## Which PBA Bowlers Have The Mosi Social Media Followers?

## by Lucas Wiseman

One of the great things about the sport of bowling is how accessible the players are, whether in a bowling center or on social media. So, that got us thinking, which PBA bowlers have the biggest social media following?

We looked only at the Top 50 players on the PBA points list so far this year and found that between Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, the Top 50 have a combined 883,000 followers. The most fans are on Facebook with more than 433,000, followed by Instagram at about 268,000 and Twitter had around 182,000.
To help you figure out who to follow, here's a look at the Top 5 heavy hitters on social media.


## 1. Jason Belmonte

Belmonte is a social media powerhouse and leads his peers on all three platforms. On Facebook, he has more than 108,000 likes, while tallying more than 71,000 on Instagram. He also has more than 34,000 followers on Twitter. There's a reason Belmonte racks up big numbers and it's not just because he's one of the best on the lanes. Belmonte is also one at the best at engaging with fans on social media.

## 2. Sean Rash

With a heavy Facebook following, Rash comes in at No. 2 on the list with a combined 54,000 followers across all three platforms. Rash is most active on Facebook, constantly posting content, including Facebook live streams.

## 3. Chris Barnes

At 48, Barnes is the oldest on our Top 5 list of social media PBA stars but he has embraced social media and is especially strong on Facebook and Twitter. He comes in with a total of just under 45,000 total fans, although very few of them are on Instagram as his account is set to private.

## 4. EJ Tackett

There's no doubt Tackett's success on the lanes the past few years have helped add to his social media following, especially among a younger audience on Instagram. Tackett has more than 35,000 social follows, with 13,500 of those coming on Instagram. Most of his content on Facebook and Twitter is shared or retweeted posts, so keep an eye on his Instagram for original content.

## 5. Marshall Kent

Although not super active on social media recently, Kent has put together a big following totaling 33,000 . A vast majority of those come from Instagram, where he ranks among the PBA's best with nearly 17,000 followers.

## MARIA JOSE RODRIGUEE WINS 2018 PWBA TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

RICHMOND, Va. - Colombia's Maria Jose Rodriguez capped the 2018 Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour season Wednesday by winning her first career PWBA Tour title at the PWBA Tour Championship.
Rodriguez edged Kelly Kulick of Union, New Jersey, inside the Old Dominion Building at Richmond Raceway, 236-228, to collect a major championship and $\$ 20,000$ top prize.
The championship round was broadcast live on CBS Sports Network.

The 29 -year-old righthander gained the early advantage against Kulick, posting six strikes in her first eight frames, but back-to-back 10 pins in the ninth and 10th frames gave Ku -

lick, who was working on up at the Tour Championfour consecutive strikes, ship. the chance to win her seventh major title.
what I could control," RoNeeding a strike on her driguez said. "I made great first delivery for a chance shots and was happy with to win, Kulick left a 10 pin how I threw it. When Kelly of her own to record her left the 10 pin, I couldn't second consecutive runner- believe it. I started to shake
so bad, and I still can't believe it. I've worked so hard and fought so hard, and I'm so happy this happened."

Rodriguez used different bowling balls on each lane during her semifinal and championship matches, continued on page 8

## Hurricane Florence Doesn't Damage PBA50 Invite Hosit Center

gion hard hit by Hurricane Florence will still host the upcoming PBA50 Storm Invitational live on FloBowling on Sept. 29-30 after host venue Planet Fun Bowling and Entertainment Center in Shallotte, North Carolina, escaped any major damage.

Located just a few miles from the Atlantic Ocean, Planet Fun is right between Wilmington, North Carolina, and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina but avoided any flood damage because of forward thinking when the center was built.

Despite more than dozen inches of rain and having a river right behind
t, the center escaped flooding because "we raised the center about 11 feet to get out of flood plain when we built it," Planet Fun proprietor Brian McCall said in PBA news release. "We got it about 19 feet above sea level. It certainly has paid for itself a couple of times over. The river has never gotten to our parking ot, but we can see it from there." The PBA50 Storm Invitational will feature a traglia.
 star-studded field of the top the event may prove to be PBA50 players competing therapeutic for the region. in a special end-of-season event. Among those in the field are Michael Haugen Jr., Brian Kretzer, Ron Mohr, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Norm Duke, Parker Bohn III, Lennie Boresch Jr., Amleto Monacelli, Ryan Shafer, Bob Learn Jr. Pete Weber, Harry Sullins, Brian Voss and Johnny Pe"We look forward to hosting the event," McCall said in the release. "We know people will show up to support it. We hope it'll be a breath of fresh air for people around here. We had to shut down the center for a week because our league bowlers couldn't get here, but as bad as things have been, they could have been a whole lot worse,"



## There's True Joy in 'Grump-land' by Fred Eisenhammer

WINNETKA - Skip
Brown strode purposefully to the line in the 10 th frame of the final game with the outcome in his hands.
Skip, averaging 165, needed a strike to earn his team a victory for the game and a sweep for the day during play in the Funtimers senior league at Winnetka Bowl. The right-hander sailed the ball wide and it hooked into the pocket on the Brooklyn side and splattered all the pins down.
"You won us the game!" his teammates roared in approval.
"At least I accomplished something," responded Skip with a shrug. He felt he had not bowled up to his capabilities that Wednesday afternoon and wasn't mollified by his team's sweep.
Skip says he's known as "Grumpy," and is the Grand Poobah Grump of his team that is known as the " 3 Grumps."

