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Sean Rash - Jesper Svensson - Ryan Ciminelli

## Jesper Svensson Wins PBA International-WBT Thailand Open Title

*Swedish two-hander defeats Sean Rash to end two-year title drought*

BANGKOK, Thailand – Sweden’s Jesper Svensson defeated Sean Rash of Montgomery, Illinois, 211-181, to win the PBA International-WBT Thailand Open at Blu-O Paragon Saturday for his first PBA Tour title since 2017.

Behind a near-perfect start to the final qualifying round to earn the top berth for the Thailand stepladder finals, Svensson, a left-handed two-handed player, picked up his eighth career PBA Tour title along with a \$32,258 first prize.

The 24-year-old Swedish star rolled games of 289, 300, 290, 218, 279 and 195 for a 1,571 pinfall total in the final six-game qualifying round to win the top

**PBA INTERNATIONAL-WBT THAILAND**  
Blu-O Paragon, Bangkok, Thailand, Saturday  
**Final Standings:**

- 1, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$32,258.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$16,129.
- 3, Ryan Ciminelli, Lancaster, S.C., \$9,677.
- 4, Dom Barrett, England, \$6,451.
- 5, Jojoe Yannaphon, Thailand, \$3,225.
- 6, Cheah Ray Han, Singapore, \$2,903.
- 7, Liz Johnson, Palatine, Ill., \$2,741.
- 8, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, \$2,580.

### Stepladder Results:

Match One – Yannaphon (225) def. Johnson (193) and Malott (182).  
Match Two – Ciminelli (220) def. Yannaphon (216) and Cheah (186).  
Match Three – Ciminelli def. Barrett, 206-184.  
Semifinal – Rash def. Ciminelli, 209-208.  
Championship – Svensson def. Rash, 211-181.

## Bill O’Neill Sweeps Jason Sterner to Win First FloBowling PBA ATX Invite

*O’Neill wins 257-176 and 237-215 in best-of-three title match to win \$25,000 first prize*

by Jerry.Schneider

AUSTIN, Texas – No. 6 seed Bill O’Neill of Langhorne, Pennsylvania swept No. 4 seed Jason Sterner of Rochester, New York, 2-0, in a best-of-three-game championship match to win the first FloBowling PBA ATX Invite and a \$25,000 first prize Saturday at Dart Bowl. Streamed live by PBA’s online streaming partner FloBowling, O’Neill, an 11-time Go Bowling! PBA Tour titlist, was among eight PBA Tour stars in the non-title elimination event who earned berths by finishing in the top eight in USBC Cup



FloBowling PBA ATX Invite Champion Bill O’Neill

points during the nine-tournament FloBowling PBA Summer Tour.

O’Neill took the first game of the title match with a dominating 257-176 win and was able to continue the momentum heading continued on page 8



KultureCity

## Brooklyn Bowl Las Vegas Becomes First Sensory Inclusive Bowling Center

LAS VEGAS – Brooklyn Bowl Las Vegas is officially the first bowling alley to partner with KultureCity, making the venue the first sensory inclusive bowling alley in the world. This ground-breaking partnership was teased by acclaimed Imagine Dragons’ drummer and KultureCity board member, Daniel Platzman at Nevada Public Radio Trivia Night hosted at Brooklyn Bowl earlier this summer.

“It is incredibly fulfilling for me to see the iconic bowling alley and music venue from my hometown, Brooklyn Bowl Las Vegas, join the KultureCity sensory inclusive movement,” said KultureCity board member Daniel Platzman. “I am extremely proud to be a part of this nonprofit and their dedication to inclusion and acceptance of all individuals regardless of their unique abilities.”

Nearly one in five people worldwide live with a disability. KultureCity, a startup nonprofit that strives to create a community of acceptance and in-

clusion for all individuals, is working to remove societal barriers and prejudices by partnering with companies to promote true acceptance of individuals with unique abilities. By KultureCity providing Brooklyn Bowl Las Vegas with the necessary tools, the venue is now the first sensory inclusive certified bowling alley in the world. In order to become certified, all Brooklyn Bowl employees received training on sensory needs such as PTSD, autism and dementia. Additionally, Brooklyn Bowl is now stocked with “Sensory Bags” that feature sensory headphones, fidget tools, KultureCity VIP Access Passes and Feeling Zone Thermometers that provide individuals with a way to share how they are feeling by pointing to a color zone. Additionally, a Quiet Area will be designated as a safe space for individuals to escape the noise.

For more information, please visit Brooklyn Bowl Las Vegas’ website at [www.brooklynbowl.com/lasvegas](http://www.brooklynbowl.com/lasvegas).

## Shannon O’Keefe Wins PWBA Tour Championship

by Daniel Farish and Aaron Smith



PWBA Tour Championship Winner Shannon O’Keefe

RICHMOND, Va. — Shannon O’Keefe of Shiloh, Illinois, put the finishing touches on a dream season by winning her second career Professional Women’s Bowling Association Tour Championship on Wednesday.

O’Keefe rolled eight consecutive strikes on her way to a 268-179 win over Ukraine’s Dasha Kovalova in the title match to claim the \$20,000 top prize and her third major championship.

The 2019 PWBA Tour Championship was held

inside the Old Dominion Building at Richmond Raceway, and Wednesday’s knockout-style championship round was broadcast live on CBS Sports Network.

The 40-year-old righthander won her fifth title of 2019, after securing her second consecutive PWBA Player of the Year award earlier in September. She made seven championship-round appearances in 13 events and finished the season with an 11-2 record in those appearances.

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Name	Score	Date	Center
DAVID GATMAITAN	300	08-24-19	JEWEL CITY BOWL
ALEX FISHER	300	09-04-19	HARLEYS SIMI BOWL
CORT MCPHERSON	300	09-04-19	HARLEYS SIMI BOWL
KEVIN MILES	300	09-04-19	HARLEYS CAMARILLO
JOE DILLER	300	09-11-19	CORBIN BOWL
TOM EVERITT	802	09-11-19	WINNETKA BOWL
MARK PORTER	300	09-11-19	WINNETKA BOWL
JEFF MURASKA	801	09-14-19	DEER CREEK LANES
LARRY MANLAPIT	300	09-17-19	MATADOR BOWL
TERRY JOHNS	300	09-18-19	DEER CREEK LANES
SAN MITCHELL	702	09-18-19	WINNETKA BOWL
JUSTIN PLUCHINO	804	09-18-19	WINNETKA BOWL
ANTHONY SHARPSTEEN	300	09-18-19	WINNETKA BOWL
PATRICK BRADY	803	09-22-19	SANDS BOWL
JESSE CHASTAIN	300	09-25-19	WINNETKA BOWL
MARCOS COBIAN	300	09-25-19	BOWLERO RANCHO CUCAMONGA
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## Art Rosenberg Raises Cain at Winnetka Bowl

by Fred Eisenhammer

WINNETKA — "I want to go to the pro shop to see if they have any canes."

"I want to see what you can do with a walker."

"Hey, let others have a chance."

John De La Rionda, Mike Hahn, Jeff Stitz and many others were throwing out one-liners fast and furious last month just like the way comeback kid Art Rosenberg was throwing strikes in the "Guys and Dolls" league at Winnetka Bowl.

Rosenberg, hobbled by a bum right foot and an arthritic left leg, was in Week 2 of his return to league bowling after a four-year absence.



Art Rosenberg is a happy man after rolling a 275 game with the use of a cane. Photo by Fred Eisenhammer

Not content to watch wife Debbie Prince participate in the league, Rosenberg mustered enough energy and fortitude to jump back on the lanes.

That's not an easy task when one considers that Rosenberg walks with a cane because of his injuries and suffers constant pain.

But what an incredible game Rosenberg enjoyed!

Rosenberg planted himself at the line with a cane in his left hand steadying him and released the ball with his right hand directing a laser-guided hook to the pocket.

Rosenberg got in a groove right away. After opening with two spares in his first game, Rosenberg collected nine straight strikes. He knocked down nine pins on his final shot to finish with a stunning 275.

All along the way, a supportive group of bowlers cheered his every strike and supplied a plethora of amusing comments along the way.

"I'm on a roll," acknowledged a smiling Rosenberg to all the well-wishers.

He ended his night with scores of 190 and 167 to record a 632 series.

"It was fun. Each time I released the ball, it felt good," Rosenberg said. "Everybody was clapping [during his 275] and people were standing on the concourse watching. Even the guys in the [adjoining] Comedians league were watching.

"It was very, very nice coming back with people telling me it was great to see me back out there. It made me feel real good."

Rosenberg had been experimenting with the no-step approach for years in an effort to continue to bowl despite his injuries. Four years ago, he racked up a 246 by standing on the line.

Dustin Markowitz, co-host of the Bowling Evolved website, said at the time that what Rosenberg achieved was "nothing short of fantastic. He found a way to succeed and still compete in his sport with an injury because of the modifications he made.

"Bowlers who love to compete find a way to compete because of the love of the game. It doesn't matter how old you are and how broken you are, the heart of a champion lives on forever."

Soon after, Rosenberg gave up the game because of a severed tendon in the arch of his right foot.

But this year, Rosenberg's wife Debbie urged him to return to the sport in which he participated for more than 50 years.

Rosenberg first tried bowling left-handed and when that didn't pan out, Debbie suggested he try bowling with a cane.

