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## Fill The Frames Bowling Services teams up with Parker Bohn III in "STRIKING OUT SANDY" Now, we ask you to team with us

LOS ANGELES — On October 29, 2012 one of the most devastating storms ever hit the East Coast. An estimated 7.5 million people were initially without power, property was destroyed and many lives were lost. The following is a note from Parker's website at [www.parkerbohn.com](http://www.parkerbohn.com).

November 4, 2012--Living only 20 minutes from the New Jersey shore, Parker and his family know firsthand the destruction left in the wake of the recent Hurricane Sandy. Many people are displaced from their homes close to the shore, and thousands more are still living without power in the area. New Jersey will simply never be the same again.

Parker has decided to help

the cause with his "Striking Out Sandy" program, and asks for your help as well.

You can make a flat donation, or you can pledge a set amount for every strike he throws at the GEICO World Series of Bowling, running from November 2-7, 2012, in Las Vegas, NV.

Make your pledge by visiting Parker's Facebook page, or by emailing Leslie. Once the World Series is complete, we'll provide ways to pay, including PayPal.

As of November 6<sup>th</sup>, at the PBA World Series of Bowling (to be aired starting December 9<sup>th</sup> on ESPN), Parker amassed 166 strikes. The whole story is yet to unfold, but believe me it is an unbelievable tale.

I was unaware of his request for help from his fellow bowlers until midway through the tournament. But we can now help and here's how.

I'm asking bowlers during the week of December 15-21, to make a donation based on their scratch (or handicap) series in league of one penny per pin.

Of course, flat donations will be happily accepted. I ask that donations and pledges be addressed to Parker's Facebook page or [leslie@parkerbohn.com](mailto:leslie@parkerbohn.com).

During my league session I am pledging five cents per pin. Fill The Frames will also be having an in-house raffle for a **Brunswick Meanstreak** bowling ball and I encourage other

centers/pro shops to do the same with the proceeds going toward this relief effort.

Through my over 35 years around the sport of bowling, I have always considered bowlers a passionate and caring group. Let's get together and help others during their time of need. Who knows, someday we may need a little help.

Thank you and I hope you have your highest series ever during the week of December 15-21, 2012.

**Juan Fonseca**

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Parker Bohn III

## "First Lady of the PBA" Rainy Stitzlein Dies in Akron Eddie Elias' executive assistant, only woman in PBA Hall of Fame, dies at age 84

SEATTLE — Lorraine (Rainy) Stitzlein, arguably the most influential woman in Professional Bowlers Association history, died on Friday in Akron, Ohio. She was 84.

The only woman inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame was PBA founder Eddie Elias' executive assistant and business secretary in the organization's formation years. But she was much more than an office manager.

A brief bio used in her 1992 induction into the Summit County (Ohio) Sports Hall of Fame explains:

"Her bio lists her as a businesswoman and house wife, but her busy career since she graduated from (University of Akron) in 1948 hasn't left Rainy Stitzlein much time to stay at home. She is a fashion expert and businesswoman, the first woman named as an honorary member of Beta Gamma Sigma Kappa of Ohio, a national organization for business administration. She is a community activist, involved in many local and national charities. She is a member of the UA Board of Trustees.

"But in the sports world, Stitzlein is best known for her contribution to the Professional Bowlers Association. In fact, she's referred to as the First Lady of the PBA. She joined Eddie Elias Enterprises in 1958 and helped Elias found the PBA that year as the business secretary, organizing the staff and handling the finances. But she was more than that. If Elias was the father of the PBA, Stitzlein was the "mother, midwife, nurse, aunt, cousin and hostess," a sports writer once wrote. She continues to serve as executive vice president of Elias Enterprises.

"In 1978, she was named Lifetime Honorary Member of the PBA. In 1980, she was inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame for meritorious service. She is the only woman ever named to any men's professional sports hall of fame."

Stitzlein served as Summit County Metro Parks Commissioner for several years. She was a trustee and/or board member with the University of Akron, Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medi-

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## PBA Begins 33rd Season on ESPN Sunday with World Bowling Tour Finals

SEATTLE — The Professional Bowlers Association's 33rd season on ESPN begins Sunday, when the men's and women's finals of the Bayer Advanced Aspirin World Bowling Tour Finals presented by PBA airs from 1-3 p.m. ET from the South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

As the first event of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling IV, the men's and women's finals will feature a lineup of PBA star players who earned their spots in the three-player stepladder format by placing in the top three in World Bowling Tour points over a span of two seasons.

The women's final will consist of three players who have made their marks in PBA history. The opening match will feature Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., the first woman to win a PBA regional title and the first woman to reach a nationally-televised PBA Tour title match, bowling against Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., who won the 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions to become the first woman to win

a PBA Tour title.

The winner of match one will take on Missy Parkin of Lake Forest, Calif., the first woman to join the PBA and, along with Kulick, the only two women who have won two PBA Regional titles.

The men's opening match will pit four-time Tour winner and 2012 USBC Masters champion Mike Fagan of Dallas against 14-time Tour winner and former Player of the Year Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas. The winner will battle defending WBT Finals champion and top qualifier Mika Koivuniemi of Finland. Koivuniemi is a nine-time Tour winner and a two-time PBA Player of the Year.

The winner in each division will receive \$20,000. Second place will pay \$10,000 and third will receive \$5,000.

Following the WBT finals telecast, the next five consecutive Sundays will feature World Series of Bowling finals with all 90-minute programs airing at 1 p.m. ET. The Alka Seltzer Plus Cold Cheetah

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NAME	SCORE	DATE	CENTER
KELLY GOLD	752	11-27-12	CANOGA PARK BOWL
VERNON ADAMS	300	11-28-12	CAL BOWL
MIKE BENNETT	300	11-28-12	HARLEYS SIMI BOWL
JACKIE EARLE	705	11-28-12	HARLEYS SIMI BOWL
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STEVE LASH	300	11-29-12	FANTASY LANES
LES LAWLESS	299	11-29-12	CONCOURSE BOWL
JOSHUA TAJIRI	300	11-29-12	CERRITOS LANES
MATTHEW ZWIG	300	11-29-12	BUENA LANES
KATHY ALLEN	299/743	11-30-12	MORENO VALLEY BOWL
ASHLEY DUNN (15 YRS)	711	11-30-12	VISTA LANES
LOWELL HUBER	300	12-1-12	KEARNY MESA
VAL WISE	300	12-1-12	DEL ROSA LANES
RUSS HOCKMAN SR	300	12-2-12	MORENO VALLEY BOWL
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ABT SO CAL SAN DIEGO	SUNDAY	DEC 9TH	ADMIRAL ROBINSON
ABT SO CAL VALLEY BR.	SATURDAY	DEC 8TH	SANDS BOWL
ABTA	SATURDAY	DEC 8TH	BYE
JAT	SUNDAY	DEC 9TH	COVINA BOWL
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UHBT	SATURDAY	DEC 8TH	BOWLIUM LANES



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# Boone Wins \$1000 in Ultimate Handicap Bowling Tour at Foothill Lanes in Fontana

FONTANA — Veronica Boone won the Ultimate Handicap Bowling Tour (UHBT) on December 2, 2012 at Foothill Lanes. This is the first time a woman wins in 4 months since the UHBT started. She had a great game against Mark Andrews. Mark had her by 17 pins, after a four-bagger from the 3rd to 6th frame. Mark left a difficult split and failed to convert it. Veronica got up in the 10th frame needing a strike and she threw 2 earth-shattering strikes to claim the 1st place prize of \$1000.00.

Mark earned 2nd place for \$120.00.

In addition to her to great \$1000 prize, she will also receive a free entry into a future tournament. Veronica wishes to thank Rusty Bryant over at Mission Hill Lanes, for his drilling of her equipment and support. She also wanted to thank her husband Luis and her son Josh for their support as well.

Thanks a million to all who participated and a special thanks to Peng Chia.



Boone Wins UHBT at Foothill Lanes (L-R) Mark Andrews (runner up), Veronica Boone (champ), P.J. Yarns & Ricardo Baca (UHBT Directors)

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## STRIKING OUT SANDY

Fill The Frames Bowling Services teams up with Parker Bohn III in "STRIKING OUT SANDY". Now, we ask you to team with us.