I happen to be a charter member of that three-man team in my first year in the league, so I've become a Grump by association. Gary Covitt is the other member of the team though he disavows any link to grumpiness.
"You guys are lucky," said Skip's too-good-to-betrue wife Jaravee, who shows every week to support her husband and keep score. "He smiles at you. He usually doesn't smile at anyone."
One thing should be pointed out at this time. Skip calls himself "Grump," but he's actually not a grump whatsoever.

As Gary reminded Skip after the latter delivered the
winning shot: "You're not a Grump. You're the nicest guy around."

Still, it's a great running gag about Skip's grumpiness because, in truth, sometimes he can be grumpy - as we all can be when we fail to meet our often-lofty personal expectations.
"If I'm not bowling a 185 average, then I'm not really happy," he says.


The "3 Grumps" team has found true togetherness. From left, Fred; Grand Poobah Grump Skip; and Gary. Photo by Jaravee Brown One has to realize that Skip was averaging 185 a few
ears ago, which is pretty remarkable because he was doing it with his right hand, his off hand.
"I used to be a lefthander," Skip says, "and then I threw my shoulder out. Now I'm a righthander."
So, Skip has some big standards to meet every week with his not-favorite hand. But his moodiness seems to have been tempered this season. He admits he's "not always grumpy. It depends on the team and how I'm bowling."
Fortunately for Gary and me, Skip likes us and we're one happy "Grump" family. Perhaps it's helped that Skip has turned in a myriad of clutch shots in the later frames to boost us into a torrid 14 -win, 7 -loss start after three weeks. As first-time bowlers with Skip, Gary and I have found him extremely supportive and simply a great teammate
Gary, in his first-ever season of league play, may be boosting Skip's mood because Gary has been radiating joy with a pair of out-of-the-blue 200 games the past week.
"I'm not a Grump," says the always-cheerful Gary. "I don't want to be part of that."
Still, Gary and I go along with the team name, because, well, we told Skip to come up with a nickname that was a reflection of him
Naturally, he picked the " 3 Grumps." Even if the three of us really aren't. It just makes for a good story.


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Four-time PBA Tour champion Anthony Simonsen from Austin, Texas, won five of his eight matches to overtake Anthony Lavery-Spahr of Pasadena, Texas, and claim his fifth PBA Regional title in the second annual PBA Liberal Kansas Southwest Open Sunday at Ayr Lanes.

Simonsen began the eight-game modified round-robin finals with 102-pin lead over Lavery-Spahr, but dropped his first two matches before eking out a 177-163 win over Dylan Burns from Garden City, Kan. Meanwhile, Lavery-Spahr won his first three matches with games of 239, 229, and 247, to build his lead to over 120 pins. Simonsen then out-dueled Anthony's twin brother, Sean Lavery-Spahr, to win a 279-275 decision in game 4 to narrow the gap as the top two players pulled away from the rest of the field.

Going into position round, Anthony Lavery-Spahr held a nine-pin lead, needing to defeat Simonsen for the title. But Simonsen coverted the 6-7-10 split in the ninth frame and then filled the 10th frame with a strike and spare to win the match, 226-223, and claim the $\$ 4,500$ first place check. Simonsen finished with a 21 -game total of 5,019 pins, including match play bonus pins, for a 24 -pin margin of victory over Anthony Lavery-Spahr, who earned $\$ 3,000$ as runner-up.

- Ryan Ciminelli of Clarence, N.Y. defeated Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio by 42 pins to win the Professional Bowlers Association Sturgis Central/Midwest Open at Sturgis Bowl in Sturgis, Mich., Sunday.

Ciminelli finished with a $6-2$ match play record and a total of 4,738 pins for 21 games, including match play bonus pins, to win his 12 th career title along with the $\$ 2,600$ first prize.

- The PBA Century Lanes South Open, scheduled for last weekend in Hampton, Va., was cancelled due to the presence of Hurricane Florence in the Atlantic Coast region.
- September's PBA Regional calendar continues this weekend with the PBA/PBA50 Millsboro Lanes Eastern Doubles in Millsboro, Del.; the one-day Florence Bowling Center Central Open in Florence, Ky.; the PBA50 Cherokee Lanes South Open presented by Roto Grip in Canton, Ga.; the Lubbock Sports Southwest Challenge at South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas, the one-day Mockingbird Lanes PBA and PBA50 Midwest Open doubleheader presented by Hammer in Omaha, Neb., and a Northwest/West tripleheader at Paradise Lanes in Tacoma, Wash., including the Always Painting Northwest/West Open presented by Vac-Tec; the Gary Mage PBA50 Northwest/West Open presented by Great American Casino, and the Jeanne Naccarato Women's Open.
- The September PBA Regional schedule concludes over the Sept. 28-30 weekend with the Bluffton Central/Midwest Open at EZ Bowl in Bluffton, Ind.; the PBA50 J\&L Sports South Open at Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C., and the Double Decker West/Northwest Open presented by Roto Grip in Rohnert Park, Calif. The Double Decker event will be live-streamed by PBA Xtra Frame on FloBowling.
- For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit 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 (easily accessible for Apple device users using the PBA app).