And it worked.

Rosenberg said he didn't know "what to expect with a friggin' cane. It wasn't easy at first. I had a lot of gutter balls [in practice] until I finally figured out a way to control the ball.

"It's the same release I've had my whole bowling career but now it's just one-handed and I'm relying on gravity to deliver the ball."

For those who know Rosenberg, it's not entirely surprising he can put together a long string of strikes. Rosenberg, after all, clocked a 300 and 297 in healthier days back in 1997 at Corbin Bowl. He's also averaged a powerful 211 for an entire season in the Comedians league.

Rosenberg said that his cane-assisted 275 "ranked with" his perfect game and 297 as far as his most memorable bowling moments.

He added that his goals are to bang out another perfect game and develop some consistency around the 200 mark for three games.

"I like to bowl basically," he said. "I want to have fun. If this is the way to have fun, this is the way I'll have to do it."

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# The Perfect Game

by Steve Felege

THE PLOT THICKENS

When faced with an unusual case, judges rely on rulings from similar trials. Prior rulings are referred to as “case law.” It’s important to remember that judges are people and people make mistakes. Therefore, judges make mistakes.

When Glenn Allison tried to sue the American Bowling Congress for recognition of his 900 series, it seems case law for his suit was in the process of being established. It involved the Nebraska Supreme Court, case No. 83-885; Straub v. American Bowling Congress. Here is the background for that trial.

On Nov. 16, 1979, Bill Straub\* shot a 300 game as part of an 836 series in sanctioned league competition. The lanes were quickly inspected and found to be non-compliant. The inspector was Roger Florom, the secretary-treasurer of the Lincoln Bowling Association. At the time, he also held the local high-series record of 813 and had stated to a friend that he would use his position in the LBA to prevent any bowler from surpassing his score.

Straub sued, alleging breach of contract, fraud and negligence on the part the ABC and its affiliates. Because he couldn’t prove any of his allegations of wrongdoing by the ABC, he lost on all counts. While Florom’s inspection was a conflict of interest, it wasn’t illegal and was conducted properly. The point is that Straub was not prohibited from challenging the authority of the ABC. In fact, he was allowed to appeal all the way up to the Nebraska Supreme Court. The case law this trial created may have impacted the proceedings of Allison v. ABC.

The first relevant point made in the Nebraska Supreme Court file is this: “*Members of the ABC agree, upon becoming members, to be bound by the ABC rules and to grant jurisdiction over all bowling disputes to the ABC.*”~

When Glenn Allison filed his suit in the U.S. District Court, Central District of CA., did the ABC’s lawyers request the case be thrown out, citing this point? The records from that system are no longer available, but one newspaper report states, “After his original appeal was denied by the ABC, Allison filed a lawsuit, but the case never made it to court. The judge explained that Allison was a card-carrying member of the ABC and had to abide by its governing decisions.”\*\*\*

Was that a coincidence? If so, why did the USBC lie in its press release of 2014 by stating, “The ABC’s decision was litigated before the United States District Court, Central District of California which upheld the ABC’s determination in all respects.”\*\*\* Lies are generally told to hide something. What may the USBC be hiding? Is it that “the fix” was in on Glenn Allison, just as it seems to have been for Ray Orf?

The CA District Court Judge’s mistake was that he/she apparently did not review the Nebraska case more thoroughly. Had he/she done so, Allison would have gotten the trial he deserved due to other relevant points made in that case. The Nebraska Supreme Court file points out that court actions may be maintained for the purpose of determining:

- *if the ABC and/or its affiliates “violated the contractual terms of membership”~ (breach of contract).* Rules for dealing with honor scores were in place. Those rules are part of the membership contract and include inspection of lanes by a **local** inspector whenever a high score occurs. In Orf’s case, the ABC tried (unsuccessfully) to prevent such an inspection, a clear breach of contract. In Allison’s case, no such breach occurred, but the results obtained by the four local inspectors were discounted.

- *if “there are inconsistencies between an association’s rules and the actions taken.”~* As stated above, rules for dealing with honor scores were in place. Those rules included examination of lanes by a **local** inspector, **ASAP**. It was inconsistent with this rule for the ABC to rely on inspections from people flown in the next day. And yet, those inspections were the ones the ABC relied upon to prevent sanctioning scores which would have been approved by the local inspectors. Had the ABC followed their own standard procedures, both Orf’s and Allison’s series would have been sanctioned. This entitled Allison’s case to be heard.

- *if “the government of the society is administered fairly and in conformity with its laws and other applicable laws.”~* Excessive scrutiny does not conform to the historical actions of the ABC. Were inspectors sent from ABC headquarters when the first 300 was delivered? How about when someone shot the first 800? Probably not! These two men were singled out and punished by the ABC simply because they surpassed Allie Brandt’s record. There was a set of protocols for ordinary honor scores, another set for honor scores that eclipsed Allie Brandt’s record. What’s fair about that? This entitled Allison’s case to be heard.

- *“whether the member has been treated unfairly in the proceedings.”~* It seems obvious that neither Ray Orf nor Glenn Allison were treated fairly. The ABC took extraordinary measures which cost these men their immortality. In both cases, the ABC broke from their standard procedures by flying in Roger Tessman, who denied Orf’s series; for Allison, they flew in Burt Kellerman. In Orf’s case, the ABC admitted they mistreated him by paying him a monetary settlement. Being treated differently is the essence of unfairness. This entitled Allison’s case to be heard.

- *if “property or civil rights had been violated.”~* Glenn Allison’s civil rights may have been violated if, as mentioned above, the ABC lawyers took actions which prematurely and abruptly ended his lawsuit. Trial in a court of law is the most fundamental of our civil rights. Perhaps this is the reason Andrew Cain lied in the USBC statement of 2014. Was it to hide that the ABC had violated Glenn Allison’s civil rights by convincing a judge to throw out a lawsuit for which he was eligible? This would certainly explain why the USBC is now silent on this issue. This entitled Allison’s case to be heard.

- *if “the association’s actions were prompted by fraud, malice, or collusion; and whether the association’s rules contravene public policy or law.”~* There is no evidence in the records that suggest malice on the part of either the ABC or USBC. If the suspicions about the Allison controversy are true, both fraud and collusion would certainly be possibilities. Fraud would be the denial of one high-score record to preserve another. As for collusion, it would require nefarious teamwork to cover up a story about Ray Orf and Glenn Allison being denied immortality. It would also require collusion to hide an inconvenient truth about the ABC violating Glenn Allison’s civil rights.

Collusion, in this case, may consist of networking to ensure no officer or Board member deviates from the USBC policy which states, “Do not respond to negative media of any kind.” This may be the reason the USBC fails to address its membership about the lies contained in the press release of 2014\*\*\* This casts doubt upon the integrity of both the ABC and the USBC. While this circumstance entitled Allison’s case to be heard in a court of law, at the present time it also calls the USBC’s motivation into question.

“A member bowling in an ABC-sanctioned league becomes eligible for ABC recognition of certain high scores if that score was achieved under conditions which are in conformity with ABC rules.”~ We know that the lanes were acceptable to the local inspectors when Glenn Allison delivered his 900 series. Bob Ramirez, the lead inspector, told Glenn Allison, “Everything seems to be in order.” Edward “Bud” Pinchot, one of three additional inspectors called in by Ramirez, told me, “I have always felt that Glenn Allison deserved to be recognized for his achievement.”

Unfortunately for Glenn, what we know and what we can prove are different. For Glenn Allison’s 900 series, the statute of limitations has expired in the legal system. In the court of public opinion however, this case will never die. Glenn will someday be officially recognized for what he accomplished. It may not be by the folks who presently run our sport, but almost certainly by some of our leaders in the future.

MOVING ON!

A while ago, trying to have Glenn Allison recognized as a national treasure rather than just a bowling legend sounded like a good idea since the USBC is MIA concerning this affair. All they want is for his story to disappear, and that’s just not right.

The White House seemed a logical place to start the process since Donald Trump loves recognizing Americans who have made exceptional contributions to this country. Glenn Allison certainly fits that bill. He alone proved that rolling a perfect series while bowling within sanctioned protocols was possible. Though scorned by the bowling authorities, he appealed, but never publicly complained. In fact, he became one of the greatest bowling ambassadors that ever lived. He is also a veteran of the Korean War.

I have called the White House for (How-To) directions for nominating someone to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom. One time I was actually able to speak to someone and was told to

begin the process with my congressman. I thought he was just trying to pass the buck. After all, it’s the *Presidential* Medal of Freedom we’re seeking for Glenn; not the *Congressional* Medal of Honor. While I, along with many of our readers, continue to badger the White House about this issue, only a few replies have come forth.

Eureka!!! As I have said many times, there is a way to get Glenn Allison the recognition he deserves, we just haven’t found it, YET! But the subconscious mind is a powerful tool and it works 24 hours a day. When it finally comes up with an answer, usually around 3:00 AM, I wake up and shout EUREKA!!! While that scares the bejeebers out of the dog, I jot down the answer and go back to sleep.

The latest “eureka moment” occurred at 4:05 in the afternoon on Tuesday, September 17, 2019. I wasn’t asleep and it didn’t scare anybody. It was when I realized what Allison’s fans are really after is nothing less than his immortality. Since we don’t know what plans, if any, President Trump may have for Glenn, we need other ideas. How about working through the Congress as suggested by the guy at the White House? What about trying to have legislation passed, by the Congress of the United States of America, which proclaims Glenn Richard Allison to be the original “Mr. 900.” That may sound like a long shot, but you never know unless you try.