We're hoping to turn YOUR weekly bowling into money that will go to help the relief effort following SuperStorm Sandy in the NY/NJ area.

During the recent PBA W.S.O.B., New Jersey native Parker Bohn III requested that his many fans donate a flat rate OR amount per strike pledge based on his performance in Las Vegas. You'll learn more about this in the coming weeks when the telecasts air on ESPN.

Fill The Frames Bowling Services would like to help in this effort. During the week of December 15-21, you can pledge a penny per pin, number of strikes, number of spares, or a flat donation based on your own league scores for that week. YOU CHOOSE!

Donations can be made to FTF (we will forward them on to PBIII's charity) or you can donate directly to the cause through their PayPal account, listed on their website ([www.parkerbohn.com](http://www.parkerbohn.com)).

During this week, FTF owner Juan Fonseca has pledged 5¢ per pin during his own league session. In addition, there will be an in-house raffle for a Brunswick Meanstreak. Tickets will be 2 for \$1, purchase \$5 or more & receive a free FTF gift. The drawing will be held on Dec. 23rd. at FTF Proshop. (Quantities are limited for the free gift)

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# The Essentials of Bowling

## Approaching the Perfect Game

*Incase you missed it the first time.. This is the 2nd edition*

by Steven Felege

### CHAPTER 4 The Pushaway

The pushaway is important because it determines the speed and direction of your shot. This skill puts you in charge of the ball. Developing and using a good, solid pushaway gives you a distinct advantage over any bowler who chooses to ignore this skill.

#### Technique

Keeping your hand positioned *under* the ball, push it directly toward its target with *both* hands until your arm is completely straight.

**TIP** Like the stance, this skill can be practiced at home. A mirror isn't even necessary, just a target. The act of pushing the ball away until your arm is straight must become a habit.

#### Discussion

Yes, that's really all there is to performing the pushaway. It is by far the simplest and easiest skill to master, yet it is the most underutilized. There are a few things you need to know about this skill in order to understand both its importance and how to use it effectively.

For the sake of your timing, if you use a three-step delivery, the pushaway should begin before you take the first step. If you use a four-step delivery, it should begin simultaneously with the first step. If you use a five-step delivery, it should begin with the second step.

The pushaway should be smooth and deliberate but not aggressive. An aggressive pushaway can pull you forward, loosen your grip on the ball, and throw you off-balance. This will affect how you walk and may ruin the consistency of the remainder of your approach.

The direction of the pushaway can be straight out toward your target, or it can be straight out and down toward your target line. It should not go upward or straight down. It must never go sideways.

The pushaway sets up the armswing. For this reason, you *must* focus on maintaining a wrist position that keeps your hand *under* the ball. This is critical. It allows the ball to drop straight down at the beginning of the armswing, keeping it on the target line.

The *height* of the ball at the end of your pushaway determines the *speed* of your shot. The higher the ball is at the end of the pushaway, the faster it will swing and the harder it will be to hang on to. Keep this in mind as you develop this skill.

Remember, the ball should never be in charge of its own delivery. This skill puts *you* in charge of the shot, so pay attention to it.

**TIP** The pushaway is one of the adjustments you can make to your delivery. Since you will be using gravity to produce the speed of the shot (a concept to be covered in the following chapter), you can produce more or less speed by altering the height to which you push the ball.

### CHAPTER 5 The Armswing

No skill is more important than the *armswing*. It develops ball speed and ensures that the ball stays directed along the target line. It develops your timing. It enables a smooth release. It even plays a role in determining how much your ball will hook after it is released.

Performed properly, your armswing is a tremendous asset. Screw it up, and it becomes your worst nightmare. Inconsistent armswings cause more bad shots than all of the other skills combined.

#### Technique

*The downswing.* Immediately at the end of your pushaway, allow the ball to just *drop*. The other arm will automatically swing away to maintain your balance. Focus on keeping your arm straight and your wrist rotated to position your hand directly under and then behind the ball.

*The backswing.* As soon as your arm is vertical, apply the brakes to gently bring the backswing to a halt before it can twist your shoulders out of alignment with the target. Focus on keeping your hand directly behind the ball.

*The forward swing.* As the direction of your armswing changes, shift your mental focus from your wrist position to your release point. Do not power the ball forward.

*The follow-through.* Don't worry about the follow-through. Deliver the ball correctly and the follow-through will happen automatically. It is an indicator of your success, nothing more.

**TIP** During the execution of the armswing, forget about the ball. It is only along for the ride.

**TIP** During the execution of your armswing, only three points require your attention:

The *drop point*, which occurs at the very end of the pushaway  
The *stop point*, which is the end of the backswing  
The *release point*

Physically, the armswing is complicated; the mental portion must not be. Keep it simple by thinking, *Drop, stop, and roll*. By focusing on these three points and hitting them consistently, you ensure repeatable, accurate shots.

#### Discussion

The armswing is what separates great bowlers from everyone else. It is the most challenging skill to master for a number of reasons:

It's a sneaky little devil. You can't see it. It drops out of sight at the end of your pushaway and then stays out of sight until *after* you have delivered the ball. This skill is a *mental* exercise.

The armswing mechanics are more complicated than those of any other skill.

It must coordinate with your walk.

It has four distinct parts: the downswing, the backswing, the forward swing, and the follow-through. Mentally you must deal with each one separately.

The secret to taming this skill lies in the KISS principle, the engineering adage to "Keep it simple, stupid." Any engineer will tell you that the simpler something is, the more reliable it will be.

When considering the development of your armswing, it is helpful to think of the motion of a pendulum. This is just a ball hanging from a string, swinging back and forth, tracing the same path, over and over. It's exactly what you want to accomplish: an arm that swings your ball along its target line over and over.

That concept is simple enough, but your ball is *not* swinging from a string. Your mechanism is infinitely more complex. There are hundreds of moving parts involved: muscles, ligaments, tendons, bones, and joints. You may ask, "How do I make my hand, wrist, arm, and shoulder act like a simple string?" Find one thing that makes everything else *behave* like a simple string. That one thing is the *position of your wrist*. The wrist defines the alignment of everything else in your armswing mechanics. It also determines how they will interact

with each other. All you need to do is find the one wrist position that makes your arm swing the ball in the direction of its target.

Here are three tips to help you develop an effective and consistent armswing, one that generates adequate power while keeping the ball on the target line:

**Tip 1** *Focus on maintaining your wrist position.* Your wrist is the most important anatomical structure in your armswing. It moves side to side, it flexes, and it rotates. A good wrist brace will control variations in the side-to-side and flexing movements. This lets you mentally focus on its rotation, which, in turn, affects the direction of your armswing.

An approach lasts a mere two to three seconds. That's enough time to focus on only one thing, and that must be the *rotation* of your wrist. This creates the consistency required for pinpoint accuracy over and over again. Remember, control your wrist and you control the whole armswing.

**NOTE** The rotation of your wrist is described by the position it creates for your thumb in relation to the face of a clock. If your wrist is positioned so that your hand is under (or behind) the ball, this is the twelve o'clock position. The thumb is pointing straight up like the hour hand of a clock indicating the noon hour. If your wrist places the hand directly on the side of the ball, this is called the nine o'clock position (for a right-hander). Your thumb would be pointing at the number 9 on a clock face. This influences both armswing technique and ball hook, consequences to be discussed later.

**Tip 2** *Keep the armswing compact.* Based on your individual anatomy, your armswing has physical limitations built into it. The farther you try to go beyond those limits, the more inconsistent your swing becomes. A compact armswing avoids those limitations.

**Tip 3** *Leave your ego at home; it will work against you.* As with any sport, bowling has its moments of frustration and embarrassment. Those moments are no reason for you to lose your composure. Teammates are relying on you to perform and set a good example. Remember, your armswing is a mental exercise. Calm, rational thinking is required, and ego will not provide that. Instead, it will demand that you punish those uncooperative pins by exaggerating the power of your armswing in order to teach them a lesson. This rarely produces a result which improves your self-esteem or your score.

Now let's take a look at the individual elements that make up a productive armswing.