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## 10 Hall of Famers in 14-player field that will feature 2018 season's top 12 in points and two invitees

SHALLOTTE, N.C. (Sept. 24, 2018) - What has now become the aptly-named PBA50 Storm Invitational, showcasing 14 top PBA50 Tour bowlers in head-to-head match play competition, will officially conclude the 2018 PBA50 Tour season Sept. 29-30 at Planet Fun Bowling \& Entertainment Center in Shallotte, N.C.

Named after tournament sponsor Storm Bowling Products (not Hurricane Florence), the top 12 players in points on PBA's tour for players 50 and over, led by 2018 PBA50 Player of the Year Michael Haugen Jr., plus two invitees (Hall of Famers Johnny Petraglia and Brian Voss) will compete in the "all-star" special event.
Admission is free and fans will also be able to watch the event in its entirety beginning with the first match play round Saturday, Sept. 29 at 10 a.m. ET on PBA's online bowling channel, PBA Xtra Frame on FloBowling, which will feature multiple streams that will cover all of the lanes used for every game. For subscription and schedule information visit www.flobowling.com.
The top 12 in order of points ranking who will compete in the event along with their 2018 season highlights are:

Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, Ariz. - Five-time PBA Tour and three-time PBA50 Tour titlist earned 2018 PBA50 Player of the Year honors after winning Rookie of the Year in 2017. Won Johnny Petraglia BVL Open and River City Extreme Open to become only multiple winner in 2018. Also had two runner-up finishes and two third-place finishes including third in the USBC Senior Masters.
Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio - One-time PBA Tour winner won season-ending PBA50 Cup for his first PBA50 Tour title. Also had three other top-five finishes including a runner-up finish in Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open.

Ron Mohr, Las Vegas - PBA Hall of Famer won Northern California Classic for his 10th career PBA50 Tour title. He also had five other top-five finishes including a third in the PBA50 National Championship and won PBA60 Player of the Year honors for the third consecutive year

Walter Ray Williams Ir., Oxford, Fla. - PBA and USBC Hall of Famer who is the PBA Tour's all-time career titles leader with 47 wins, had three PBA50 Tour runner-up finishes in 2018. The 11-time PBA50 Tour winner also had two other top-five finishes including fifth in the PBA50 National Championship.
Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla. - PBA and USBC Hall of Famer won the PBA50 Security Federal Savings Bank Championship for his fifth PBA50 Tour title. The 38 -time winner
on the PBA Tour also had five other top-five finishes including runner-up finishes in the USBC Senior Masters and PBA50 National Championship.

Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J. - PBA and USBC Hall of Famer, 35-time PBA Tour winner and four-time PBA50 Tour titlist had five top-five finishes with best of third in Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic.

Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis. - USBC Hall of Famer won the PBA50 National Championship for fourth career PBA50 title and first major win. Also had a runner-up finish in the PBA50 Mooresville (N.C.) Open.

Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela - PBA and USBC Hall of Famer, 20-time PBA Tour winner and eight-time PBA50 Tour titlist had six top-10 finishes with best of second in season-ending PBA50 Cup.

Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y. - Five-time PBA Tour winner had six top-10 finishes including career-best PBA50 Tour finish of second in Security Federal Savings Bank Championship.

Boh Learn Jr, Erie, Pa. - Five-time PBA Tour winner and three-time PBA50 Tour winner had six top-10 finishes including season-best second in River City Extreme Open.
Pete Weher, St. Ann, Mo. - PBA and USBC Hall of Famer, 37-time PBA Tour and 11-time PBA50 Tour winner had three top-10 finishes with best of fourth in Mooresville Open and sixth-place finishes in Suncoast Senior U.S. Open and PBA50 National Championship.
Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich. - USBC Hall of Famer, five-time PBA Tour and three-time PBA50 Tour winner had five top-15 finishes with best of eighth in South Shore Open.

## Invitees

Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J. - PBA and USBC Hall of Famer is a 14 -time PBA Tour and eight-time PBA50 Tour winner. He is the only player to win a national PBA tournament (PBA Tour or PBA50 Tour) in six different decades
Brian Voss, Cornelius, N.C. - PBA and USBC Hall of Famer with 25 PBA Tour titles, won Mooresville Open for second career PBA50 Tour title. Also had third-place finish in Suncoast Senior U.S. Open.
While the event will not award a PBA50 title, the players will be bowling for a $\$ 10,000$ first prize.

Competition gets underway Sept. 29

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- Kulick's semifinal win was a rematch of last year's title tilt against defending champion and 2018 PWBA Player of the Year Shannon O'Keefe of Shiloh, Illinois

O'Keefe started quickly in her return trip to the Old Dominion Building, rolling four consecutive strikes, but Kulick matched the effort starting in the sixth frame to bring the match within two pins.

O'Keefe, a two-time winner in 2018, put the match in Kulick's hands in the ninth frame with a 3-4-6-7-10 split she was unable to convert. Kulick closed out the game to win, 243-210.

The 16-player field at the Tour Championship included all of this year's eligible PWBA Tour champions, and the final spots in the bracket were filled in using the 2018 PWBA Tour points list.