To make a long story short, the person I thought may be able to produce the necessary result is California’s Representative, Doug Cisneros. He represents the 39th District, the location of La Habra 300 Bowl. I called his office and spoke to Joshua (no last name given). When I explained the situation, the excitement on the other end of the line was palpable.

The young man was so taken by the story of Glenn Allison that he disclosed a phone number and email address he probably shouldn’t have. I accessed both, and to their credit, within hours they contacted La Habra 300 Bowl for information about Glenn. Unfortunately, they discovered that Glenn Allison made history in their district, but he is not a constituent because he lives in the 46th district.

The good news is that Congressman Cisneros’ people were so excited about this story, they didn’t just let it die. They handed it over to U.S. Representative Lou Correa’s people because they thought Glenn Allison was one of his constituents. I have reached out to his office in Washington. I spoke to Esmeralda and offered all the help I could give. She now has all the pertinent information and has promised to look into the matter, though she didn’t seem as enthusiastic as Cisneros’ operatives.

The takeaway is this: The first job of any politician is to get re-elected. Their second job is to do everything in their power to ensure that re-election. The fact is, the passion generated by Glenn Allison’s story still moves people, in this case, people in offices that are here to serve you. I was able to get a date by which to expect a reply. By coincidence, it is the same date as this edition of the Bowling News.

October 3, 2019

Stay tuned. Next week, we’ll keep you posted.....

RECAP

Some call it coincidence, others call it fate, karma, the law of averages, or even the hand of God. Whatever you call it, there are times when something very special happens in our lives. Sometimes it’s amazing to ponder how those moments are interconnected to other people and/or events we know nothing about. Such is the case for the Glenn Allison saga.

It begins with a quiet and humble man named Allie Brandt. On Oct. 25, 1939, bowling in the small city of Lockport, NY, he set an all-time-high scoring record by delivering a sanctioned series of 886. In doing so, he rolled 3 scores most bowlers don’t achieve in a lifetime. But he was no average bowler. He was a professional, a champion, and a hall-of-famer. He was also friends with many of those who governed the sport of bowling. He couldn’t possibly know the controversies that series would create.

Along comes Ray Orf. Cut from the same cloth as Allie Brandt, he was the first to eclipse Brandt’s record. On Feb. 6, 1972 he delivered a 3-game score of 890. Unfortunately, the American Bowling Congress took unprecedented actions which prevented the sanctioning of Orf’s series. The only benefactor of this fiasco was Brandt. Rumors quickly circulated that the ABC’s actions were done to protect the 886 record. Orf sued the ABC and they quickly realized their treatment of his score was wrong. They said, ‘Sorry about that,’ by paying him an undisclosed sum of money, but never reversed their decision. Orf’s suit may have influenced another man he didn’t know, one Bill Straub.

On Nov. 16, 1979, Bill Straub, another in the list of all-time greats associated with this story, rolled a 300 game/836 series; a local record. While his series did not challenge Brandt’s record, the legal case it created influenced the future of the sport. Following in Ray Orf’s footprints, Straub also sued the ABC and the case went all the way to the Nebraska Supreme Court. Rulings made by that court developed into “case law” which may have been improperly “cherry-picked,” by lawyers for the ABC, to deny sanctioning the greatest series ever rolled.

While bowling 300 games was nothing unusual for Glenn Allison, delivering three in a row was. Nobody in history had ever done so during sanctioned competition. Imagine his disappointment when, after being told by the head of a team of four local inspectors, “Everything seems to be in order,” a total stranger from ABC headquarters in Wisconsin shows up and says, ‘No, it wasn’t.’

Following the rules, as usual, Glenn appealed to the ABC, but was again told, “No.” Following precedent set by both Orf and Straub, he also sued the ABC, or at least he tried to. For some unknown reason, his lawsuit wasn’t allowed. It seems the lawyers for the ABC may have used a ruling from the Straub case to convince a judge to throw Allison’s case “out the window.”

That ruling was, “Members of the ABC agree, upon becoming members, to be bound by the ABC rules and to grant jurisdiction over all bowling disputes to the ABC.” If they did this, it may have violated Allison’s civil rights because other aspects of his suit were subject to court rulings. That’s an inconvenient truth that would have to be covered up for generations. It would also affect the lives of hundreds who have served the institution we call bowling, as well as those who play the sport.

The effects of this controversy have reached into the hearts and minds of millions of bowlers. Many fans of Glenn Allison protested the injustice. Attempts to get his series sanctioned retroactively are numerous but short-lived. Phone calls have been made, petitions signed, and articles written about this travesty.

The USBC response to this issue has been cowardly. They play dead and ignore their members. They now sanction any honor score without question and refuse to even speak of Glenn Allison or his series. The lack of response is a clue that the USBC may be hiding something. Their lies, told to the public in 2014, \* may be another.

As stated earlier, sometimes it’s amazing to ponder how things are interconnected to other people and/or events we may not know about. The best way to overcome “not knowing” is to seek data. Though I have been told the records from Allison v. American Bowling Congress are no longer available, the case was so famous, copies must exist somewhere. If they do, The Perfect Game will find them. When we do, the “maybes” and “what ifs” will disappear from these articles. Stay tuned.

\*USBC CONCLUDES RE-EVALUATION OF GLENN ALLISON 900 SERIES, Terry Bigham, Nov 22, 2014

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PBA REGIONAL UPDATE:  
LAVERY-SPAHR WINS THIRD STRAIGHT ODESSA OPEN TITLE

● Anthony Lavery-Spahr of Pasadena, Texas, steadily moved up after each round of the PBA Odessa Southwest Super Regional Open to claim his third straight victory in the annual Odessa event at Diamond Lanes, overtaking Shawn Maldonado of Houston in the final game to claim the \$5,000 first prize.

Lavery-Spahr started his climb from fourth place after the eight-game qualifying round. He then moved up to third after the five-game casher’s round, and then won five of his first seven matches in the eight-game modified round-robin finals to close to within 27 pins of Maldonado going into the final position round match. Needing a win over Maldonado to claim the 30 match play bonus pins for the title, Lavery-Spahr struck on four of his first six shots while Maldonado started the game with an open frame. Lavery-Spahr continued to strike through the 10th frame to clinch his fifth career PBA Regional title. Lavery-Spahr finished with a 21-game total of 4,575 pins, including match play bonus pins. Maldonado had 4,512 total pins to earn \$2,700 for second place.

● Jakob Butturff of Tempe, Ariz.; Alx Arizala of Tualatin, Ore., and non-member Leea Haworth of Tumwater, Wash., were victorious in a PBA Northwest Region tripleheader at Paradise Lanes in Tacoma, Wash., Sunday.

Butturff posted an 8-4 match play record and a 20-game total of 5,014 pins, including match play bonus pins, to win the Paradise Lanes Northwest/West Open, a standard PBA Regional event, by 357 pins over Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash. The win was Butturff’s 22nd PBA Regional title and he received \$2,000 for the win.

Arizala won the PBA50 Gary Mage Northwest/West Open portion of the tripleheader with an 5-3 match play record and a 16-game total of 3,737 pins for a 49-pin victory over Blaine Weninger of Happy Valley, Ore. The win was Arizala’s first PBA50 Regional title and included a \$1,500 first prize.

Haworth had a 6-2 match play record and knocked down 3,458 total pins for her 16 games to top non-PBA member Catherine Rawsthorne of Federal Way, Wash., for the win in the Jeanne Naccarato Women’s Open. She earned a \$1,000 prize.

● Sammy Ventura of Norwich, N.Y. and Brett Cunningham of Clay, N.Y., defeated John Neral of Vienna, Va. and Matt Wozney of Clayton, Del., 505-421, 492-428 in the best-of-three-game title match of the PBA50/PBA Millsboro Lanes Doubles Sunday at Millsboro Lanes. The win was the 11th career regional title for Ventura and his third of 2019. Cunningham, who bowled this event as a non-member, does not receive credit for a PBA Regional title. Ventura and Cunningham each earned \$2,000. In the best-of-three semifinal round, Ventura and Cunningham defeated Robert Boehm of Nutley, N.J. and Andrew Suscreba of Clifton, N.J., 2-1, while Neral and Wozney defeated Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J. and Kerry Smith of Lititz, Pa., 2-0.

● A week after winning his first PBA Regional title, Justin Knowles of Okemos, Mich. defeated Joe Bailey of Doylestown, Ohio, 248-174, to win the PBA EZ Bowl Central Open Sunday at EZ Bowl for his second title. Knowles, who earned \$2,300 in Bluffton, Ind., won the PBA Sturgis/Storm Central/Midwest Open for his first title the previous Sunday in Sturgis, Mich.

Bailey defeated Kurt Pilon of Sterling Heights, Mich., 245-198, to advance to the championship match after Pilon downed Ric McCormick of Cincinnati, 234-189, in the first stepladder match.

● Nick Pate of Inver Grove Heights, Minn. defeated Brady Stearns of Saint Augusta, Minn., 229-193, to win the PBA Ten Pin Alley Midwest Open at Ten Pin Alley in Fitchburg, Wis., Saturday for his first PBA Regional title and the \$2,000 first prize. In the first match of the three-player stepladder finals, Stearns defeated Ryan Zagar of Racine Wis., 237-135, to advance to the title match.

