

Sweden's Jesper Svensson Wins PBA Chameleon Championship

Two-handed rookie tops all-international field for second PBA Tour title

RENO, Nev. — Sweden's Jesper Svensson, a 20-year-old two-handed player, won his second Professional Bowlers Association Tour title, and first on American soil, when he defeated Germany's Pascal Winternheimer, 267-193, to win the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com at the National Bowling Stadium.

The Chameleon Championship aired Sunday on ESPN. It was the third of four "animal pattern" championships contested during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy. It also was the first PBA Tour event held in the United States to feature an all-international field of finalists.

"It feels great. I didn't expect it," Svensson said. "I know how hard it is to win over here. This means everything to me; it's really what I want to do."

Svensson, a slender 6-foot-3 158-pound rookie, defeated England's Stuart Williams, 245-188, in their semifinal round match while Winternheimer, bowling in his first PBA World Series, eliminated Denmark's Thomas Larsen, 235-216, in the other semifinal match.

After an admitted nervous lapse in failing to convert a 3-5-6-10 spare attempt in his opening frame against Williams, Svensson went on a strike binge, throwing seven strikes in an eight-frame run to race away from Williams and then throwing nine strikes in his first 11 attempts against Winternheimer.

With his win, Svensson became the only PBA Tour rookie to win two titles in 2015. Earlier in the year, he captured the 13th Kingdom of Bahrain Open in Sitra, Bahrain, a PBA International Tour event.

"The biggest difference between winning here and in Europe is there are so many good bowlers here," Svensson said. "To be able to win here is the biggest thing that has ever happened to me. I was a bit nervous at the start, but I was able to clear my mind and throw a couple of good shots."

Like the majority of emerging two-handed players, Svensson began bowling with both hands as a toddler, but he is young enough that he was able to learn from other two-handed players who were beginning to establish themselves in the global bowling arena.

"I grew up watching the two-handers — (Finland's) Osku (Palermmaa) and Belmo (Australia's Jason Belmonte) — as soon as I was old enough to use a computer," he said. "I watched them on YouTube, maybe when I was around 10."

Svensson's future plans include bowling full-time in PBA Tour competition, beginning with the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions in Shawnee, Okla., Feb. 1-7.

PBA World Series coverage on ESPN continues with the finals of the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno-Tahoe USA next Sunday at 1 p.m. EST. Finalists include Jason Sterner of Covington, Ga., vs. PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., and Rhode Island's Jon Van Hees vs. Lonnie Waliczek of Wichita, Kan., in the semifinal round. The winners will bowl for the Scorpion title.

PBA CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY HOTELPLANNER.COM

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev. (contested Dec. 18, aired on Jan. 3 on ESPN)

Championship: Jesper Svensson, Sweden (\$20,000) def. Pascal Winternheimer, Germany (\$10,000), 267-193.

Semifinal Round (losers each earned \$5,000): Svensson def. Stuart Williams, England, 245-188. Winternheimer def. Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 235-216.

PBA MEDIA ADVISORY

Sunday on ESPN: PBA Scorpion Championship at 1 p.m. ET

RENO, Nev. – PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III will try for his second title of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy and the 36th of his career when the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA finals air Sunday at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN.

In the concluding tournament of the 2015 Tour season, Bohn survived two dramatic roll-offs, including one in the fifth and final game of his best-of-five single-elimination Round of 8 match, to advance to the finals.

Bohn, who won the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game earlier in WSOB VII to notch his 35th Tour title moving into sole possession of fifth place on the all-time PBA Tour titles list, defeated 18-year-old Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, 3-2 (264-246, 192-259, 226-237, 196-196, 247-247) in the Round of 8. He won a five-frame roll-off in the fourth game to stay alive and then survived a three-frame roll-off in the fifth game to win the match. Bowling fans had the opportunity to witness the dramatic matches live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame.

For a video preview of the Scorpion Championship visit <https://youtu.be/KJRNFGgvtHE>

Also advancing to the TV finals was Lonnie Waliczek of Wichita, Kan., who defeated four-time Tour winner Dom Barrett of England, 3-0 (206-162, 234-208, 222-222) winning a roll-off in the final game in the Round of 8 to advance. Waliczek will be trying for his third Tour title and first since 2003.

Jason Sterner of Covington, Ga., trying for his second title, defeated Rolltech PBA World Championship runner-up EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 3-1 (198-173, 192-205, 256-219, 238-233) to earn his berth in the ESPN finals.

Jon Van Hees of Charlestown, R.I., defeated two-time Tour winner Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., 3-2 (194-206, 244-228, 226-218, 191-235, 268-259), in the Round of 8. Van Hees, making his first television final, is not only trying for his first PBA Tour title, but hoping to become the first Rhode Island native ever to win a PBA Tour title.

Following Sunday's telecast, World Series action from Reno on ESPN will include the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship presented by Storm on Sunday, Jan. 17 at 1 p.m. ET and the PBA Challenge Finals presented by the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame on Sunday, Jan. 24 at 3 p.m. ET.

For all the latest World Series of Bowling news and information, bowling fans can tap into the PBA Network on pba.com and follow the PBA on its official Facebook page and on Twitter @PBATour.

Dear member of the news media:

You are invited to attend the live ESPN finals of the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions on Sunday, Feb. 7, at 1 p.m. Central at the FireLake Arena in Shawnee, Okla. The historic event will be conducted on a special bowling lane installation inside the arena, which is located just south of the FireLake Bowling Center on the south side of Shawnee.

If you and/or a member of your staff would like to attend the finals and require working space, please let us know so we can make sure you have the services you need. WiFi will be available on-site. We also can accommodate a photographer representing your publication/station.

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Perfect Game Vaults Novak into PBA Cheetah Championship Qualifying Lead

Top 24 set for match play elimination rounds as GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII gets underway

RENO, Nev. – A 300 in his final game Tuesday pushed three-time Professional Bowlers Association’s regional titlist Brandon Novak of Chillicothe, Ohio, into the qualifying lead in the PBA Cheetah Championship, presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game, as well as the early lead in PBA World Championship qualifying, as the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII got underway at the National Bowling Stadium.

The Cheetah Championship is a PBA Tour title event, and it also is the first of four animal pattern qualifying stages leading to the PBA World Championship, the final major championship of the 2016 season. The World Championship will be decided live on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET.

Novak rolled games of 205, 269, 268, 247, 212, 226 and 231 before capping his round with his perfect game. With a 1,958 total, he overtook early leader BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., by nine pins. Novak and Moore are both 28-year-old fourth-year PBA Tour competitors who are trying for his first PBA Tour title.

“I had the front seven strikes in the last game and realized if I could shoot 300, I’d lead the tournament,” said Novak, whose highest previous finish in a PBA Tour event was a tie for ninth place in the United States Bowling Congress Masters earlier in the year. “I practiced with two balls yesterday, and I just happened to pick the right ball today. It matched up perfectly. Then it was just a matter of making good shots and staying focused.”

Moore, a newlywed (he married Professional Women’s Bowling Association competitor T’Nia Falbo in September), was a member of the 2016 PBA League Elias Cup champion Dallas Strikers team, but he has never finished higher than sixth place in PBA Tour singles competition.

“This has always been an event where I’ve been close to making the cut, but I never could get past the edge,” Moore said. “I worked with (long-time PBA Tour ball rep) Chris Schlemer during practice Monday and he gave me a couple of trigger points to try to make things as simple as possible. Admittedly, I have a tendency to over-think things, but with one or two things to think about, it helped me slow down and become more fluid. That’s all I worked on in practice and obviously it paid off.”

In third place was Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., who won his 10th and 11th PBA Tour titles earlier in the year. Rash closed his round with back-to-back 279 games to finish with a 1,898 total, 20 pins ahead of Greg Ostrander of Freehold, N.J., and 27 pins ahead of EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind.

Among the surprise contenders was Poland’s Daria Pajak, who finished one pin behind Tackett. A June graduate of Florida’s Webber International University bowling in her first PBA Tour event, Pajak hopes to join Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y. (2014), and Clara Guerrero of Colombia (2013) as the third woman to advance to a Cheetah Championship television final. She will be among the top 24 Cheetah qualifiers who will return to the National Bowling Stadium for best-of-five-game match play eliminations on Tuesday, Dec. 6 and Thursday, Dec. 8 to determine the top four players for the ESPN match play finals that will be contested on Saturday, Dec. 10, for tape-delayed telecast on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 1 p.m. ET. The Cheetah finals will be live-streamed on ESPN3 on Dec. 10 at 4 p.m. ET.

WSOB VIII competition, which includes 169 bowlers from 23 countries, continues Wednesday with qualifying in the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com. The Chameleon round also is the second stage in PBA World Championship qualifying. After the Scorpion and Shark Championship stages Thursday and Friday, respectively, the top 42 players based on 32-game pinfall totals will advance to the PBA World Championship cashers on Sunday.

All qualifying and match play elimination rounds in the World Series are being covered live, exclusively by PBA’s online live-streaming service, Xtra Frame. To sign up for an Xtra Frame subscription, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA CHEETAH CHAMPIONSHIP

presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Tuesday

Final Standings (after 8 games; top 24 advance to best-of-five-game match play elimination round on Tuesday, Dec. 6):

- 1, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,958.
- 2, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 1,949.
- 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,898.
- 4, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,878.
- 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,871.
- 6, w-Daria Pajak, Poland, 1,870.
- 7, Pascal Winternheimer, Germany, 1,868.
- 8, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 1,857.
- 9, Francois Louw, South Africa, 1,854.
- 10, Dom Barrett, England, 1,847.
- 11, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,836.
- 12, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,834.
- 13, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,832.
- 14, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 1,826.
- 15, Richie Teece, England, 1,825.
- 16 (tie), Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, and Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,812.
- 18, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,811.
- 19, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,808.
- 20, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,807.
- 21, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,804.
- 22, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,801.
- 23, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,800.
- 24, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,798.

Failed to advance:

- 25, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,797.
- 26, Zhiyong Wang, China, 1,796.
- 27, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,793.
- 28, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,790.
- 29, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,788.
- 30, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,786.
- 31, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,777.
- 32, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 1,770.
- 33, w-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,767.
- 34, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,765.
- 35, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,764.
- 36, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,762.
- 37 (tie), Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y., and Daniel Fransson, Sweden, 1,761.
- 39, Liu Shaoyi, China, 1,756.
- 40, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,755.
- 41 (tie), Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., and Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,753.
- 43, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,751.
- 44 (tie), Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,750.
- 46, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,747.
- 47, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 1,741.
- 48, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,738.
- 49 (tie), Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, and Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,737.
- 51 (tie), Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill.; Carsten Hansen, Denmark, and Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,730.
- 54 (tie), Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif.; Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., and Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,727.
- 57, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,724.
- 58, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 1,722.
- 59, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,719.
- 60 (tie), Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.; Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., and Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,718.
- 63, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,714.
- 64 (tie), w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, and Cody McCowin, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,713.
- 66, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,712.
- 67, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,711.

68 (tie), Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla.; Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, and Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,710.
71, Markus Jansson, Sweden, 1,709.
72, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,708.
73, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 1,706.
74, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 1,705.
75 (tie), Xu Chen, China, and Francois Lavoie, Canada, 1,700.
77, Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., 1,698.
78, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,697.
79 (tie), David Haynes, Las Vegas, and Anton Ahlgren, Sweden, 1,694.
81 (tie), Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va.; Michael Wittendorff, Denmark; Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., and Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 1,693.
85, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,692.
86 (tie), Graham Fach, Canada, and Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 1,690.
88 (tie), Chris Bolosan, Newport News, Va., and Stuart Williams, England, 1,688.
90 (tie), Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., and Lucas Legnani, Argentina, 1,687.
92 (tie), Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C., and Pontus Andersson, Sweden, 1,685.
94, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,684.
95 (tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,683.
97, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,681.
98, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,677.
99, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,676.
100, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,674.
101, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 1,670.
102, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,661.
103, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,657.
104 (tie), Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., and Zhongli Mi, China, 1,653.
106, Casey Knutson, Sparks, Nev., 1,652.
107, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,651.
108, Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 1,646.
109, Wang Hongbo, China, 1,642.
110 (tie), John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., and Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,635.
112 (tie), Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., and Brett Cooper, Denver, 1,634.
114, Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 1,632.
115, Mohamed Janahi, Bahrain, 1,626.
116, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,619.
117, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 1,618.
118 (tie), Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., and Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,617.
120, Lou Yi, China, 1,616.
121, Qi Wankang, China, 1,615.
122, w-Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,614.
123, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,602.
124, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,596.
125, Isaac Russell, Malaysia, 1,595.
126, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,594.
127, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,593.
128, Martin Bedford, Altus, Okla., 1,589.
129, Lars Nielsen, Denmark, 1,586.
130 (tie), LeVinc Samuels, Bermuda; Jonathan Wilbur, North Clarendon, Vt., and Hashim Guinomla, Philippines, 1,584.
133, Zhang Haitao, China, 1,582.
134, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,576.
135, David Krol, Nixa, Mo., 1,571.
136, Yong-Jin Gu, South Korea, 1,567.
137, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 1,566.
138, Wang Dali, China, 1,565.
139, Ray Teece, England, 1,564.
140, w-Ingelimar Beasley, Venezuela, 1,558.
141, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,553.
142, David Maycock, Bermuda, 1,546.

143 (tie), Shawn Maldonado, Houston; Clint Land, Houston, and w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,544.
146 (tie), Agustin Aranguren, Argentina, and Will Vidulich, Parsippany, N.J., 1,538.
148, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,525.
149 (tie), Andrew Cain, Phoenix, and Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,507.
151, Paul Moor, England, 1,506.
152, Tobias Boerding, Germany, 1,502.
153, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 1,501.
154, w-Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 1,498.
155, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 1,492.
156 (tie), Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., and w-April Lordwittig, Steilacoom, Wash., 1,483.
158, w-Jill Creamer, Folsom, Calif., 1,465.
159, Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., 1,452.
160, Douglas Hankins, Boise, Idaho, 1,440.
161, J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,395.
162, Russell Lopes, Carmichael, Calif., 1,384.
163, Mateo Hernandez, Argentina, 1,381.
164, Stephen Bennett, Hampton, Va., 1,377.
165, Rickai Binns, Bermuda, 1,334.
166, Tim Frenz, Dickinson, N.D., 1,326.
167, Xiao Lu, China, 1,260.
168, Cody Copeland, Abilene, Texas, 1,240.
169, Adrian McCoy, British Virgin Islands, 1,213.

300 Games: Jake Peters, Mitch Beasley, Brandon Novak, Matt O'Grady.

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About the PBA

The Professional Bowlers Association (PBA) is an organization of more than 3,200 of the best bowlers from 27 countries who compete in PBA Tour, PBA International Tour, QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour, PWBA/PBA Women's Regional and PBA50 Tour events. The PBA is in its 57th consecutive year of nationally-televised competition, reaching bowling fans around the world who follow PBA activities through the PBA Network which includes Xtra Frame, the PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, ESPN and CBS Sports Network, and the PBA on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube. PBA sponsors include Barbasol, Brunswick, Ebonite International, GEICO, Grand Casino Hotel and Resort, HotelPlanner.com, MOTIV, 900 Global, PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game, QubicaAMF, Silver Legacy Resort & Casino, South Point Hotel Casino and Spa, Storm Products and the United States Bowling Congress, among others. For more information, log on to www.pba.com.

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You also are cordially invited to attend any or all of the competition prior to the finals. Qualifying and match play will take place Tuesday, Feb. 2 thru Friday, Feb. 5, at FireLake Bowling Center...and as always, the PBA will provide comprehensive daily coverage, including agate summaries listing all players.

Members of the working news media also are invited to attend the PBA Hall of Fame and Awards Dinner on Monday, Feb. 1, at 6 p.m. at the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort. Please RSVP if you would like to attend the dinner.

In advance, thank you for your assistance. Please advise if you have any questions.

PBA Spare Shots

PBA TOUR RETURNS TO ACTION IN 2016 DHC PBA JAPAN INVITATIONAL

Fourteen PBA Tour stars, along with a representative of the PWBA and one Korea PBA player, will join 16 Japanese professional bowlers in the 2016 DHC PBA Japan Invitational Jan. 15-17 in Tokyo. The tournament format includes four eight-game rounds of head-to-head match play leading to a five-player stepladder final that will air on ESPN2 at 2 p.m. EST on Sunday, Jan. 31.

The 32-game round-robin match play competition will be covered live, exclusively by PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, marking the second year in a row Xtra Frame has covered the event for PBA's global audience.

PBA players making the trip to Tokyo include defending champion **Chris Barnes**, Double Oak, Texas; **Dom Barrett**, England; **Parker Bohn III**, Jackson, N.J.; **Ryan Ciminelli**, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; **Norm Duke**, Clermont, Fla.; **Liz Johnson**, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; **Aaron Lorincz**, Belleville, Mich.; **Danielle McEwan**, Stony Point, N.Y.; **Amleto Monacelli**, Venezuela; **Bill O'Neill**, Langhorne, Pa.; **Sean Rash**, Montgomery, Ill.; **Ronnie Russell**, Marion, Ind.; **Ryan Shafer**, Horseheads, N.Y.; **John Szczerbinski**, North Tonawanda, N.Y., and **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**, Oxford, Fla.

Barnes, who returns as defending champion, will make his first PBA appearance since undergoing back surgery in early October. Bohn, Monacelli and Johnson were invited to bowl by DHC, the event sponsor. The others earned berths based on combined qualifying totals in the Xtra Frame PBA South Point Las Vegas Open and the Bowlmor AMF U.S. Open. McEwan was the leading woman bowler in that group. Shafer was next in line to fill the vacancy created by Australia's **Jason Belmonte**, who withdrew to stay home awaiting the birth of his third child.

Xtra Frame's live coverage by **Mike Jakubowski** and **Jef Goodger** will include eight-game match play rounds Friday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m. and 1 a.m. EST (10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Japan), and at the same times on Saturday. First prize in the tournament is \$40,000 along with a PBA Tour title if the winner is a PBA member.

CIMINELLI CLIMBS TO TOP OF ALL-TIME PBA TV FINALS AVERAGE LIST

Helped by his late-season surge on television, three-time 2015 PBA Tour title winner **Ryan Ciminelli** has climbed to the top of the all-time PBA television finals average list. Among players with at least 10 career television appearances, Ciminelli has an average of 230.55 in 14 career TV finals.

The top 10 in career averages on TV includes the following:

- 1, **Ryan Ciminelli**, 230.55 (14 career TV appearances).
- 2, **Roger Bowker**, 229.17 (16).
- 3, **Norm Duke**, 228.89 (113).
- 4, **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**, 228.32 (176).
- 5, **Doug Kent**, 227.48 (35).
- 6, **Wes Malott**, 227.37 (42).
- 7, **Mika Koivuniemi**, 227.14 (41).
- 8, **Steve Hoskins**, 226.08 (30).
- 9, **Barry Asher**, 225.77 (20).
- 10, **Robert Smith**, 225.56 (23).