Players were seeded into the bracket based on their ranking on the points list, and each bracket match featured a best-of-five format leading up to Wednesday's semifinals. The Tour Championship is a single-elimination event Four lanes were specially installed for the 2018 event inside the Old Dominion Building by QubicaAMF, the official supplier of bowling equipment for the 2018 PWBA Tour Championship.

All rounds leading up to the championship round were broadcast live on BOWL.com's BowlTV.

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## SCOTT FIIIPI REPORTING

## by Frank Weiler

LAKE ELSINORE - Scott Filipi is Secretary of the ROTO GRIP 640 Scratch League. The league boasts the best bowlers in the southern tier, many recruited by Scott. The top bowlers in the league started this season with a bang just like last season.

According to Filipi this is business as usual by the lake. Lakeside bowling fans are used to big scores and have been treated to several high games during the first two weeks of competition.

After two weeks the scoring leaders are:

| JEFF LEWEN | 248 average |
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| JOEL RICKETTS | 235 |
| SCOTT LARIVIERE | 234 |

Talk of early season excitement, Jeff Lewen opened the campaign with a perfect 300 game the first week of competition and Scott LaRiviere had a 299.

These guys show us why "CALIFORNIA BOWLERS ARE THE BEST IN THE WORLD". Great bowling guys and thanks to the BOWLING NEWS for supporting CALIFORNIA'S BEST.

## Eliht Morichlives BOWILRS QUAIIFF FOR PBAMEMBERSHIP

Thanks to the on-going efforts of Frank Zhao, owner of Longmarch Bowling in China, eight more Chinese bowlers have qualified to apply for PBA membership by participating in the 14th Longmarch Pioneers Tournament at Tian-Cheng-Hong-Ri Bowling Center in Shenyang in north China.

To qualify for PBA membership, the bowlers have to average 200 or more over a minimum of 21 games on PBA-level lane conditions. In the Longmarch tournament, 25 players bowled 36 games in three days and eight topped the 200 average target.

Since China entered players in PBA World Series of Bowling VI in 2014, a total of 94 bowlers have qualified and applied for PBA membership through Zhao's Pioneers Tournaments, including 89 men and five women representing players from Taiwan, The Philippines and Hong Kong as well as China. Six of the 94 were younger than 24 ; the rest were 24 or older.

Zhao hopes to bring a contingent of Chinese PBA members to WSOB X at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., in March of 2019.


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Mary Lynly - "One cannot really know the benefits of bowling unless you have chosen to be part of leadership. If you love the sport and accept a leadership position, care about motivating people to assist in achieving goals and unselfishly giving yourself to your organization, you will learn more than going to any seminar or workshop and enjoy a lifetime of friendships. I am sad that under the new dictate of forcing organizations to merge, leadership will be diluted tremendously as those are the people who keep us going. Bowlers make up almost all of my long time and dearest friends and are always there.

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## The fabulous Junior bowlers of the 80's became the stars of the next $\mathbf{3 0}$ years!

- Here are a few names that made the Junior results page every week. RICK BARBARIA, SAM CONSOS, MARK FISSER, JEFF GOBLE, ED HARNSTROM, BOB LASTER, STEVE SMITH, PAUL VARELA, CHARLES WILLISON, DINA BRAASCH, MICHELLE GARCIA, JULIE GARDNER, POLLY HALE, STACY RIDER and MICHELLE SILVER. As we stroll thru 1986 more Junior news will make the head lines.
- JOHN CHAPMAN rolled his first 300 game at KEYSTONE LANES. JOHN, what are you doing there days? Back in the "Saddle"?
- FRANK PASQUALE, owner of ARENA BOWL in South Gate, was once the Mayor of Lake Elsinore!
- The Sunbelt Bowlers Tour was going strong after 5 years! 2 divisions and paying out thousands of \$ \$ \$ every week.
- HARRY GRANT wrote three "farewell columns" before his center closed in May. Imagine how many bowlers he knew after 40 years in business! More later.
- HELEN BAKER was W.I.B.C. President.
- GUPPY TROUP gave BOB COSTAS a pair of his wild pants.
- WENDY MACPHERSON won the U.S. Open in Topeka, Kansas.
- DONNA ADAMEK won 4 "Bowler of the Year" titles and dubbed "the greatest bowler in Southern California. (Maybe the greatest right hander. TISH JOHNSON had to be the greatest left-hander.)
- 3,650 delegates attended the W.I.B.C. Annual Meeting in Orange County. AGNES DUFFY was First Vice President.
- RICKY CORONA - no one wanted to see him signing in to bowl a tournament. He was good AND tough. Made many trips to the bank.
- LILA BORNHAUSEN and her NBAC just kept on rolling. She wrote the longest stories every week!
- Picture this. The W.I.B.C. Convention in Anaheim is about to open. The Convention Hall doors scheduled to part at 10 a.m. Who comes dancing out to meet the delegates? The Disney characters from across the street! What a photo moment for the out of towners.
- Nineteen Pro Shops advertise weekly.
- The Grant Classic in 1986 was scheduled to start July 12 at Grand Center Bowl in Glendale.
- The High Roller, rollin' at the SHOWBOAT had a possible $\$ 250,000.00$ prize fund. Win only 2 matches and cash for $\$ 1,000.00$.
- How about these ladies teaming up to bowl W.I.B.C. in Orange County. MARIANNE FU LORI WILLIAMS, TERESE ABAIR, LAUREN TAKAHASHI and KIM TERRELL. News of the tournament covered $1 / 2$ of every issue all summer. Writers loved to write their stories about the ladies and for the ladies. Big time action for Southern California.
- One reason centers were closing in the 80's was insurance prices. Typical -- the $\$ 75,000.00$ a year was hiked to $\$ 295,000.00!!!!$ That's a lot of shoe rentals. How about new scoring? Artificial lanes? Bumpers? Lane machines? Bowlers wanted all the best at old prices. Property prices were going up fast, leasing even faster. So Calif. had a lot of "outdoor"options for activities. How about beaches, mountains, deserts, AND DISNEYLAND??
- BO BURTON was over-heard saying "The hardest shot to throw on T.V. was after the first commercial." Holman said BO was right!
- RAMONA CLARK - Orange Co. President was untiring the whole summer the W.I.B.C. was here. She beat the drum, led the parade, swept the streets, made the speeches, took the bows, soothed the workers, encouraged the losers - all with a smile. Her smile was bigger as she passed the torch to the Hartford, Conn. President. If there is a bowling heaven --- - she doesn't want to be president!
- Here's a biggie! The Sunbelt Bowlers Tour was scheduled Memorial week-end at GRAND CENTRAL BOWL. Guaranteed prize fund of $\$ 25,000.00$. First place $\$ 10,000.00$. $\$ 70.00$ entry fee and you had to be a club member
- WONDERBOWL DOWNEY opened in 1959 and closed on May 18,1986. They had hundreds of bowlers that found new homes at KEYSTONE LANES and DEL RIO LANES. (More later)
- The oldest league west of the Mississippi celebrated its 75th birthday. The Telco Men's League was started in 1911 at the ANGELUS ACADEMY in Los Angeles. By 1943 Teclco leagues had filled three more centers, including SUNSET CENTER. (That building now houses KTLA and KMPC T.V. STATIONS.)
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10/28-Cal Bowl Lakewood- Regular Event 11/18 - Keystone Lanes Norwalk - SportShot Challenge