● 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 (easily accessible for Apple and Android device users using the PBA app).

QUICK NOTES

● Veteran PBA East Region competitor Eric Race of Schoharie, N.Y., died from brain cancer on Aug. 31. He was 67. The owner/operator of a carpet and cleaning business, Race loved bowling and the Boston Red Sox. For information regarding services when it becomes available, visit: <http://www.langanfuneralhome.com/obituary/eric-race>.

**BOWLING CALENDAR**  
**OCTOBER**  
by Bette Addington

4-6 – PBA Battle at Black Oak Casino, Toulamne, [pba.com](http://pba.com)  
5 – Scratch 6-Gamer Doubles, 6pm, Harley’s Valley Bowl, Simi Valley, 805/415-7018  
5 – Sport Pattern Challenge Handicap & Scratch Singles 4-Gamer, 7pm, AMF Rocklin Lanes, 916/521-3524  
5-6 – USBC Leadership Academy, Sacramento, [David.prange@bowl.com](mailto:David.prange@bowl.com)  
6 – CBT Top 3 Doubles & Singles, 10am/12/2pm, Bowlium, Montclair, 661/418-8007, [cbtbowling.com](http://cbtbowling.com)  
6 – Spare to Care Fall No Tap, 1:30pm, Stars Recreation Center, Vacaville, 530/724-0496  
6 – JAT, 9am, Adult/Member Doubles, Cal Bowl, Lakewood, [bowljat.org](http://bowljat.org)  
12 – Bowlium House Shot Scratch 5-Gamer, 1pm, Bowlium, Montclair, 909/626-3528  
12 – 10th Top Dog Sr. Scratch Tournament, 12:30pm, McHenry Bowl, Modesto  
12 – CBT Doubles & Singles Beat the Board, 10am/12/2/4, Surf Bowl, Oceanside, 661/418-8007, [cbtbowling.com](http://cbtbowling.com)  
12 – LVBT Scratch 8-Gamer, 11am, Sam’s Town, Las Vegas, 702/629-9438  
12 – Silver Foxes Tournament, 10:30am check-in; bowl at 12 noon, KC Bowl, Hanford, 559/381-0356  
12-13 – Jack Thomas Invitational Scholarship Tourn., Sat./Dbls.; Sun./Team, Fireside Lanes, Sacramento, 916/725-2101  
13 – Bobby’s Scratch 8-Gamer/Ball Giveaway, 10am, Bowlium, Montclair, 909/450-9415  
13 – West Coast Senior Tour Singles, Linbrook Bowl, Anaheim, 760/792-5711, [wcstour@yahoo.com](mailto:wcstour@yahoo.com)  
13 – Scratch 6 Gamer, 12 noon, Yosemite Lanes, Modesto, 209/524-9161  
13 – HammerPins Handicap Alibi Doubles 40Gamer, 10am, AMF Boulevard Lanes, Petaluma, 707/762-4581  
13 – NCJET, 10am, Pacific Ave. Bowl, Stockton, [norcaljreelitour@gmail.com](mailto:norcaljreelitour@gmail.com)  
13-18 – Columbus Day Senior Tourn., The Orleans, Las Vegas, high-roller.com  
17-20 – 42nd Anniversary ABT Nationals, SouthPoint, Las Vegas, 702/719-9085, [mail@abtbowling.com](mailto:mail@abtbowling.com)  
19 – CBT Doubles & Singles, 11:30/1/3, Keystone Lanes, Norwalk, 661/418-8007, [cbtbowling.com](http://cbtbowling.com)  
19 – PBA Experience Gold Pin Scratch 6 Gamer, 1pm, Earl Anthony’s Dublin Bowl, 925/828-7550  
19-20 – 2019 CUSBC State Singles, Sat. at 12 & 5; Sun. at 10, Rancho Bowl, Santa Maria, [calusbc.com](http://calusbc.com)  
19-20 – 50th Cal State Senior Open Championships (opening weekend), Yosemite Lanes & McHenry Bowl, 925/757-2695 (5 weekends thru 11/16-17)  
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NEW PBA PRO BOWLING VIDEO GAME PREVIEW NOW AVAILABLE

A new PBA Pro Bowling video game, created in partnership with FarSight Studios, is about to make its debut. A preview of the official PBA-licensed console video game is now available on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/OplDifm24I0>.

The game will feature dozens of venues and playing environments, quickplay and local multi-player modes, online leaderboards, E-Sports style online tournaments and more. More than 25 PBA Tour stars will be included in the launch of the game with in-game commentary from PBA Hall of Famer Randy Pedersen.

Due for release later this fall, the game will be available for PC (Steam), Nintendo Switch, PS4 and Xbox One. Visit [probowling.com](http://probowling.com) for the latest information on the game.



# 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 an engaged community of fans further into the fold.

Bowlero Corp Chief Customer Officer Colie Edison will serve as the CEO; PBA Commissioner Tom Clark will continue in that role.

“The PBA is rich with history and home to the top players in the sport, with thousands of members and millions of fans throughout the world,” said Edison. “This acquisition is about leveraging resources to give the PBA Tour the support and funding it deserves, building value for dedicated members nationwide, and expanding the brand’s overall visibility.”

Clark said the acquisition is a major step forward for the PBA and a watershed moment for the sport itself. "Bowlero Corp has proven itself to be a champion for bowling in the entertainment world, enhancing the experience for the over 28 million guests who visit their bowling centers each year," said Clark. "They've transformed the game for a new generation of competitors and enthusiasts, and with this acquisition we will build on our current momentum and create more opportunities for our players and fans."

“Millions of Americans love to bowl and love to watch professional bowling,” said Bill Wanger, FOX Sports EVP, Head of Programming & Scheduling. “Bringing Bowlero, the PBA, and FOX Sports together allows us to elevate the sport and meet a large and increasingly growing audience demand.”

Financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed. To learn more about the PBA, please visit [PBA.com](https://www.pba.com).

## About Bowlero Corp

Bowlero Corp is the largest owner and operator of bowling centers in the world, with more than 300 locations, across the U.S., Mexico and Canada specializing in corporate and private events as well as league and retail bowling. The company's portfolio of bowling center brands include Bowlero, Bowlmor Lanes, AMF Bowling Co., and Brunswick Zone, serving over 28 million guests each year. For more information, please visit [Bowlero-Corp.com](http://Bowlero-Corp.com).

## About The pba

The PBA is an organization of more than 3,000 members from 30 countries who compete in a multi-level competition program each year: the Go Bowling! PBA Tour, PBA International Tour, PBA Regional Tour, PBA Women's Regional, and PBA50 Tour events. The 2019 season marked the 60th consecutive year of nationally-televvised competition, reaching bowling fans around the world who watch the PBA on FOX, as well as CBS Sports Network, and who follow PBA activities through the PBA's OTT platform, Flo Bowling. For more information on the PBA, please visit [PBA.com](http://PBA.com).



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# **“PARTICIPATION” AWARDS - CALIFORNIA Bowlers Honored for Supporting State Championships**

by Frank Weiler

OROVILLE – From April to June bowlers from throughout the Golden State came to PARTICIPATE and compete in this year’s Adult State Championships. The Open and Women’s State Tournaments brought Californians together to determine who are the best bowlers in the state this season.

More important than crowning champions is honoring those who PARTICIPATE on a regular basis. Those bowlers who consistently support our state tournaments make it possible to continue these events. Without a sufficient number of entrants, it would be impossible to sustain and continue holding a state tournament. Our regular bowlers are the life blood and sustenance of our state tournaments. That is why we recognize and reward the bowlers who come back every year, Year after year. THANK YOU, regular tournament bowlers, for your support.

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**Thirty (30) Years:**  
KATHLEEN DONAHUE, BRENDA GUZMAN and  
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**Twenty-five (25) Years:**  
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THERESA DILLON, DOROTHY VILLA,  
LISA WHALEN and JENNYE WILSON

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PETER BEKEY and RUSSELL MONROE

**Forty (40) Years:**  
NOLAN FERRIERA, TRACY HANCOCK, JOHN LEE,  
ROBERT LEVINE and DAVID SOTO

**Thirty-five (35) Years:**  
STEVEN CRAIG and EDWARD NEAL

**Thirty-three (33) Years:**  
WILLIE HORNE

**Thirty (30) Years:**  
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# “Californian” TONY RODRIGUEZ JR. Wins His Third PBA Title

by Frank Weiler

SACRAMENTO – Sometimes you have to grind, grind and grind some more to succeed. That’s what Tony Rodriguez Jr. did at the 4th Annual PBA 50 West/Northwest Capital City Open, a week ago, to win his third PBA 50 Title.

It’s a grind when not a single professional bowler averages 200 during Qualifying. It’s a grind when a minus score will qualify for the Tournament Finals. It’s a grind when with one game of Qualifying left, Tony’s -105 score would qualify him for the last tournament check and the right to move on to the Tournament Finals. With one game of Qualifying left Tony had to make a decision. Continue to grind, maybe hang on and maybe make the Finals, or gamble. Gamble by making a change for a few frames and maybe finding a better way. Tony rolled the dice. He went to his bag and pulled out his Astro Physix, a ball he had not even practiced with. He moved left and rolled that Astro Physix to a 265 game and into the Finals. With an 8 – 4 Match Play record in the Finals, Tony averaged 200.5 for the Tournament and secured the Title. At the end, he was one of only three bowlers averaging 200 in the senior and regular tournaments combined. Darren Tang won the regular PBA West/Northwest Regional Capital City Open and was one of the others who barely averaged 200.