PBA HALL OF FAMER MIKE DURBIN ELECTED TO USBC HALL OF FAME

PBA Hall of Famer **Mike Durbin** of Dallas and 16-time PWBA title winner **Kim Adler** will be inducted into the United States Bowling Congress Hall of Fame in the Superior Performance category on April 28 in Las Vegas.

Durbin, a 14-time PBA Tour champion including three Tournament of Champions titles, was inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 1984. Now 74, Durbin began his career as PBA Rookie of the Year in 1967 and ended it as ESPN color analyst working alongside newly-elected PBA Hall of Famer **Denny Schreiner**. Schreiner will be inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame on Feb. 1 in Shawnee, Okla., along with PBA50 Tour star **Pete Couture** and long-time PBA South Region manager **Harry O'Neale**.

Adler and Durbin will be inducted by USBC along with two-time Open Championships titlist **Steve Kloempken**, PBA50 Tour standout **Harry Sullins** and long-time women's bowling promoter/publicist **Joan Romeo**.

WILL THE REAL MIKE SLADE PLEASE STAND UP?

Bowling fans who are familiar with PBA history recognize the name **Mike Slade** not only as one of the three former Microsoft executives who purchased the PBA in 2000, but as PBA's current chairman of the board. So when ESPN began running a new ad campaign to promote the fact that fans can stream all ESPN content on their mobile devices (including PBA telecasts) using the updated ESPN App, it was a bit confusing because the "Mike Slade" character in the ad looks a lot more like the late Apple founder **Steve Jobs** than the real Mike Slade.

Click here to check out the full story behind the ad (<http://www.espnfrontrow.com/2016/01/espns-unveil-app-ad-pays-homage-to-mike-slade/>), but in a nutshell, the commercial is a tribute to Slade in recognition of his instrumental role in launching the forerunner of ESPN.com back in 1995.

The real Mike Slade, who is portrayed as "ESPN Director of Digital Innovation & Integration" by actor **Michael Broadhurst**, said of the commercial, "I loved the idea. It's super flattering, and it appeals to my quirky sense of humor in that it's both a backhand compliment and kind of an inside joke, all combined into one great spot. It has my friends very confused, which is great."

The moral of the story: no matter where you are, you can now use the WatchESPN app on your mobile device to watch live PBA telecasts. As the commercial's tagline says, "If it's on ESPN, it's on the ESPN app."

CARMEN SALVINO TO IMPROVE ON HIS OWN RECORD IN 2016 FIRELAKE TOC

PBA Hall of Famer **Carmen Salvino**, who celebrated his 82nd birthday on Nov. 23, is among the early entries in the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions. Upon throwing his first ball in competition, Salvino, who finished third in the inaugural Tournament of Champions in Indianapolis in 1962 (that's 54 years ago), will improve upon his own record as the oldest player to bowl in a PBA Tour event. The native Chicagoan bowled in the 50th anniversary Barbasol PBA TOC in 2015 in Indianapolis at the age of 81.

Salvino is one of seven PBA Hall of Famers already entered. Others include **Parker Bohn III**, Jackson, N.J.; **Jason Couch**, Clermont, Fla.; **Norm Duke**, Clermont, Fla.; **Amleto Monacelli**, Venezuela; **Pete Weber**, St. Ann, Mo., and **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**, Oxford, Fla.

TOC week officially gets underway on Monday, Feb. 1, with the PBA Hall of Fame dinner and induction ceremonies at 6 p.m. at the Grand Casino Resort & Hotel when long-time ESPN announcer **Denny Schreiner**, former PBA South Region tournament manager **Harry O'Neale** and PBA50 Tour star **Pete Couture** will be honored.

The PBA Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open, a PBA Regional tournament and TOC qualifying event at FireLake Bowling Center over Jan. 29-31 weekend will set the stage for the start of TOC week.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: VIRGINIA TOURNAMENT KICKS OFF 2016 PBA REGIONAL SEASON

PBA Regional competition in 2016 gets underway over the Jan. 8-10 weekend with the PBA Village Lanes Gloucester South Open in Gloucester, Va., followed by a PBA South Region doubleheader, the PBA50 and PBA Shore Lanes/Sill's Pro Shop Merritt Island Opens presented by Storm over the Jan. 15-17 weekend.

The PBA Central Region returns to action in 2016 with the Don Vay Memorial PBA/PBA50 Central Doubles Classic presented by Ebonite at Legend Lanes in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

In addition to the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., the Jan. 29-31 weekend includes the PBA West and Northwest Regions will conduct the Sands Regency West/Northwest Challenge (for non-champions), Sands/Regency Winter Classic and PBA50 Sands/Regency Winter Classic – all presented by Storm – at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno. Also on the calendar is the PBA50 Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by 900 Global at Arlington Lanes in Arlington Heights, Ill.

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QUICK NOTES

- **Dan Blakeslee** of St. Mary's, Ga., and **Jon Criswell** of Coral Springs, Fla., are December winners of new high-performance bowling balls, simply by joining the growing fans who follow the PBA by watching exclusive live video-streaming coverage on Xtra Frame. As new subscribers, Blakeslee won a new MOTIV ball while Criswell won a DV8 ball. New subscribers (monthly plan \$7.99 or 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99) each month are automatically entered into the sweepstakes sponsored by MOTIV and DV8, two members of the PBA's Product Registered family.

- The December winner of the HotelPlanner.com sweepstakes, including a \$200 gift certificate for future lodging, is **Mike Eaton** of Mason, Ohio. Eaton was automatically entered in the monthly sweepstakes after booking a room through HotelPlanner.com's link on pba.com.

Jon Van Hees Wins PBA Scorpion Championship for First PBA Tour Title

11-year veteran becomes first Rhode Island native to win a PBA Tour title

RENO, Nev. – Jon Van Hees' patience finally paid its biggest dividend when the 11-year part-time Professional Bowlers Association Tour competitor from Charlestown, R.I., defeated Jason Sterner of Covington, Ga., 202-176, to win the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA at the National Bowling Stadium, becoming the first Rhode Island native to win a PBA Tour title.

The Scorpion Championship aired Sunday on ESPN. It was the fourth and final "animal pattern" championship contested during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy.

"Elated, thousands of emotions," the 34-year-old Van Hees said about winning a title in his first national television appearance at the end of a string of 106 career tournaments. "I'm trying to get a handle on them. It's been an unbelievable 48 hours.

"I started this quest 27 years ago. I've always been kind of a late bloomer, but if I put the time and effort into it, I can usually get to where I want to go."

Van Hees got his title after surviving a 209-191 battle with Lonnie Waliczek of Wichita, Kan., in the semifinal round, and a couple of bad frames in the title match after building a nearly insurmountable lead. Sterner won his semifinal match by striking on eight of his first nine shots to run away from PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., 257-174.

He led Waliczek by 24 pins after seven frames before leaving the 4-6-7-9-10 "Greek church" and opening in the ninth frame. When Waliczek was unable to strike to close the gap, Van Hees threw three strikes in his 10th frame to seal a trip to the championship match where he started with three spares and a string of four strikes to build a 49-pin lead over Sterner. Van Hees left a 7-10 split in the eighth frame and failed to convert the 2-4-5-8 in the ninth, but Sterner wasn't able to close the gap.

"The guys told me it was going to go really fast, and I remember looking up and it was the eighth frame," Van Hees said. "Against Jason, I threw four really good shots in the middle when I needed them, and thankfully that was enough. Jason left three ringing 10 pins that made a big difference, but sometimes you get breaks and sometimes not. I've been on both sides.

"It's destiny," he added. "Sometimes you can't out-bowl destiny. I was hoping today would be my day, and fortunately it was."

PBA World Series coverage on ESPN continues with the stepladder finals of the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship presented by Storm next Sunday at 1 p.m. EST. Finalists include Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., and Australia's Jason Belmonte meeting PBA Tour rookie Matt McNeil of Prior Lake, Minn., and Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., in the first Baker format match. The winning team will bowl Josh Blanchard of Phoenix and Andres Gomez of Colombia in match two. That winner faces Finland's Osku Palermaa and England's Dom Barrett in the semifinal match. The winner will bowl for the title against top qualifiers Connor Pickford of Charlotte, N.C., and 18-year-old two-handed rookie Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas.

PBA SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY RENO TAHOE USA

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev. (contested Dec. 18, aired Jan. 10, on ESPN)

Championship: Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I. (\$20,000) def. Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga. (\$10,000), 202-176.

Semifinal Round (losers each earned \$5,000): Sterner def. Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 257-174. Van Hees def. Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 209-191.

PBA MEDIA ADVISORY

SUNDAY ON ESPN: Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship at 1 p.m. ET

RENO, Nev. - Two of PBA's rising stars and tournament qualifying leaders Connor Pickford of Charlotte, N.C., and teenage partner Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, earned the top qualifying position for Sunday's ESPN telecast of the Mark Roth/Marshall

Holman PBA Doubles Championship presented by Storm, from the National Bowling Stadium at 1 p.m. ET which is also available on mobile devices through the Watch ESPN app.

Pickford, 23, whose best career finish was second in the 2014 PBA Viper Championship, and Simonsen, an 18-year-old rookie whose top finish was third in the PBA Xtra Frame Pensacola Open earlier in the year, will wait in the wings as four other doubles teams battle for the opportunity to challenge them in the championship match.

In the opening match the team of two-time defending PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte of Australia and seven-time Tour titlist Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., will meet newcomer Matt McNiel of Prior Lake, Minn. and one-time Tour winner Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y. Belmonte and O'Neill made a strong charge in the final game of match play to make the finals coming from seventh to the fifth.

The winner of the opening match will then challenge the team of two-time Tour winner Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz. and three-time winner Andres Gomez of Colombia in the second match. The winner of that match then meets last year's Roth/Holman Doubles runners-up four-time Tour winner Dom Barrett of England and five-time champion Osku Palermaa of Finland in the semifinal.

The preliminary rounds of the Roth/Holman Doubles were held last October at the South Point Bowling Plaza Fall Classic in Las Vegas. Doubles teams competed in 20 team games of qualifying and match play with the top five doubles teams earning berths in the finals.

With a win, Simonsen could become the second youngest player to win a PBA Tour title. The record currently belongs to PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke, who won his first title in 1983 at the age of 18 years, 11 months, 8 days.

Following Sunday's telecast, World Series action from Reno on ESPN will wrap up with the PBA Challenge Finals presented by the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame on Sunday, Jan. 24 at 3 p.m. ET.

For all the latest World Series of Bowling news and information, bowling fans can tap into the PBA Network on pba.com and follow the PBA on its official Facebook page and on Twitter @PBATour.

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PBA Spare Shots

PARKER BOHN III ADVANCES TO THIRD PLACE IN ALL-TIME PBA TV APPEARANCES

By qualifying for the ESPN finals of the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA – on the heels of his victory in the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game – Hall of Famer **Parker Bohn III** broke a tie with **Norm Duke** and surpassed the legendary **Earl Anthony** to claim sole possession of third place on the all-time PBA Tour television appearances list.

Bohn made his 114th TV appearance in the Cheetah finals during GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII, surpassing Duke's 113 appearances and tying Anthony at 114. He then broke his tie with Anthony when he made TV final No. 115 in the Scorpion Championship.

It'll be more than a little challenging for Bohn to move up any higher, however. **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** is the runaway leader with 176 PBA Tour television appearances and **Pete Weber** is solidly entrenched in the No. 2 position with 136 finals.

Williams also is the leader in most TV match wins with 158 followed by Weber with 120, Duke with 99, Bohn with 94 and Anthony with 92. Here's a summary of the top 10 in all-time PBA Tour television appearances:

ALL-TIME PBA TOUR TELEVISION APPEARANCES (No. of matches won in parenthesis)

- 1, **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**, Oxford, Fla., 176 (153).
- 2, **Pete Weber**, St. Ann, Mo., 136 (120).

- 3, **Parker Bohn III**, Jackson, N.J., 115 (94).
- 4, **Earl Anthony**, 114 (92).
- 5, **Norm Duke**, Clermont, Fla., 113 (99).
- 6, **Marshall Holman**, Medford, Ore., 105 (66).
- 7, **Amleto Monacelli**, Venezuela, 95 (66).
- 8, **Mark Roth**, Fulton, N.Y., 93 (62).
- 9, **Mike Aulby**, Carmel, Ind., 88 (84).
- 10, **Brian Voss**, Centennial, Colo., 83 (83).

ROLLTECH PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TO RE-AIR ON ESPN SUNDAY

The finals of the 2015 Rolltech PBA World Championship will be re-broadcast Sunday at 3 p.m. EST, immediately following the finals of the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship, ESPN has announced. The two-hour doubles finals begin at 1 p.m., providing PBA fans with a four-hour “doubleheader.”

All fans also are reminded you can now watch PBA’s ESPN telecasts using the WatchESPN app on your mobile device or computer.

2016 XTRA FRAME COVERAGE BEGINS WITH DHC PBA JAPAN INVITATIONAL

Two significant live events are on tap as **Xtra Frame’s exclusive live coverage of** PBA’s 2016 season unfolds, beginning with on-the-scene coverage of the DHC PBA Japan Invitational in Tokyo beginning Friday, followed by the live announcement of the 2015 Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year, Harry Golden PBA Rookie of the Year, Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award winner and 2015 Tony Reyes PBA Community Service Award winner on Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 4 p.m. EST.

The DHC PBA Japan Invitational will feature four eight-game rounds of head-to-head match play for the 32-player field, leading to a five-player stepladder final that will air on ESPN2 at 2 p.m. EST on Sunday, Jan. 31.

Xtra Frame’s live coverage by **Mike Jakubowski** and **Jef Goodger** begins Friday at 8 p.m. and 1 a.m. EST (10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Japan), and at the same times on Saturday. First prize in the tournament is \$40,000 along with a PBA Tour title if the winner is a PBA member.

Also coming soon to Xtra Frame will be three weeks’ worth of action from back-to-back-to back PBA major championships. In addition to live coverage of qualifying and match play rounds of the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions (Saturday, Jan. 30-Friday, Feb. 5 including the FireLake Southwest Regional and TOC qualifying event) from Shawnee, Okla.; USBC Masters (Tuesday, Feb. 9-Saturday, Feb. 13) and Barbasol PBA Players Championship (Tuesday, Feb. 16-Friday, Feb. 19).

Bonus coverage will include the live PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies and presentation of awards to 2015 PBA award winners on Monday, Feb. 1, beginning at 7 p.m. ET from the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Event Center in Shawnee, Okla.

Bowling fans who want to subscribe to Xtra Frame have a variety of options: a three-day (72-hour) subscription costs \$3.99; a 30-day package is only \$7.99, and the 12-month XF Season Ticket is available for \$64.99. To sign up, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. New Xtra Frame subscribers are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes drawings for new high-performance bowling balls sponsored by MOTIV and DV8.

SEVEN PBA MEMBERS EARN BERTHS ON MEN’S TEAM USA 2016

Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., PBA’s 2014 Rookie of the Year, and PBA Regional titlist **Danielle McEwan** of Stony Point, N.Y., won the overall men’s and women’s titles in USBC’s Team USA Trials that concluded on Jan. 7 at the Gold Coast Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, each earning a fifth term on Team USA and leading a contingent of PBA members who will represent the United States in international competition in 2016.

Earning automatic spots on Team USA 2016 based on overall performances in the Trials was PBA member **Andrew Cain** of Phoenix and amateurs **Kamron Doyle** of Brentwood, Tenn.; **AJ Chapman** of Manchester, Iowa, and U.S. Amateur Champion **Chris Via** of Springfield, Ohio. Players added by the National Selection Committee were PBA members **Chris Barnes**, Double Oak, Texas; **Tommy Jones**, Simpsonville, S.C.; **Sean Rash**, Montgomery, Ill.; **John Szczerbinski**, North Tonawanda, N.Y.; and **Ronnie Russell**, Marion, Ind., along with amateurs **Rob Gotchall** of Clarksville, Tenn., and **John Janawicz** of Winter Haven, Fla.

Joining McEwan with automatic spots on women’s Team USA 2016 were PWBA/PBA members **Stefanie Johnson**, Grand Prairie, Texas; **Kelly Kulick**, Union, N.J., and **Shannon O’Keefe**, O’Fallon, Ill. National Selection Committee choices included **Shannon**

Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio; **Erin McCarthy**, Omaha, Neb; **Josie Earnest**, Nashville, Tenn.; **Bryanna Cote**, Red Rock, Ariz.; **Kayla Johnson**, Washington, Ill.; **Brittni Hamilton**, Webster, N.Y., and **Missy Parkin**, Laguna Hills, Calif.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: NON-MEMBER BOLOSAN WINS 2016 SOUTH REGION OPENER

Non-member **Rich Bolosan** of Newport News, Va., defeated top qualifier **Kyle Troup** of Taylorsville, N.C., 235-164, to win the 12th annual PBA Gloucester Southern Open at Village Lanes in Gloucester, Va., Sunday, kicking off the PBA South Region's 2016 season.

Bolosan earned \$2,500 while Troup, who also finished second in 2015, pocketed \$1,300 as runner-up. Because he is not a PBA member, Bolosan doesn't receive credit for a PBA title.

Bolosan defeated **Billy Rohde** of Marietta, Ga., 279-173, to open the stepladder finals and then eliminated newly-crowned PBA World Champion **Gary Faulkner Jr.** of Memphis, Tenn., 228-209, to advance to the title match.

- PBA South Region competition continues with a doubleheader this weekend. The PBA50 and PBA Shore Lanes/Sill's Pro Shop Merritt Island Opens presented by Storm is set for Saturday and Sunday in Merritt Island, Fla.
- The PBA Central Region kicks off its 2016 season with the Don Vay Memorial PBA/PBA50 Central Doubles Classic presented by Ebonite at Legend Lanes in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Jan. 22-24.
- In addition to the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla. – which also will serve as a FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions qualifying event – the Jan. 29-31 weekend includes the Sands Regency West/Northwest Challenge (for non-champions), Sands Regency Winter Classic and PBA50 Sands Regency Winter Classic – all presented by Storm – at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno. Also on the calendar is the PBA Midwest's first event of 2016, the PBA50 Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by 900 Global at Arlington Lanes in Arlington Heights, Ill.