12/2- Forest Lanes Lake Forest - Regular Event $12 / 16$ - Center TBD
TBD - Holiday Event
1/6-Center TBD
TBD - PBA Challenge \#2
$1 / 27$ - Center TBD
TBD - Regular Event
2/10-Forest Lanes Lake Forest- Adult/Member Dbls Handicap and Scratch Division
$3 / 3$ - Center TBD
TBD - PBA Challenge \#3
3/24-Center TBD
TBD - Regular Event
4/7-Del Rio Lanes
Downey - PBA Challenge \#4
5/5-Keystone Lanes Norwalk - Adult/Member Dbls Handicap and Scratch Division
5/26-Forest Lanes Lake Forest - Memorial Day

6/9-Center TBD TBD - USBC Nationals Challenge 6/23-Cal Bowl Lakewood - Closing Day

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 30 PBA Challenge \#1 Winnetka Bowl - Winnetka

Sunday, October 14 Linbrook Bowl Adult/Member Doubles
Scratch \& Handicap Divisions
Sunday, October 28 Cal Bowl - Lakewood

Sunday, November 18 SportShot Challenge Keystone Lanes - Norwalk

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Now onto this week's scores:
Vegas Bound: Scr: 696 Brian Jacob, 668 Peter Ruiz, 588 Nancy Jimeno, 551 Gail Gilchrist, 256 andrew Lim 254 Russell Wong, 218 Shellie Camarata, 210 Lindsay Tippings, Team: 2786 Sandbags R Leaking
Club 55: Hdcp: 725 Edward Chappell, 706 Ron Cantrell, 687 Marietta Simonson, 628 Jeannie Taylor, 234 Pat Copeland, 232 Darla Lloyd, 268 Don Diamond, 259 Tom Barron, Team: 1950 Three Bucs.
TAT X-Frame: Scr: 720 Mike Jennings, 643 Reny Alkonga, 615 Annie Liao, 511 Tess Dizon, 243 K-Mell Cunanan, 228 Justin Taino, 194 Jennifer Chai, 175 Eleanor Carandang, Team 41839.
Crazy 4 Vegas: Scr: 616 Lance Clifford, 374 Lisa Lowe, 151 Lynn Floria, 214 Jeremy Giambi, Team 1901 My Three Sons.
Chamber \& Friends: Scr: 617 Peter Ruiz, 562 Pat Gilbert, 605 Clara Lotton, 553 Stacie Davis, 214 Kevin Cundiff, 205 Nathan Hornoung, 191 Maria Quezada, 175 Jennifer Heller, Team Family \& The Kid 2083. Young @ Heart: Hdcp: 602 Don Diamond \& Tom Barron, 602 Joann Cunningham \& Darla Lloyd, 235 Meg marcelo, 234 Beth Veloff, 253 Ron Cantrell, 238 Carlos Vendiola, Team 1805 1, 7 \& 13.
Let it Ride: Scr: 663 Vido Samarzich, 641 Albert Ulibarri, 505 Sancha Acevedo, 431 Cece Vanthiel, 240 Alex Trujillo, 228 K Kellogg, 178 Margie Wood, 165 Stephanie Row, Team Pin Pin Ain't Ez 2381
Fil-Am: Scr: 681 Mike Jennings, 7648 Oscar Chan, 540 Vanessa Huertas, 5176 Betty Nakatani, 248 Mark Huertas, 247 Jason DeJesus, 207 Marie Acevedo, 196 Beth Robaja, Team Bullseye 2261.
Jr's Pin Heads: Scr: 328 Kyle Yonezawa, 336 Ariana Chavez, 139 Zach Cannon, 106 Erynne Jones, Team 691 Trick Shot Bowlers.
Jr's Rug Rats: Scr: 94 Ethan Ruiz, 122 Harley Murga, 50 Elijah Villareal, 64 Bailey Phipps, Team Power Ball 259.