*The downswing:* In your stance, you rotated the wrist so that your hand was *under* the ball (or as close to this as your individual anatomy would comfortably allow). During the pushaway, you maintained this wrist position. Why? So that during the downswing, your arm, unaided by muscle power, could drop straight down and imitate a pendulum. This action takes advantage of gravity to accelerate the ball. Since nothing is more reliable than this natural law, use it to achieve consistent ball speed rather than tiring the muscles in your arm.

Another reason the 12 o'clock wrist position is important is that it keeps the ball from striking *you*. A 9 o'clock wrist position (3 o'clock for a lefty), coupled with a true pendulum swing may result in the ball brushing against your thigh on the way back and glancing off your ankle as it moves forward. The first is distracting; the second hurts (a lot). By themselves, either of these scenarios will force your ball off that all-important target line. More important, it destroys both your concentration and your confidence.

**NOTE** Bouncing a bowling ball off your ankle even once will make for a very long night. To avoid this, you will compensate by swinging your arm out and away from your body. Since the ball is going along for a ride, it will follow the same path, which is an arc. Only one point on that arc is in the direction of your target. Consistency will be impossible.

By concentrating on keeping your wrist rotated to the twelve o'clock position, you minimize the chance of the ball making contact with you during *any* part of the armswing. This simple act has other significant benefits:

It focuses your mind on *technique*, allowing you to ignore other distractions (like Mark).

It actually *causes* your arm to swing straight along the target line. This brings consistency to the direction of your shot and enables you to focus on the next element, the backswing.

It keeps energy loaded into your shot. Up to this point, the use of muscle power has been kept to an absolute minimum. Here is where it begins to come into play. The natural position for your hand is facing the side of your body—the nine o'clock position for righties, the three o'clock for lefties. It requires the use of muscles to force the wrist clockwise or counterclockwise, which was done in the stance. Any rotation maintained in your wrist here will be reversed later. When you release the ball, your hand will be rotating in the opposite direction, causing the ball to hook. Performing this task to a set position makes it consistent, reliable, and predictable. Best of all, this will happen automatically.

Another important facet of your approach happens automatically at this point. The momentum of the ball, created by the downswing, causes you to lean forward. This is a natural consequence of human anatomy interacting with the laws of physics. This is where your forward lean *should* happen because it will have a minimal effect on the speed of your walk. Remember, you do not want to rush to the foul line. Leaning forward tends to increase the pace of the feet, but the ball swinging backward slows you down. These two actions counteracting each other give you one less thing to think about.

*The backswing:* If the armswing is the hardest skill to master, the backswing is the hardest element of this skill to master. This crucial element will destroy your entire delivery. How? By twisting your posture out of alignment.

The techniques you have learned so far have gotten the ball on a line and enabled you to keep it there. So far, so good. In the backswing, however, you are moving in one direction but the ball is moving in the opposite direction. The laws of physics dictate that some force is required in order to change the direction of the ball. This force will tend to twist your torso. If this happens, your shoulders will no longer be square to your target and your armswing will no longer be on its target line.

There are two ways to deal with this, and you must pick one of them:

*One way:* Compensate for the twist by visualizing a sheet of glass that runs along your target line. Maintain your armswing within that glass. This thought process is used by golfers to aid in developing the swing of their club. The advantage of this technique is that it permits the development of a *power swing*, one that goes very high during the backswing. The disadvantage is that it tests the physical limits of your anatomy, which, as previously discussed, leads to inconsistency.

*A better way:* Prevent the twisting altogether by *controlling* the backswing. You will sacrifice *some* power for the sake of accuracy,

but remember, bowling is a game of skill, not power. Any accuracy you can gain is an advantage, especially when you consider how little power you have to give up in order to achieve it.

The secret to preventing shoulder twist is to determine the natural upper limit of your backswing and then never allow it to go beyond that point. To do this, stand erect with both arms hanging straight down at your side and the palms of both hands facing forward. Simultaneously, move both arms *straight back* as far as they will comfortably go. This simple exercise defines the upper limit of your backswing: Your swing arm is as far back as it will go, and your shoulders are still square with your target. Just to satisfy your own curiosity, drop your other arm down and see how much higher you can make the swing arm go—probably quite a bit.

Notice that in order to achieve the higher backswing, you have rotated your wrist out of position, turned your shoulders, or bent at the waist. Any of these can cause the types of inconsistencies that destroy scoring ability but are synonymous with the power swing.

The controlled backswing can also develop considerable power but does so in a very different way. When you apply the brakes, muscles, tendons, and ligaments are used. Because the hand is rigidly positioned behind the ball at this stage and your shoulders are being kept square to your target, these structures absorb all the energy created during the downswing. They return that energy to the ball during the forward swing. How? Good question.

To bring the backswing to a halt, force is exerted by your muscles. This force continues to be applied even after the ball has stopped, but it now accelerates the ball toward its target. This is extremely reliable because it happens automatically, generating power yet maintaining the consistent accuracy of your shots. To keep your shoulders square, it is imperative that you *do not* apply additional muscle power at this point.

Whichever backswing you select, the importance of maintaining the rotation of your wrist remains the same as in the downswing. Since I'm trying to teach you the best techniques possible, for the rest of this chapter I am assuming you have chosen the *better* technique, the controlled backswing.

*The forward swing:* By controlling the backswing and maintaining your wrist position, you've set the stage for the forward swing. You must still ignore your natural instincts to apply additional power to your shot. The ball is still behind you and the *conscious* application of additional power, at this point, will pull your shoulders out of alignment. This will cause your shot to go off-line.

At the beginning of the forward swing, shift your focus from the *wrist* to your *release point*. This strategy removes the control you exert over the muscle groups governing the wrist position and shifts it to the muscle groups that will rule the fingers as they lift the ball out onto the lane. This allows the following good things to happen automatically:

Energy was stored in your armswing to stop the backswing. That energy is now released, accelerating the ball naturally and automatically along the target line.

Because the controlled swing keeps the backswing lower than a power swing, the ball is much more likely to arrive at the foul line at the exact same moment as your sliding foot. This is perfect timing. Focusing on the release point keeps the shot on the target line.

Focusing on the release point allows the wrist to begin to unscREW itself; it rotates back in the direction of its natural position. This reversal of the wrist's rotation continues throughout the remainder of the armswing, placing the fingers on the side of the ball during the release. In this position, they impart rotation to the ball, causing it to hook.

*The follow-through:* This occurs *after* the ball has been released. As a part of the armswing skill, it is unimportant. It is something which happens properly if you have delivered the ball properly; nothing more. It is, however, an important indicator.

If the follow-through lines up with your target, you made a good shot.

If it ends to the right of your target, your wrist was rotated too far clockwise during the backswing. This is true no matter which hand you use. If you are right-handed, this causes your backswing to go behind your back, which makes your forward swing go out to the right. For left-handers, this causes the backswing to go out and away from your body, which means the forward swing will head to the right.

If the follow-through ends up to the left of your target, your wrist was rotated too far counterclockwise during the backswing. For right-handers, this causes the backswing to go out and away from the body, which makes the forward swing go to the left. For lefties, this problem causes the backswing to go behind your back, which means the forward swing will move out to the left.

In any case, the follow-through indicates how well you have made your armswing behave when you couldn't see it. Don't practice the follow-through. Practice paying attention to what it's telling you. A lot of things happen during the armswing. By performing the elements of this skill as described, most of those things will happen automatically. They will be consistent, reliable, and predictable. More important, this skill will help you to strengthen your mental game, which will produce better results in the form of higher scores for you.

**TIP** Like the stance and pushaway, the armswing is a skill that can be practiced at home, in front of a mirror. Pay close attention to what happens to the *direction* of your armswing with various wrist positions.