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QUICK NOTES

- Reminder: all players and fans travelling to PBA Tour stops can get a special discount on United Airlines flights. When you book a flight, use the United code ZVYN122558 to obtain the discount. Follow the link below and enter the code into the Promotions and Certificates part at the bottom of the page: <https://www.united.com/ual/en/us/flight-search/book-a-flight>

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PBA Tour Players Hold Top Six Places in DHC PBA Japan Invitational After Two Rounds

TOKYO, Japan – PBA Tour players hold the top six spots after two rounds in the DHC PBA Japan Invitational at Tokyo Port Bowl.

Averaging 239, John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, N.Y. leads after 16 games of match play with a 12-4 match play record and a 4,191 pinfall including 30 bonus pins for each match won.

Szczerbinski, trying for his first PBA Tour title, holds a 31-pin lead over four-time Tour winner Dom Barrett of England in second with a 4,160 pinfall and a 12-4 match play record.

Japan Invitational defending champion and 18-time Tour winner Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas is in third with a 4,011 pinfall and 10-6 match play record. Barnes is returning to competition for the first time since undergoing back surgery in October.

Rounding out the top six are nine-time Tour winner Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,918 (13-3); three-time Tour winner Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,898 (11-5), and PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, 3,831 (10-6).

The tournament format includes four eight-game rounds of head-to-head match play leading to a five-player stepladder final that will air on ESPN2 at 2 p.m. ET on Sunday, Jan. 31.

The 32-game round-robin match play competition is being covered live, exclusively by PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, marking the second year in a row Xtra Frame has covered the event for PBA's global audience.

Xtra Frame's live coverage continues with eight-game match play rounds Friday at 8:25 p.m. Friday and Saturday at 1:40 a.m. ET.

DHC PBA JAPAN INVITATIONAL

Tokyo Port Bowl, Tokyo, Japan, Friday, Jan. 15

Second Round Standings (after 16 games of match play includes 30 bonus pins for matches won)

- 1, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 12-4, 4,191.
- 2, Dom Barrett, England, 12-4, 4,160.
- 3, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 10-6, 4,011.
- 4, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 13-3, 3,918.
- 5, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 11-5, 3,898.
- 6, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 10-6, 3,831.
- 7, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 13-3, 3,826.
- 8, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 10-5-1, 3,821.
- 9, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 9-5-2, 3,819.
- 10, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 8-8, 3,813.
- 11, Isao Yamamoto, Japan, 12-4, 3,801.
- 12, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 10-6, 3,779.
- 13, n-Yuta Saito, Japan, 9-7, 3,724.
- 14, n-Takuya Miyazawa, Japan, 7-9, 3,715.
- 15, n-Takuma Echigo, Japan, 9-7, 3,696.
- 16, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 9-7, 3,664.
- 17, Fujii Nobuhito, Toyko, Japan, 8-8, 3,579.
- 18, f-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 9-7, 3,559.
- 19, f-Hiroko Shimizu, Japan, 9-7, 3,553.
- 20, Pat Nolan, Japan, 8-7-1, 3,530.
- 21, f-Yuki Akiyoshi, Japan, 8-8, 3,503.
- 22, f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 4-12, 3,403.
- 23, f-Mai Takasaka, Japan, 6-9-1, 3,390.
- 24, f-Hiromi Matsunaga, Japan, 5-11, 3,389.
- 25, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4-12, 3,368.
- 26, f-Yuka Tsuchiya, Japan, 5-11, 3,359.
- 27, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 5-10-1, 3,337.
- 28, n-Ryo Yamanaka, Japan, 6-10, 3,305.
- 29, Meen Woo Kim, Korea, 4-12, 3,259.
- 30, Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, 4-12, 3,215.
- 31, f-Misa Domoto, Japan, 2-14, 3,062.
- 32, f-Yumi Nakajima, Japan, 2-14, 2,734.

n-denotes non-member

f-denotes female player

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Barbasol Unveils Ultimate PBA Prize Package Sweepstakes

Sweepstakes to run in conjunction with the Barbasol PBA Players Championship

CHICAGO (Jan. 15, 2016) – Barbasol Shaving Cream, title sponsor of the 2016 Barbasol PBA Players Championship, is offering PBA fans a unique opportunity to win the Ultimate PBA Prize Package Sweepstakes beginning today and running through March 5. The Grand Prize winner will receive a 15-minute video call from a current PBA star, a bowling pin autographed by PBA Tour bowler, a replica PBA jersey customized with the winner's name and a Barbasol prize pack.

Fans 13 and older should visit www.barbasol.com/PBA and follow the links and instructions for sweepstakes entry and for Official Rules. Fans also can connect to the sweepstakes by following the Barbasol Ultimate PBA Prize Package Sweepstakes link on pba.com and on PBA's social media outlets.

The Ultimate PBA Prize Pack Sweepstakes is being held in conjunction with the Barbasol PBA Players Championship at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio, beginning Feb. 15 and concluding with live ESPN television coverage on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 1 p.m. ET. A major championship on the 2016 PBA Tour schedule, the Barbasol PBA Players Championship will feature a 48-game qualifying and match play format, and a five-player stepladder final with a \$40,000 first prize. All of the preliminary rounds of Players Championship week will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service.

The Barbasol PBA Players Championship, open exclusively to PBA members, will get underway on Monday, Feb. 15, with practice and a celebrity pro-am. Eight-game qualifying rounds will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, followed by an eight-game cashers round on Thursday, and three eight-game round-robin match play rounds Thursday and Friday. Additional pro-am squads that provide an opportunity for Ohio grassroots adult, youth and senior league bowlers to bowl alongside the pros will be conducted on Saturday, leading up to Sunday's live ESPN finals.

"We're so pleased that Barbasol is offering this sweepstakes for PBA fans," said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark. "2016 is the PBA's Year of the Fan and this sweepstakes ties in perfectly with that theme."

Barbasol, the Official Shaving Cream of the PBA, is also a sponsor of the PBA League's Motown Muscle which will be in action in April as part of the PBA Maine Event in Portland, Maine.

England's Dom Barrett Leads Field into DHC PBA Japan Invitational Finals

Monacelli, Szczerbinski, Barnes, Kawazoe round out field of Jan. 31 finals on ESPN2

TOKYO, Japan – England's Dom Barrett averaged 234.4 while winning 23 of his 32 matches to earn the top berth for the stepladder finals of the DHC PBA Japan Invitational Saturday at Tokyo Port Bowl by 247 pins over PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela.

Rounding out the five-player field for the stepladder finals, which will air on Sunday, Jan. 31, at 2 p.m. ET on ESPN2, are John Szczerbinski of N. Tonawanda, N.Y.; defending DHC champion Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, and Japan's Shota Kawazoe. Kawazoe won the final berth in the stepladder finals by 32 pins over 38-time PBA Tour titlist Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla.

The DHC PBA Japan Invitational included a field of 15 PBA stars who earned invitations based on qualifying scores bowled during the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open and Bowlmor AMF U.S. Open last fall along with a representative of the Korea PBA and 16 Japanese players.

Barrett, a four-time PBA Tour title winner, is trying for his first title since winning the 2014 Qatar Open. He finished the 32-game round-robin match play portion of the tournament with a 8,191 pinfall total, including 30 bonus pins for each match win.

Monacelli, 54, is a 19-time PBA Tour champion and a five-time PBA50 Tour winner (including the 2015 USBC Senior Masters), but he hasn't won a PBA Tour title since 2005.

Szczerbinski, who is trying for his first PBA Tour title, earned the No. 3 berth in the finals by defeating Barnes, 232-227, in a one-game roll-off after they tied for third place.

Barnes, an 18-time PBA Tour title winner, is making his first PBA Tour appearance since undergoing surgery to repair a damaged disc in early October. Barnes bowled a 300 game on his way to winning the 2014 DHC PBA Japan Invitational title, earning a \$40,000 bonus in addition to the \$40,000 first prize.

Kawazoe, with 7,745 total pins, led the field of 16 Japanese players.

The DHC PBA Japan Invitational, conducted in cooperation with the PBA Japan Regional program, is the first singles event on the 2016 PBA Tour schedule. All match play competition was covered live on PBA's online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame.

DHC PBA JAPAN INVITATIONAL

Tokyo Port Bowl, Tokyo, Japan, Friday, Jan. 15

Final Match Play Standings (after 32 games, including 30 bonus pins. Top five advance to ESPN2 stepladder finals Sunday, Jan. 31, at 2 p.m. ET)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 23-9, 8,191.
- 2, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 24-8, 7,944.
- 3, x-John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 20-12, 7,827.
- 4, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 18-13-1, 7,827.
- 5, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 25-7, 7,745.

Other Cashers:

- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 19-11-2, 7,713, \$4,800.
 - 7, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 20-10-2, 7,668, \$4,400.
 - 8, n-Yuta Saito, Japan, 20-12, 7,650, \$4,000.
 - 9, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 22-10, 7,628, \$3,600.
 - 10, Isao Yamamoto, Japan, 21-11, 7,603, \$3,360.
 - 11, Fujii Nobuhito, Japan, 19-13, 7,596, \$3,040.
 - 12, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 19-13, 7,577, \$2,880.
 - 13, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 15-17, 7,497, \$2,720.
 - 14, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 18-14, 7,485, \$2,560.
 - 15, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 21-11, 7,443, \$2,400.
 - 16, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 16-16, 7,357, \$2,240.
 - 17, n-Takuya Miyazawa, Japan, 13-19, 7,208, \$2,200.
 - 18, f-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 16-16, 7,192, \$2,160.
 - 19, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 15-15-2, 7,086, \$2,120.
 - 20, n-Ryo Yamanaka, Japan, 15-17, 7,019, \$2,080.
 - 21, f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 12-20, 6,940, \$2,040.
 - 22, n-Takuma Echigo, Japan, 13-19, 6,920, \$2,000.
 - 23, f-Hiroko Shimizu, Japan, 14-18, 6,886, \$1,960.
 - 24, f-Mai Takasaka, Japan, 12-18-2, 6,773, \$1,920.
 - 25, f-Yuki Akiyoshi, Japan, 13-19, 6,737, \$1,880.
 - 26, Pat Nolan, Japan, 12-19-1, 6,675, \$1,840.
 - 27, f-Hiromi Matsunaga, Japan, 12-20, 6,648, \$1,800.
 - 28, f-Yuka Tsuchiya, Japan, 10-22, 6,602, \$1,760.
 - 29, Meen Woo Kim, Korea, 13-19, 6,450, \$1,720.
 - 30, Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, 8-24, 6,210, \$1,680.
 - 31, f-Misa Domoto, Japan, 5-27, 5,956, \$1,640.
 - 32, f-Yumi Nakajima, Japan, 4-28, 5,378, \$1,600.
- x-Szczerbinski def. Barnes, 232-227, in a one-game roll-off to decide the No. 3 berth for the stepladder finals.
- f-denotes female; n-denotes non-PBA member.

Simonsen, Pickford Win Roth/Holman Doubles Championship for First PBA Tour Titles

Texas teenager misses PBA record as youngest title winner by two days

RENO, Nev. – Teenager Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, and partner Connor Pickford of Charlotte, N.C., raced away from Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., and Andres Gomez of Colombia, 223-173, to win their first Professional Bowlers Association Tour titles in the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship presented by Storm, kicking off the PBA Tour's 2016 season.

In winning his first title, Simonsen, a two-handed player, became the second-youngest player to win a PBA Tour title, missing the record set by PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke in 1983 when he won the Cleveland Open at the age of 18 years, 345 days. Simonsen missed by two days.

The PBA Doubles Championship, contested during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy, aired Sunday on ESPN.

After earning the top berth in the Roth/Holman Doubles event during preliminary qualifying in the PBA Fall Classic in Las Vegas in October, Simonsen and Pickford charged into the lead with four consecutive strikes in the Baker format (alternate frame) title match

and never trailed against their more experienced opponents. Blanchard and Gomez threw back-to-back strikes in the second and third frames, but those were the only two strikes they recorded in the entire game.

"I think we both wish it would have happened (in Las Vegas)," Simonsen said of the finals, which were delayed to accommodate PBA's television package, "but sometimes you have to wait, and I think it worked out for the best.

"I was originally a little bitter about the age record," he added. If the finals had been held in Las Vegas and the team had won, Simonsen would have broken Duke's youngest titlist record. "Early in the year, when I found out what the record was, I made it a mission to bowl every tournament that offered a Tour title to get the record. But missing it by two days? A tour title is a tour title, no matter when it happens."

Pickford, whose closest brush with a title came in the 2014 PBA Viper Championship when he lost in the title match to Finland's Mika Koivuniemi, said he and Simonsen both had to overcome unsettled nerves.

"We were both nervous...but you have to keep it down to the process," the 23-year-old Pickford said. "There's already enough stuff running through your mind, so you have to dial it down to one shot, one frame at a time, and we were able to do that.

"It's an awesome feeling, an unbelievable feeling, for sure."

Simonsen and Pickford had never bowled as partners before the Roth/Holman Doubles. As "Team Fish" teammates for the five-player PBA Team Challenge during the PBA Fall Classic, Team Fish founder Kyle Troup and Pickford came up with doubles teams.

"Kyle wanted to bowl with Dick Allen; I was fine with Anthony," Pickford said. "We made an agreement a couple of months after meeting each other for the first time that the next doubles tournament that came along, we'd bowl together and it seemed to work out."

Blanchard and Gomez advanced to the title contest after winning their semifinal match against Finland's Osku Palermaa and England's Dom Barrett, 233-186. That win followed a 10-9 one-ball sudden death roll-off victory over Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., and Australia's Jason Belmonte after they tied at 216 in the second match. Needing a mark in the 10th frame for the win, Belmonte left a 2-8-10 split and picked up two pins to send the match into the roll-off.

O'Neill and Belmonte eliminated rookie Matt McNiel of Prior Lake, Minn., and Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., 196-153, in the first match.

PBA World Series coverage on ESPN concludes next Sunday, Jan. 24, at 3 p.m. EST with a special PBA Challenge Finals telecast. A four-match telecast featuring PBA50 Tour, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional, PBA Regional and Teen Masters contestants will conclude with four winners meeting in a "best frame" Clash of Champions. Finalists include Teen Masters Grand Championship boys and girls winners Brandon Soedarmasto of Levittown, N.Y., vs. Brigitte Jacobs of Freeport, Ill.; PWBA-PBA Women's Regional finalists Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, N.Y. (PBA East Region) vs. Ingelimar Beasley of Nashville, Tenn. (Midwest Region); PBA50 Tour finalists Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J. vs. Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela (replacing injured Pete Weber), and PBA Regional finalists Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz. (West Region) vs. Patrick Allen of Mount Kisco, N.Y. (East Region).

MARK ROTH/MARSHALL HOLMAN PBA DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY STORM
National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev. (contested Dec. 19, aired Jan. 17, on ESPN)

Final Standings: 1, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas/Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., \$22,000. 2, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz./Andres Gomez, Colombia, \$11,000. 3, Osku Palermaa, Finland/Dom Barrett, England, \$10,000. 4, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa./Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$9,000. 5, Matt McNiel, Prior Lake, Minn./Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., \$8,000.

Stepladder Results (Baker Doubles format): Match One – O'Neill/Belmonte def. McNiel/Pepe, 196-153. Match Two – Blanchard/Gomez def. O'Neill/Belmonte, 216-216, 10-9 in one-ball sudden death roll-off. Semifinal Match – Blanchard/Gomez def. Palermaa/Barrett, 233-186. Championship – Simonsen/Pickford def. Blanchard/Gomez, 223-173.

**Belmonte Looking Forward to 'Major' Stretch Beginning with
FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions**

Live ESPN coverage includes TOC finals on Feb. 7, USBC Masters on Feb. 14, Barbasol PBA Players Championship on Feb. 21

CHICAGO, Ill. - When two-time defending FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions winner Jason Belmonte competes in the 2016 edition of PBA's signature championship Feb. 1-7 in Shawnee, Okla., he will be focused on yet another career milestone that will add to what is already one of the best runs in PBA majors history.

The 32-year-old two-hander from Australia will be trying to win his third consecutive TOC title, something only PBA Hall of Famer Jason Couch has accomplished winning in 1999, 2000 and 2002 (the TOC was not held in calendar year 2001). The tournament's only other three-time winner is PBA and recent United States Bowling Congress Hall of Famer electee Mike Durbin, who won the TOC in 1972, 1982 and 1984.

Belmonte, who made an immediate impact on the sport with his revolutionary two-handed style when he earned PBA Rookie of the Year honors in 2009, has demonstrated his dominance in two of PBA's major tournaments, winning a record three straight USBC Masters titles in addition to back-to-back TOCs. He'll try to extend his Masters streak immediately following the TOC. The Masters, part of a three consecutive Sunday series of live PBA major championship telecasts on ESPN, will take place Feb. 8-14 in Indianapolis. The Barbasol PBA Players Championship is set for Feb. 16-21 in Columbus, Ohio.

"My biggest thought is to just bowl these events and not think about my successes in the past," said the 12-time Tour winner from his home in Orange, Australia where he and his wife Kimberly are awaiting the birth of their third child. "I am as hungry to win these events this season as I've always been.

"I do have to admit that sometimes I feel that I look in the rearview mirror a little bit and trip over with what's right in front of me, so I'll be guarding against doing that as much as possible."

Following his amazing start to the 2015 season, Belmonte appeared to be on his way to a third consecutive PBA Player of the Year title before he slumped a bit late in the year. Still considered a leading contender for the honor, he is awaiting word of the vote by his fellow players and bowling media veterans. The 2015 Player of the Year announcement will be made live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel on Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 3:45 p.m. ET.

After a 32nd-place finish in the Bowlmor AMF U.S. Open in November, Belmonte couldn't get on track in WSOB VII. He ended up with a 40th-place finish in the Rolltech PBA World Championship after failing to qualify for match play in all four of the animal pattern Tour events. While he has dominated the TOC and Masters, U.S. Open and World Championship titles remain elusive even though he has second-place finishes in each of them. He simply believes the minor setbacks of 2015 were object lessons as he heads into 2016.

"I feel my season was great until the World Series," Belmonte said. "I was in the top five for just under 50 percent of the tournaments I bowled. My performances at the U.S. Open and the World Championship weren't disasters. However, I always welcome the challenges of learning more about my game and how to better myself on the lanes.

"Learning from my mistakes has always been an important part of my growth as a bowler," Belmonte continued. "I admit I probably wasn't as sharp as I should have been mentally. I had distractions on my mind and that showed a poor performance. Accepting the challenges to get better and not run away from them will be the single biggest reason of my future success."

Belmonte looks at the upcoming events as an opportunity to return to the winner's circle despite what will be a grueling schedule.

"The TOC just happens to be the next event on Tour, but it could be any other event and my goal would be the same - to be sharp and ready upon arrival into the USA," Belmonte said. "This swing of events, though, would suggest that if there was a time to 'get back on track' it would probably be the best time for that to happen to me."