Jr's Pin Pals: Scr: 230 Alex Lopez, 320 Jazzy Ruiz, 107 Logan Murga, 75 Alex Lotton, Team Gutter Kings 538.

Jr/Adult Strike Force: Scr: 645 Leoj Chin, 310 Kira Ihara, 245 Martin Velasco \& Dominic Fisher, Adult: 638 Mike Velasco, Team Stay in your Lane 1815.

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LA HABRA - Weekly High Scores. Check out our weekly Sr. No-Tap, Friday mornings at 10:00 am.
SUNDAY - Vegas Rollers: Richard Delgado 256, Karl Nakamura 246, David Brogdon 231, Sylvia Robinson 218. Wally's Vegas Cruise: Albert Valdez 236/611, Jerry Bolanos 223, John Barroso 220, Brian Bendt 632.
MONDAY - Lake Parkers: Al Scudellari 222/614, Brian Parker 204. Golden Awards: Carl Brooks 252/628, Everett Freywald 245/654, Jack Smith 214, Randi Hein 212. Whittier Elks: Jason Amaro 214, Dave Thomann 202. Gamblers Fun: Gary Wingett 247, Andy Jeske 242/695, Chuck Griffin 212, Debra Wilson 202.
TUESDAY - Glenbrook Gals: Nancy Foxhall 295. Friendly Seniors: Phil Brewer 231/624, Irv Cravatt 222, Bill Scherger 212. Ageless Wonders: Tom Denker 224/625, Ken Hurley 209, David Warren 203. Guys \& Dolls: Shane Reinhold 245, Jim Hornung Jr. 219, Bill Moore 204, Shara Etter 202, Stacie Davis 200.
WEDNESDAY - Silver Foxes: Jerry Rudd 278/727, Everett Freywald 268/705, Jenny Campbell 226, Chris Jamison 209. American Nation Can: Rick Scialla 247/659, Mike Thompson 224/627, Ray Mankins Jr. 205, Kathy Boyett 214, Mary Beth Thompson 210, Janet Tuttle 201
THURSDAY - Early Birds: Margaret Nye 213, Penny Bird 207, Leslie Schulte 202. Sunset Rollers: Al Magdaleno 236, Homer Blanchard 235, Gary Coyne 219. All Schools: Bob Ward 221, Belinda Crowder 224. Frank's Gold Cup: Brandon Kraye 279/753, Gary Wingett 278/739, Joe Wilhite 269/755
FRIDAY - Vegas Gamblers: Steve Koontz 268/694, Bryan Soto 256/659, Greg Garcia 246, Bill Kessler 650, Shannon Smith 237/616, Stacie Davis 227, Veronica Flores 225/602. Until next week, GOOD LUCK and HIGH SCORING!

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## Pickwick Bowl

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BURBANK - Happy Autumn! We can now look forward to cooler weather \& pumpkin spice flavors everywhere. Personally, l'm hoping the weather has noted the calendar date! And let's ALL hope that the bowling ball companies do not introduce a ball with the pumpkin spice fragrance! Senior Swingers: (scr) Rick Langer 224, Barbara Liberto 222, Dick Bay 650, Kim Rasmussen 559. (hdcp) Marv Poretta 281, Josie Pemberton 265, Kelly McDonough 733, Mary Langer 693.
Monday 710: (scr) Dave Hansen 247, Rita Gonzales 176, Zoran Jacimovic 650, Glenda Nale 643. (hdcp) Russ Goetz 246, Vicki Clark 221, Matt Dodge 681, Cheryl Mikels 608. LA SportsNet: (scr) Rick Mader 243, Stephanie Moore 190, Johnny Cruz 627, Jill Reisman 536. (hdcp) Alex Edge 252, Brandyn Betton 271, Roy Santos 638, Kelemen 745. JPL League: (scr) Mason Carney 192, Sonia Cruz 164, Ken Glazebrool 584, Brooklin Cohen 372. (hdcp) Christopher Volk 204, Ellen Thiel 170, Charles Kaczinski 582, Jennifer Kampmei 492.
Orbits: (scr) Cindy Raposa 161, Cheryl Mikels 481. (hdcp) Vicki 233, Cathy Stevens 553.
Guys \& Dolls: (scr) Setu Molia 244, Barbara Jimenez 223, Richard Patenaude 649, Danica McMahon 546. (hdcp) Rudy Haubenreisser 279, Theresa Jackson 270, Jim Viskocil 819, Diane Kalasky 692.
Wed Night Hdcp: (scr) Tommy Kientzy 246, Sheilah Faller 205, Anthony Martinez 704, Stephanie Rakers 574. (hdcp)

