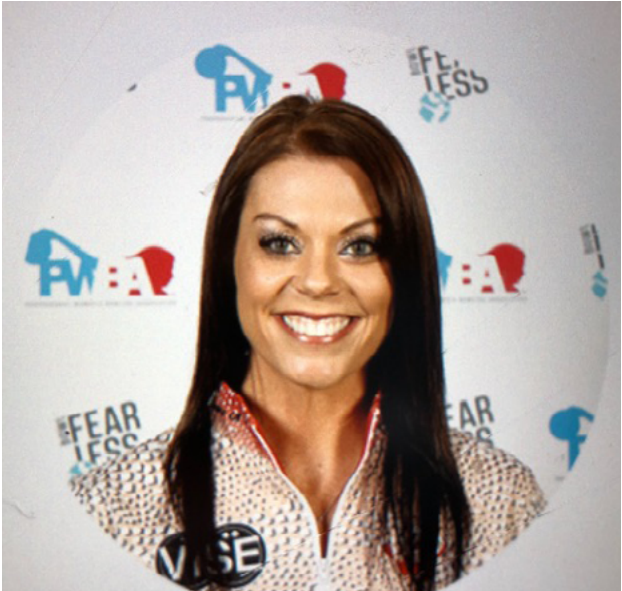
- PBA Regional activity scheduled for the Sept. 20-22 weekend include the PBA/PBA50 Over/Under Doubles at Millsboro Lanes in Millsboro, Del.; the EZ Bowl Central Open in Bluffton, Ind.; the Odessa Southwest Super Regional at Diamond Lanes in Odessa, Texas, and a tripleheader including the PBA Paradise Lanes Northwest/West Open, PBA50 Paradise Lanes Gary Mage Northwest/West Senior Open (both presented by 900 Global) plus the Jeanne Nacarato Women’s Open in Tacoma, Wash. On Saturday, Sept. 21, Ten Pin Alley in Fitchburg, Wis., also will host the Ten Pin Alley Midwest Open.

- September’s busy calendar of PBA Regional events will conclude over the Sept. 27-29 weekend with the Bowlers Discount Pro Shop East Open presented by Radical at Terrace Lanes in Frederick, Md.; the PBA50 Mel Westrich Memorial Central/Midwest Open at Delphos Recreation in Delphos, Ohio; the PBA50 J&L Sports South Open at Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C.; the back-to-back PBA50 Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open I and II one-day events in Junction City, Kan.; and the 17th annual Double Decker Lanes West/Northwest Open presented by Roto Grip in Rohnert Park, Calif.

- 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 and Android device users using the PBA app).

## QUICK NOTES

- REMINDER: General admission and VIP tickets are now on sale for the 2019 PBA Clash that will take place on Monday, Oct. 21, at Kegel Training Center in Lake Wales, Fla. The Clash will include the 2019 Go Bowling! PBA Tour’s top eight money-winners in a special elimination-format telecast that will air on FOX on Sunday, Nov. 3. VIP ticket packages are available for \$50. General admission tickets are \$20. Tickets can be ordered online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pba-clash-tickets-68818707607>.
- Chris and Lynda Barnes’ 15th annual Barnes Thanksgiving Classic, a youth scholarship tournament for scratch and handicap bowlers, will be held Nov. 29-Dec. 1 at Plano Super Bowl in Plano, Texas. For entry information and tournament rules, visit the Barnes Thanksgiving Classic page on Facebook.



## Why Shannon O’Keefe Repeats as PWBA Player of The Year

by Frank Weiler

RALEIGH, N.C. – The PWBA’s (PROFESSIONAL WOMEN’S BOWLING ASSOCIATION) Top Bowler last season is tops again. And best of all, the organization’s best bowler is also the organization’s Top Bowler.

With her second-place finish at the Player’s Championship last week Shannon O’Keefe clinched PWBA Player of the Year honors for the second consecutive year. I like it because not only is Shannon O’Keefe the PWBA’s “TOP BOWLER” she is also its “BEST BOWLER”. This may sound redundant but it’s not. Many times, the best bowler doesn’t win a tournament or the top prize, so it’s gratifying when the best does win.

To most observers it is no surprise that Shannon is still the Top Bowler on the PWBA National Tour. She is better than the field because she is the most accomplished bowler on tour. She possesses more of what I call the “THE FIVE ESSENTIALS FOR WINNING” than any other PWBA bowler.