While he admits the thoughts of a new addition to the Belmonte household have been somewhat of a distraction, overall his family is his primary source of support and motivation.

"My family is the biggest source of motivation for me," Belmont said. "Their support is why I have been able to achieve what I have in my career. Kimberly is an amazing person and she understands the responsibility of what bowling is to our family and to me. Somehow Kimberly manages to juggle everything when I am gone and she assures me that even with a third little person in the mix, my career will go on as usual."

Youth Vs. Experience Highlights PBA's 2015 Regional Award Winners

CHICAGO (Jan. 19, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association's regional program, founded in 1970, has provided young bowlers with a proving ground to develop their skills in high-level competition against some of the sport's established stars. That mix of PBA Tour stars and emerging young talent was evident when John Weber, Director of PBA Regional and PBA50 Tours, announced the 2015 PBA Regional Awards winners Tuesday.

Recognized in the eight PBA Regional awards programs are Players of the Year, Rookies of the Year, PBA50 Players of the Year and Pat Patterson Award winners, which are presented to an individual or company for significant contributions to the success of the regional program. Award winners are selected by the PBA's regional managers: Russ Mills, East Region; Sam Zurich, South Region; Bob Jakel, Central Region; Rich Weber, Midwest Region; Pete McCordic, Southwest Region; Gary Mage, West and Northwest Regions, and Junia Yoshida, Japan Region.

Here's a summary of 2015 PBA Regional award winners:

East Region: Patrick Allen of Mount Kisco, N.Y., a four-time winner in the region in 2015, was selected as Player of the Year. Josh Schmehl of Seaford, Del., earned Rookie of the Year honors after cashing in all five events he entered. Brian LeClair of Albany, N.Y., won twice and had top-five finishes in all six events in his PBA50 "rookie" season to win PBA50 Player of the Year honors. Richard Byrd of Parkville, Md., was the East Region's Pat Patterson Award winner.

South Region: Jason Sterner, who now resides in Cocoa Beach, Fla., had five top-five finishes in the eight tournaments he entered, including three titles, to earn Player of the Year honors. Brandon Curtis of Manson, N.C., had two top-five finishes in his four events, including a fourth-place finish, to capture Rookie of the Year honors. PBA Hall of Famer Tom Baker of King, N.C., was named PBA50 Player of the Year for the fourth time after 10 cashes in 10 events, including three titles and four top-five finishes. Ed Tenan of Hayes, Va., was selected as Pat Patterson Award recipient.

Central Region: Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., won once and had five top-five finishes in capturing the Central Region Player of the Year award. Anthony Kennard of Wapakoneta, Ohio, won his first PBA Regional title and cashed five times in nine events to earn the Central Region's Dan Ottman Rookie of the Year award. Lennie Boresch Jr. of Kenosha, Wis., won PBA50 Player of the Year honors with four top-five finishes including two titles in four events. Jim Bryant of Hubbard, Ohio, was the Pat Patterson Award honoree.

Midwest Region: Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., won twice and had six top-five finishes while earning \$21,295 to win Midwest Region Player of the Year honors. AJ Johnson of Oswego, Ill., won his first PBA Regional title and had four top-five finishes in seven events to earn the Rookie of the Year nod. Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Township, Mich., repeated as Midwest PBA50 Player of the Year, winning one title and finishing in the top five eight times in nine PBA50 events. Ted Baer of Omaha received the Midwest Region Pat Patterson Award for the second time.

Southwest Region: Two-hander Shawn Maldonado of Houston racked up four wins in 14 tournaments to earn his second consecutive Southwest Region Player of the Year honor. He also had one runner-up two thirds and two fifth-place finishes. Will Barnes of Austin, Texas, completed his Rookie of the Year campaign with five cashes in 10 events, including his first regional title. David Scardaville of Houston won one of the two events he entered to earn PBA50 Player of the Year honors. Jimbo Evans of Lubbock, Texas, won his second Southwest Pat Patterson Award.

West Region: Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., won four titles in seven PBA West Region events to earn Player of the Year honors. Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., earned West Region Rookie of the Year with the help of four match play finals in the five tournaments he entered. Two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas made it a double by earning PBA50 Player of the Year honors in both the West and Northwest Regions. In the West he had two wins, two second-place and one third place finish. Ted Hoffman of Dublin, Calif., who won the West Region's inaugural Pat Patterson Award 43 years ago, in 1972, won it again in 2015.

Northwest Region: Two-time PBA Tour winner Josh Blanchard won Northwest Player of the Year honors with three top-five finishes that included one win, a third and fourth. Newcomer Cameron Weier of Federal Way, Wash., earned Region Rookie of the Year honors with five top-five finishes in five events including his first title. Ron Mohr of Las Vegas earned PBA50 Player of the Year honors in both the West and Northwest Regions. In the Northwest he had one win and two second-place finishes in the three events he entered. Grants Pass, Ore., proprietor and PBA50 competitor Kevin Croucher was recipient of the Northwest Region's Pat Patterson Award for the third time.

Japan Region: Pat Nolan earned PBA Japan Region Player of the Year honors as the region's leading player in competition points. Japan Bowling Promotion, under the leadership of managing director Shinichiro Kinoshita, was the winner of the Pat Patterson Award. Rookie and PBA50 awards were not presented in Japan in 2015.

The PBA conducted approximately 170 regional events during the 2015 season, including standard events, PBA50 and PBA60 events for players 50 and/or 60 years and older, "challenge" events for players who had not previously won PBA titles, and PWBA-PBA Women's Regional events. The leading players in competition points in standard and PWBA-PBA Women's events from each region were awarded paid entries into GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII in Reno, Nev., in December, and were invited to compete for berths in the PBA Regional and PWBA-PBA Women's Regional finals as part of the ESPN-televised PBA Challenge Finals.

During the 2015 season, the PBA Regional program also hosted a series of Xtra Frame PBA Tour events which included live online video streaming, enhanced prize funds and PBA Tour titles for the winners.

Sunday on ESPN: PBA Challenge Finals at 3 p.m. ET

PBA50, PBA Regional, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional and Teen Masters finalists meet in GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII finale

RENO, Nev. – ESPN coverage of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy PBA comes to an end Sunday when three of the Professional Bowlers Association's levels of competition and one of the sport's premiere youth events take center stage in the PBA Challenge Finals presented by the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame at 3 p.m. ET.

PBA Hall of Famers Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J. and defending champion Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela will represent the PBA50 Tour. PBA Tour champions Patrick Allen of Mt. Kisco, N.Y. and Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., will battle for the PBA's Regional Challenge title. Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, N.Y. and Ingelimar Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., will represent the PWBA-PBA Women's Regional program in one-game matches. Eight players in each group earned trips to the World Series where they bowled qualifying events for berths in the PBA Challenge Finals.

PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber had originally qualified for the PBA50 final, but had to withdraw because of a hip injury and was replaced by Monacelli who finished third in the PBA50 qualifying event.

Two of the sport's emerging young stars, Teen Masters boys and girls champions Brandon Soedarmasto of Levittown, N.Y., and Brigitte Jacobs of Freeport, Ill., will also compete in a Teen Masters Grand Championship match. Each player has already earned a \$7,500 scholarship as winners of their Teen Masters divisions, but will bowl a "boy vs. girl" match for an additional \$2,500 in scholarship money.

To conclude the telecast, the four winners will participate in a PBA Challenge Finals Clash, a best-ball sudden-death roll-off. In the Clash, the player with the lowest pinfall total in each round will be eliminated.

PBA Spare Shots

WHO'S GOING TO WIN? XTRA FRAME TO REVEAL HIGHLY-ANTICIPATED 2015 PBA AWARD WINNERS WEDNESDAY

Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage of PBA news and events continues Wednesday at 4 p.m. EST when PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark will reveal the winners of the 2015 Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year and Harry Golden PBA Rookie of the Year awards.

The 2015 Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award and Tony Reyes PBA Community Service Award winners also will be announced during the special live video-cast.

The 2015 PBA Player of the Year competition featured a close battle all the way to the end of the year between Australian two-hander **Jason Belmonte**, the two-time defending Player of the Year and winner of a pair of PBA major championships in 2015 (a record third consecutive USBC Masters title and a second straight Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions title), and left-hander **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., the PBA Tour's only three-time winner in 2015, including the Bowlmor AMF U.S. Open and top five finishes in two other majors.

The Rookie of the Year contest involved the most talented class of young players the PBA has seen in years, led by Sweden's two-handed star, **Jesper Svensson**, the only two-time titlist among the rookies; Texas two-handed teenager **Anthony Simonsen** and Washington's **Cameron Weier**, who each won his first PBA Tour title, and Minnesota's **Matt McNeil** and Arizona's **Jakob Butturff**.

Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage of PBA competition resumes with three weeks' worth of action from back-to-back-to back PBA major championships. In addition to live coverage of qualifying and match play rounds of the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions (Saturday, Jan. 30-Friday, Feb. 5 including the FireLake Southwest Regional and TOC qualifying event) from Shawnee, Okla.; USBC Masters (Tuesday, Feb. 9-Saturday, Feb. 13) and Barbasol PBA Players Championship (Tuesday, Feb. 16-Friday, Feb. 19).

Bonus coverage will include the live PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies and presentation of awards to 2015 PBA award winners on Monday, Feb. 1, beginning at 7 p.m. ET from the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Event Center in Shawnee, Okla.

Bowling fans who want to subscribe to Xtra Frame have a variety of options: a three-day (72-hour) subscription costs \$3.99; a 30-day package is only \$7.99, and the 12-month XF Season Ticket is available for \$64.99. To sign up, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. New Xtra Frame subscribers are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes drawings for new high-performance bowling balls sponsored by MOTIV and DV8.

INNGELLIMAR? INGELLIMAR? INGELIMAR? IT'S ALL THE NURSE'S FAULT

Many times there are little things going on behind the scene in PBA television events that escape the eye of viewers, like the strange case of "how do you spell Inngellimar" during the PBA Challenge Finals presented by the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame that will air Sunday at 3 p.m. EST on ESPN.

During pre-match warmup for the PWBA-PBA Women's Regional final between Inngellimar Beasley, representing the PBA Midwest Region, and Danielle McEwan, representing the East Region, one of the ESPN crew members noticed Beasley's name on her High 5 Gear jersey was spelled with one "n" instead of two. A quick investigation showed that Beasley's name in PBA's database is spelled Inngellimar with a double "n"...and she, herself, had spelled her name that way on the information form she had provided to the ESPN crew.

Not wanting to bother her just before she began bowling on television, staff checked with her husband, Mitch Beasley, who confirmed the two "n" spelling was accurate.

Then a funny thing happened. When asked about the spelling issue in a post-telecast interview, Inngellimar confirmed her name is legally spelled as noted, but:

"The way it's supposed to be is one 'n,' but when the (nurse) was making the birth certificate, she got kind of excited so she put down two n's and two l's. It was supposed to be one 'l' too. But two more letters is just fine with me."

So in the future, if you see the name Inngellimar, Ingellimar or Ingelimar, take note that all three spellings are correct...or incorrect...depending on your viewpoint. At her request, PBA's preferred spelling will favor the latter: one n, one l.

SHAWNEE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL OFFERS ACCESS TO TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

The Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open, scheduled for Jan. 30-31 at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., will be a unique event offering the best of all worlds to bowlers who would like to compete with the world's best in the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions.

The tournament, a traditional PBA Southwest Regional event on one level, will reward the winner with a PBA Regional title and a projected \$2,500 first prize. Non-members are welcome to enter the event, but will not be eligible for a PBA title.

On a higher level, the top 35 players in the field who have won a PBA title (Regional, PBA50, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional or PBA Women's Series) will earn the right to enter the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, which begins Tuesday, Feb. 2, at FireLake. Players entering the regional must declare their intent to advance to the TOC prior to the start of competition, and those who advance will be required to pay a \$500 TOC entry fee.

PBA Tour title-holders also can enter the regional event, but they are automatically eligible to bowl in the TOC and do not need to qualify through the regional.

To enter the regional, contact Southwest Region manager Pete McCordic through pba.com or by email (pete.mccordic@pba.com).

WINNING ON TV: IT'S A LOT HARDER THAN IT LOOKS

PBA history proves over and over how difficult it is to advance to a national television final, but what's even more difficult is maintaining a winning record once you get there.

Compared against all PBA players throughout the Tour's more than 50 years of television shows, only four active players rank among the top 20 in winning percentage for a minimum of 10 matches bowled on television. Fifteen years after the fact, Ohio native **Jim Pencak** – who ran off a PBA-record streak of 16 consecutive match wins on television – remains the all-time leader in winning percentage with a record of 22 wins and 8 losses, a 73.33 percent success rate, in his 12 career TV finals.

A fairly distant second place is PBA Hall of Famer **Dick Ritger** who won 40 matches and lost 18 times in 33 appearances, a 68.96 success rate.

Among active players, Australia's **Jason Belmonte** ranks sixth (37 wins, 19 losses, 66.07%) in 32 appearances and South Carolina's **Tommy Jones** ranks seventh (43 wins, 23 losses, 65.15%) in 37 appearances. Semi-retired **Mika Koivuniemi** has won 61.03% of his matches to rank 16th and **Patrick Allen** has won 60.31% of his matches for rank 19th.

The 20 most successful PBA players on television, based on at least 10 TV finals, are:

- 1, **Jim Pencak**, 22-8, 73.33% in 12 appearances.
- 2, **Dick Ritger**, 40-18, 68.96% in 33 appearances.
- 3, **Gary Skidmore**, 23-12, 67.64% in 17 appearances.
- 4 (tie), **Paul Colwell**, 16-8, 66.66% in 12 appearances, and **Steve Neff**, 14-7, 66.66% in 10 appearances.
- 6, **Jason Belmonte**, 37-19, 66.07% in 32 appearances.
- 7, **Tommy Jones**, 43-23, 65.15% in 37 appearances.
- 8, **Steve Martin**, 26-14, 65% in 20 appearances.
- 9, **Tom Crites**, 12-7, 63.15% in 12 appearances.
- 10, **Randy Pedersen**, 32-19, 62.74% in 31 appearances.
- 11, **Steve Hoskins**, 37-22, 61.71% in 30 appearances.
- 12, **Johnny Guenther**, 23-14, 61.16% in 20 appearances.
- 13, **Roger Bowker**, 18-11, 62.06% in 16 appearances.
- 14 (tie), **Mike McGrath** and **George Branham III**, 19-12, 61.29%, McGrath in 18 appearances; Branham in 17 appearances.
- 16, **Mika Koivuniemi**, 47-30, 61.03% in 41 appearances.
- 17 (tie), **Pete Couture** and **Don McCune**, 20-13, 60.60%, both in 17 appearances.
- 19, **Patrick Allen**, 38-25, 60.31% in 38 appearances.
- 20 (tie), **Doug Kent**, 39-26, 60% in 35 appearances, and **Bryan Goebel**, 30-20, 60% in 29 appearances.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: PAGE, HAYS WIN IN MERRITT ISLAND DOUBLEHEADER

Rhino Page of Orlando defeated **Jeremy Mooney** of West Palm Beach, 238-224, to win his ninth PBA South Region title in the PBA Shore Lanes/Sill's Pro Shops Merritt Island Southern Open presented by Storm Sunday at Shore Lanes in Merritt Island, Fla.

Completing the all-Florida championship match pairings, non-member **Darin Hays** of Wesley Chapel defeated **Chris Keane** of Cape Coral, 214-173 for the win in the PBA50 portion of the Merritt Island doubleheader. Page earned \$2,200 for his win, while Hays pocketed \$2,000.

- The PBA Central Region kicks off its 2016 season with the Don Vay Memorial PBA/PBA50 Central Doubles Classic presented by Ebonite at Legend Lanes in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Jan. 22-24.
- In addition to the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla. – which also will serve as a FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions qualifying event – the Jan. 29-31 weekend includes the Sands Regency West/Northwest Challenge (for non-champions), Sands Regency Winter Classic and PBA50 Sands Regency Winter Classic – all presented by Storm – at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno. Also on the calendar is the PBA Midwest's first event of 2016, the PBA50 Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by 900 Global at Arlington Lanes in Arlington Heights, Ill.

For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area.

QUICK NOTES

● Reminder: all players and fans travelling to PBA Tour stops can get a special discount on United Airlines flights. When you book a flight, use the United code ZVYN122558 to obtain the discount. Follow the link below and enter the code into the Promotions and Certificates part at the bottom of the page: <https://www.united.com/ual/en/us/flight-search/book-a-flight>

Belmonte Becomes Fourth to Win Three Consecutive Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year Honors

Svensson, Blanchard, Godbout also announced as 2015 award winners during live Xtra Frame webcast

CHICAGO (Jan. 20, 2016) -- Landmark wins in two 2015 PBA Tour major championships helped Australian two-handed competitor Jason Belmonte of Australia earn his third consecutive GEICO Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year award, PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark announced Wednesday during a special webcast on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame.

Also announced as 2015 award winners were Jesper Svensson of Sweden as Harry Golden Rookie of the Year; Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., as Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award recipient, and Ed Godbout of Felton, Calif., who was selected as winner of the Tony Reyes PBA Community Service Award.

In a very close vote, Belmonte edged Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., to become the fourth player and first international player to win the award in three consecutive seasons. PBA Hall of Famers Earl Anthony (1981-83 and 1974-76), Mark Roth (1977-79) and Walter Ray Williams Jr. (1996-98) also won the honor three years in a row.

Belmonte won the Player of the Year by receiving 47.36 percent of votes cast by his fellow PBA members and veteran members of the bowling news media while Ciminelli received 43.22 percent of the votes. Parker Bohn III was a distant third, receiving 2.99 percent of the votes.

"This will be the greatest day of the year for me," said Belmonte from the hospital as he and his wife Kimberly were awaiting the imminent arrival of their third child. "Kimberly and I soon will have our third child and I have joined the great Walter Ray Williams, Mark Roth and Earl Anthony as three-time winners. What an unbelievable day!"

Early in 2015, Belmonte became the first bowler in the 64-year history of the United States Bowling Congress Masters to win the event three consecutive times last February in Green Bay, Wis., defeating collegiate bowler AJ Johnson of Oswego, Illinois, 202-157. The 12-time Tour winner then followed that up by successfully defending his Tournament of Champions title in the 50th anniversary Barbasol TOC in Indianapolis, posting a 232-214 victory over top qualifier Rhino Page of Orlando, Fla.

Belmonte will try to become the second player to win the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions three consecutive times when the 51st classic begins Feb. 1 at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla. Hall of Famer Jason Couch accomplished the feat in 1999, 2000 and 2002.