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LAKEWOOD - This is the last issue of September 2018 but have no fear as next week will be the first issue for the month of Octoater a busy time for all when Santa Claus comes to visit us. It's nly been a few weeks since our Fall league started but from the ooks of the league sheets everyone is doing their best to bowl good and most of it seems like they are having fun and trying hard how things are going.
Senior Men's Trio: It looks like the teams are working hard to give their teams a name instead of just a number. First place is close with three teams tied with 10-2. And they all have team names. It ooks like the teams are trying hard as even third place has several they stand each week. Scores: Kevin Gannon with 299/751, Curt Soares 280/730, Rich Kelly 279/717, Ardis Jackson 288/711, Emmerson Wafer 697 and Jerry Cant with 289.
Sierra Bugs: Here are the side-pot scores from the winners Game One: Cathy Wood 221; Game Two: Pat Roberts 157; Game Cathy Wyatt 498, Janet Reese 486, Pamela Johnson 469, Myra Kremen 461, Darlene Waken 457, Mel Leach 451, Ann Weiss 440, Linda Maldonado 439, Connie Wood 429, Bonnie Jones 429. Cal Bowleros: It's week 3 and the bowlers are having fun. Carole Fischer 646, Carolyn Rousseau 534, Hedy Schoner 498, Donna Gillespie 219, Darlene Hom 191, Leona Belletti 183. The weekly Carole Fischer 234; Game Three: Hedy Schoner 229.
Pin Heads: Don Louis 205/537, Chuck Appleberry 490, Tom Komadina 469, Gary Kelly 432, Diane Robles 473 , Mel Leach 469. Recycled Teens: Jojo Jasmin 247/632, Roland Sanchez 222/628, 70, Doug Johnson 550, Boylee Inocente 531, Jorge Fernandez 518, Lu Anthony 558, Lanore Knudson 497.
Young at Heart: The Sixters are leading the standings by 1 game Scores: Jimmy Hamilton 228/618, Anthony Leavell 617, Car Steel 605, Ellis Houston Fale Sula 583, Earl Hullett 582, Walte Milsap 581, Scott Robbins 580, Clarence Williams 577, Johnny
Humphrey 576 , Ralston Smith 566, Carla Dean 579, Oritta Steel

Grandma/Grandpa's: William Scott 522, Billy Williams 201/520, Rinze Dykstra 494, Larry Cosgrove 490, Cheryl Hilton 537, Joanne Burke 498
Mini Couples: Danny Peramaki 599, Rudy Tomaneng 588 Moeller 549, Orrelle Dennis 503, Em
Burchman 470 , Bob Hutto 224, Barry Frembling 213, Richard Chambers 204, Gina Bjoralt 214.
Varsity League: These are the scores from week 8: Russ Mc Curdy 474, Scott Blaisdell 427, Jeremiah Stayton 371, Traci Giol 516, Alexis Giola 513, Tuan Nguyen 328, Yolie Ascencio 218, Er nest Ortiz 187, Tyler Archery 162, Brad Hayden 141
Here are our team members and their scores. Ken Holliday Here are our team members and their scores. Ken Holliday
268/729, Jerry Cant $267 / 673$, Jonathan Gale 248/651, Mark Fowler 234/650, Emmerson Wafer 256/648, C.T. Tucker 643, David Patterson 642, Emeka Williams 642, Travis Morris 628, Jamie
Carrngton 248/627, Louis Whitlock 627 , Curt Soares 619, Ken Seiple Jr. 236/619' Shirley Owens 243/641, Michelle Chriswell 237/606, Sue Cant 536, Ebony Hamilton 513.
Funsters: Let's see how the bowlers did during week 4: Fale Sula 677, Jim Plante 608, Chris Abing 591, Ed Hansen 258, Tom Pettway 215, Odette Daton 587, Leona Belletti 523, Carla San
JUNNIORS ARE HAPPY to REPORT THEIR SCORES
Bobcats - DeShawn Young 132/303, Preston Lane 115/306,
Noah Whitlock 150/431, Julie Beiza 97/245, Ari Munroe 82/227, Julie Beiza 97/245, Briellie Dropkin 95/70.
Mini Bees - Mason 70/124 Bradley Knefel 66/95 Dayeon Young 74/117, Iyanna 83/134 Violet 47/94 Halden Walker 35/35 lassified - Scott Silva 214/569, Andrew Valdez 213/560 Anthony De Lucca 212/561, Kaitynn 160/400, Maggie Jenkins 44/405, Jocelyn Torres 382 .
Start getting ready for A FUN HALLOWEEN. Keep safe.
Armean Khezri 283, Vanessa Melendez 258, Dylan Jimenez 796, Laura Baltazar 742
Senior Foursome: (scr) Richard Andersen 191, Barbara Teitel 167, Doug McMillen 536, Bonnie Holcomb 448. (hdcp) Richard Brown 233, Milli Strayhon 246, Ron Stearns 632, Kim Rasmussen 704
Thursday 910: (scr) Dana Rouse 277, Olivia Tilleard 234 Trevor Wakefield 674, Stephanie Rakers 610.
Until next time...keep the ball rollin'