Tony is grateful to the Storm ball representatives (DEL BAL-LARD JR. and JIM CALLAHAN) for helping him with his adjustments and developing his new system for shooting spares.

The next PBA events on Tony’s calendar are the PBA 50 Regional Tournaments in Tacoma and Tuolumne.

Tony travels with his family to each event. The Rodriguez clan’s RV is logging hundreds of miles and wife Lisa is loving it. She enjoys traveling and seeing our wonderful country. By the time Tony retires from the PBA, Lisa may get to see all 50 states!

Even better, son Tony Rodriguez III gets to bowl in every Pro-Am. Rumor has it that son Tony finishes higher than his dad at many tournament sites. To find out for sure who has the better finish at each Regional, follow Tony on FACEBOOK.

You can follow Tony Rodriguez Jr. on FACEBOOK at: “Road trippin with PBA 50 Tony Rodriguez Jr.”



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11/3 - Sportshot Challenge  
Forest Lanes - Lake Forest

11/24 - Regular Event  
Keystone Lanes - Norwalk

12/15 - Holiday Event  
Cal Bowl - Lakewood

1/5 - PBA Challenge #2  
Winnetka Bowl - Winnetka

1/26 -Adult/Member Dbls  
Under 345 Handicap  
346-400 Handicap  
401+ Scratch  
Location TBD

2/9 - Regular Event  
Westminster Lns, Westminster

2/23 - Regular Event  
Linbrook Bowl - Anaheim

3/8 - PBA Challenge #3  
Location TBD

3/29 - USBC Nationals Challenge  
Location TBD

4/5 -Adult/Member Dbls  
Under 345 Handicap  
346-400 Handicap  
401+ Scratch  
Keystone Lanes - Norwalk

4/26 - PBA Challenge #4  
Winnetka Bowl - Winnetka

5/24- Memorial Day Event  
Parkway Bowl, El Cajon



**9/29 Adult/Member Dbls - Scratch**  
Champions- Costa Gastouniotis and Eric Espinoza  
2nd - Allexander Zieg and Kevin Jones



**9/22 JAT Open Division**  
Champion Solomon Salama  
2nd Leoj Chin



**9/22 JAT Farm Club**  
2nd Alli Azvedo, Champion Timothy Kessler, 3rd Henry Lee



**9/29 Adult/Member Dbls - Handicap**  
Champs- Brayden Kimura & Dean Nishijima,  
2nd Ian and Alex Fiel, 3rd Jared and David Schiada  
and 4th Mathew Wang and Tak Ngan



**9/22 Preps Division**  
2nd Martin Velasco, Champion Sarah Lee,  
3rd Destiny Aguilar Not pictured-  
4th Joshua Rha and 5th Alexis Lee

### Upcoming Events

**October 20**  
**Del Rio Lanes - Downey**

**November 3**  
**Sportshot Challenge**  
**Forest Lanes - Lake Forest**

All events: Check in at 8:30 a.m.  
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"This is beyond any of my wildest dreams," said O'Keefe, who won the 2017 Tour Championship. "To have a season like this - to win five titles, come back to Richmond Raceway, where I won my first major, and be able to win again, to be player of the year - it's mind boggling to me, and I'm so humbled and grateful."

After delivering in a must-strike situation to defeat Stefanie Johnson of McKinney, Texas, in her semifinal match, 234-223, O'Keefe elected to make a ball change heading into the title tilt against Kovalova.

O'Keefe's first shot against Kovalova crept high on the head pin, leaving a 4-7 combination, which resulted in a spare. Her adjustment from the first frame helped her quickly distance herself from Kovalova, who opened twice in her first seven frames.

"Going off the first match, Dasha's ball motion was really good and her ball was hitting like a ton of bricks," said O'Keefe, who now owns 13 career PWBA Tour titles. "We felt like I could shoot 220 with the ball I used in the semifinals, but it was starting to get lazy downlane. We thought the other ball, with a little surface, would still retain through the front part of the lane and still come off it. The first shot was really good, so I made a one-and-one move on both lanes, and it was such a good choice."

Wednesday's victory also was amplified for O'Keefe as she celebrated the win with her husband, Bryan, on their 15th wedding anniversary.

"He's been in the fire with me, and it's so awesome to be able to share moments like this with him," O'Keefe said. "I wouldn't be the player I am today without him, and to win this on our anniversary is very special."

Kovalova was dominant in her semifinal win against Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, New York, delivering 11 strikes to record a 279-230 victory.

Kovalova started the game with four consecutive strikes, but she found herself trailing as McEwan began with six consecutive strikes. Kovalova took the lead after back-to-back spares from McEwan in the seventh and eighth frames and found herself in the driver's seat after McEwan was unable to convert the 1-2-4-6-10 in the ninth frame.

Kovalova had a breakout year on the PWBA Tour in 2019, winning her first career title at the United States Bowling Congress Queens to earn her first trip to the Tour Championship. She followed the major victory with a perfect game in the championship match of the Pepsi PWBA Louisville Open to claim her second title of the season.

"No, I didn't expect this," Kovalova said. "I wanted to make one show this season. I made four and won two of them."

"In the title match, I knew I needed to make a ball

change, but I was just stubborn. It's OK. I'm going to take a little break and heal some of the aches and pains and come back stronger next year."

O'Keefe and McEwan were automatically seeded into the semifinals based on their ranking on the season-long points list, which determined seeding for this week's bracket.

Kovalova and Johnson each had to make their way through best-of-five matches to advance to Wednesday's championship round. The Tour Championship is a single-elimination event.

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 2019 PWBA points list.

Four lanes once again were specially installed inside the Old Dominion Building by QubicaAMF, the official supplier of bowling equipment for the 2019 PWBA Tour Championship.

All rounds leading up to the championship round were broadcast live on [BowlingTV.com](#).

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into the second game beating Sterner 237-215 for the victory.

"I was able to stay with my game plan and didn't have to deviate much from it," said the 37-year-old O'Neill, "I was able to keep adjustments simple with footwork and keeping my angles tight to the pocket. When you can keep the adjustments simple and manageable, you're better able to keep your focus and stay in a rhythm."

O'Neill's Summer Tour was highlighted by a win in the PBA Harry O'Neale Chesapeake Open for his second title of the season.

"I think overall from top to bottom this is probably one of the best seasons of my career," O'Neill said. "I haven't won a major yet but I'm probably as confident as I've ever been with my game and the way I'm throwing the ball. I've had a lot of success learning from my mistakes and putting myself in the best position to succeed. After that, it's all about executing to the best of my ability."

Sterner's Summer Tour was highlighted by winning the PBA Illinois Open, which concluded the FloBowling PBA Summer Swing presented by the Brands of Ebonite International, for his third career tour title.

Competition on the 45-foot PBA Dick Weber lane condition started with four one-game quarterfinal matches with the winners advancing to the one-game semifinal matches.

In the opening round O'Neill beat No. 3 seed two-hander Anthony Simonsen of Little Elm, Texas, 248-207 and Sterner beat No. 5 seed AJ Johnson of Oswego, Illinois,

267-254, to advance to the semifinal round.

In the semifinal O'Neill beat No. 7 seed Kyle Sherman of O'Fallon, Missouri, 280-212, while Sterner defeated No. 1 seed Sean Rash of Montgomery, Illinois, 236-225, to advance to the title match.

Sherman advanced to the semifinal after beating No. 2 seed EJ Tackett of Bluffton, Indiana in the second one-ball roll-off 10-9 after tying 212-212 in the quarterfinal. Rash advance to the semifinal with a 228-216 win over No. 8 seed Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, South Carolina.

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**FLOBOWLING PBA ATX INVITE RESULTS**  
Dart Bowl, Austin, Texas, Saturday  
**Opening round (one-game matches; losers eliminated earn \$3,750)**  
Match 1 – No. 1 Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill. def. No. 8 Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 228-216.  
Match 2 – No. 4 Jason Sterner, Rochester, N.Y. def. No. 5 AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 267-254.  
Match 3 – No. 7 Kyle Sherman, O'Fallon, Mo. def. No. 2 EJ Tackett, Bluffton, Ind., 212-212 (Sherman def. Tackett 10-9 in second one-ball roll-off).  
Match 4 – No. 6 Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa. def. No. 3 Anthony Simonsen, Little Elm, Texas, 248-207.  
**Semifinals (one-game matches; losers eliminated earn \$7,000)**  
Semifinal Match 1: Sterner def. Rash, 236-225.  
Semifinal Match 2: O'Neill def. Sherman, 280-212.  
**Finals (best-of-three-game format)**  
O'Neill (\$25,000) def. Sterner (\$13,000), 2-0.  
Game One – O'Neill def. Sterner, 257-176.  
Game Two – O'Neill def. Sterner, 237-215.