In my mind “the five essentials for winning” on tour are preparation, confidence, focus, power and adaptability. Shannon rates a “10” in the first four of these categories and an “8” in the fifth category. Those numbers not only make her the most accomplished bowler on tour now but one of the most accomplished bowlers of all time. These numbers also explain her success on Tour and her ability to dominate the last two seasons.

I have watched Shannon bowl in person, close up. I have watched her bowl on television. There is no PWBA bowler close to her when it comes to preparation, confidence, focus or power. She only needs to improve her ability to adjust her ball speed to become “THE PERFECT BOWLER”..

Congratulations to Shannon for all of her accomplishments on Tour this season. I look forward to next season to see if she can “THREEPEAT”. In the near future I will provide more details about my “FIVE ESSENTIALS FOR WINNING” and whether Shannon O’Keefe will continue her dominance on the Women’s National Tour.

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- 21 – CBT 1st Brandon Chandler Fundraiser/Beat the Board, 10am, Oak Tree Lanes, 661/418-8007, [cbtbowling.com](http://cbtbowling.com)
- 21 – PBA Experience Gold Pin Scratch 6-Gamer, 1pm, Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl, 925/828-7550
- 21 – No Tap 5-Gamer, 7pm, AMF Rocklin Lanes, 916/521-3524
- 22 – CCUSBC Pete Melton Memorial Shootout Scratch Tourn., 11am, Bowlero/Rodeo, Clovis, [ccusbc.com](http://ccusbc.com)
- 22 – JAT, 9am, PBA Challenge #1, Forest Lanes, Lake Forest, [bowljat.org](http://bowljat.org)
- 23 – Fall begins
- 27-29 – PBA West/NoWest Open, Double Decker Lanes, Rohnert Park, [pba.com](http://pba.com).  
(Open Pro-Am at 5:30pm on Fri.), 707/585-0226
- 28 – Average Joe's Trio Tourn., 11am, Santa Clarita Lanes, 661/816-3323, [averagejoetrios@gmail.com](mailto:averagejoetrios@gmail.com)
- 28 – 60th anniversary Castle Lanes Alumni Reunion, 12 noon, Bel Mateo Bowl, San Mateo, 559/734-8158
- 28 – NLAC 3rd annual SoCal Queens & Princess Tourn., 9am, Harley's Valley Bowl, Simi Valley, 323/252-7904, [\aweubanks@yahoo.com](mailto:\aweubanks@yahoo.com)
- 28-29 – Earl Anthony Memorial Jr. Fall Classic Scholarship Tourn., Sat./Dbls.; Sun./Singles, Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl, [earlanthonysdublinbowl.com](http://earlanthonysdublinbowl.com)
- 29 – 2nd annual CA Bowling Writers Operation Freedom Paws Bowling Tourn., 4th Street Bowl, San Jose, 408/246-3956, [hamdjm63@gmail.com](mailto:hamdjm63@gmail.com)
- 29 – SLAC SoCal Masters & Apprentices, 9am, Winnetka Bowl, 323/252-7904, [aweubanks@yahoo.com](mailto:aweubanks@yahoo.com)
- 29 – San Joaquin Bowling Club Trios Tourn., Valley Bowl, Madera, 559/385-8837
- 29 – Lousy Bowler Tourn., Riverside Lanes, Laughlin, 888/590-2695
- 29 – JAT Adult/Member Doubles, 9am, Cal Bowl, Lakewood, [bowljat.org](http://bowljat.org)

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Now onto this week's scores:

**Vegas Bound:** Scr: 633 Shellie Camarata, 570 Kelly Manuel, 679 Jason Luck, 642 David Molina, 267 Peter Ruiz, 246 Bryce Wilson, 214 Leona Ruiz, 210 Aimee Gonzalez and Team: 2607 Where's Aimee.

**Club 55:** Hdcp: 708 Janet Nguyen, 684 Marietta Simonson, 717 Kevin Kelley, 707 Jun Cabrera, 268 Jun Borbon, 256 Art Smith, 263 Pat Copeland, 261 Delores Lyle and Team: 2019 "Incredibowl".