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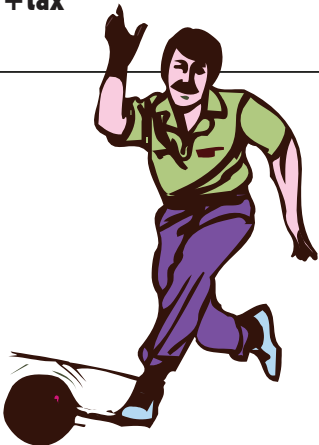
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It all begins Thursday Jan. 17, with a \$600 Bonus if qualifying on that day, and winning the event. Squads Thursday are 9:30 PM -11:00 & 12:30 AM with a \$600 Bonus. Friday Squads are (\$300 Bonus) 12:00 PM-1:00 PM-2:30-4:00-BREAK-9:30 PM-11:00-12:30 AM. Saturday Jan. 19 Squads are 12:00 PM-1:00-2:30-4:00PM-OIL-6:30-8:15-9:15, 10:30 & 11:30 PM taking 1 in 6 1/2 the semi finals. Sunday is the Final Regular day of qualifying. Squads at 9:00 & 10:15 Am taking 1 in 6 1/2 to the semis. The “Re-Entry ONLY” Squad at 11:45AM taking 1 in 6 1/2 to the Semifinals at 1:45PM. 3-6-9 Roll-off follows the Re-Entry at 1:30 PM with the Semis to follow 1:45 PM and with the top 32 single elim finals to follow! All Semifinalists will cash. Last Year’s Event drew 677 Entrants and huge payoffs for our bowlers. We had 131 cashers in the event. As said 1 in 61/2 entrants will cash and or go to the semifinals. Payoffs are made as soon as possible same day.

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We have great room rates, Friday and Saturday are \$75.00 /\$88.48 Tax included and other nights are \$45.00/\$50.40 Tax included. If you need a room it must be booked through the Hotel/ ABTA to secure the rates that we have for our Bowlers, Friends and Families Call 1-866-791-7626 and use Code ABT-0117. Call Mon -Fri 6:00AM-11:00PM Sat/Sun 7:00AM/11:00PM.

Deadline for rooms Dec. 29. Rooms may still be available afterward but not guaranteed or price maybe somewhat higher.

The South Point is located at 9777 Las Vegas Blvd (South Strip) and easy to find. Just take Interstate 15 to Silverado Canyon Rd. go East 1 block to the Center on the right. The phone there is 702-796-7111. Onsite entries are welcomed. If you get the urge to try this Big ABTA Event come on down to the South Point where the Fun and action will be awesome.



ABTA returned to Del Rosa. Their hospitality there is great. Val Wise shot “300”. At the left is his pal and ABTA Member Justin Ziegler who won his first ABTA Title & \$2,700. Justin deserved to win. He battles tough shot events every week and has had some very trying times. A nicer young man you will not find. He is well deserving and as is Val, a Great person.



\*For complete set of all rules see our website [www.abtbowling.com](http://www.abtbowling.com)



# FRED SMITH, RICK STADNICK & HOLDEN AU WIN ABT EVENTS

ANAHEIM — Fred Smith won the ABT SoCal event at Linbrook Bowl on Saturday, December 1. Fred is an inventory control manager and has one son, Matthew. Fred has been bowling for 30 years, 15 years with ABT. He is currently bowling league at Linbrook Bowl. Fred sports a high game of 300 and high series of 799. He was using Storm equipment drilled by Ramon Torres at the pro shop inside Carter Lanes for the win. Fred wanted to thank Ramon for taking care of his equipment, his family and friends for their support and encouragement. He also wanted to thank Linbrook Bowl for hosting the tournament and the ABT Directors for running the event.

PALMDALE — Rick Stadnick won the ABT SoCal event at Palmdale Vista Lanes on Sunday, December 2. Rick is an equipment operator for the city of Huntington Beach. He is married to Nanci and they have two children, Kristen and Andrew. Rick has been bowling for over 38 years, 30 with ABT and is a multi-time champion. He is currently bowling in the Vegas Vacation League at AMF Valley View. Rick sports a high game of 298 and high series of 715. He was using a Storm Vivid drilled by Jeff Carr and Quin Barron. Rick wanted to thank his family for their love and support. He also wanted to thank Jeff and Quin for taking care of his equipment, Mike Malinick, Victor Mirassou and Eric Medves for helping him with his game. Rick also wanted to thank Mike, Victor, Eric, Dennis and the rest of his bowling family and friends for their support and encouragement. Rick wanted to thank Vista Lanes for hosting the tournament and the ABT Directors for running the event. Rick wanted to dedicate this win to his two wonderful grandsons, Gavin and Trent.

SAN DIMAS — Holden Au won the SoCal Citrus event at Oak Tree Lanes on Sunday. This was Holden's second win. Holden does his league bowling at Bowling Square and sports a high game of 259 and high series of 700. He was using a Storm Heat drilled by Dave at King Pin Pro Shop for the win this weekend. Holden wanted to thank all his bowling friends for their support and encouragement. He also wanted to thank the Oak Tree Lanes for hosting the tournament and the ABT Directors for running the tournament.

LANCASTER — On Saturday, December 8th, ABT SoCal Valley will be at Sands Bowl in Lancaster. The address is 43233 Sierra Highway, Lancaster. The phone number is 661-948-2651. There will be two \$20 win-a-spot squads at 11 and 11:30 followed by two 3-game qualifying squads as 12N and 1:30 followed by single game elimination finals. First place is guaranteed at \$1000 with the Mega Pot.

SAN DIEGO — ABT SoCal San Diego will be at Admiral Robinson Recreation Center on Sunday, December 9th. Squads are at 12N, 1:30 with the Diablo squad at 3PM followed by single game elimination finals. The address for Admiral Robinson is Corner of Norman Scott Road & Vesta, Naval Base San Diego. Phone number is 619-556-7486. First place is guaranteed at \$1000 with the Mega Pot.

RIVERSIDE — ABT SoCal Citrus will be at Riverside Lanes on Sunday December 9th. Squads are at 12N, 1:30 with the Diablo squad at 3PM followed by single game elimination finals. The address is 10781 Indiana Avenue, Riverside. The phone number is 951-353-2695. First place is guaranteed at \$1000 with the Mega Pot.



**News & Notes**  
by David Yamauchi

## Jordan Jr. & Zavala Take Dual-Club

LAKEWOOD — The JAT made their way to Cal Bowl for the annual Dual-Club Doubles pairing one Farm Club bowler with one Open Division bowler. Qualifying was individual bowling with Matthew Zwig and Luke Holley leading the way at +76. Sitting in 2nd after 5 were Javier Zavala and Bobby Hornacek at +37 followed by Cody Lewis and Andrew Svoren at +36. Stephanie Zavala and Jerome Jordan Jr. at +35 and Jordan Davis and Tyler Salverda at +23 rounded out the bowlers who were plus. Low to qualify were Kylie Shishima and Ashely Dunn at -163.

The top-8 teams advanced to baker match-play where scores were doubled. Stephanie Zavala and Jerome Jordan Jr. flew to the top of the board going 5-1 and qualifying as the top-seed t +493. Matthew Zweig and Luke Holley held ground qualifying 2nd at +324 while Javier Zavala and Bobby Hornacek snuck in to take the final spot in the rolloff with a 4-2 record to finish at +207 with Lewis/Svoren missing the finals by 3 at +204 and Davis/Salverda just 3 more shy at +201.

In the semifinal match, Matthew Zweig and Luke Holley came out striking taking down the 3rd seeded Javier Zavala and Bobby Hornacek 225-187 to advance to the finals against the red-hot Stephanie Zavala and Jerome Jordan Jr. In the championship match, the top seeds came out striking and never looked back, rolling their way to a 227-188 win and the Dual-Club Doubles title. Congratulations Stephanie and Jerome!

Our next event will be this Sunday, December 9th at Brunswick Covina Bowl (NOT WEST COVINA). The following Sunday will be our Holiday Event at Canoga Park Bowl with a special holiday raffle for all the bowlers and parents including a chance to win a Brunswick/DV8 bowling ball! See you all at Covina this Sunday!



**News**  
by Dave Gordon

SAN GABRIEL – Hello from the JAT Farm Club headquarters. Unfortunately, due to work travels and then illness, I missed the two November events. I just picked up the tournament paperwork and statistics and will be updating my files in order to prepare for this weekend's tournament.

However, I would like to congratulate Danny Martinez on his tournament win at Bowlum on November 4th and Stephanie Zavala, who partnered with Jerome Jordan, on winning the JAT Dual Club Doubles title at Cal Bowl on November 18th. Sure, both of you had to win your first title when I wasn't there. Congratulations anyway to both of you.