In addition to his wins in the Masters and Tournament of Champions, Belmonte had nine other top-five finishes including runner-up finishes in the PBA Grand Oklahoma Open and PBA Maine Xtra Frame Shootout. He led the PBA Tour in earnings with \$178,542 and ranked fourth in average with 225.40.

Svensson, a 20-year-old two-handed player, won his second PBA Tour title, and first on American soil, when he defeated Germany's Pascal Winterheimer, 267-193, to win the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com at the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy at the National Bowling Stadium. Earlier in the year he won the 13th Kingdom of Bahrain Open.

Svensson was a runaway winner in the Rookie of the Year race, voted upon by PBA members. He was the choice on 68.5 percent of the ballots cast, topping Texas teenager Anthony Simonsen's 14.11 percent and Washington's Cameron Weier's 10.33 percent.

Svensson was the leader among rookies in average (225.81) and earnings (\$57,870).

"I am very proud and honored to get this award," said Svensson. "Just a lot of happiness going through my body right now. I have always dreamed about competing and winning on U.S. soil and that dream came true. I think that is a big thing that helped to get this award."

Belmonte and Svensson became the first players from outside the U.S. to earn Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year in the same season. They were also the first players who use the unique two-handed delivery to earn those honors in the same season.

Blanchard, who won both of his PBA Tour titles in 2015, was selected as the Nagy Sportsmanship Award by his fellow competitors. Established in 1966, the Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award is named after the late PBA Hall of Famer and founding members of the PBA. A colorful and talented performer, Nagy made such an impact on his fellow pros that the award was established shortly after his death. Other players receiving strong support were Ronnie Russell and Dom Barrett who were next in line in Steve Nagy Award voting by PBA Tour players.

"I'm very honored, of course, that my peers would vote me this honor especially this early in my career," said Blanchard. "No matter who you are out there on Tour I do my best to treat each player with respect and I'm happy to say that I get that same respect in return. For me, competing with that attitude helps me be a better bowler."

Godbout, a PBA West Region competitor, was selected by a special PBA committee as the recipient of the 2015 Tony Reyes Community Service Award which is named after the PBA champion who died in 2012 as the result of a traffic accident.

Godbout, who is a youth director and a USBC bronze level coach 4th Street Bowl in San Jose, established several charitable initiatives in Reyes' name including the Tony Reyes Memorial Scholarship and the Tony Reyes Memorial Youth/Adult Doubles Tournament. He is also co-founder of the 4th Street Bowl Junior bowling program and is a past recipient of the NorCal Tony Reyes Memorial Award.

"This is a huge honor and I'm a little overwhelmed," Godbout said. "I had just started to work with Tony to organize a youth program at 4th St. Bowl and it was only a month after I met him that he passed away. I'll never forget how much help he was to me and how enjoyable it was to work with him, so that was really my inspiration to get involved in putting the tournament and scholarship together in his honor."

CHRIS SCHENKEL PBA PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS

2015 – Jason Belmonte
2014 – Jason Belmonte
2012-13 – Jason Belmonte
2011-12 – Sean Rash
2010-11 - Mika Koivuniemi
2009-10 - Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2008-09 - Wes Malott
2007-08 - Chris Barnes
2006-07 - Doug Kent
2005-06 - Tommy Jones
2004-05 - Patrick Allen
2003-04 - Mika Koivuniemi
2002-03 - Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2001-02 - Parker Bohn III
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1995 - Mike Aulby
1994 - Norm Duke
1993 - Walter Ray Williams Jr.
1992 - Dave Ferraro
1991 - David Ozio
1990 - Amleto Monacelli
1989 - Amleto Monacelli
1988 - Brian Voss
1987 - Marshall Holman
1986 - Walter Ray Williams Jr.
1985 - Mike Aulby
1984 - Mark Roth
1983 - Earl Anthony

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1976 - Earl Anthony
1975 - Earl Anthony
1974 - Earl Anthony
1973 - Don McCune
1972 - Don Johnson
1971 - Don Johnson
1970 - Nelson Burton Jr.
1969 - Billy Hardwick
1968 - Jim Stefanich
1967 - Dave Davis
1966 - Wayne Zahn
1965 - Dick Weber
1964 - Bob Strampe
1963 - Billy Hardwick

Bohn, Beasley, Allen and Soedarmasto are Winners in PBA Challenge Finals

Final event of GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII showcases diverse aspects of PBA competition

RENO, Nev. - PBA stars Parker Bohn III and Patrick Allen, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional representative Ingelimar Beasley and high school senior Brandon Soedarmasto were the winners in Sunday's ESPN telecast of the PBA Challenge Finals presented by the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame.

In a television event that put the spotlight on the diversity of PBA competition, the final telecast from the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy at the National Bowling Stadium featured three different levels of PBA competition – seniors, women and regional – in addition to a Teen Masters Grand Championship match showcasing two emerging stars in the sport. The finalists in the three PBA events emerged from among eight players in each division who earned a trip to Reno to bowl an eight-game qualifier prior to WSOB VII. The top two in each qualifier advanced to their respective one-game matches on ESPN.

Bohn, of Jackson, N.J., defeated fellow PBA Hall of Famer and defending champion Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, 231-183, to win the PBA50 Tour Challenge final. Bohn, a three-time PBA50 Tour winner including one title during the 2015 season, led the match from the start while Monacelli was hampered by missing two 10 pins in the match.

"When you bring in eight guys from the PBA50 Tour, it's nice to know that the older guys still have that opportunity (in the World Series)," Bohn said. "Amleto is one of the toughest guys out there on the PBA50 Tour so it's never easy when you bowl against him. I was fortunate he just wasn't able to get anything going in that match."

In the women's regional match, Beasley, a resident of Clarksville, Tenn., and a three-time woman bowler of the year in her native Venezuela, defeated collegiate and Team USA standout Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, N.Y., 246-177. Beasley, the wife of veteran PBA competitor Mitch Beasley, got out of the gate fast with the first four strikes while McEwan couldn't recover from three opens in the match.

"It was so emotional just for me to be here," Beasley said. "I had to make sure to keep my emotions calm because Danielle is a great bowler and I knew I would have to bowl my best to win. Starting with the first four strikes gave me a lot of confidence and calmed me down."

In the PBA Regional final, Allen, a 13-time Tour winner from Mount Kisco, N.Y., defeated two-time Tour titlist and defending PBA Regional Challenge winner Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., 289-227.

Allen's bid for a 300 game was thwarted when he left a 6 pin on his 11th shot.

“This was encouraging to win because I haven’t bowled well the last few years,” said Allen, who won five regionals in 2015. “I’ve been plagued with some back and hip injuries. It’s tough when you get to your 40s. All of those games and all of the travel starts taking its toll on you.”

In the Teen Masters Grand Championship between a pair of 17-year-old high school seniors, Soedarmasto, of Levittown, N.Y., defeated Brigitte Jacobs of Freeport, Ill., 244-178, in a contest that required the teenagers to bowl on a different lane condition on each lane using their choice of two bowling balls specially designed for the Teen Masters competition.

Both players earned their berths in the final by winning boy’s and girl’s Teen Masters titles in Las Vegas last summer. Each earned \$7,500 scholarships but Soedarmasto earned an additional \$2,500 for winning his match in Reno.

“Bowling on two different lane conditions adds to the challenge and the fun,” Soedarmasto said. “I learned a lot competing in the Teen Masters tournament this year. At the end of the day after bowling on this it reassures you how well you can actually bowl and define yourself as a bowler.”

Both Teen Masters champions indicated their dream is to one day bowl on their respective professional tours.

Concluding the telecast, Beasley won the one-ball, low-score-out PBA Challenge Clash involving the four winners. Allen was the first to bow out, followed by Bohn and Soedarmasto. While the winner received a trophy and bragging rights, it was the second year in a row that the female contestant emerged as the winner. Missy Parkin of Laguna Hills, Calif., won the inaugural Challenge Finals Clash in 2014 at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas.

PBA Tour action continues on ESPN2 Sunday, Jan. 31 with the DHC Japan Invitational at 2 p.m. ET.

PBA CHALLENGE FINALS

**Presented by International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame
National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev.**

PBA50 Tour Final: Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J. (\$8,000) def. Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela (\$4,000), 231-183.

PBA Women’s Regional Final: Ingelimar Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn. (\$8,000) def. Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., (\$4,000), 246-177.

PBA Regional Final: Patrick Allen, Mount Kisco, N.Y. (\$8,000) def. Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz. (\$4,000), 289-227.

Teen Masters Grand Championship: Brandon Soedarmasto, Levittown, N.Y. (\$10,000 scholarship) def. Brigitte Jacobs, Freeport, Ill. (\$7,500 scholarship), 244-178.

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PBA Spare Shots

XTRA FRAME’S EXCLUSIVE TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS COVERAGE BEGINS SATURDAY

Xtra Frame’s exclusive live coverage of the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions gets underway with bonus coverage Saturday and Sunday. The Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Open is a dual-purpose event, including standard PBA Regional

competition along with a TOC qualifying event that will send the top 35 eligible players into the Tournament of Champions field beginning Tuesday, Feb. 2.

Xtra Frame's coverage of qualifying and match play rounds of the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions is on the schedule for Tuesday through Friday, Feb. 5, when the top five players for the live ESPN finals on Sunday, Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. EST will be decided.

Xtra Frame subscribers will also have access to coverage of the live PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies and presentation of 2015 PBA award winners on Monday, Feb. 1, beginning at 8 p.m. ET from the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Event Center in Shawnee, Okla.

Xtra Frame subscription options include a three-day (72-hour) subscription for \$3.99; a 30-day package for \$7.99, and the 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99. To sign up, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. New subscribers are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes drawings for new high-performance bowling balls sponsored by MOTIV and DV8.

TICKETS FOR HISTORIC TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS FINALS STILL AVAILABLE

Bowling fans will have an opportunity to witness another chapter in Oklahoma's PBA bowling history on Sunday, Feb. 7, when the finals of the FireLake PBA Tournament of Championships are contested, live on ESPN, at 1 p.m. local time on special lane installation in the FireLake Arena in Shawnee.

Tickets for the finals are available in advance (<http://www.cpnboxoffice.com/event?eventid=85>), or at the door. FireLake Arena is on the south side of Shawnee, across the parking lot from FireLake Bowling Center where the preliminary rounds of the TOC will be contested.

This is the first PBA Tournament of Champions to be contested in Oklahoma, but the fifth PBA major championship to be decided in Oklahoma. The United States Bowling Congress Masters has been held in Oklahoma three times: 1976 (**Nelson Burton Jr.**) in Oklahoma City, and 1985 (**Steve Wunderlich**) and 1992 (**Norm Duke**) in Tulsa. Boulevard Lanes in Edmond hosted the 1989 U.S. Open, won by **Mike Aulby**.

PBA REGIONAL HOST WAYNE'S LANES FALLS VICTIM TO EAST COAST BLIZZARD

Wayne's Lanes, a popular PBA South Region host center in Waynesboro, Va., fell victim to the massive winter storm that blanketed the Atlantic Coast last weekend. Heavy snow is blamed for the collapse of the roof at Wayne's Lanes, causing major damage that is still being assessed. According to published reports, no one was injured when the roof collapsed at around 8 p.m. Saturday.

RHINO PAGE WINS 2015 GEORGE YOUNG PBA HIGH AVERAGE AWARD

Rhino Page, a three-time PBA Tour titlist and PBA's 2008 Rookie of the Year, added the 2015 George Young PBA High Average Award to his resume this week as official stats for the 2015 season were released. Page, a 32-year-old left-hander, finished the year with a 227.14 average in 273 games of PBA Tour competition, winning the average title by .44 over **Bill O'Neill** of Langhorne, Pa., who scored at a 226.70 pace for 264 games.

Rounding out the top five, based on a minimum of 180 games, were **Parker Bohn III** of Jackson, N.J., 225.67 for 245 games; 2014 George Young Award winner **Jason Belmonte**, Australia, 225.40, and **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., 225.37.

Belmonte, the newly-announced GEICO Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year, led the Tour in earnings with \$178,542 followed by Ciminelli at \$129,460; **Chris Barnes** of Double Oak, Texas, at \$117,565; **Osku Palermaa** of Finland at \$114,518, and O'Neill at \$100,698.

(Editor's Note: final 2015 PBA Tour stats are attached in a Word document to retain formatting).

IT'S A GIRL FOR JASON BELMONTE, ANDRES GOMEZ

Jason Belmonte missed his historic moment on Jan. 20 when he was named GEICO Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year for the third consecutive year, tying a record held by bowling legends Walter Ray Williams Jr., Earl Anthony (twice) and Mark Roth.

As the announcement was being made live on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service by PBA Commissioner Tom Clark, Belmonte was in a hospital in Orange, New South Wales, Australia, with wife Kimberly, awaiting the birth of his third child.

"I wasn't watching; I was with Kimberly when I heard my phone blow up with a lot of messages," Belmonte said. "I knew it was either really good news, or really bad. I saw it was great news, and immediately thought it would be the second-best news of the day."

Daughter **Sylvie Joan Belmonte** arrived minutes later (weighing in at just over 7 pounds and measured 18.8 inches).

“I’m in no way close to the realm of talent of those three gentlemen (Williams, Anthony and Roth),” Belmonte added, “but they are the benchmark I strive for. The ones who walk before show us what greatness looks like. I want to be great, and those guys inspire me to maybe one day get there.”

A day earlier in Florida, **Andres and Mirley Gomez** became first-time parents, welcoming daughter **Isabella Gomez** into the world at 6 pounds, 14 ounces...and 19.5 inches.

JOHN GANT RETURNS TO PBA50 COMPETITION IN FLORIDA

Four-time PBA Tour champion **John Gant**, in his first PBA competition in more than a decade, finished fifth in the PBA50 Merritt Island Southern Open on Jan. 17 at Shore Lanes in Merritt Island, Fla. The now 58-year-old Gant, a powerful left-hander in his prime, now lives in Boston – where his granddaughter lives – and is pondering a return to PBA50 competition.

“I plan to bowl some PBA50 regionals, some of the PBA50 national stops this summer,” he said in an email. “My main goal is to see how competitive I am, take it from there.”

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BOHN, ALLEN DEFEND PBA/PBA50 DOUBLES TITLE

Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J. and partner **Patrick Allen** of Mount Kisco, N.Y., defeated **Dick Gran** of Hartville, Ohio and **Eugene McCune** of Munster, Ind., 2-0, in a best-of-three-game match to successfully defend their title in the PBA/PBA50 Don Vay Memorial Doubles Central Classic presented by Ebonite at Legend Lanes in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Sunday.

Teams in the PBA Central Region’s first tournament of 2016 included one bowler age 50 or older, and one bowler under the age of 50. The title was the 25th for each player in their lengthy PBA Regional careers. They also split a \$4,000 first prize.

Bohn and Allen blanked **Jeff Shrum** of Cherryville, N.C., and **Charles Fischerkeller** of St. Clairsville, Ohio, 2-0, while Gran and McCune swept **Ron Profitt** of Brookville, Ohio and **Diana Zavjalova** of Beavercreek, Ohio, 2-0, in the best-of-three semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- In addition to the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla. – which also will serve as a FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions qualifying event – the Jan. 29-31 weekend includes the Sands Regency West/Northwest Challenge (for non-champions), Sands Regency Winter Classic and PBA50 Sands Regency Winter Classic – all presented by Storm – at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno. Also on the calendar is the PBA Midwest’s first event of 2016, the PBA50 Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by 900 Global at Arlington Lanes in Arlington Heights, Ill.

For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area.

QUICK NOTES

- A record 42 Chinese bowlers participated in the 6th Longmarch PBA Pioneers League at Longmarch Bowling Center in Shanghai Jan 4-6, and after 36 games in 3 days, eight bowlers established averages of 200 or higher to qualify for PBA membership. Included in the group was 22-year-old **Peng Rui** who averaged 208.6 to become the first woman to qualify for PBA membership since the Pioneers League program was introduced two years ago.

Bohn, Allen Defend PBA/PBA50 Don Vay Memorial Doubles Title

Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio (Jan. 24, 2016) – Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J. and partner Patrick Allen of Mount Kisco, N.Y., defeated Dick Gran of Hartville, Ohio and Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., 2-0, in a best-of-three-game match to successfully defend their title in the Professional Bowlers Association’s PBA/PBA50 Don Vay Memorial Doubles Central Classic presented by Ebonite at Legend Lanes Sunday.

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Gran and McCune earned \$1,000 each for second place. Fischerkeller/Shrum and Profitt/Zavjalova each earned \$800 as semifinal round losers.

The event drew a full field of 48 teams.

PBA/PBA50 DON VAY MEMORIAL DOUBLES CENTRAL CLASSIC PRESENTED BY EBONITE
Legend Lanes, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Sunday

Championship (best of three games):

s-Parker Bohn, Jackson, N.J./Patrick Allen, Mount Kisco, N.Y. (\$4,000) def. z-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio/Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind. (\$2,000), 506-456, 510-469.

Semifinal Round (best of three games, losing teams eliminated and earned \$1,600 each):

Gran/McCune def. z-Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio/f-Diana Zavjalova, Beavercreek, Ohio, 2-0.

Bohn/Allen def. s-Jeff Schrum, Cherryville, N.C./n-Charles Fischerkeller, St. Clairsville, Ohio, 2-0.

Round of 8 (best of five games, losing teams eliminated earned \$1,200 each):

Profitt/Zavjalova def. ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C./Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio 3-1.

Schrum/Fischerkeller def. ns-Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio/Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3-1.

Gran/McCune def. s-Jim Pencak, Parma, Ohio/n-Brandon Tarabek, Cleveland, 3-0.

Bohn/Allen def. ns-Ken Konczos, Sagamore Hills, Ohio/Mike Clark, Cleveland, 3-0.

Round of 12 (best of five games, losing teams eliminated earned \$1,000 each):

Baker/Loschetter def. n-Tyler Meredith, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio/ns-Scott Sustar, Medina, Ohio, 3-0.

Bohn/Allen def. n-Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio/s-Mike Llaneza, Columbus, Ohio, 3-0.

Graham/Wodka def. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind./s-Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 3-1.

Pencak/Tarabek def. n-Joe Bailey, Doylestown, Ohio/s-Dean Billings, Rootstown, Ohio, 3-2.

n-denotes non-member s-denotes PBA50 player, ss-denotes PBA60 player, f-denotes female

SUNDAY ON ESPN2: DHC PBA Japan Invitational at 2 p.m. ET

TOKYO -- England's Dom Barrett will be the man to beat as top qualifier for the DHC PBA Japan Invitational which airs Sunday at 2 p.m. ET on ESPN2.

Barrett averaged 234 while winning 23 of his 32 matches to earn the top berth for the stepladder finals at Tokyo Port Bowl by 247 pins over No. 2 qualifier PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela.