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 INTVTMTITNLALDOWNEY - After three weeks of the Brunswick Invitational in the finale, but Ramsey Basurto picked him up with a 259 gam Downey, some familiar names are climbing the standings and establishing themselves as contenders. However, some new names are up
there as well. Round one features the house shot, so scores are usually pretty high and carry is always a big factor in the games. Later rounds can get frustrating, as it becomes so difficult to make a quality shot. The frustration of the first round is simply often a matter of continuing the string as opposed to suffering a tap when the other guy carries
On the top pair of lanes, Sysco did battle with Century $21-M$ Real Estate. Paul Barraco blistered the pair with a 246-267-243/756 leading the way for Sysco. JT Diso did more than his share to help Paul, posting a $267 / 711$ set. Sysco took the first two games easily behind that strong bowling. Century 21 bounced back in the final game to salvage a point, but Sysco was never in danger of losing total
268/703.
Bowlium will move up to the first pair to take on Sysco next week following their $4-1$ win over DV8. With the four wins, Bowlium improves to $12-3$ after three weeks. Rob Renko topped the pair, leading Bowlium with 256/687. Billy Myers Jr. was right behind him with a game, but that would be their only win. Raul paced DV8 for series as well, shooting 683 .
Herzog Insurance continues to stay in contention with a 4-1 win over Threadworks. Joel Arciniega led the way for Herzog with a nice $290 / 743$ set. Matt Mosley helped out with a 683 of his own. Shannon Santos and Joey Beam were both in the 640 's for Threadworks, but it
was only good enough to earn them one win.
Three Olives Vodka joins the teams at the top pairs after sweeping their match with the Professional Approach. It was a tough loss for the Pro Approach squad, losing the first two games by a total of nine pins! Curt Soares led the way for Three Oives, shooting $238 / 667$ had a nice 231/656 for Professional Approach, but would have rather had the wins.
Buddy's Bowling Supply went from a frustrating $5-5$, to a contend
ng 10-5 with a sweep of Captain Morgan. Bobby Campagnale led the
way with 236 and 268 the first two games. Bobby fell off quite a bit in

The Junior Amateur Tour team improved to 10-6 following a five game sweep over Tito's Handmade Vodka. The team rallied for their absent captain, David Yamauchi, who was away on vacation. Kurt Arakak
and Kevin Valmonte led J.A.T. with matching 668 sets. Juan Zavala led Tito's with 630 .
Adding to the list of sweeps, Cal Bowl ran over Linder's Insurance
by close to 300 pins. by close to 300 pins. Ramon Torres of Cal Bowl topped the pair with
$248 / 675$. Aarik Torres was next with $226 / 632$. It was a tough night for Linder's Insurance, as nobody broke 600
Don Julio Tequila took four out of five games from a Forest Lanes squad that has struggled in the early going of the season. Newcomer to the league, Mike Cimba, led Don Julio Tequila to victory with a 269 -
$265 / 758$ set. Forest Lanes won the first game of the match by 100 $265 / 758$ set. Forest Lanes won the first game of the match by 100 pins,
but got ran over the next two games and lost totals by 68 . Jon Diso led but got ran over the next two games and lost totals by 68 . Jon Diso led
the Forest team with Keystone Lanes and Bowli
Both teams had struggled to 1-9 records over the first two weeks and were in need of a big night. Unfortunately for them, neither one got the big night as they battled to a 3-2 split. Keystone Lanes won only the
second game, but won it by enough that total pins went to them as well. second game, but won it by enough that total pins went to them as well.
Herbert Jones easily topped the pair with his 235-245-240/720 series, helping Keystone to the three wins. Bryan Osborne led Bowling Guys with 222/648.
The first sidepot of the night was won by Joel Arciniega for his 290 game. Raul "Spanky" Rosales had a tough luck 2nd place finish with
278. Game two went to Bobby Campagnale and his 268 . Herbert Jones was the runner up at 245 . The third game super pot paid $\$ 131$ to Ramsey was the runner up at 245 . The third game super pot paid's $\$ 31$ to Ramsey
Basurto for his 259 game, edging out Mikey Villarreal's 248 . The Financial Advisor's pot paid $\$ 190$ to Bobby Campagnale for his 268 game. Paul Barraco earned $\$ 75$ as the runner up with his 267 score. as teams continue to battle for wins the first round next Monday night as teams continue to battle for wins, gain confidence in their new team-
mates and look to clinch that first spot in the playoffs. The top pair will mates and look to clinch that first spot in the playoffs. The top pair will
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| 3 Olives Vodka . . . . . . 11 | Century 21 My Real Estate . . . 8.5 |
| Herzog Insurance . . . . . 10.5 | Cal Bowl . . . . . . . . . . . 8.5 |
| DV8................. 10 | Threadworks..........7.5 |
| TOP 10 THIS WEEK |  |
| Paul Barraco . . . . . . . 756 | Jon Huff. . . . . . . . . . 703 |
| Mike Cimba . . . . . . . . 748 | Rob Renko. . . . . . . . . 687 |
| Joel Arcinieaga. . . . . 743 | Bobby Campagnale .. 686 |
| Herbert Jones . . . . . . 720 | Jon Diso ........... 686 |
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