This Sunday, the JAT Farm Club will be bowling at Brunswick Covina Bowl with our normal check-in and start times. I've noticed that our attendance has been dropping the last few tournaments and it's time to pick it back up to close out 2012 properly. I hope to see ALL Farm Club bowlers out here and to our last tournament of 2012 at Canoga Park on December 16th. Let's get setup right for the new year. See you then.

# LOOKING BACK THROUGH THE PAGES OF TIME

by Carol Mancini

NORWALK — Today I wanted to look up something that happened in 1990. I opened the 1990 volume and started thumbing the pages.

Here are some names, places, tournaments, and centers that you might remember.

Have fun strolling with me down Memory Lane:

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CONNIE MARCHIONE — Deaf Writer  
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**Wasn't that a great stroll thru 1990? Didn't use any gas, drive in traffic, visit the relatives or eat fast food. Thanks for joining me.**

# PBA

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Championship airs on Dec. 16, the Viper Championship on Dec. 23, the Chameleon Championship on Dec. 30, the Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship on Jan. 6, and the PBA World Championship on Jan. 13.

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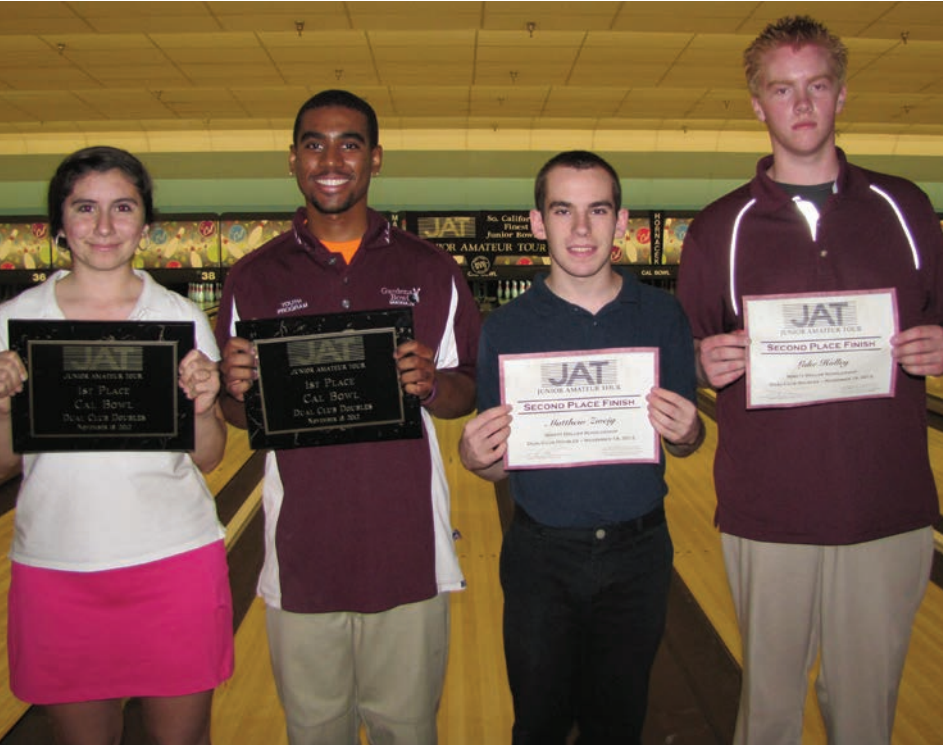
3) Turn into the post-event show at Sunday 3 p.m. ET. Xtra Frame's post-tournament show interviews the winning player and provides in-depth ball rep analysis of the winner's equipment selection and ball preparation.

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# Las Vegas Travel League

by Darlene Hom

DOWNEY — With the streets wet and the rain coming down we made our way to Del Rio Lanes for week 15.

We would like to thank the house for having the doors open early so we could get in out of the rain.

Theresa Jackson rolled a nice 205/552 for the day. Maxx Paul followed with a 538, Cyndie Martin -528, Audry Thibodeaux-517, Mary Dixon -509 and Nancy Soto -200.

High Handicap series was 1975 rolled by Keystone 1. High Handicap game was a 713 by Westminster 1. Westminster Lanes 2 is on top of the league sheet with 38 wins.

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## Moreno Valley Bowl's "TOP TEN"

by Frank Weiler  
MORENO VALLEY — Brunswick Moreno Valley Bowl's Scratch Challenge League is sporting nineteen bowlers with a 220 average or better. This number means that an amazing 52% (19 of 36) of the league bowlers average 220 or better! Only three of the thirty-six league members are averaging below 200. A list of the Top Ten average bowlers follow:

1. Mark Dyer	242
2. Lawrence Connor, Jr.	238
3. Lonnie Ritchey	238
4. Joe Vasquez	233
5. Nathan Urritia	232
6. E. B. De La Cobas	231
7. Shawn Swindell	230
8. Merrill Nunally	230
9. Nick Reed	228
10. Rick Jackson	228

Both of the ladies in the league are averaging 218. AMANDA MILBURN is at 218.6 and KATHY ALLEN is at 218.1.

Great bowling guys and gals, the BOWLING NEWS salutes you. My thanks to WILL JUNE for providing me with the Moreno Valley league sheets.

## STITZLEIN

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cine, and American Cancer Society. Active in the Ohio thoroughbred racing community, she served as a commissioner with the Ohio State Racing Commission for 10 years, and was president of The Rainbow Company, a firm that represented sports celebrities.

The University of Akron's Stitzlein Alumni Center is named in honor of business leader Harry Stitzlein and his wife, both well-known University of Akron alumni. She is survived by her brother Chuck Gates, sister Beverly (Jim) Ewing, and their extended families. She is preceded in death by her husband and brother Al Gates.

Tentative plans are for a memorial service on Friday, Dec. 7 with funeral services on Saturday, Dec. 8, in Akron. Further details are forthcoming.

## KIDS COME FIRST

by Frank Weiler  
MORENO VALLEY — The "Kids Come First" League at Moreno Valley Bowl has GARON leading the high average competition with a 138. He is followed by JORGE at 124 and WARREN at 120.

From the league sheet provided by WILL JUNE, I see that Jorge has bowled the top scores with a 180 game and a 414 series.

RONNIE is the top girl with a 105 average. She has the top scores by a girl, a 150 game and a 361 series. Who is KCFS?

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by Janie

BURBANK — I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. There's nothing like family, friends and bowling!

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Since there were a lot of byes this past week, not too many scores to report but here goes:

**MONDAY ALL STARS:** Youth. (hdcp) Grey Massey 155/273, Megan Takahashi 145/258. (scr) Max Jenkins 102/188, Rachel Smith 81, Allison Takahashi 145.

**TUES. 8 FOR 8:** Youth. (hdcp) Cooper Hansen 148/288. (scr) Cooper Hansen 93/178.

**PRACTICE LEAGUE:** (hdcp) Rocky Dominguez 277, Amanda McCann 253, Joseph Kazandjian 708, Lesley Hansen 699. (scr) Tommy Kientzy 226, Judy Wilke 189, Roy Stansbery 626, Courtney Kensington 437.

**LA METRO TELCO:** (hdcp) Roger Desgroseilliers 269, Nani Bolliger 256, Gary Edwards 682, Judy Kearney 677. (scr) Setu Molia 240, Melanie Gamgene 201, John Rodriguez 590, Joyce Hill 480.

**WED, NITE HDCP:** (hdcp) Roger Webb 689, Jennie Aijala 688, Berto Parada 272, Michelle Dominguez 248. (scr) Bing Tuazon Jr. 740, Sheilah Faller 552, Chris Carter 246, Gigit Reyes 203.

That does it for this week. Stay jolly and until next time...keep the ball rollin'.



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LAKEWOOD — Did you remember to pick up an entry form for the Southern Los Angeles County U.S.B.C. tournaments? Talk to your friends and put your teams together for doubles or team events, and get those entries in now. Time goes by fast and you don't want to be left out. Singles/Doubles events will be at Cal Bowl and Team event at Gage Bowl, all to be held in January 2113.

Here are the scores for this week's Bowling Report.

**Funsters:** Boylee Inocente 268/678, Chris Abing 264/655, Jim Plante 243/609, Glenn Merchant 225/607, Danne Van-Horn 206/570, Jane Simmons 210/534, Carol Monson 516, Milton Donerson 245. Side-pots—Game One: Chris Abing 271; Game Two: Chris Abing 216; Game Three: Milton Donerson 276.