**Chamber & Friends:** Scr: 732 Peter Ruiz, 567 Brandon Goodman, 496 Clara Lotton, 457 Heidi Boothe, 234 Nathan Hornung, 204 Pat Gilbert, 189 Sharon Shaw, 161 Pat Mitas and Team: 2065 Huggers.

**Laughlin Nites:** Scr: 570 Rick Freese, 532 Tony Guzman, 487 Lynn Williams, 380 Dawn Renner, 155 Virgie Sena, 136 Amy Vigil, 220 Jim Chastain, 191 Chris Montoya and Team: 2003 Team 7.

**Crazy 4 Vegas:** Scr: 472 Nancy Jimeno, 417 Lisa Lowe, 604 Will Bissic, 573 Lance Clifford, 190 Jim Lowe, 188 Alex McKendall, 143 Elaine McAllister, 142 Rita Kwasnick and Team: 1850 Team 1.

**Young @ Heart:** Hdcp: 672 Andy DeLa Cruz, 650 Ed Elefano, 638 Janet Nguyen, 633 Noy Harrison, 229 Meg Marcelo, 221 Adela Hernandez, 248 Orly Sevillano, 247 John Emrich and Team: 1854 No Pins Left Behind.

**Let it Ride:** Scr: 703 Daniel Updegraf, 586 Latino Heat Guerrero, 495 Sancha Acevedo, 425 Cece Vanthiel, 172 Lynne Dickinson, 159 Amy Weinstein, 222 Vido Samarzich, 211 Tommy Stevenson and Team: 2231 Colonial Clan.

**Fil-Am Keglers:** Scr: 718 Bryce Wilson, 683 Ken Chang, 647 Vanessa Huertas, 556 Stacy Galicia, 226 Rowie Jucal, 206 Tess Dizon, 267 Mike Jennings, 248 Tony Lee and Team: 2226 I Love This Game.

**TBYBP Jr/Adult Turtle Crew:** Scr: 461 Sarah Lee, 435 Henry Lee Adult: 534 Brian Lee and Team: 995 Team 2.

**TBYBP Pin Heads:** Scr: 350 Jacob Oliva, 292 Arian Chavez and Team: 2035 Flaming Strike.

**TBYBP Rug Rats:** Scr: 188 Ethan Ruiz, 160 Bailey Phipps, 56 Nathan Dorn and Team: 188 Spiderman Turtle.

**TBYBP Pin Pals:** Scr: 365 Neel Kankariya, 282 Sophia Van Herk, 114 Caden Sham, 73 Harley Murga and Team: 551 The Yankees.

**TBYBP Jr/Adult Strike Force:** Scr: 342 Kira Ihara, 498 Jai Kankariya, 107 Jazzy Ruiz, 176 Kirin Ihara, Adults: 588 Ryan Phipps and Team: 1304 Team 5.

**TBYBP Jr Gold:** Scr: 784 Leoj Chin, 631 Sarah Lee, 188 Zoey Meraz, 201 Henry Lee and Team: 1364 Team 2.

As a reminder, with the new rules coming in and the Winter season starting, make sure all you adult leaguers look into putting this rule in to your league to save you from a big headache. Nobody under the age of 18 is allowed in your league even if the parent signs the parent consent form.

Otherwise, everyone in your league must comply with this new law and complete the SafeSport course through [Bowl.com](http://Bowl.com) or your league could not be certified, your card could be pulled or you could be suspended from USBC all together.

Just tell the youth bowler to stay in the youth league until they turn 18 and come back and you will be more than happy to let them in your league. At least they can earn scholarship for college in the youth league.

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CAL BOWL BOWLING REPORT

by Heather Dawson

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LAKEWOOD – What is common in ALL bowling centers? Lanes, pins, ball returns, house balls, french fries, oiling lanes and bowlers. What is common about ALL bowlers? When the scoring is good, "they" were great! When the scoring was low, "the lanes sucked!" What do other sportsters blame errors on? Wind? Temperature? Grass? Sunshine? Bowling is one sport where practice, proper equipment, knowledge and effort can improve your game. Try it- you'll like it. \*\*\*Denotes Weekly Highs

**Laughlin Bowler Bears:** This is another league that has been around a while! Thank goodness Cal Bowl has plenty of T.V.s for "Sports" watching on Sunday afternoons. \*\*\*David Patterson 248/615, Brandon Mims 247, James Som 246-240/705, Allen Swickard 238, Michael Savolskis 231/604, Gary Grundtisch 223, Ernie Fisher 222/617, Lawrence Morris 605, Ashlee Ravaglia 189-175/502, Julie Grabinski 185/469, Melanie Scott 182/460, Robyn Ramelb 181/481.