Rounding out the five-player field for the stepladder finals, are John Szczerbinski of N. Tonawanda, N.Y. who will be trying for his first title; defending DHC champion Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, and Japan's Shota Kawazoe.

The DHC PBA Japan Invitational included a field of 15 PBA stars who earned invitations based on qualifying scores bowled during the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open and Bowlmor AMF U.S. Open last fall, or were invited by event sponsor DHC, along with a representative of the Korea PBA and 16 Japanese players.

Barrett, a four-time PBA Tour title winner, is trying for his first title since winning the 2014 Qatar Open.

Monacelli, 54, is a 19-time PBA Tour champion and a five-time PBA50 Tour winner (including the 2015 USBC Senior Masters), but he hasn't won a PBA Tour title since 2005. Should Monacelli win the event, he would become just the 14th player in PBA history to win 20 or more titles and would join fellow PBA Hall of Famers Dick Ritger and Wayne Webb as 20-time titlists.

Szczerbinski, with a career-best second-place finish in the 2014 Kingdom of Bahrain International Open, earned the No. 3 berth in the finals by defeating Barnes, 232-227, in a one-game roll-off after they tied for third place.

Barnes, an 18-time PBA Tour title winner, is making his first PBA Tour appearance since undergoing surgery to repair a damaged disc in early October. Barnes bowled a 300 game on his way to winning the 2015 DHC PBA Japan Invitational title, earning a \$40,000 bonus in addition to the \$40,000 first prize.

51st FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions Storylines

Firelake Bowling Center and Arena in Shawnee, Okla., to host season's first PBA Tour major Feb. 1-7

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Jan. 27, 2016) --The 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions makes its first visit to Oklahoma when the FireLake Bowling Center and FireLake Arena in Shawnee host the PBA's signature tournament Feb. 1-7.

Qualifying and match play rounds for the season's first major will be conducted Feb. 2-5 which will determine the top five players who will advance to the live stepladder finals to be telecast on ESPN Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. ET (1 p.m. CT).

All preliminary rounds will be streamed live via PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. For Xtra Frame subscription and schedule information visit <http://www.xtraframe.tv/pba/>

Here's a look at some of the early major storylines from the season's first major tournament of 2016:

Three-time defending Player of the Year Jason Belmonte will try for another milestone in PBA history: After making professional bowling history by winning his third consecutive USBC Masters in 2015, Australian two-hander Jason Belmonte also will be trying to win his third consecutive Tournament of Champions. If he can win this year, he will become the second player to accomplish the feat, joining PBA Hall of Famer Jason Couch of Clermont, Fla., who won in 1999, 2000 and 2002 (event not contested in 2001). Belmonte recently earned his third consecutive Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year award, joining the late Earl Anthony (twice), Walter Ray Williams Jr. and Mark Roth as the only players to do that.

Gary Faulkner Jr. will try for his second consecutive major title: Gary Faulkner Jr. of Memphis made history by becoming the second African American to win a PBA Tour title when he won the PBA World Championship in Reno, Nev., on Dec. 17. Faulkner beat EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 216-178, for the title. Retired five-time champion and 1993 TOC winner George Branham III is the only other African American PBA Tour champion.

Hall of Famer Pete Weber tries for his record 11th major and third TOC title: PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber, now 53, won the 2013 Tournament of Champions to tie Earl Anthony for most PBA major titles (10) and became the only player to win PBA's Triple Crown (Tournament of Champions, U.S. Open and World Championship) twice. At age 50, the 37-time PBA Tour winner also became the oldest player to win the title. If he wins, Weber would join Mike Durbin and Jason Couch as the only three-time TOC winners.

TOC is a tournament for champions only: The 2016 TOC will include an exclusive field of PBA champions. In order to be eligible, a player must be a PBA member who has won a PBA Tour, PBA Regional, PBA50 Tour, PBA Regional, or PBA Women's Series title.

Mike Edwards and PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke have Oklahoma connection: PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke, who ranks third on the Tour's all-time titles list with 38 wins, is a former Edmond resident. Mike Edwards of Tulsa, a member of the American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame, became the first native American to win a PBA Tour title winning the IOF Foresters Bowling for Miracles Open in 1994.

Walter Ray Williams Jr. still trying for a TOC title: Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. has accomplished nearly everything there is to accomplish in PBA competition except winning the Tournament of Champions. A TOC title would make the all-time titles leader (47) the seventh player to complete the PBA Triple Crown (titles in the U.S. Open, PBA World Championship and TOC), and the third player in history to complete the PBA "Grand Slam" (titles in the U.S. Open, PBA World Championship, TOC and USBC Masters). Mike Aulby and Norm Duke are the only players who have completed the Grand Slam.

10 TOC past winners are entered: Jason Belmonte (2014, 2015), Pete Weber (1989, 2013), Norm Duke (1994), Sean Rash (2012), Chris Barnes (2006), Patrick Allen (2009), Tommy Jones (2007), Kelly Kulick (2010), Michael Haugen Jr., (2008) and Bryan Goebel (1998).

International field: Seven countries are represented in the TOC field – Australia, Colombia, England, Finland, Venezuela, Denmark and the U.S.

Youth vs. Experience will be a key plot line: This year's TOC, more so than any other TOC in recent memory, will feature a battle between some of the PBA's most successful champions (Walter Ray Williams Jr., Norm Duke, Pete Weber, Parker Bohn III, Amleto Monacelli and Chris Barnes among others) doing battle with an impressive roster of young talent. Within the past year, emerging stars like two-handed players Kyle Troup, 24; Jesper Svensson, 20, and Anthony Simonsen, 19, have won titles. Other young players who won PBA titles within the past year are Gary Faulkner Jr., 25, Connor Pickford, 23; EJ Tackett, 23; Marshall Kent, 23, and Cameron Weier, 25.

An historic event for women: Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., made sports history in 2010 by becoming the first woman ever to win a PBA Tour event when she won the TOC. She'll be competing in her seventh TOC this year.

TOC makes first visit to Oklahoma: Oklahoma has been home to many PBA Tour stops over the years but 2016 will mark the TOC's first visit to the Sooner state.

PBA legend Carmen Salvino to set another record: Bowling legend Carmen Salvino, of Chicago, who competed in the first TOC in Indianapolis in 1962, will improve upon his record as the oldest player to bowl in a PBA Tour event when he competes at the age of 82. Salvino has never won the TOC, but finished of third in the inaugural event.

TOC began in Indianapolis in 1962: Joe Joseph won the inaugural TOC at Play Bowl in Indianapolis with a two-game 480 pinfall total in 1962. Billy Golembiewski was second with 416 pins and Hall of Famer Carmen Salvino finished third with 409 in the two-game total pinfall championship round.

FireLake Arena to Host Live ESPN Finals: The PBA and the host Citizen Potawatomi Nation will make the live ESPN finals a very special event for spectators. Tickets for the finals, which will take place on a special bowling lane installation inside FireLake Arena, are available by visiting grandboxoffice.com or by calling the box office at (405) 273-1637. Ticket prices are \$35, \$25 and \$15 for the ESPN telecast (admission for the preliminary rounds at the Firelake Bowling Center is \$10 for an all-day pass).

Fans also are invited to participate in the PBA TOC Experience Pro-Am on Saturday, Feb. 6, for \$175. Entry includes a meet-and-greet with the stars of the PBA, two tickets to the Tournament of Champions final and a new high-performance Storm bowling ball. For more entry information click on http://www.pba.com/Content/files/Pro-Ams/TOC_Pro-Am_2016_B.pdf.

FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS SCHEDULE

FireLake Bowling Center/FireLake Arena, Shawnee, Okla.
(All times Central)

PBA Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open (& TOC qualifier)

Friday, Jan. 29

3 p.m. - A Squad Practice

5 p.m. - B Squad Practice

PBA Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open (& TOC qualifier)

Saturday, Jan. 30

9 a.m. - A Squad Qualifying (8 games)

2:30 p.m. - B Squad Qualifying (8 games)

Top 1/3 of the field advances to Cashers Round

PBA Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open (& TOC qualifier)

Sunday, Jan. 31

8:30 a.m. - Cashers Round (5 games)

For TOC Qualifiers: Top 35 (approx.) eligible PBA players advance to TOC Qualifying

For Regional field: Top 16 Players advance to Modified Round Robin Match Play (8 games)

Noon – Regional qualifiers: 8 games Modified Round Robin Match Play

FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions

Monday, Feb. 1

10 a.m. - A Squad practice

2 p.m. - B Squad practice

6 p.m. – 2016 Hall of Fame Induction and Dinner at Grand Hotel

Tuesday, Feb. 2

Qualifying Round 1

10 a.m. - A Squad (8 games)

5 p.m. - B Squad (8 games)

Wednesday, Feb. 3

Qualifying Round 2

10 a.m. - B Squad (8 games)

5 p.m. - A Squad (8 games)

Top 40 players advance to the Cashers Round

Thursday, Feb. 4

10 a.m. - Qualifying Cashers Round (8 games)

Top 24 players advance to Round Robin Match Play

5 p.m. - Match Play Round 1 (8 games)

Friday, Feb. 5

10 a.m. - Match Play Round 2 (8 games)

5 p.m. - Match Play Round 3 (8 games)

Top 5 players advance to Live TV Stepladder Finals

Saturday, Feb. 6

3 p.m. – PBA TOC Experience Pro-Am

Sunday, Feb. 7

1 p.m. - ESPN Finals at Firelake Arena

Following the finals: Super Bowl Party at FireLake Arena

**PBA National Championship Added as Fourth Major
for 2016 PBA50 Tour Season**

Elkhart, Ind. event to benefit Riley Hospital for Children in finale of 15-tournament schedule

CHICAGO -- The Professional Bowlers Association has announced the addition of the PBA50 National Championship as a fourth major tournament to its 2016 PBA50 Tour schedule for players 50 years of age and older.

The 15-tournament 2016 season will conclude with the PBA50 National Championship to benefit Riley Hospital for Children Aug. 14-17 at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

Joining the PBA50 National Championship as majors this season will be the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global at Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas (May 29-June 3); USBC Senior Masters at Sam's Town Bowling Center, Las Vegas (June 19-25), and the Treasure Island Resort & Casino PBA50 World Championship presented by Storm at Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn. (July 17-23).

“A Week for Riley Kids is a natural match for the PBA50 Tour with its long-standing support of great causes,” said Signature Lanes proprietor Roger Brown. “Having bowling’s legends here helping us support such a great cause is another hallmark of the PBA. I know the entire community is looking forward to making this inaugural year an event most anticipated and exciting for years to come.”

The 2016 season begins with the PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open at Lane Glo Bowl in New Port Richey, Fla., April 16-19, and continues with tournaments in The Villages, Fla.; Mooresville, N.C.; Farmingdale, N.Y.; Fountain Valley, Calif.; Brentwood, Calif., Hammond, Ind.; Anderson, Ind., and back-to-back events at Pro Bowl West in Fort Wayne, Ind. PBA50 Tour events will again be webcast live on PBA’s online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

PBA will accept entries for PBA50 Tour events beginning Feb. 1 on pba.com.

“We’re looking forward to a great year for our PBA50 Tour players,” said PBA50 Tour Director John Weber. “In addition to increasing the number of tournaments, our players will now have four majors to showcase their skills and bowling fans will be able to witness it all live on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame.”

The 2016 PBA50 Tour will also determine the top eight players in points who will earn paid entries into GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno where they also will compete in a PBA50 Tour Challenge qualifier. The top two players from the qualifier will advance to the PBA Challenge Finals along with top PBA Regional, PWBA-PBA Women’s Regional and Teen Masters contestants. Points awarded for PBA50 majors will be worth one and a half times of those awarded for a standard PBA50 Tour event.

2016 PBA50 TOUR SCHEDULE

April 16-19 – PBA50 Pasco County Open, Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla.

April 23-26 – UnitedHealthcare PBA50 Sun Bowl in The Villages presented by Radical, Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla.

May 1-4 – PBA50 Mooresville Open presented by Columbia 300, George Pappas Victory Lanes, Mooresville, N.C.

May 7-10 – PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick, Farmingdale Lanes, Farmingdale, N.Y.

May 29-June 3 – Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas (major)

June 5-8 – PBA50 Fountain Valley Open presented by Track, Fountain Bowl, Fountain Valley, Calif.

June 12-15 – PBA Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV, Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif.

June 16-19 – USBC Super Senior Classic, Sam’s Town Bowling Center, Las Vegas (for players 60 and over)

June 19-25 – USBC Senior Masters, Sam’s Town Bowling Center, Las Vegas (major).

July 17-23 – PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm, Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn. (major).

July 25-28 – PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8, Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind.

July 31-Aug. 3 – PBA50 Dave Small’s Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip, Dave Small’s Championship Lanes, Anderson, Ind.

Aug. 6-9 -- PBA50 Pro Bowl West Championship presented by Ebonite, Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Aug. 11-13 – PBA60 Dick Weber National Championship presented by Hammer, Pro Bowl West, PBA60 Dick Weber National Championship presented by Hammer, Pro Bowl West

Aug. 14-17 – PBA50 National Championship to benefit Riley Hospital for Children, Signature Lanes, Elkhart, Ind. (major)

PBA’s 2016 Year of the Fan to Feature Historic Clash of Generations

Pro bowling’s most decorated stars to do battle with insurgence of young talent

CHICAGO – The Professional Bowlers Association has declared 2016 as “The Year of the Fan,” with a number of new initiatives on tap to connect with the world’s population of more than 100 million people who enjoy the sport every year.

The idea is to give the global bowling audience more ways than ever to feel a part of the sport, through social media and the Internet, television and traditional print media, live web streaming of tournaments to a global audience, corporate partners and, of course, direct access through competition on the lanes.

It’s the last part that may steal the show in 2016. The question at hand will be whether or not the old proverb, “Old age and treachery will overcome youth and skill,” will prove to be true.

It has been nearly 20 years since the PBA has seen such an influx of young talent as it has experienced over the past year, and several of the most decorated champions in PBA history are well aware that they are on the cusp of one of those generation shifts in power that ultimately occur in every sport.

Consider this group of PBA Hall of Famers, all of whom are over the age of 50 and still actively bowling against “the kids:” Walter Ray Williams Jr., Norm Duke, Pete Weber, Parker Bohn III and Amleto Monacelli. Combined, these five PBA superstars have won 173 titles and have earned just over \$16.8 million. As a group they have bowled slightly more than 100,000 games in 3,602 PBA Tour tournaments and have knocked down slightly less than 22 million pins.

Now consider this group: Jesper Svensson, 20; Anthony Simonsen, 19; Kyle Troup, 24; Connor Pickford, 23; EJ Tackett, 23; Marshall Kent, 23; Gary Faulkner Jr., 25, and Cameron Weier, 25, all won titles during the 2015 season. Add another handful of 20-something players who have demonstrated title-winning talent, but haven’t yet earned their championship banners.

Among the newcomers, Svensson, Simonsen and Troup are representatives of the emerging stars who use the two-handed technique influenced by established PBA champions Jason Belmonte of Australia and Osku Palermaa of Finland. Belmonte and Palermaa are both PBA “veterans,” even though both are only 32 years old, just entering the 30-something era that historically has proven to be “prime time” for professional bowlers. They also will be the first to answer the question of whether the two-handed technique will shorten or extend the competitive life of a player, but that’s another story for a different time.

Why 2015 – and 2016 – has seen such an influx of new talent is a good story.

Ryan Ciminelli, 29, is coming off a career-year when he won three titles and almost overtook Belmonte in the race for 2015 PBA Player of the Year. His take on the insurgence of talent dates back a few years.

“It seemed like (the PBA Tour) skipped a generation after Rhino (Page) and I came out (in 2007),” Ciminelli said. “There just weren’t many guys coming out. I don’t know if it was because the Tour was kinda shaky when guys were getting out of college, and they didn’t want to risk it or what. It was harder to make money (after the “exempt tour” was cancelled). Now it’s much better. We’re getting more tournaments and more sponsors, and we’re on the rise, so guys want to take the chance and come out here again.”

The five hall of famers noted above all got their starts in PBA competition in the early 1980s, when the PBA Tour was still airing on ABC-TV, and they have all ridden the waves, up and down, ever since. None of the hall of famers remembers a crop of young talent like the one they are now facing, but for each, it’s a part of who they are today.

“Rookies aren’t always real young, but, man, when you watch Anthony Simonsen bowl, that kid’s going to set some records,” Duke, a 38-time PBA Tour champion, said. “And they’re so young...and many of them with two hands. That’s what’s trending.

“Over the last decade, the strike has been made so much more important, so these kids are learning to strike and the way they’re doing it is marvelous. They have so much grace and they get so much power. It’s fun to watch.

“And, yes, it is fun,” Duke continued. “I also get to draft for the Dallas Strikers (as player-manager of the PBA League team) so I get to watch them and to see how good they are, so, yes it’s fun. It’s also scary, but my whole life I woke up knowing I was going to bowl against Walter Ray (Williams Jr.) and Pete (Weber), so it’s nothing new. Every day I know I have to bring a game that can compete against the very best on earth, and once you get that in your head, the names don’t matter so much. If it’s not Pete, it’s (Chris) Barnes. If it’s not Walter Ray, it’s Parker (Bohn), so you learn to embrace it.

“The better the players are, the more attractive they are to watch, and the more they’re going to be copied. So the better they are, the better our tour is going to be. Tiger Woods is a case in point. He’s not a kid any more, but we’re now seeing the Jason Belmonte affect and it’s not going to stop any time soon. We’re going to see more of them coming out for years to come.

“Remember that kid who bowled at the PBA World Series...(15-year-old two-hander Trey Ford III of Bartlesville, Okla.)? I told the kid I wanted to get my picture taken with him,” Duke said with a laugh. “I was in awe. I was very young when I started, very young, and he’s a couple of years younger than I was.”

Bohn, who won his 35th PBA Tour title in the PBA Cheetah Championship during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII, said being one of the “senior” generation bowling against the “kids” in Reno, wasn’t something he took lightly.

“When the top guys on the PBA50 Tour get a chance to compete with the kids, it’s nice to know we still have that opportunity,” Bohn said. “They hook the ball and create more power than we can even imagine. It’s amazing when you sit there and watch them.

But if we bowl like Amleto and I did in our PBA50 match on television, missing spares like we did, these kids are gonna chew us up and spit us out.”

Weber, a 37-time PBA titlist and winner of a record-tying 10 major titles, noted it’s not only the two-handed technique, but the mature mental games that are impressive among the young players.

“There are more two-handers, but they aren’t afraid,” Weber said. “When you first come out on tour, you’re usually nervous or scared, but they’re not nervous at all. They just do what they do best. I can’t remember ever seeing that many kids this good coming out at one time.”

How will Weber contend with them?