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# 1992 - PART 1

by Carol Mancini

**1992 was another great year for bowling, nationally, locally, at the state level and around the world. Canada had candlestick and duckpins, Ireland had string pins, and AMF/BRUNSWICK were installing lanes everywhere. Foreign pro bowlers were being seen on U.S. television and some had names we could pronounce! So, let's flip the pages and scan the headlines.**

- The January 2, 1992 issue was all about the Pros competing in the AC DELCO at **Gable House** in Torrance. The Pro-Ams sold out. Top prize for the Champ was \$36,000. David Ozio was the winner in 1991. Only \$2 to be a watcher!
- Glenn Allison, Jerry Hale, and Steve Toyama was on the Roseanne T.V. show. They drilled 12 balls and had half a lane for the show. A poster of Glenn was on the "centers" wall! Roseanne's team was fighting for last place!
- The **Rocky Mountain** star of the week was Bryan Alpert (again). His 803 included 300, 215, 288. That's a lot of wood!
- Mr. Bowling's Santa Claus-Lou Kasnick-celebrated his 88th birthday. For 50 years he gave away hundreds of balls, bags and jewelry. The ladies were his favorites!
- Ron Winger posted his own 805 series at **Sports Center Bowl** without a 300. 268-247-290. Did he EVER miss the pocket?
- Jess Stayrock-PBA Champion-came from a bowling family. His father Max competed the Western Senior Tour. A real handsome guy.
- Locals Jim Murtishaw, Bob Laster, Bill Conrad and Larry Stephens traveled to New York for the 1992 BPAA U.S. Open. They won entry fee and airfare in the U.S. Open qualifier in Hemet.
- Congrats to Guy Rizzello-300-at **Verdugo Hills Bowl**.
- Wendy Macpherson-Winner, Winner- of the WWPB's Tournament of Champions in Modesto.
- A first!! The PBA President, Marc McDowell, won the AC-DELCO at **Gable House**. The winner's check for \$37,000 and a shiny trophy put a smile on his face. He beat Marshall Holman and Wayne Webb on his way to the top.
- **Cal Bowl** regular, Jim Padgett sandwiched a 300 between 216 and 231. The first 300 of the New Year. A week later, he did it again. That was #4 at **Cal**. He had a 25 bagger in his 800 series.
- **Gardena Bowl's** Junior Bowler of the Year was Lynn Matsubara. Lynn is still doing her bit for bowling! Adults, juniors, etc. etc. Thanks Lynn for your MANY hours and many "hats" you wear.
- Who finished second to Mike Forman in the Silver State Finals? Mike McGrath! A Hall of Famer. He gave me his Hall jacket. It hangs in the Japanese Hall of Fame and Museum in Japan. Thanks Mike!
- Tish Johnson won her 15th WWPB title in Garden Grove. Virginia Norton averaged 219 and finished 5th.
- Latest ball to hit the market was the aXe. Black only. The Pro's choice. Where did they all go??? How about the Blue Ebonite Nitro? Check your garage. Some of the older balls are worth a few bucks.
- More Tish Johnson...she kicked off the LPBT season by winning at **Sam's Town**. Another \$6,000 in the bank. She was named "Sportswoman of the Year" over golfers, figure skaters, dog sled racers etc. ALL WOMEN ATHLETES IN ALL SPORTS!
- Legend Marion Ladewig was the honored guest at a BPAA dinner to raise money for the Grand Prix Scholarship Program.
- "Odds". The odds for a man to roll a 300 game was one in 69,000. Odds for a woman to roll a 300 was one in 3.2 million! Wonder what the odds are in 2019???
- Strange fact. "Bowling in nightgowns" was prohibited in Pickens, Oklahoma.
- Jennie Hugie was showered with 300 awards for her big game at **Sports Center Bowl**. During practice on league nite she fell and dislocated her thumb. BUT, she decided to participate. The first game out was her 300. (Does a thumb do anything in the delivery?) Ask your local "Guru"!!!!
- Big problem! Nine left handers made the P.B.A. T.V. shows. There were only 12 touring pros at the time. Who was setting up the shot? The PBA or the house??
- SED Adult/Junior Travel had a "King of the Hill" roll-off. King was Kevin Gallagher, beating out Ramon Torres. "Queen of the Hill" was Liza Rosa.
- Sue Neidig outscored Anne Marie Duggar to win her first LPBT Title at **Hemet Bowl**. Jay and Cheryl Robinson, proprietors, presented her the long awaited award.
- The PCB hosted an event in Ensenada, Mexico. They expected 90 guys to cross the border. They brought their own bottled water.
- Rudy Leewaye (who talked a good story) talked his way into the Managers job at newly opened **Pinkys Bowl West**. He was the winner of the Brunswick Presidential Award for "Highest Profits in a Brunswick Center."
- Dick Stoeffler (writer and **Kona Lanes** manager) was big on TV bowling. He backed lots of local weekly shows. A real character! One of his infamous lines.."Bowling is like making love, you must be firm and gentle." Another was, "Bowling is the most fun you can have with your clothes on."
- Randy Skaggs (Head mechanic at **Keystone Lanes** currently) rolled a 300 at his home house **Colima Lanes** on Feb. 25. Who oiled the lanes THAT day Randy? He has a Part time business of...ready for this? A food truck. Loves fairs, carnivals, shows, etc. Retirement is not in his future.
- The "American Dream Classic" at **Sam's Town** guranteed \$140,000 for First place. The Classic ran from February to October.
- **Granada Lanes** congratulated Hobo Boothe on a nifty 299-300-233/832.
- What? **Bowlerland** hosted a "Sadie Hawkins" tournament. Dinner at Black Angus for best costume. Memory test...**Bowlerland**? Sadie Hawkins? Black Angus?
- The Men's State Tournament hosted 2,487 teams, 6134 doubles and 12,268 doubles in 18 weekends.
- Headlines: "Tish Wins BPAA U.S. Open" "Corey Groth wins another PBA Regional" "Jim Padgett rolls Long Beach Bowling Assn. record 832 at Cal Bowl" "Deaf Bowler Ed Abakumoff averaged 200 for 1992" "Bowlers night at Dodger Stadium, Dodgers VS Mets" "Brunswick Cal Oaks Bowl in Murrieta to open soon" "River Valley Lanes in Bullhead City open to "Rollin' on the River"

End of Part one. See ya' next time!

## Sammy Ventura Voted 2019 PBA50 Dick Weber Sportsmanship Award Winner

CHICAGO – Nine-year PBA50 Tour veteran Sammy Ventura of Syracuse, New York, has been named the 2019 PBA50 Dick Weber Sportsmanship Award winner as voted on by his fellow competitors on PBA's tour for players 50 and over.

"It's an award you always hope to receive not only because it's voted on by your peers but because of the person it's named after," the 61-year-old Ventura said. "I think my intense passion for the sport helps keep my attitude positive and that's what everyone sees. When you're fortunate enough to compete at the highest level against great bowlers, how could you not enjoy that experience?"

On the competitive side, the 2019 season was arguably Ventura's best with two runner-up finishes that matched his career high on the PBA50 Tour.

"The guys (on tour) keep telling me I'm like a fine wine getting better with age," said Ventura, who finished second in the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open and PBA50 South Shore Open. "I've had a tendency to throw the ball too hard but within the last year or so my ball speed and rev rate have started to match up better which has resulted in more strikes.

"I'm confident as ever and still determined to win," the 11-time PBA50 Regional winner added. "The game evolves so you have to be able to learn from your experiences and make the changes to get better."

The PBA50 Dick Weber Sportsmanship Award is named in honor of the PBA legend who won 30 PBA Tour and six PBA50 Tour titles during his Hall of Fame career and was considered one of the sport's greatest ambassadors.

Other 2019 PBA50 Tour award winners were Walter Ray Williams Jr., who won his third PBA50 Player of the Year honor; Eugene McCune, Rookie of the Year, and Ron Mohr who won his fourth consecutive PBA60 Player of the Year award. Recipients will be presented their awards at the 2020 Senior U.S. Open in Las Vegas.

### PBA50 DICK WEBER SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNERS

2019 – Sammy Ventura	2013 - Robert Harvey
2018 – Chris Keane	2012 - Dave Soutar
2017 – Ted Staikoff	2011 - Ray Randall
2016 – Kerry Fulford	2010 - Robert Harvey
2015 - Tom Carter	2009 - Larry Graybeal
2014 - Chris Keane	2008 - Fred Baldwin

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CAL BOWL BOWLING REPORT

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LAKEWOOD – Special note to Paul Staff, a Cal Bowl regular for a long while; the January 30, 1992 issue of the Bowling News had a congratulations ad from Palos Verde Bowl! “297” and another 297 for Raye Ruff. Same page; Headline read “Jim Padgett’s streak included 300/823....300/824 in one week!”

**Laughlin Bowler Bears:** The Laughlin Bears are sometimes referred to as “The Laughing Bears”. That much fun on a Sunday afternoon shouldn’t be allowed. Bowlers not clowning around this week were:...Brandon Mims 279-233/684, Jonathan Gale 257-243/694, James Som 252/606, Allen Swickard 243/610, Ernie Fisher 236/620, Julie Grabinski 215/544, Gretchen Monroe 200-196-191/587, Cindy Radcliffe 196/481, Gina Radcliffe 178/469.

**V.A. League:** V.A. equals “Very Active” They sprint from the parking lot to the lanes, ready for action!...Brian Baesafra 518, Rocco Garcia 423, Jennifer Anwar 485, Donn Cusion 234, Kristi Richmond 146.