**Grandma's/Grandpa's:** Glen Merchant 235/650, Billy Williams 212/559, Ray Culp 222/529, Ike Sanders 520, Don Keith 505, Lucy Seiple 515, Vancie Keith 201/504.

**Happy Rollers Forever:** Mark Algiers 161/441, Mike Hallstrom 161/398, Travis Jenkin 380, Cheryl Demaree 138/368, Carol Bonvino 130/345, Diane Mallett 332.

**Happy Rollers Too:** Sheryl Murray 95/250, Mary Piaschick 98/240, Terry Mays 96/225.

**Vegas Crackpots:** Alwyn Woods Sr. 269/715, Gerald Williams Jr. 235/668, Carl Stokes 235/656, Billy Williams 627, Ecarum Sumpter 615, Greg Mobley 604, Kevin Watts 235/600, Ernie Perryman 226/565, Ronald Lewis 226/563, Raymond Thorton 557, Tippy Thornton 218/530, Teka Williams 217/525, Ellen Myers 52, Jasmyrn Culpepper 203.

**Laughlin Sunset:** Jonathan Gale 237/661, Frederick Crowe 246/660, Ray Minter 229/636, Mike Dees 233/613, Brandon Mims 587, Genelle Williams 258/628, Severiana Spiegel 500.

**Laughlin Bowler Bears:** Andre McNeal 268/660, Mike Dees 237/654, Jonathan Gale 234/637, James Talley 244/624, Danny Alcayde 612, Jeramie Gayle 534, Sharon Abar 181/456.

**Young At Heart:** Chris Abing 264/672, Glenn Merchant 235/660, Frank Graves 227/647, Walter Milsap 224/618, Jim Plante 223/614, Josh Hudson 244/609, Joe Herrera 234/604, Paul Peete 244, Tua Sula 196/566.

**Long Beach Go Getters:** Dave Leslie 596, Steve Anderson 589, Larry Martinez 473, Jaclyn Padgett 612, Debbie Thorpe 304, Kelly Barnes 193, Danny Collins 240, Gary Anderson 199, Peewee Munson 156.

**C-17 Sunset:** Chuck Lew 635, Mike Eisenzopf 532, Paul Rodriguez 415, Tina Cheung 528, Lee Vest 235, Larry Wong 181, Linda Williams 186.

**Corona Ladies:** Mel Leach 212/562, Audrey Louis 205/547, Diana Howard 537, Shirley Dohrman 201/529, Sandy Bird 212/509. Side-pots—Game One: Shirley Dohrman 228; Game Two: Shirley Dohrman 191; Game Three: Audrey Louis 232.

**Pin Heads:** Chuck Appleberry 219/625, Anthony White 223/613, Greg Kelly 235/601, James Kennard 221/554, Shorty Ramos 214/550, Karen Roubinov 191/517, Stacy Kelly 448.

**Recycled Teens:** Paul Morrison 248/601, Ken Seiple Sr. 574, Donna May 217/546, Joanne Burke 201/526, Boylee Inocente 231.

**Mega Vegas:** Juan Ellison 233/692, Ken Di Iorio 258/662, B.J. 235/657, James Talley 246/646, Juan Marin 254/607, Andy Torres 589, Stephanie Williams 222/529, Janet Love 208/514, Kathy Johnson 226/508.

**Cal Bowleros:** Ginny Lindsay 234/562, Brenda Durnin 558, Charlene Peterson 533, Bheth Alcayde 210/519, Carole Fischer 516, Anna VonMuegge 513, Jessica Antes 510, Lee Theiss 500. Side-pots—Game One: Melanie M. 240; Game Two: Bheth Alcayde 210; Game Three: Ginny Lindsay 234.

**Ramona Ladies:** Angela Hillig 556, Julie Grabinski 439, Dollie Bristow 167. Side-pots—Game One: Dollie Bristow 223.; Game Two: Shirley 206; Game Three: Jo Rousey 227.

**Kings and Queens:** Emmerson Wafer 279/783, Sonny Dew 269/761, Jerry Cant Jr. 289/760, Curt Soares 258/756, Paul Staff 743, Nathaniel Hampton 268/739, Hank Baber Jr. 720, Kevin Peterson 269/707, Bridgette Wade 234/658, Della Douglass 245/630, Joyce Charles 608, Donna Owen 595, Ed Cabs 266, John Golston 259.

**Marcus Lemons Vegas Outlaws:** Vernon Adams "300"/793, Ken Di Iorio 279/760, Art Jones 258/739, Robert Cloyd 734, Paul Staff 667, Demetrius Reed 665, Steve Bryant 664, Ronnie Lopez 268, John Graham 263, LaJeana Harris 218/580, Phylissia Smith 556, Liza Agoncillo 539, Teya Woodman 533, Diann Donaldson 222, Kimberly Stewart 215.

**C.A.U.L.:** Rich Dahmen 278/779, Andy Clark 265/674, Jamie Estrada 279/669, David Regul 234/638, Dan Franceschi 634, Dave Winter 609, Beth Watts 200/525, Nancy Hamilton 449,

**Captain & Crew:** Seanne Oliver 201/523, Sandy Cotcher 500, Vancie Keith 193/483.

**Sierra Bugs:** Kelle Falbo 195/549, Sandy Wright 516, Cathy Andereson 511. Side-pots—Game One: Kelle Falbo 208; Game Two: Sharon Barnett 191; Game Three: Cathy Anderson and Linda Holden 216.

**Long Beach School Employees:** Billy Williams 616, Dan Ewaskey 537, Al Fagafa 488, Maota Bahr 558, Mary Dixon 484, Betty Major 403, Eugene Carter 204, Jose Valdez 188, Drew Morton 176, Carol Eggers 195, Karen Foote 161, Merrie Slagley 133.

**Senior Men's Trio:** Pat Kinard 280/699, Conrad Vanasse 247/697, Larry Gray 280/688, Steve Ritchie 675, Charles Gleason 668, Rey Santos 665, Rick Llaneta 659, Roger Wrase 658, Don Gardner 651, Steve Dagel 279/647, James Kennard 279, Jerry Peterson 266, Rick Senens 257, Clark VandenBerg 257.

**Cal Stars:** Kim Eastwood 194/529, Leona Belletti 507. Side-pots—Game One: Nene Camanag 204; Game Two: Kim Eastwood 194; Game Three: Bheth Alcayde 182.

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**ADULTS**

Do I smell smoke? Nope! I think you guys are just en fuego! I'm afraid I'm going to get bronchitis from all the smoke you guys are cookin' up! Get Some!

**Paramount:** (Week 6) Eric Zimmerman 526, Shawn Switzer 505, Paul Mangione 459, Charlotte Johnson 371, Christina Koski 363, Grace Acuna 294, Todd Towhey 192, Frank Tardino 174, Adam Koppekin 149, Rebecca Pavia 139, Jessica Chiu 135. (Week 7) Eric Zimmerman 517, Frank Tardino 516, Timothy Ott 480, Tammie L. 402, Miranda Koski 367, Sean Vilbert 247, Carlos Jentimane 178, Brian Coleman 174, Grace Acuna 135, Charlotte Johnson 122.

**Tavern Guild:** (Week 11) Tony Annibale 665, David Quam 618, Brad Snell 598, Bob Thomas 234, Derek Brown 222, Jay Johnson 217, Carol Clair 441, Katrina Theophilos 148. (Week 12) David Quam 605, Tony Annibale 584, Brad Snell 546, Derek Brown 238, Curt Zellers 206, Mitch Rosen 204

**S.C.B.L.:** Jay Johnson 268/634, Dane Hansen 233/627, Will Petrasich 235/622, Nancy Garcia 170/402, Bonita Alford 140/370, Jennifer Felix-Shanno 144/365.

**Funseekers:** Pete Forster 694, Riff Raff Ferragamo 649, Bonnie Perlman 530, Rani Jersushalmi 250, Jeff Pifko 247, Therese Barron 154, Marley Sims 154.

**Kings and Queens:** (Week 10) Jon Schell 537, John Harnois 490, Mark Tavares 481, Erin Haggerty 312, Edwin Marfil 195, Stan Diamond 178, Arlan Kahn 161, Brett Mack 161. (Week 11) Kevn Collins 562, Arlan Kahn 489, Mark Tavares 452, Edwin Marfil 199, John Harnois 175.