**Fil-Am:** Where do the Fil-Am ladies get all the goodies? Packages of unknown contents are shared every Sunday. Recipe for native dishes are compared and of course "taste tested. \*\*\*Chris Abing 702, Aaron Law 696, Joe Knapp 634, Rick Llaneta 634, Susan Ebilane 632, Beth Austria 569, Odette Dalton 540, Lawrence Austria 276, Ike Topacio 258, Chris Borillo 236, Christy Estimo 232, Valerie Colian 201, Marige Catalasan 191, Emma Trinidad 191.

**V.A. League:** This V.A. group has 3 short leagues during the year. That means 5 breaks to do their "good deeds" for the vets. \*\*\*Steve Bertaux 525, Joe Morse 462, Donn Cusio 431, Steve Sinas 391, Terry Girlie 335, Valerie Morse 407, Rebecca Kpoczak 300, Brian Baesafra 166, David Goodman 154, Rocco Garcia 150, Corey Richmond 142, Kristi Richmond 138.

**Grandma's/Grandpa's:** Believe it or not, some of these "grand" bowlers have been enjoying the sport since they were kids. They remember a lot of the centers that are long gone. \*\*\*Jim Plante 220/537, Rinze Dykstra 209/457, Al Romero 188-176/496, Jim Young 184/479, Esque Donnell 181-172/488, Paul Morrison Jr 174, Walter Gist 171/459, Walter Milsap 171/484, Joanne Burke 218-168/534, Del Stewart 210-168/540, Donna May 189/508, Betty Green 179/466, Elena VanDeven 166, Vancie Keith 163/411.

**Practice League:** The Bargain league! For one weekly fee you get 3 games on league night and 6 more games to bowl practice during the week. \*\*\*Chris Gurule 591, Raymond Perez 591, Gary Perez 564, Del Stewart 485, Dede Rains 453, Anna Farrugia 395, Chris Martinez 213, Ron Jay 210, Jesse Ignacio 200, Lillian Johnson 169, Betsy Bassar 158, Rise Stenico 137.

**Young at Heart:** It was "Steel" day on Monday! \*\*\*Carl Steel 267/680, Rich Heid 234/627, Gerald Lunceford 230, Anthony Leavell 226, Ed Hansen 225, Bob Sneed 223/619, Jimmy Hamilton 636, Fale Sula 606, Danne VanHorn 204/518, Oritta Steel 196-190/555, Carla Dean 196, Marci Hansen 186, Lanore Knudson 186, Adela Santos 517, Dee Phipps 510.

**Cal Bowleros:** This league was started when Cal Bowl opened in 1960! It has history! \*\*\*Carolyn Rousseau 558, Darlene Hom 520, Carole Fischer 506, Bheth Alcayde 206, Danne VanHorn 197, Yvonne Clark 185.

**Mega Vegas Sunday:** The Mega Vegas Leagues are the most popular ones around! The weekly pots are shared by 11 leagues and the pay offs could pay for your league fees for the year! \*\*\*Raymundo Sedillo 717, Ed Caldwell 709, Mel Brown 665, Michelle Allen 503, Wes Buckles 278, Penn Tasinga 252, Elgie Monge 246, Ashley Gonzalez 201, Jocelyn Higa 124.

**Marcus Lemons:** We're back! What would Wednesday night be without bowling? BORING! That's what! \*\*\*Donale Wade 269/690, Jello Gray 267/679, Erik Peace 258, Ronnie Lemons 257, Desi Nixon 257/660, David Fitzgerald 249, Darren Stillwell 247, Ray Jenkins 641, Helen Martin 224/575, Felecia Tripp 224-212/617, Caprishia Smyles 200, Anita Dobbins 199, Stacie Watson 577, LaJeana Harris 546.

**Sport Practice:** Try the "Sport Shot" conditions. How tough are you!?! Test your skills. You might even learn something about the 2019 challenge. \*\*\*Lowell Huber 621, David Ferguson 591, Alton Arnold III 511, Nichelle Farrow 485, Janet Love 434, Norma Jasso 384, John Struckman 221, Kevin Gallagher 189, Marcus Battiest 189, Bridgette Wade 173, Lisa Swanson 158, Kat Harvill 130.