**Grandma’s/Grandpa’s:** Grandmas and Grandpas sounds like a donut shop. Sweet odorous and always ready to share a cup of coffee...Chris VanDeven 199-178/534, Rinze Dykstra 189, Paul Morrison Jr 182/441, Jim Young 181/484, Al Romero 179/470, Jerry Cocks 175/483, Larry Cosgrove 175/484, Jo Alden-Mount 205/526, Pamela Norwood 190/443, Elena VanDeven 183/432, Del Stewart 181/451, Donna May 174/486, Betty Green 172/494.

**Young at Heart:** Bet you all know the song “Young at Heart.” We could sing “if you were among the very young at heart” How many of today’s hits do you know the words to? Good thing we know how to bowl, have fun and get home before dark....Anthony Leavell 278-245/720, David Patterson 259, John Braxton 254, Rey Santos 237/668, Clarence Williams 231, James Thompsons 634, Jimmy Hamilton 627, Rose Belton 209-178/509, Wilma Johnson 188/488, Oritta Steel 181/490, JoAnne Burke 179/477.

**Cal Bowleros:** Sidepots are a gals best friend...at least these gals love em....Beth Austria 559, Carolyn Rousseau 550, Darlene Hom 511, Linda Chase 211, Carole Fischer 193, Donna Gillespie 183.

**Marcus Lemons:** A flock of 600s landed on the lanes Wednesday night. They got more strikes than the Angels and Dodgers combined!...Ronnie Lemons 247/669, Erik Peace 243/628, Darrion Tipton 238/661, Jello Gray 232/595, Stacie Watson 247, Nataki Williams 219-206/600, Stephanie Jones 215/582, Felecia Tripp 204/561.

**Sport Practice:** Wednesday evening at 6:30 is the time to challenge your game by bowling on a different oil pattern every 4 weeks. Only 2 spots left for this 16 week challenge. Test your equipment and yourself...Antonio Palongro 582, Kevin Gallagher 579, David Ferguson 537, Norma Jasso 435, Bridgette Wade 432, Lisa Swanson 425, Janet Love 425, Lowell Huber 225, Marcus Battiest 213, Arron Scognamiglio 203, Liz Medina 165, Carolyn Davis 159, Nicshelle Farrow 146.

**Sierra Bugs:** The National average for women bowlers is 135 and that’s the exact average the Bugs bowled this week. 48 games were above and 45 were below....Connie Wood 199/493, Mel Leach 197/504, Linda Maldonado 193/471, Chris Ewaskey 178/467, Donna Yeske 177, Myra Kremen 167, Debbie Berardini 167/476.

**Pin Heads:** The head pin hunters were on the prowl this week, hunting down spares and pounding the pocket...Chuck Appleberry 209-199/577, Tom Komadina 192/506, Damon Flewelen 189/484, Linda Maldonado 203/520, Ashley Brown 200-199/574.

**Gobs and Gals:** Some bowlers call this league TOUGH, some say just fun, some say it’s the greatest! Bowlers make the league...and these are some of So Cal’s best....Scot Maxwell 792, Nick Negrete 757, Emmerson Wafer 741, Stephanie Zavala 708, Donna Owens 690, Daryl Lynn Davis 599, Rob Kordich 279, Garry Moore 278, Tres Catalasan 268, Cole Thaxton 268, Landri English 267, Marife Catalasan 248, Lauretta Boulton 245.

**Big Bear:** This league is only 3 weeks in and Team 8 has jumped out ahead! Rob Lee 255-237/639, Emmerson Wafer 245/684, Jerry Cant 244/675, Jonathan Gale 240, George Harper 234, Billy Anderson 232/601, Ken Seiple Jr 651, Sue Cant 235-231/624, Michelle Criswell 204/557, Shirley Owens 196-193/577, Naimah Williams 193-192/540, Delores Reynolds 192-191/570.

**C.A.U.L.:** Wish you could read all the great team names. You could write a story! Team #19, don’t be the only nameless team!...Blayke Miller 267-235/694, Frank Rossello 258/638, Rich Dahmen 233/609, Allan Lee 226, Eli Vega 630, Jessica Seastead 205-200-163/568, Leigh Anne Kitch 180/449, Teri Friend 169/470.

**Funsters:** The funsters are serious bowlers and serious munchers. The rustle of snack bags drown out the noise of the pins!...Chris Abing 694, Jim Plante 589, Roland Sanchez 588, Beth Austria 567, Lisa Swanson 526, Yvonne Clarke 489, Janet Love-Reece 489, Vic Santos 257, Josh Hudson 224, Ed Hanson 222, Tua Sula 210, Adela Santos 199, Odette Dalton 198.

**Senior Mens Trio:** Wow, 36 teams of Senior Man-Power. A magnificent group of Hall of Famers, Champions, 300 shooters and just plain bowling lovin’ weekly rollers...Jerry Cant 290/761, Rich Kelly 279, Emmerson Wafer 269/690, Mauro Pendilla 164, Chuck Blais 263/701, Ed Cabs 707, Tony Leavell 703.

Big Shout Out for the Saturday Junior leagues! Watch em grow, learn the game, become stars and compete, compete, compete! **Rookies (Junior):** Mason Dropkin 130/353, Noah Whitlock 126/345, Nicholas Morrison 124/270, Ari Monroe 123/328, Aubrey Cannon 104/254, Nalani Bocalan 93/247.

**Striking Force (Junior):** Porfirio Jimeno 194/507, Daniel Rios 185/523, Yairi Lubag 171, Ethan Santos 470, Aislinn Lubag 159/461, Kayla Stephens 148/389,

**Seniors (Junior):** Bryan Whitehead 237/643, Justin Redford 219/601, Kameron Agulto 204, Jarred Dee 555, Jenna Barakat 227/611, Sandra Chacon 183/536, Ariel Morales 174/462.

**Bronze Mini Bees (Junior):** Jack Roberts 106/186, Christian Johnson 56/91, Haiden Walker 89/166.

**Silver Gold Strikers (Junior):** Preston Lane 171/425, Angel Jimeno 154/420, Francisco Gonzalez 135/371, Alyssa Fukushima 130/334, Allison Temple 108/281, Brielle Dropkin 103/290.

**Gold Strikers (Junior):** J.P. Griffin 221/540, Ja’Von Bunting 211/555, Kevin Tate 201, Anthony DeLucca 568, Maggie Jenkins 157/401, Kaitlyn Griffin 126/360, Ari Munroe 114/341.

**Attention-Attention- All bowlers: your league sheets are online every week. Check them early for accuracy or lane assignments. Ah- the computer world we live in!! That’s all for this week.**



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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. Congratulations to Kirk Keith on his 300 game during the Frank’s Gold Cup league!

**SUNDAY – Vegas Rollers:** Steven Brogdon 276/733, Max Maldonado 245/623, Vance Valenzuela 227, Richard Delgado 617, Traci Gioia 203. **Wally’s Vegas Cruise:** Albert Salinas 248/650, Leo Moreno 235, Erin LaBrada 203.

**MONDAY – Lake Parkers:** Larry McCurry 213. **Golden Awards:** Vince Palmer 233/687, Martin Enderle 225/615, Larry Green 214/612. **Whittier Elks:** Lee Hambrick 224, John Wackeen 213. **Gamblers Fun:** Gary Wingett 236/632, Andy Jeske 224/600, Michael Keeton 213.

**TUESDAY – Friendly Seniors:** Jay Knight 225, Larry McCurry 203, Phil Brewer 201. **Ageless Wonders:** Dean Burdett 234, Ken Hurley 203, Linda Lathrop 246, Kathy Burdett 200. **Guys & Dolls:** Chad Lucas 235, Bryan Elder 222, Ken Promin 212, Leslie Felton 207.

**WEDNESDAY – Silver Foxes:** Carl Brooks 258/609, Ed Jamison 247/670, Rick Moffat 236/677. **American National Can:** Kirk Keith 254/683, Mike Thompson 232/611, Rene Hernandez 212.

**THURSDAY – Early Birds:** Karen Balicki 222, Leslie Schulte 211. **Sunset Rollers:** Willie Ford 234, Jim Ragsdale 213.

**All Schools:** Bob Ward 202, Belinda Crowder 213. **Frank’s Gold Cup:** Kirk Keith 300/729, Jim Hutchinson 289, Scott Kraye 268/783, Norm Walker 268/755.

Until next week, GOOD LUCK and HIGH SCORING!



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by Tish

BURBANK – It’s October and the pumpkin spice craze is in full swing. I’m wondering when the pumpkin spice ball will debut! (Storm did put out balls with fragrance at one time) Or the pumpkin spice tournament? Personally, the season is the important issue, not the flavor of the season. This is the time I remind all bowlers about the importance of keeping your wet items out of the bowler area. It could save you from an injury putting you out of commission for a lengthy time. “Keep the rain off the lane!”


**Senior Swingers:** (scr) Jesse Menez 157, Marie Menez 168, Dick Bay & Rick Langer 425, Sydney Heins 470. (hdcp) Bob Shimp 208, Josie Pemberton 223, Robert Cornett 600, Kim Rasmussen 652.

**Monday 710-Telco:** (scr) Zoran Jacimovic 243, Michelle Marx 182, Jason Weymouth 683, Glenda Nale 574. (hdcp) Matt Dodge 274, Collette Rector 226, Ray Nelson 710, Cheryl Mikels 663.