“There’s nothing changing in my approach. My goal is to throw the ball the best I can and as long as I do that, there’s nothing to be upset about,” he said. “As far as I’m concerned, I’m not afraid of them and they’re not scared of me. It’s a matter of who can get the breaks, who can make their spares. As long as I’m feeling good about myself, I have nothing to worry about.”

For Williams, the challenge in dealing with the youth movement is to get his own game back to the level he’s content with.

“Since my rev rate is pretty much lower than everyone, I’m a little disappointed with how I’ve been bowling. I just look to do better than I have been doing,” he said, adding, “The way these kids break the lanes down, it’s a challenge. It’s different. I’m pretty impressed with the young guys, especially their physical games.

“You don’t know how prepared they are with their mental games,” Williams added. “Sometimes they have a good physical game and not a mental game. Sometimes it’s more the other way. That’s not something you’re going to see in one year. The pressure to make a living is something you can’t measure in one year. We’ll have to see how that shapes up in the future.

“(Personally) I’m just not bowling as well as I used to. I have to execute like I used to, but the lanes just breakdown so fast these days. I know that getting older, you just don’t do things as well as you used to,” he continued. “When I came out, I never expected to be bowling at my advanced age. There weren’t many guys bowling over the age of 40 at that time. It’s interesting today, there are a lot of guys over the age of 50 who are still bowling, and bowling well.

“I happen to be in a generation of bowlers who are among the best who ever lived, and they’re still bowling and winning tournaments,” Williams continued. “I want to be beat everybody, and I definitely want to be competitive with my peers. But my peers are also these young guys.”

Monacelli, 54, has been one of the most physically-fit players for his entire bowling career, which is a reason why he isn’t bothered at all by the age issue.

“To be honest I feel like I am 35 and I know some young kids who feel old,” he said with a laugh.

“It’s great to see the young faces, and different styles of play,” the Venezuela native said. “That’s the way it was in the past when I came out, when Pete came out. Guys like me and Norm and Walter, we’re still able to compete at this level because we work hard.

“We have the experience, the mental part of the game that’s stronger because of our experience, and that’s the advantage we have. They have the youth and the fire to win, but we’re still hanging on.”

For 2016, PBA fans are going to be treated to one of the best “age and experience vs. youthful exuberance” battles ever. That’s what is going to make PBA’s “Year of the Fan” one for the ages.

The 2016 season kicks into high gear Tuesday in Shawnee, Okla., where the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions launches a three-week series of major championships, all televised live on ESPN. The TOC finals air Sunday, Feb. 7, at 2 p.m. ET from FireLake Arena in Shawnee. The United States Bowling Congress Masters finals air Sunday, Feb. 14, at 1 p.m. from Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis, and the Barbasol PBA Players Championship finals are Sunday, Feb. 21, at 1 p.m. from Wayne Webb’s Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio.

All preliminary rounds of all three majors will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s subscription-based online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, with live scoring available free on pba.com and comprehensive support coverage provided by the PBA Network on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram. For more information, visit pba.com.

PBA, NeuLion Announce Upgrades and Enhancements for Xtra Frame

New look, new features unveiled in time for PBA Tour's major championship series

CHICAGO (Jan. 29, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association and NeuLion, its partner in production of PBA's online video streaming service, Xtra Frame, have announced a renewal of an agreement that has been in place since 2010, and another series of upgrades and enhancements for bowling fans around the world.

Effective immediately, the all-new Xtra Frame service includes a brand new look and design for desktop users along with other enhancements that will improve the viewership experience for PBA's steadily-growing fan base who use mobile devices to watch the action while they are on the go.

The upgrades are in place as the PBA Tour heads into a three-event series of major championship tournaments, all of which will include extensive live coverage of qualifying and match play rounds leading into their ESPN finals. Other new or enhanced features include:

- Availability of Xtra Frame on desktop, Android and iOS platforms. Subscribers can enjoy high-quality video playback of exclusive content along with interactive features at home and on the go.
- The upgraded service features all new mobile and tablet apps.
- Faster access to event replays.
- A more advanced HD video player featuring "slow motion" capability that fans can control.
- Ability for fans to share with friends and other bowling fans via social media.

"The NeuLion® Digital Platform is delivering an enhanced experience for PBA Xtra Frame subscribers, and we're pleased that the PBA continues to see value in NeuLion's technology and services. We look forward to working with the PBA to implement new monetization features to drive additional revenue," said Dr. Kanaan Jemili, CEO of NeuLion.

Current subscribers will have access to the new website, but mobile device users may have to delete the old app and download the new app, at no cost.

"With NeuLion's help, the PBA has delivered a one of a kind digital home for fans of bowling from all over the world, and we look forward to enabling more access to the professionals and competitions who drive this hugely popular sport," said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark.

Subscribers will experience the new Xtra Frame features beginning with live coverage of the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Open Saturday and Sunday, beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday and 9:30 a.m. ET Sunday. The regional event also is the qualifying tournament for 38 players to advance to the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions beginning Tuesday at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla.

Following the regional, Xtra Frame will cover the PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Monday beginning at 8 p.m. ET, and then will cover Tournament of Champions qualifying and match play Tuesday Feb. 2 through Friday, Feb. 5 with PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman helping to call the action. ESPN will air the TOC finals live on Sunday, Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. ET (1 p.m. CT) from the FireLake Arena.

Xtra Frame continues to offer three subscription packages: \$3.99 for a three-day subscription, \$7.99 for a 30-day package and \$64.99 for the XF Season Ticket, a 12-month package. To subscribe, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

In addition to Xtra Frame's live video streaming coverage, PBA fans can follow all three major championships via "Live Scoring" on pba.com.

XTRA FRAME'S UPCOMING PBA SCHEDULE

FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions

FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., all times local

Saturday, Jan. 30

9 a.m. – Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Open/TOC qualifying
2:30 p.m. - Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Open/TOC qualifying

Sunday, Jan. 31

8:30 a.m. - Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Open/TOC cashers' round
Noon - Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Open/TOC round robin match play finals

Monday, Feb. 1

8 p.m. – PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies, Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Events Center

Tuesday, Feb. 2

10 a.m. – FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship qualifying
5 p.m. - FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship qualifying

Wednesday, Feb. 3

10 a.m. - FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship qualifying
5 p.m. - FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship qualifying

Thursday, Feb. 4

10 a.m. - FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship cashers round
5 p.m. - FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship round robin match play

Friday, Feb. 5

10 a.m. - FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship round robin match play
5 p.m. - FireLake PBA Tournament of Championship round robin match play

UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS MASTERS

Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, all times local

Tuesday, Feb. 9

8 a.m. – Squad A qualifying
Noon – Squad B qualifying
5 p.m. – Squad C qualifying

Wednesday, Feb. 10

8 a.m. – Squad B qualifying
Noon – Squad C qualifying
5 p.m. – Squad A qualifying

Thursday, Feb. 11

8 a.m. – Squad C qualifying
Noon – Squad A qualifying
5 p.m. – Squad B qualifying

Friday, Feb. 10

9 a.m. – Three-game double-elimination match play
11 a.m. – Three-game double-elimination match play
1:30 p.m. – Three-game double-elimination match play
3:30 p.m. - Three-game double-elimination match play
5:30 p.m. - Three-game double-elimination match play

Saturday, Feb. 11

9 a.m. – Three-game double-elimination match play
10:45 a.m. – Three-game double-elimination match play
1 p.m. – Three-game double-elimination match play
2:30 p.m. - Three-game double-elimination match play

BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio all times local

Tuesday, Feb. 16

9 a.m. – Squad A qualifying

4 p.m. – Squad B qualifying

Wednesday, Feb. 17

9 a.m. – Squad B qualifying

4 p.m. – Squad A qualifying

Thursday, Feb. 18

10 a.m. – Cashers qualifying round

5 p.m. – Round robin match play

Friday, Feb. 19

10 a.m. – Round robin match play

5 p.m. – Round robin match play

Full Field Set for FireLake PBA TOC After Grand Hotel, Casino & Resort Winter Open Qualifying

SHAWNEE, Okla. -- With the completion of Saturday's qualifying round in the PBA Grand Hotel, Casino & Resort Winter Open regional tournament at the FireLake Bowling Center, an additional 26 entrants for the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions field were determined who will join the 53-player exempt field when qualifying begins on Tuesday.

Among those advancing from the regional to the TOC field were three women – Liz Johnson, Danielle McEwan and Diana Zavjalova – who will join Kelly Kulick from the exempt field.

Anthony Lavery-Spahr topped qualifying with a 1,953 eight-game pinfall (244 average).

For a complete list of TOC players click on <http://www.pba.com/Rosters/Details/2113>

PBA50 Tour, PBA Regional, PBA50 Regional, PBA Women's Regional and PBA Women's Series champions were eligible to earn spots in the Tournament of Champions.

The regional field has been cut to the top 35 players who will advance to Sunday morning's cashers round 9:30 a.m. ET (8:30 a.m. CT) which will determine the 16 finalists for match play Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. ET (noon CT).

Bowling fans can catch Sunday's regional action via PBA's new enhanced online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Following the regional, Xtra Frame will cover the PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Monday beginning at 8 p.m. ET, and then will cover Tournament of Champions qualifying and match play Tuesday Feb. 2 through Friday, Feb. 5. ESPN will air the TOC finals live on Sunday, Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. ET (1 p.m. CT) from the FireLake Arena.

Xtra Frame offers three subscription packages: \$3.99 for a three-day subscription, \$7.99 for a 30-day package and \$64.99 for the XF Season Ticket, a 12-month package. To subscribe, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

In addition to Xtra Frame's live video streaming coverage, PBA fans can follow the action via "Live Scoring" on pba.com.

PBA GRAND HOTEL, CASINO & RESORT WINTER OPEN

FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla.

First Round Results (after 8 games)

Top 35 advance to Sunday's Cashers Round

t-indicates player earned spot in Tournament of Champions field

- 1, t-Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,953
- 2, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,891
- 3, t, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 1,859
- 4, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,850
- 5, Dom Barrett, England, 1,849
- 6, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,841
- 7, Stuart Williams, England, 1,840
- 8, t, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,815
- 9, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,815
- 10, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,812
- 11, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,810
- 12, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 1,792
- 13, t, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,791
- 14, t, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,790
- 15, Brett Cooper, Denver, 1,780
- 16, Clint Land, Houston, 1,774
- 17, Marc Heninger, Tonganoxie, Kan., 1,770
- 18, t, Will Barnes, Wichita, Kan., 1,768
- 19, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,758
- 20, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,754
- 21, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,748
- 22, t, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,747
- 23, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,744
- 24, Tom Smallwood - Saginaw, Mich., 1,741
- 25, t, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,738
- 26, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,725
- 27, t, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,716
- 28, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 1,711
- 29, Jessy Bauer, Junction City, Kan. 1,710
- 30, Gary Faulkner, Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,705
- 31, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,703
- 32, t, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 1,700
- 33, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,700
- 34, Walter Ray Williams, Oxford, Fla., 1,696
- 35, t, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,688
- 36, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,684
- 37, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,682
- 38, Paul Moor, England, 1,680
- 39, t, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 1,675
- 40, Jake Provenzano, Wichita, Kan., 1,674
- 41, t, Tom Sorce, Richmond, Va., 1,670
- 42, Trey Ford Bartlesville, Okla., 1,658
- 43, t, AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,656
- 44, t, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,652
- 45, Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 1,651
- 46, Kevin Fanter, Maize, Kan., 1,651
- 47, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,650
- 48, Brian Lake, Irving, Texas, 1,650
- 49, t, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 1,646
- 50, t, Lee White, Odessa, Texas, 1,644
- 51, Jared Wolf, Jonesboro, Ark., 1,641
- 52, Martin Bedford, Andrews AFB, Md., 1,640

53, t, Paul Brewbaker, Midwest City, Okla., 1,637
54, Tracy Camper, Piedmont, Okla., 1,629
55, Mason Edmondson, Amarillo, Texas, 1,629
56, t, David Williams, Omaha, Neb., 1,627
57, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,624
58, t, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1622
59, Pat Larkin, Brookshire, Texas, 1,622
60, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,618
61, Chris Hansen, Frisco, Texas, 1,618
62, t, Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,613
63, Jeff Hatt, Oklahoma City, 1,611
64, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,610
65, Keven Williams, Springfield, Mo., 1,608
66, Clint Watkins, Andrews, Texas, 1,587
67, Beau Peterson, Newton, Kan., 1,583
68, t, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 1,580
69, April Murphy, North Richland Hills, 1,573
70, Kenneth Bland, Cibolo, Texas, 1,571
71, t, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,570
72, Mykel Holliman, Collierville, Tenn., 1,569
73, Jarek Vincent, Ft. Smith, Ark., 1,562
74, Ted Pritts, Little Elm, Texas, 1,560
75, Patrick Allen, Mt. Kisco, N.Y., 1,559
76, Ken Harlan, Lubbock, Texas, 1,553
77, Chad Newman, The Colony, Texas, 1,547
78, Shane Martin, Amarillo, Texas, 1,543
79, t, JT Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,542
80, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, Keller, Texas, 1,541
81, Angkie Ramirez, Chicago, Ill., 1,541
82, Dylan Burns, Lawrence, Kan., 1,533
83, David Tullos, Spring, Texas, 1,517
84, Bryan Viator, Seabrook, Texas, 1,501
85, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla. 1,476
86, Lance Nikkel, Leavenworth, Kan., 1,464
87, Stephen Keblish, Oklahoma City, 1,452
88, Ryan Miller, Lawrence, Kan., 1,446
89, Robert McBride, Dallas, 1,445
90, Davon Hill, Moore, Okla., 1,438
91, t, Brandon Bivens, East Ridge, Tenn., 1,437
92, Kirsten Peterson, Newton, Kan. 1,434
93, t, David Scardaville, Houston, Texas, 1,433
94, Scott Crawford, Allen, Texas, 1,427
95, Don Blankenship, Odessa, Texas, 1,419
96, Jay Flinn, Laurie, Mo., 1,415
97, Mark Morgan, Killeen, Texas, 1,410
98, Rameses Chambers, Kansas City, Mo., 1,409
99, Dylan Eichler, Bentonville,, 1,406
100, James Mayer, Richmond, Texas, 1,397
101, Gary Blair, Albuquerque, N.M., 1,384
102, Kyle Wilkes, Omaha, Neb., 1,376
103, Adam Hammersley, Wichita, Kan., 1,348
104, Cody Copeland, Abilene, Texas, 1,346
105, James Delacerda, Natchitoches, La., 1,342
106, Bill Ritchie, Pilot Point, Texas, 1,211
107, Dante Williams, Wichita Falls, Texas, 1,206

Amleto Monacelli Wins DHC PBA Japan Invitational, Ends 11-Year Title Drought

Venezuela native becomes 14th bowler to win 20 PBA Tour titles

TOKYO, Japan – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli ended an 11-year PBA Tour title drought and became the 14th player to win 20 PBA Tour titles when he defeated top qualifier Dom Barrett of England, 255-233, to win the DHC PBA Japan Invitational at Tokyo Port Bowl.

The finals aired Sunday on ESPN2.

“Japan has always been a great atmosphere for me,” the 54-year-old Monacelli said. “That’s where my career really got started. It felt like it was the late 1980s, when I could do something no one else could do. A lot of things were different, but I believe it was as good a performance as I’ve ever had.”

Monacelli, who began his PBA career in 1982, made 16 television finals and finished second seven times before winning his first title in the 1987 Japan Cup. He went on to win PBA Player of the Year honors in 1989 and 1990, and became the first international player inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 1997. He is now dividing time between the PBA Tour and the PBA50 Tour, where he has won five titles including three major championships.

His lengthy title slump in PBA Tour competition, he admits, has nothing to do with his legendary physical fitness routine and everything to do with his “stubbornness” in adapting to the changing competitive environment in professional bowling.

“I’ve been looking for a title for a long time,” he said. “It wasn’t because I was performing bad, but over the last three years I’ve got a lot more knowledge about the equipment and moving on the lanes, and that has given me an advantage along with my physical shape, which I’ve worked on my whole life.

“When I was bowling before all of this new equipment, it was more about how you performed – throw the ball harder, throw it softer, move around, change hand positions. Now it’s more about what ball to throw and when to throw it. You can perform well, but you have to have the right equipment, too. In Japan, I had the right ball at the right time to get a reaction no one else had.”

Monacelli earned his shot at the DHC PBA Japan Invitational title with a 275-221 win over defending champion Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, in the semifinal match. Barnes, returning to PBA competition for the first time since undergoing surgery in early October to repair a damaged disc in his back, started the stepladder finals with a 227-220 win over Japan’s Shota Kawazoe followed by a 232-202 victory over John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, N.Y.

The PBA Tour’s 2016 season kicks into high gear Tuesday with the first of three consecutive major championships, all of which will be televised live on ESPN on consecutive Sundays. The FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions kicks off the series, Feb. 2-7 at FireLake Bowling Center and FireLake Arena in Shawnee, Okla. The TOC will be followed by the United States Bowling Congress Masters Feb. 9-14 at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis, and the Barbasol PBA Players Championship Feb. 16-21 at Wayne Webb’s Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio. The TOC airs at 2 p.m. ET; the Masters and Players Championship air at 1 p.m. ET.

All qualifying and match play rounds of the three majors will be covered live on PBA’s exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription details, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

DHC PBA JAPAN INVITATIONAL

Tokyo Port Bowl, Tokyo, Japan (finals conducted Jan. 17, aired Jan. 31 on ESPN2)

Final Standings

1, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$40,000. 2, Dom Barrett, England, \$20,000. 3, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, \$10,400. 4, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., \$8,100. 5, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, \$7,300.

Stepladder Results

Match One – Barnes def. Kawazoe, 227-220. Match Two – Barnes def. Szczerbinski, 232-202. Semifinal Match – Monacelli def. Barnes, 275-221. Championship – Monacelli def. Barrett, 255-233.

Anthony Pepe Wins PBA Grand Casino, Hotel & Resort Winter Open Regional As Prelude to FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions

SHAWNEE, Okla. -- One-time PBA Tour winner Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., got his FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions week off to a flying start by winning the PBA Grand Casino, Hotel & Resort Winter Open regional Sunday at the FireLake Bowling Center.

Pepe erased a 71-pin deficit in the final position round match by defeating 2015 PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Open winner and Rolltech PBA World Championship runner-up EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 278-182. Pepe ended Sunday's match play with a 7-1 record and 5,159 21-game pinfall total (including bonus pins) while Tackett finished second with a 6-2 record and 5,104 pinfall.

"I kind of resigned myself to finishing second," said Pepe, who won his fourth regional title. "Having a 'didn't have anything to lose' mentality probably relaxed me and in that last match I just started throwing strikes."