**Mini Couples:** There's room for one more team in this great (fun) league. Call Cal for info or show up early Friday Night...5:45 p.m. ok. Meet the secretary-bring your bowling equipment and be ready to bowl! \*\*\*Bill Dennis 677, Mike Onusic 577, Richard Chambers 557, Avelina Cumbis 531, Orrelle Dennis 482, Kathleen Stein 482, Barry Frembling 224, Dave Burchman 212, Ron Ipjian 203, Verletta Moeller 191, Girlie Huervas 180, Emily Burchman 177.

That's all for this week.


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by Tish

BURBANK – Winter leagues are in full swing at Pickwick! This is what I have so far with more to come next week. Happy bowling!


**Monday 710-Telco:** (scr) Travis Mikels 267, Catherine Noonan 208, Jesse Enriquez 656, Glenda Nale 649.

**Orbits:** (scr) Cathy Stevens 166, Gini McLoud 456. (hdcp) Cinday Raposa 210, Jan Levitt 524.

**Guys & Dolls:** (scr) Dana Rouse 669, Janice Haynes 507, Mike McMahon 258, Colleen Simpson 224. (hdcp) James Marquez 716, Lora Vangor 713, Woody Gillis 274, Danica McMahon 260.

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Until next time...keep the ball rollin'!



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by Ed Saleh

LA HABRA – Weekly High Scores. Check out our weekly Sr. No-Tap, Friday mornings at 10:00 am. league. Congratulations to Andy Jeske on his 300 game during the Gamblers Fun league!

**SUNDAY – Vegas Rollers:** Richard Mondragon 243, Sheldon Shapiro 233/642, Greg Trindl 223. **Wally's Vegas Cruise:** Albert Salinas 265/678, Eric Verne 213/623, Todd Foster 212, Erin LaBrada 213.

**MONDAY – Lake Parkers:** Al Scudellari 209, Tom Jordan 205, Larry McCurry 200. **Golden Awards:** Martin Enderle 236, Larry Green 233/626, Bob Esler 232. **Whittier Elks:** Jason Amaro 213, Dave Stiltz 200. **Gamblers Fun:** Andy Jeske 300/671, Gary Wingett 266/639, Jeff Seymour 224/630.

**TUESDAY – Friendly Seniors:** Phil Brewer 235, Larry McCurry 210, Al Magdaleno 210, Dolores Harmon 202. **Ageless Wonders:** Saul Palomo 235, Tom Denker 227, Alex Ferracioli 204, Tracey Zeidman 200.

**WEDNESDAY – Silver Foxes:** Ed Jamison 236/672, Jerry Rudd 227, Charlie Juster 225, Martin Enderle 610. **American National Can:** Mike Dunn 236, Ray Mankins Jr. 226, Edgar Cadena 215.

**THURSDAY – Early Birds:** Stacie Davis 231. **Sunset Rollers:** Jay Knight 203. **All Schools:** Bob Ward 210.

**FRIDAY – Vegas Gamblers:** David Pisani 279, Brandon Kraye 258/715, Joe Lotspeich 257/706, Nathan Hornung 695, Shannon Smith 236, Carie Morgan 225, Stacie Davis 225, Tee Delgado 627.

Until next week, GOOD LUCK and HIGH SCORING!

# Try to Read This Story Without Cracking a Smile

by Fred Eisenhammer

LIMA, Peru – Here we go again. Another joke about bowling. But this time, it's actually funny.

Bruce Tinsley was the one who recently poked fun at the sport. Tinsley writes and illustrates a nationally syndicated cartoon that follows a journalist duck called Mallard Fillmore (a pun on former President Millard Fillmore) and Mallard had some observations about the game.

First some background: Last month at the Pan American Games in Peru, the doubles bowling team of Puerto Rico was stripped of its gold medal after one of its players failed a doping test.

Yes, you read right. The presumed gold medalists underwent a drug test and Jean Perez Faure of the Puerto Rican team tested positive for chlorthalidone, which is a diuretic that acts as a masking agent and is on the World Anti-Doping Agency's list of banned substances.