**Orbits:** (scr) Judy Lamb 178, Cheryl Mikels 471. (hdcp) Jan Levitt 225, Helen Vincent 549.

**Wed Night Hdcp:** (scr) Stephen Warren 246, Olivia Tilleard 215, Michael Fajardo 665, Amber Ball 613. (hdcp) Dylan Jimenez 264, Stephanie Rakers 258, Cameron Doran 748, Laura Baltazar 771.

Until next time...



This Week’s Puzzle Solution

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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: 602 JoAnn Cunningham & Meg Marcelo, 606 Raul Medina, 602 Don McCrink, 251 George Kelley, 236 Joe Montes, 228 Rhina McCall, 224 Malou David and Team: 1809 Always next Season.

**Chamber & Friends:** Scr: 679 Peter Ruiz, 596 Steve Dolphin, 508 Clara Lotton, 438 JoAnne Clark, 197 Diana Begg, 157 Evelyn Brisette-Bryant, 220 Jim Harrison and Team: 2158 Team 7.

**Laughlin Nites:** Scr: 644 Scott Muholland, 532 Chris Montoya, 457 Lynn Williams, 414 Staci Miller, 169 Virgie Sena, 151 Irene Mulholland, 244 Rick Freese, 182 Ron Mass & Jim Chastain and Team: 2006 Team 7.

**Crazy 4 Vegas:** Scr: 492 Nancy Jimeno, 633 Will Bissic, 223 Alex McKendall, 159 Jullie Stricker and Team: 1888 Throw the Damn Ball.

**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: 601 Daniel Updegraf, 592 K K, 478 Sancha Acevedo, 358 Amber Butler, 194 Lynne Dickinson & Craic McCrink, 223 Norwegian Kvenbo, 218 Vido Samarzych and Team: 2184 Colonial Clan.

**Happy Stokers:** Scr: 292 Leah Washington, 421 Lance Clifford, 224 Ryan Phipps, 124 Julie Melendrez and Team: 830 Team 7.

**Fil-Am Keglers:** Scr: 717 Mark Huertas, 634 John Cortes, 681 Stacy Galicia, 528 Jinny Lei, 198 Rowie Jucal, 192 Celia James, 252 George Chang, 248 Anthony Magpali & Ralph Carusone and Team: 2710 Desert Falcon.

**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: 350 Flaming Strike.

**TBYBP Rug Rats:** Scr: 207 Ethan Ruiz, 158 Bailey Phipps, 58 Nathan Dorn and Team: 207 Spiderman Turtle.

**TBYBP Pin Pals:** Scr: 321 Neel Kankariya, 300 Sophia Van Herk, 110 Sterling Van Herk, 82 Harley Murga and Team: 560 The Yankees.

**TBYBP Jr/Adult Strike Force:** Scr: 355 Kira Ihara, 459 Nicholas Dorn, 122 Jazzy Ruiz, 168 Kirin Ihara, Adults: 534 Ryan Phipps and Team: 1382 Not Fast, But Furious.

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by Mike Cammarata

DOWNEY – The first round of the Brunswick Invitational is now past the half way, and while teams are starting to get a better of idea of who will be competitive in this round and who will not be, there are still quite a few teams within striking distance of the top pair.

Forest Lanes took to the lanes with a one game lead for the round over J.A.T., Tito's Vodka and 3 Olives Vodka. J.A.T. drew Forest on the top pair of lanes based on the total pins tie breaker, while Tito's and 3 Olives, the two vodka teams, battled on the second pair.

Forest Lanes started fast, posting a 918 in the first game to win and open an early 79 pin lead for totals. Jon Diso led the way in the opener with 266. The second game was much tighter, being decided by only two pins, but it still went to Forest Lanes, 851-849. In the final game, Forest was in position to sweep the match heading into the anchor bowlers, but an untimely split for Stephanie Zavala and a strike from Kevin Valmonte gave J.A.T. the game. The win was a good finish for J.A.T., but it wasn't nearly enough to get total pins, as Forest took the match 4-1. Kevin Valmonte finished with a 265 to lead J.A.T. to the one win. He topped the pair as well with 703.

On the second pair, the vodka match, Tito's took on 3 Olives. Tito's had the early momentum, winning the first two games, and they held a lead of over 120 pins heading into the final game. 3 Olives was able to take the final game, but not by nearly enough to overcome the total pins deficit. Tito's improves to 16-4 for the round with the win, and will move to the top pair of lanes next week to take on Forest Lanes. Brian Main posted a 246-243/679 to lead Tito's.

DV8 came close to 1000 in their first game of the night, hitting 985 against Bowlum. Jonathan Huff was perfect with a 300 to lead the scoring, while Vernon Adams helped with 258 and Blake Miller added 235. In the second game, Bowlum rebounded with a 917 to even the match and cut into the total pins lead. Butch Jackson had a 251 for Bowlum in the middle game. The final game also went to Bowlum, behind a 232 from Billy Myers Jr., but they won the game by only five pins, which meant DV8 got the two bonus points for total pins. Vernon Adams topped DV8 with 258/723, and had plenty of help from Huff with 300/714. Myers was the top scorer for Bowlum with a very consistent 238/705 set.

Team Hustle managed to get four wins from Saddleback Lanes in a very up and down match. First game went to Team Hustle by 73 pins. Saddleback came back in game two and even took the lead for totals, winning by 99 pins. Game three swung back in favor of Hustle though, winning by 73 to take the final game and total pins. Jello Gray had a pair of 268 games on his way to 751 for Team Hustle. His teammate, Jaime Carrington, had a strong 255-222-257/734 as well. Alex Abieras and Robert Hollis tied for team lead for the Saddleback Lanes team as both posted a 682 series.

Don Julio Tequila had the first sweep of the night, as they took all five games from U.S. Foods. A 702 set by Raul Rosales led the way. He was helped by Jason Carrilo with a 660. Paul Barraco and Nacho Vega had matching 675's to lead U.S. Foods, but it wasn't nearly enough to get them on the board.

A265/709 from Joe Jimenez was enough to lead Captain Morgan to four wins over Century 21—Peak. Jimenez was helped by a 241/689 from Ramiro Garcia. Century 21 managed to win the final game with a 242 from Mike Cammarata, with help from Brian Gonzales' 232. Cammarata led Century 21 with 701.

Buddy Lucas made his return to the league after battling an injury recently, and returned with a bang as he shot a 300/716 on his first day out. The set was aided by Bobby Campagnale with 259/704. Those scores weren't enough though, as Buddy's Bowling Supply only managed a single win against the Professional Approach team. Aaron

Hodges topped the Professional Approach with 264/706. Tony Winn had a 268/680 as well.

The Bowling Guys got four big wins to even their record at 10-10 for the round at the expense of Linders Insurance. Antonio Palangio threw the ball well all night, shooting a 245/693 set. Linders Insurance had several big games from their members, but nothing consistent throughout the night to earn more than one win. Michael Barnett topped them with 254-236/656.

Kingpin Pro Shop lost the first game big to Cal Bowl, 976-884, but came back strong to take the next two games and total pins. The four wins weren't enough to get Kingpin back in contention, but they certainly needed them regardless. Mike Villarreal easily led the team with a 259-269-233/761. There was help from Dean Reyes with a very steady 695 set. Ramsey Basurto had a 252/724 for Cal Bowl, but that score wasn't big enough to get more than the one win.

The final pair of lanes saw Threadworks sweep all five games from a struggling Keystone Lanes squad. Threadworks came in a 3-12, but five wins has to improve their morale, as well as a 1028 in the final game. Mike Calvillo, Chris Eguilos and Rick Barbaria were all over 700 for Threadworks, with Barbaria's 279/763 leading the way. Calvillo finished with a 279 in the final game for 715, while Eguilos finished with 278 for 733. Had to feel bad for Keystone Lanes in this one as Threadworks broke out of their three-week slump in a big way.

First game sidepots were won by Jonathan Huff in the upper division with his 300 game and Nacho Vega in the lower division with his 254. A 269 game earned Mike Villarreal 1st place in game two for the upper division. Buddy Lucas won the lower division with 300. In the final game the upper division had a couple of 268 games split the pot between Jello Gray and Tony Winn. Teammates Rick Barbaria and Arnold Cheesman took 1st and 2nd in the lower division.

Buddy Lucas won an additional \$185 for his 300 game as he took 1st place in the Financial Advisors Pot. Rick Barbaria earned \$90 as a consolation for his 279.

The Eliminator Pot saw five more names fall by the wayside this week as anything 656 or under missed the cut. Tonight's victims were Brandon Grant, Vince Duarte, Leonard Ruiz, Jonathan Huezo and Anthony Santos. We're down to 14 bowlers with three weeks to go.

The action all starts at 8pm at Del Rio Lanes in Downey. Come on down to check it out, root for your favorite teams and get in on the action. Next Monday, Forest Lanes and Tito's Vodka will be on the top pair, but plenty of teams are still in the running as we begin the final three weeks. See you here.

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. Jello 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.

**TOP TEN TEAMS**

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**TOP 10 THIS WEEK**

Rick Barbaria . . . . . 762	Ramsey Basurto. . . . . 724
Mikey Villarreal . . . . . 761	Vernon Adams . . . . . 723
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