**Twilighters:** (Week 9) Rani Jersushalmi 630, Ron Koblin 546, Marilyn Riffle 452, Kathy Dunn 412, Robert Lerman 214, Jim Moore 209, Denise Maiman 175, Mitch Zippay 172. (Week 10) Robert Lerman 642, Jim Moore 565, Mitch Zippay 445, Marilyn Riffle 409, Rani Jersushalmi 223, Peter Berger 203, Melissa Ryan 157, Kenn Wynn 138.

**JUNIORS**

At this point it's difficult for me to tell you guys are 'Juniors' at all. You certainly don't bowl like kids. Wait! How old are you?

**Have A Ball Wednesday:** (Hdcp.) Grace Atkin 156, Veronica Mahoney 550.

**Senior Galaxies:** (Hdcp.) Nicholas Martinez 504, Jeremy Cutler 476, Nicole Martinez 405, Grady Johnson 171, Zachary Niv 159. (Scr.) Nick Reid 449, Michael Friedman 226, Jordan Kalman 135.

**Junior Stars:** (Hdcp.) Evan Wiltz 515, Xavier Robeldo 437, Rooee Palmon 390, Bradshaw Parsons 176, Carlos Cisneros 154. (Scr.) Emmett Galman 338, Donovan Sylla 329, Ayden Samil 114, Steven Struthers 106.

**Pee Wee Bumpers:** (Scr.) Kevin 124.

**Have A Ball Saturday:** (Hdcp.) James Mendoza 490, Jemini Harris 446, Daniel Mendoza 162, Adam Kollins 162, Leo Knutson 162. (Scr.) Kris T. Harris 262.

**SENIORS**

**Happy Timers:** (Week 13) Gary Olsen 163/456, Russ Romo 157/398, Ruth Swick 143/396, Yolanda Dragotta 135/387. (Week 14) Arthur Harris 185/506, Gary Olsen 182/493, Yolanda Dragotta 155/406, Ruth Swick 125/362.

**Pin Pals:** (Week 11) Shelly Djergian 185/497, Karen Collier 164/455, Judy Kautz 385, Barbara Murphey 134. (Week 12) Karen Collier 158/440, Shelly Djergian 178/434, Judy Kautz 394, JC Moore 153.

**Joslyn Seniors:** Gary Olsen 169/466, Lee Waldorf 180/453, John Dobson 160/434, Kathy George 164/441, Teri Bonato 150/394, Yolanda Dragotta 156/377.

**Senior Social:** (Week 7) Gary Olsen 176/441, Michael Gralla 154/416, Pat Olsen 155/419, Ruth Gralla 152/390, Allan Lotta 154. (Week 8) Arthur Harris 432, Russ Romo 406, Gary Olsen 160/406, Christine Stark 144/391, Ruth Gralla 133/366, Michael Gralla 163.

**Coffee & Donuts:** (Week 11) Stacy Chang 181/512, Elayne Klein 179/508, Lu-Juan Lietzke 181/493, Norma Damschroder 176/432, Mary Weight 169. (Week 12) Elayne Klein 225/518, Hildegard Miller 172/475, Pauine Lipin 454, Norma Damschroder 176/452, Joan Karchem 189.

**Bowler of the Week:** This week Elayne Klein bowled a 225 game during the **Coffee and Donuts league**. That is outstanding and something to be noted. She maybe had a sugar high from the donuts or a caffeine high from all that coffee. Or maybe she has none of these vices and her only vice is bowling like a champion. Either way great game and I'm sure there is more to come.

**Quote of the Week:** "Everything is funny unless it's happening to you" - Orson Welles

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WINNETKA — The holiday season is here and everyone is busy shopping, baking, visiting friends or more. You probably can use a nice break, so why not come over to Canoga Park Bowl and do some bowling. It's a great way to relieve some of that stress and have a lot of fun at the same time. We are open 24/7. You can even call ahead to reserve your lanes to be sure they are available.

It's time to take a look at those high scores from our bowlers...

**River Maniacs:** Robert Galbraith 279/753, Michiko Kondo 241/565, David Athans 279/734, Jeremy Pearson 721, Vince Koeller 267/693, Rick Godin 685, Marsha Graham-Martinez 543, Alexandra Athans 513, Lucy Tralla 504, Monise Kelly 200/500, Sharon Weger 500, Michael Fonvergne 259, Mark May 258, Scott Englehart 258, Dan Onestinghel 258.

**Monday Nite Madness:** Jeome Hampton 256/654, Wendy Miceri 488, Donna Houston 172, Bob Pfleger 204/586, Steven Schulkin 585, Travis Coffman 555, Harry Seal 201/546.

**470 Scratch Travel League:** Kelly Gold "752" series and 290 game, Connie Wannomae 213/629, Petra Kaun 228/541, Karen McDonald 535, Farol Brifman 532, Georgia Garey 215.

**Comedians:** Aaron Steinberg 258/701, Elizabeth Fonvergne 223/591, Robert Battle 258/680, Ray Stoy 674, Vince Koeller 670, Jesse Chastain 253/660, Jan Sandman 204/562, Sharon Weger 220/555, Michelle Jones 510, Mary Becker 510, Gary Fish 251, Bob Hatch 248, Irma Giles 211.

**Copper Bucket:** Joe Myers 213/599, Debbie Sims 438, Randy Johnston 231, Amy Sobuta 158, Chas Wiggan 224/593, Rusty Yeager Jr. 214/586, Gary Diesso 225/559, Ed Jones 548.

**500 Classic:** Petra Kaun 230/635, Fe Holbrook 249/626, Georgia Garey 221/574, Robyn Willis 225/544, Patricia Pskin 221/541.

**The Classics:** Mark Lenhoff 231/578, Pam Blake 257/697, Gayle Kirby 232/627, Susan Guire 215/574, Pam Findl 534, Stella Martinez 202.

**Short 'N Sweet:** Anthony Pavlowsky 268/722, Shana Joseph 222/602, David Athans 268/695, Duane Erickson 242/598, Dave Templeton 218/585, Eric Gaytan 563, Alexandra Athans 201/548, Aaron Story 217.

**SVVCC Nikkei:** Art Wake 243/691, Noriko Fukunaga 222/598, Kirk Sasaki 221/636, Ken Shinbashi 224/621, Shoji Takeshima 233/593, Harvey Nakamoto 553, Tami Shiotani 513, Hisako Kokubo 504, Mas Suruki 211, Kat-suko Fujita 200.

**SENIORS**

Carolyn Scherzberg led the ladies in all 3 senior leagues with her high series. Let's see what other scores the seniors produced.

**49'Ers Senior Trio:** Rick Dobris 258/691, Carolyn Scherzberg 236/604, Richard Greenzweight 245/690, Mel Neiditch 234/636, Howard Rovner 215/599, John Lanni 225/559, Bev Zietz 189/514, Diana Walden 491, Mary Lauer 172/473, Barbara Vaccarello 179/446, Ellie Alliston 178.

**Funtimers:** Robert E. Adams 249/687, Carolyn Scherzberg 242/620, Richard Greenzweight 255/679, Rick Dobris 253/655, Al Reiswig 619, Arnold Freedman 230/598, Lucy Tralla 223/567, Karen McDonald 180/501, Annie Block 177/486, Carolyn Greenwood 176/483, Marv Baker 223.

**39'Ers Senior Trio:** Al Reiswig 255/690, Carolyn Scherzberg 254/605, Richard Greenzweight 258/665, Bill Robb 258/689, Ron Doll 642, John Lanni 246/627, Mary Lauer 225/602, Lucy Tralla 205/568, Carole Peire 183/515, Diana Walden 498, John Sanchez 246, Karen McDonald 198.

**That was a great week of high scores from the bowlers here at Canoga Park Bowl.**

Special thanks to Mary Lynly who wrote such an indepth article on Hall of Famer, Robin Romeo.

Thank you Mary.

**We're looking forward to your articles in 2013.**

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Nesu Martin-Galves proudly displays her plaque for winning B-Division singles of 587 scratch at the Fresno Women's Championship.