As a result, the U.S. team of Jakob Butturff and Nick Pate moved up one notch and was awarded the gold medal.

Tinsley, who appears in the L.A. Daily News among other newspapers, then illustrated and penned a cartoon that read as follows:

"Responding to the Puerto Rican bowling team's doping scandal at the recent Pan Am Games . . . Officials now pledge to crack down on performance-enhancing drug use in croquet, ultimate Frisbee and backgammon as well."

Well, you just have to laugh at such nonsense.

As for whether the Professional Bowlers Assn. performs drug tests, reporter Lucas Wiseman reported in 2018 that Commissioner Tom Clark said that the PBA "reserves the right to conduct random checks." Clark added that testing and/or fines are kept confidential.

It's still difficult to believe drug testing in bowling is an issue and has actually engulfed a professional bowler.

Let's hope that no PBA player gets ensnared in any drug controversy.

That would definitely be no laughing matter.

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Location TBD

4/5 - Adult/Member Dbls  
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Keystone Lanes - Norwalk

Upcoming Events

September 22, 2019  
PBA Challenge #1  
Forest Lanes - Lake Forest

Sunday, September 29th  
Cal Bowl - Lakewood  
Adult/Member Doubles  
Scratch & Handicap Divisions  
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Entry fee: \$80/team  
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October 20  
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**Team maximum & Entering Averages:** The maximum team entering average shall be 850. Team Handicap shall be 85% of 850. Entering averages shall be taken in the following order: Highest ending average 2019 or highest ending average 2018. If neither of these two averages, you may use current average of at least 12 or more games. To use current average, league sheet verification required prior to bowling.

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## INVITATIONAL

### 3 OLIVES VODKA OFF TO BLAZING HOT 10-0 START AT 9-1, JAT WILL CHALLENGE THEM NEXT WEEK ON TOP PAIR

by Mike Cammarata

DOWNEY – Week two of the Brunswick Invitational is in our rear-view mirror now, and there has been a buzz on the lanes to this point. Some great competition has helped, in addition to having two more teams than last season. Also, there is added money each week in the sidepots as well as several new sponsors for the league.

The top pair of lanes on week two was a battle between a couple teams that got off to 5-0 starts on the first night as **Don Julio Tequila** took on the **Junior Amateur Tour**. The first game went to Don Julio Tequila, 860-835, in spite of a strong 267 in by Kevin Valmonte. Lee Lie topped Don Julio with 246. J.A.T. came back strong though, taking all the remaining games and total pins for a 4-1 win in the match. Anthony Santos was big in the comeback, finishing with 252-246 for 718. Valmonte dipped in the middle game but finished with 268 for a Santos matching 718. Lee Liu led Don Julio with 696. The four wins improve J.A.T. to 9-1 and they will remain on the top pair.

Moving up to the top pair and going around J.A.T. is **3 Olives Vodka**. They were 5-0 as well coming into the night and on the second pair based on their total pin fall. 3 Olives took on **Cal Bowl** in the second match. Both teams started big, but the game went to 3 Olives, 980-930. Eric Snow opened with a 279 game and he was helped by Ryan Cunningham with 267. Ramsey Basurto had a 268 in defeat for Cal Bowl. Scores for both teams came down a bit in the second game, but the results were the same as 3 Olives wins, 818-808. The final game was close until the end as well, and still 3 Olives came out on top, earning them a 5-0 sweep. Jonathan Gale closed big for 3 Olives with a 277 game for a 700 series. Ramsey Basurto continued his good bowling throughout the match, leading the pair with 732, but unable to help his team into the win column. 3 Olives, now at 10-0 will lead the field into the third week.

**U.S. Foods** improved to 8-2 after a 4-1 win over **Captain Morgan**. Gabriel Martinez was the top bowler for U.S. Foods with a 243-244/681 set. He was helped by JT Diso and Charlie Kinstler who had matching 672's. For Captain Morgan, Joe Jimenez was the leading scorer with a very steady 227-233-234/694 set. Ramiro Garcia was right behind him with 244/688, but it was only good enough for one win.

**DV8** and **Tito's Vodka** had a tight match on the next pair. Tito's Vodka was only able to take the second game of the night, but they won it by enough that they took total pins as well for a 3-2 victory in the match. Game one went to DV8 by only 8 pins, as Jeff Carr started hot with a 267 game. The middle game went to Tito's by 40 pins, giving them a small cushion for totals. Scoring was low in the final game, and DV8 was not quite able to make up the difference, winning by 27 pins.

**Forest Lanes** took the first game in their match with **Century 21—PEAK** on the next pair. Bobby Hornacek started fast, leading Forest Lanes with a 246 game. In the middle game of the set, Century 21 got on the board and took a 30-pin lead for totals. Joe Torre posted a 267 in the middle game after a 243 in the opener. The final game was all Forest Lanes though, as they took it by over 150 pins to lock up a 4-1 victory in the match. Substitute Tony Winn topped the pair, leading Forest with a 256-275/754 series. Joe Torre finished with 700 for Century 21.

**Buddy's Bowling Supply** took four out of five from **Kingpin Pro Shop**, improving to 6-4 for the round. Eric Espinoza, subbing for Buddy Lucas, easily topped the pair with 269-257/753. Bobby Campagnale helped in the victory with 265/692. Aarik Torres led Kingpin Pro Shop to their one-win finishing with a 234 for a 682 series.

**Bowlum** ran over **Linders Insurance** on the next pair, sweeping all five games as Vince Duarte and Billy Myers Jr. were both well over 700. Myers topped the team with 247-279-237/763 while Duarte added a 255-257/723 of his own. Danny Wilson added a 258 in the middle game for good measure as Linders was beaten soundly in this one.

**Saddleback Lanes** got four wins to kickstart their round as they took on the **Bowling Guys**. Alex Abieras led the league with a monster set for Saddleback, shooting a 266-256-248/770. John Vallin returned to the league after a couple years off and had a very solid 247/691 to help Alex and the team to the wins. Bowling Guys were able to take the middle game with n 870, due in large part to a 257 by anchor Kevin Jones.

**Team Hu\$tle** got their first four wins of the season, after a tough opening week. Jello Gray had back to back 257 games on his way to 703. Brandon Grant and Jaime Carrington were both in the 660's to help Jello out. **Threadworks** falls to a disappointing 2-8 and will look to rebound next week.

**The Professional Approach** took four out of five from **Keystone Lanes** on the final pair of lanes. Matt Mosley was solid in this one, leading the Pro Approach with 255-237/704. Bill Heffern of Keystone Lanes actually topped the pair with 269/712, but it was only good for one win.

Sidepots are being broken down to lower division and upper division this season with added money to the pots every week. In game one, Ramsey Basurto took first place in the upper division with 268, beating Jeff Carr's 267 by one pin. Eric Espinoza won the lower division with 269. Jelly Gray was second with 257. In game two, Bobby Campagnale led the upper division with 265 while Jello Gray topped the lower division with 257. 2nd place finishers were Vince Duarte and JT Diso. The final game was won by Jonathan Gale in the upper division with 277. Vince Duarte cashed again with 257. The lower division was topped by Tony Winn's 275 game as Bill Heffern had to settle for second place with 269.

The Financial Advisors Pot paid out \$170 to Billy Myers Jr. for his 279 game. Joe Torre took the \$90 consolation prize with a 267.

Lots of teams are bunched in the middle of the pack heading into week three. Four teams have 8 wins or more, and they will battle each other on the top two pairs. Plenty of time to go in this first round and like we expect all season with the quality of bowlers in the league, it is sure to be exciting and fun.

Come down to Del Rio Lanes to check out the action on Monday night. With the new 8pm start time, the action won't keep you out all night.

#### TOP TEN TEAMS

3 Olives Vodka . . . . .	10	Bowlum. . . . .	6
Junior Amateur Tour . . .	9	Don Julio Tequila . . . .	6
Forest Lanes . . . . .	8	Buddy's Bowling Supply .	6
US Foods. . . . .	8	DV8. . . . .	6
Tito's Vodka. . . . .	7	Captain Morgan . . . . .	5

#### TOP 10 THIS WEEK

Alex Abieras . . . . .	770	Anthony Santos . . . . .	718
Billy Myers Jr. . . . .	763	Bill Heffern . . . . .	712
Ramsey Basurto . . . . .	732	Jello Grey . . . . .	703
Vince Duarte . . . . .	723	Jonathan Gale. . . . .	700
Kevin Valmonte. . . . .	718	Joe Torre Sr. . . . .	700

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