Lorie Farmer was All-Events C-Division Champ in Fresno with a 9 game series of 1584. Fresno pictures contributed by Rosie Parker.



James Matthews displays his 300 ring and 857 series ring (on games of 278, 279 & his 300) bowled Sept 30, 2012 at Cal Bowl.



Rey Santos displays his ring for the 300 bowled Sept 19, 2012 at Cal Bowl.

Pictures by B.J.

# PBA Regional Players Invitational Winners to Bowl for Tournament of Champions Berth on ESPN

PBA adds new incentives to end-of-season "regional major championship" tournaments

SEATTLE – The Professional Bowlers Association has added new incentives to its inaugural Regional Players Invitational program, including a special ESPN telecast for the six RPI champions and a berth in the 2014 PBA Tournament of Champions.

The new RPI program, which will introduce affordable, closer-to-home regional "major" championship events to the PBA's East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest and West/Northwest combined regions at the conclusion of the 2012-13 season, will provide six regional champions with \$6,000 guaranteed first prize checks, paid entries into PBA World Series of Bowling V in the fall of 2013, and a chance to bowl in front of a national television audience on a special ESPN telecast. The winner of the ESPN telecast will earn a berth in the Tournament of Champions.

Each RPI will offer a \$25,000 prize fund based on 48 entries, a 1:2 payoff ratio, a Friday pro-am and two six-game qualifying rounds on Saturday with the top 16 qualifiers advancing to five rounds of elimination matches on Sunday. Each of the six RPIs also will be webcast live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

"This is one of the most exciting initiatives for the PBA Regional program ever and shows the PBA's commitment to developing great players on the regional level," said PBA Commissioner Tom Clark. "It makes the races for the RPI spots in each region even more compelling and the resulting Xtra Frame and TV exposure for the regional program will shed more light on one of the most important foundations of the PBA."

The 2012-13 RPI program is based upon competition points earned by players within each region between Sept. 1, 2012, and July 15, 2013. A total of 48 players within each of the six regions (including the combined West and Northwest Regions) will be eligible for the RPI finals, with preferred entry status awarded to the points leaders in each area.

For complete format, schedule and entry information, visit [pba.com](http://pba.com).

The newly-announced ESPN-TOC incentives add another dimension to the program. The six RPI winners will compete in a one-hour ESPN-televised event. The East, Central and South RPI winners will bowl in the first one-game match, and the Midwest, Southwest and West-Northwest winners will bowl in the second. The winners of those two matches will meet in a final game to determine the player who will earn special PBA Tournament of Champions consideration.

If the winner of the ESPN telecast is already a PBA Tour champion and currently eligible for the TOC, he/she will move to the top of the TOC eligibility list. If the winner is not a PBA Touring member and/or not already eligible for the TOC, he/she will become eligible for a one-time opportunity to bowl in the 2014 TOC.

## 2013 PBA REGIONAL PLAYERS INVITATIONAL SCHEDULE

- Aug. 2-4 – PBA South Region Regional Players Invitational, Break Point Alley, Tavares, Fla.
- Aug. 31-Sept. 2 – PBA Midwest Regional Players Invitational, Super Bowl, Peru, Ill.
- Sept. 6-8 – PBA Southwest Regional Players Invitational, Firelake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla.
- Sept. 13-15 – PBA Central Regional Players Invitational, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.
- Sept. 20-22 – PBA East Regional Players Invitational, to be announced.
- Sept. 27-29 – PBA West/Northwest Regional Players Invitational, National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev.

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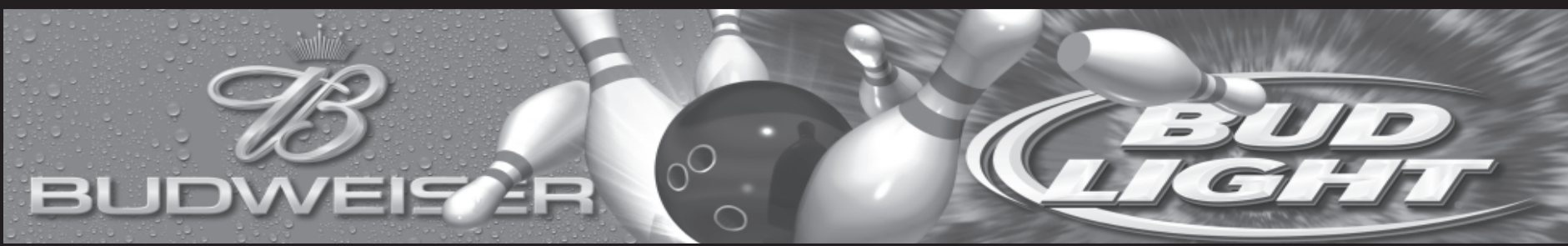
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The Financial Advisors Super Sweeper Sidepot

\$10 weekly entry fee per bowler, with half of the money being paid out each week, and the other half going towards the huge payouts on sweeper night at the end of the season.  
With 47 entries on Monday, the Financial Advisors sidepot is looking at \$235 in the weekly sidepot and \$9000 estimated for sweeper night. The top three series will get paid, as well as the top 16 games bowled that night. Bowlers are eligible to cash in each game.  
Financial Advisors Super Sweeper Sidepot, will be adding \$1,000 to the total collected. If you win 2 Super Pots all season you'll be ahead before we even get to sweepers with the \$9000 payout. 100% of all money collected will be paid out for the season.

One Won't Do — Gotta Be Two

DOWNEY — SYSCO and TIFCO INDUSTRIES met Monday nite with a 5/0 decision for SYSCO. Next week THREADWORKS will attempt to hold back the SYSCO steam rollers. One win won't do, team SYSCO needs two (2) to win the round, one is a tie.  
The rest of the teams will be bowling, but you can bet there will be a hot path to the SYSCO/THREADWORKS match.  
Herbert Jones, Ryan Cunningham and Vernon Adams all cashed in on sidepots, plus Ryan's 280 game was high for the FINANCIAL ADVISORS pot. Other good games (for this oil pattern) Mikey Villareal 257, Raul Rosales 254, Joe Jimenez 247, Miguel Garcia 247, and Kevin Valmonte 244.  
Some people reading about the Ebonite Elite League might not know about the "TOUGH ROUND TORTURE". But remember: No pain.. no gain!!  
Billy Myers Jr. is still holding the high average of 230. Keith Laing and Vernon Adams trail close behind at 222, with Bobby Campagnale hanging tough at 220 for 39 games.  
Monday is the final week for the "RUE MORGUE" condition. (I made that up!) Next comes the "HEAVY OIL " round. Believe it or not, past Eboniters consider it at least playable. Balls are not going to fly off the lanes! Ten pins will be makeable with the right equipment. Pins could slide around on the pin-deck breaking up split leaves, and strings of strikes are possible. Won't be easy, but for the guys who can figure it out — it WILL BE PLAYABLE.  
Seats available Monday nights at 8 P.M. to catch the match.



TOP 2 TEAMS ROUND 2

SYSCO	THREADWORKS
Paul Barraco	Paul Varela
Charlie Kinstler	Ryan Cunningham
Gabriel Martinez	Eric Snow
Dean Sanderson	Mikey Villarreal

TOP 10 LAST WEEK  
(On the Short Oil Round)

681	Joe Jimenez
679	Herbert Jones
646	Billy Myers Jr.
645	Kevin Valmonte
639	Paul Barraco
636	Greg Neuer
625	Mikey Villareal
623	Gabriel Martinez
619	Harry Wong
609	Kurt Arakaki

Sidepot Winners  
Game 1 251 Herbert Jones  
Game 2 280 Ryan Cunningham  
Game 3 234 Vernon Adams  
Financial Advisors Pot  
280 Ryan Cunningham

STANDINGS ROUND 2  
( Week 6 of 7 )

Sysco	25
Threadworks	22
Pro Approach	19
Tifco Industries	19
Junior Amateur Tour	18
Linder Insurance	18
GJC Services	17
Clydes Video Games	15
Bowlum	15
Western Pacific Bowling Supply	14
A.B.T.A.	12
Herzog Insurance	11
Power House Video Games	11
Ultimate Hdcp. Bowling Tour	11
Kegel \$	9
A Different Look Cabinets	4



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