Pepe, the 2014 PBA Cheetah Championship winner, and Tackett, will both be part of the 79-player field that will compete in the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions when qualifying begins on Tuesday at the FireLake Bowling Center.

"It's a confidence boost," Pepe said of his win. "But I can't over-analyze it because a lot can change in the next week. One thing is for sure, I'll be in good shape mentally."

Xtra Frame will cover the PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Monday beginning at 8 p.m. ET from the Grand Hotel Resort, and then will cover Tournament of Champions qualifying and match play Tuesday Feb. 2 through Friday, Feb. 5. ESPN will air the TOC finals live on Sunday, Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. ET (1 p.m. CT) from the FireLake Arena.

Xtra Frame offers three subscription packages: \$3.99 for a three-day subscription, \$7.99 for a 30-day package and \$64.99 for the XF Season Ticket, a 12-month package. To subscribe, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

In addition to Xtra Frame's live video streaming coverage, PBA fans can follow the action via "Live Scoring" on pba.com.

PBA GRAND CASINO, HOTEL & RESORT WINTER OPEN FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Sunday

FINAL STANDINGS (21-game pinfall totals with bonus pins and match play record)

- 1, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y. 7-1, 5,159, \$2,500
- 2, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6-2, 5,104, \$1,700
- 3, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 5-3, 4,882, \$1,300
- 4, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 5-3, 4,875 \$1,100
- 5, Dom Barrett, England, 5-3, 4,861, \$900
- 6, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 4-4, 4,812 \$800
- 7, DJ Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3-4-1, 4,791, \$775
- 8, Marshall, Kent, Yakima, Wash., 4-4, 4,779 \$750
- 9, Stuart Williams, England, 5-3, 4,745 \$725
- 10, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 4-4, 4,695, \$700
- 11, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 4-4, 4,681, \$675
- 12, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 4-4, 4,679, \$650
- 13, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3-5, 4,620
- 14, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 2-6, 4,577, \$600
- 15, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1-6-1, 4,562, \$575
- 16, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1-7, 4,489, \$550

STANDINGS AFTER CASHERS ROUND (13 Games) Top 16 advanced to match play

- 1, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2,829
- 2, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 2,828

- 3, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 2,810
- 4, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 2,776
- 5, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 2,735
- 6, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 2,724
- 7, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 2,711
- 8, Stuart Williams, England, 2,702
- 9, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 2,685
- 10, Dom Barrett, England, 2,682
- 11, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 2,681
- 12, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 2,676
- 13, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 2,660
- 14, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 2,649
- 15, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 2,646
- 16, Marc Heninger, Tonganoxie, Kan., 2,630
- 17, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 2,614, \$510
- 18, Brett Cooper, Denver, 2,613, \$505
- 19, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 2,591., \$500
- 20, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 2,588, \$495
- 21, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 2,587, \$490
- 22, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 2,581, \$485
- 23, Clint Land, Houston, 2,578, \$480
- 24, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 2,577, \$472.50.
- 25, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2,574, \$472.50.
- 26, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2,562, \$462.50.
- 27, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2,560, \$462.50.
- 28, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 2,540, \$455.
- 29, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 2,529, \$450.
- 30, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 2,503, \$445.
- 31, Will Barnes, Wichita, Kan., 2,488, \$437.50
- 32, Oksu Palermaa, Finland, 2,482, \$437.50.
- 33, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 2,446, \$430.
- 34, Jessy Bauer, Junction City, Kan., 2,440, \$425.
- 35, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 2,415. \$420.

Couture, O'Neale and Schreiner Inducted Into PBA Hall of Fame During Ceremonies in Shawnee, Oklahoma

SHAWNEE, Okla. -- PBA50 Tour standout Pete Couture of Cocoa, Fla., former South Region Manager Harry O'Neale of Ravenel, S.C., and former PBA Tour announcer Denny Schreiner of Akron, Ohio, were inducted into the Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Fame Monday during ceremonies at the Grand Casino Hotel Resort.

Couture was elected in the PBA50 Performance category based on his exceptional record for a minimum of 10 years as a "senior" competitor. On the heels of a 24-year career as a PBA Tour competitor, when he won five standard PBA titles, Couture began his PBA50 career in 1995 when he earned PBA50 Rookie of the Year honors. He won the first of nine PBA50 Tour titles in Reno in 1996, and captured a pair of USBC Senior Masters titles in 1998 (when he was selected as PBA50 Player of the Year) and 2002.

"If it wasn't for the senior (PBA50) tour I wouldn't be here," said Couture. "The senior tour was a second chance and an opportunity to re-invent myself.

"Bowling on the senior tour was like being with family," he added. "Some of my greatest memories came from bowling on the Senior Tour. I think everyone who bowls for a living dreams of getting in the hall of fame because there's no higher honor."

O'Neale built the PBA South Region tournament program into the organization's most successful proving ground for aspiring young players over a span of 31 years before his retirement in 2011. A one-time PBA Tour competitor, O'Neale assumed a regional program with fewer than 200 members and built it into a membership of more than 900 members, frequently traveling thousands of miles while conducting more than 40 weekend tournaments a year.

"In all the years I was with PBA I had so many great people around me to make it work and I couldn't have done it without them," O'Neale said. "It's been a long way but a lot of fun. Over the years I gave a way a lot of awards but didn't get that many myself, so this is a great honor for me.

"I'm very proud of the growth we had in the (PBA's) south region," O'Neale added. "I wanted the bowlers in our part of the country to be proud of our region and I knew if they were they would keep coming back and bowl in our tournaments."

Schreiner, who served as the ESPN television voice of the PBA between 1986 and 1995, also was a skilled bowler who joined the PBA media staff as the PBA Tour Broadcast Director shortly after his graduation from the University of Akron. As PBA's play-by-play announcer on ESPN, he quickly became popular for his ability to apply his knowledge as a bowler to the telecasts, working in harmony with fellow PBA Hall of Famer Mike Durbin as his color analyst.

"I grabbed the brass ring when I got the PBA (announcing) job and never let go," Schreiner said. "To be involved with all the great people who built and worked with PBA over the years, you can't explain in your wildest dreams what it means to be standing up here."

Also, as part of the evening's festivities, Jason Belmonte, Jesper Svensson, Josh Blanchard and Ed Godbout were officially presented with the GEICO Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year, Harry Golden Rookie of the Year, Steve Nagy Sportsmanship and Tony Reyes Community Service Awards, respectively.

England's Dom Barrett Takes FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions First Round Lead

2013 Rookie of the Year EJ Tackett trails by two pins after first 8 qualifying games

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Feb. 2, 2016) – England's Dom Barrett, a four-time Professional Bowlers Association titlist, overtook EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., by two pins in the final game to take the first round lead in the 51st FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions at FireLake Bowling Center Tuesday.

Barrett, 30, rolled games of 217, 221, 290, 229, 226, 235, 223 and 228 for a 1,869 pinfall total to edge the 23-year-old Tackett, who posted his 1,867-pin total earlier in the day. The opening round of PBA's signature tournament saw the lead change after almost every game with nine players finishing within 23 pins of the leader.

"I watch a lot of soccer, golf and tennis, and the majors are the pinnacles of all sports," Barrett said. "You don't hear all that much about Tiger Woods' 80-some titles; you hear about his majors. I've been working toward hitting my peak when tournaments like this come up. They're the ones you really look forward to."

Barrett, who won the 2013 PBA World Championship for his only major title, has experienced a number of close calls more recently, including a 236-223 loss to Ryan Ciminelli in the title match of the 2015 Bowlmor AMF U.S. Open. But he refuses to dwell in the past.

"Everything that's happened in the past – I don't think too much about it," Barrett said. "I'm a kind of a look to the future kind of guy. I'm not thinking about being unlucky or whatever. I just want to be the best I can at the tournament I'm bowling at the moment."

Tackett said his focus is getting back to the TV finals in a PBA major championship for a third time, after leading in the 2014 United States Bowling Congress Masters and the 2015 Rolltech PBA World Championship and losing both title matches.

"I was probably the most confident I had ever been going into a TV show for the World Championship, and in practice, I got tricked into throwing the wrong ball," the 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year said. "I'm still learning. Bowling on TV is a lot different than bowling during the event. I think the next time I made a TV show, I'll do better based on what I learned on that show."

"I've finished second in two majors, but I look at it like Jack Nicklaus winning 18 majors and finishing second 19 times. That was a lot of opportunities. The thing is, you can't win unless you get there, so if I keep putting myself in position, I'm gonna win. You just have to be patient and let it happen."

Right behind Barrett and Tackett were Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., with 1,864 pins; Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., in fourth with a 1,855 total and Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., in fifth place with 1,854 pins.

Two-time defending TOC champion Jason Belmonte of Australia sat in 48th place after eight games with 1,682 pins.

The field of 77 PBA tournament champions will bowl its second 8-game qualifying round Wednesday and the top 27 players after 16 games will then advance to Thursday's 8-game cashers round. After 24 games, the top 24 will advance to three 8-game rounds of head-to-head match play to determine the top five for Sunday's live ESPN finals at 2 p.m. ET.

FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Tuesday

First Round Standings (after 8 games)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 1,869.
- 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,867.
- 3, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,864.
- 4, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,855.
- 5, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,854.
- 6, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,851.
- 7, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,849.
- 8, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,847.
- 9, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,846.
- 10, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,828.
- 11, Will Barnes, Wichita, Kan., 1,826.
- 12 (tie), Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, and Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,822.
- 14, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,812.
- 15, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 1,811.
- 16, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,808.
- 17, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,806.
- 18, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,805.
- 19, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,781.
- 20, f-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,775.
- 21 (tie), Jesper Svensson, Sweden, and f-Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 1,771.
- 23, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,769.
- 24, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,768.
- 25, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,764.
- 26, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,761.
- 27, (tie) Paul Moor, England, and Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,760.
- 29, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,754.
- 30, Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 1,752.
- 31, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 1,748.
- 32, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,745.
- 33, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,734.
- 34, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,730.
- 35, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,726.
- 36, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,725.
- 37, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,723.
- 38 (tie), Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, and Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,721.
- 40, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,718.
- 41, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,707.
- 42, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,706.
- 43, David Scardaville, Houston, Texas, 1,705.
- 44, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,700.
- 45, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,697.
- 46, Stuart Williams, England, 1,696.
- 47, J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,689.
- 48, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,682.
- 49, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,680.

50, Jason Couch, Clermont, Fla., 1,673.
51, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,665.
52, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,660.
53, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,655.
54, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,649.
55, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,646.
56, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,637.
57, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,636.
58, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,629.
59, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,627.
60, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 1,625.
61, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,620.
62, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 1,613.
63, f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,611.
64, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 1,606.
65, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,601.
66, Paul Brewbaker, Midwest City, Okla., 1,597.
67, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,586.
68, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,571.
69, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,548.
70, f-Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 1,542.
71, Joe Salvemini, Nevada City, Calif., 1,539.
72, Carmen Salvino, Schaumburg, Ill., 1,508.
72, Brandon Bivens, East Ridge, Tenn., 1,508.
74, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,504.
75, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,483.
76, Lee White, Odessa, Texas, 1,466.
77, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,451.

300 Game: Kyle Troup.

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PBA Spare Shots

FIRELAKE ARENA UNDERGOES TRANSFORMATION FOR SUNDAY'S LIVE ESPN FINALS OF FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

FireLake Arena in Shawnee, Okla., normally a showcase for country music artists, cage fighting and wrestling, is undergoing a transformation into a state-of-the-art bowling facility for its national television debut Sunday when the arena will become the stage for the stepladder finals of the 51st FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions.

The first-ever ESPN telecast from FireLake Arena will begin at 2 p.m. ET (1 p.m. local time) on the special two-lane installation on the arena floor. The setting will allow for a much larger crowd than can typically fit into a conventional bowling center. Tickets for the finals will be available at the door, or through the "tickets" link on pba.com.

Fans attending the TOC finals also are invited to attend a special Super Bowl party at FireLake Arena following the ESPN finals, including live coverage of Super Bowl 50 on the arena's giant television screens.

FireLake Arena sits across the parking lot from FireLake Bowling Center, where preliminary qualifying and match play rounds of the TOC are taking place today through Friday, along with a "PBA Experience" pro-am event on Saturday. All preliminary rounds are being streamed live to a global audience on PBA's subscription-based Xtra Frame online bowling channel (starting at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. EST each day). While a traditional bowling center can rarely accommodate more than 200-300 hundred fans, PBA's video-streaming service allows Xtra Frame's more than 8,000 subscribers around the world an opportunity to watch preliminary rounds of PBA competition.

For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

USBC MASTERS NEXT ON XTRA FRAME'S SCHEDULE

Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage of the 2016 "PBA Year of the Fan" season continues Tuesday, Feb. 9 thru Saturday, Feb. 13, with qualifying (Tuesday-Thursday) and three-game double-elimination match play rounds (Friday-Saturday) from Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis.

In addition to Xtra Frame coverage, fans can follow free live scoring on pba.com and on bowl.com, USBC's official website.

Xtra Frame subscription options include a three-day (72-hour) subscription for \$3.99; a 30-day package for \$7.99, and the 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99. To sign up, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. New subscribers are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes drawings for new high-performance bowling balls sponsored by MOTIV and DV8.

BILLY HARDWICK FAMILY TO SPONSOR NEW TEEN MASTERS SCHOLARSHIPS

In memory of the late PBA Hall of Famer **Billy Hardwick**, his widow **Rebecca Hardwick** has announced the Hardwick family will sponsor the Billy Hardwick Scholarships in conjunction with the annual Teen Masters Championships.

Hardwick, who retired from competition in 1977 and ran the 40-lane Billy Hardwick All-Star Lanes in Memphis in retirement, died in 2013.

"Billy was particularly proud of his center's programs involving youth bowlers," Rebecca Hardwick said, "so we are very excited about getting involved with the Teen Masters and we are looking forward to helping grow the event in his honor."

Teen Masters founder **Gary Beck** said the scholarship program is a perfect fit for the message Hardwick and the Teen Masters program want to get across to youth bowlers.

"Billy Hardwick is the PBA poster child for perseverance, a life skill we teach through Teen Masters competition," Beck said. "His story will serve as an inspirational lesson for all Teen Masters participants. Having the Hardwicks celebrate Billy's legacy through these college scholarships is wonderful for our event and for all youth bowlers."

Two \$2,000 college scholarships, one for the top male and one for the top female, will be awarded to eligible candidates based on total pinfall (not including match play bonus pins) at the Teen Masters Championships. To be eligible, bowlers must meet the following criteria: Must be a high school senior, hold a cumulative GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale, submit a letter of recommendation from a coach or teacher by June 1, and submit a 300-plus word essay on "How competitive bowling has taught me how to handle pressure in life" by June 1. Additional information is available at TeenMastersBowling.com.

WAYNE'S LANES IN "WAIT AND SEE" SITUATION FOR COMEBACK

BJI Cyber Report has reported that Wayne Lanes, a 12-lane center in Waynesboro, Va., that first opened in 1958, suffered a devastating roof collapse due to the heavy snowfall that hit the region over the Jan. 23 weekend. But is beginning to take steps to recover.

"I was just in shock and disbelief," proprietor **Shawn Lavender** told Bowlers Journal in an exclusive interview. "...So many people are tied to this center. I have been around it my whole life."

Although it was a small center, Lavender and the PBA found a way for it to host PBA regional events, including the Decker Appraisal Services Baker Trios event won in November by PBA Hall of Famer **Tom Baker**; PBA Tour champion **Jason Sterner**, and PBA regional titlist **Jeff Schrum**.

The center immediately began receiving strong support.

"I can't even tell you how many times my phone has rung from guys inside the PBA world and from local people to people that had just been to Wayne Lanes once or twice," Lavender said. "It has been incredible."

Will Wayne Lanes be rebuilt?

"I think the chances each day continue to be much stronger," Lavender said. "It is just a wait-and-see situation right now. There are so many factors when you might rebuild. We have to see what the city has to say about it, and what the insurance company says... I am in the process of looking at buildings that can accommodate me."

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF WINS FIRST REGIONAL TITLE IN RENO

Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., posted a 6-4 match play record and a 18-game total of 4,528 pins Sunday to win his first PBA Regional title in the PBA Sands Regency West/Northwest Winter Classic Open presented by Storm.

Butturff defeated **Chris Ferreira** of Visalia, Calif., by 185 pins to win the \$2,000 first prize in the standard regional that was part of a tripleheader weekend.

In the companion PBA50 Open, **Ron Mohr** of Las Vegas went 6-2 in match play and knocked down 3,848 total pins for 16 games to top **Dennis Horan Jr.** of Oakley, Calif., by 33 pins for a \$1,500 prize and his 18th PBA Regional title.

Kicking off the weekend on Friday, **Miles Duty** of Modesto, Calif., defeated Butturff, 299-202, to win \$1,500 in the PBA Sands Regency Winter Challenge presented by Radical. The Challenge was open to players who had never won a PBA title.

- Leading into the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, **Anthony Pepe** of Elmhurst, N.Y., ran away from top qualifier **EJ Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., 278-182, Sunday to win the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Winter Open at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla.

- PBA's February regional schedule gets underway with the Break Point Alley Southern Challenge presented by DV8, a tournament for non-titlists, over the Feb. 5-7 weekend in Tavares, Fla.

- The Feb. 19-21 weekend includes two PBA Regionals, in the South and West Regions. Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C., will host the PBA50 Dave Edwards Toyota South Open presented by 900 Global, and Gold Country Lanes in Sutter Creek, Calif., will host the Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort Championship.

- Kicking off a busy March schedule over the March 4-6 weekend will be the PBA50 Victory Lanes Central Open presented by 900 Global in Galion, Ohio; the Lakewood Holiday Lanes Southwest Open presented by Storm in Lakewood, Colo.; the PBA50 Monte Skeels Allstate Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, and the Caveman Bowl Northwest/West Open presented by DV8 in Grants Pass, Ore.

- The only regional activity over the March 13 weekend is the one-day PBA50 Thunderbowl Midwest Open presented by Columbia 300 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

- A busy regional schedule over the March 18-20 weekend includes the PBA50 Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Odessa Southwest Open presented by Columbia 300 at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas; the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by DV8 in Virden, Ill.; the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open in Elmira, N.Y., and the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open presented by Radical at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio.

- The March regional calendar concludes over the March 25-27 weekend with the Cooperfield Bowl Houston Challenge presented by 900 Global in Houston, Texas; the South Point West Challenge and Member/Non-Member Doubles, both presented by Track, at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area.

QUICK NOTES

- **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., the runner-up in the 2015 GEICO Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year voting, was forced to withdraw from the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions due to a lingering illness. Eight-time PBA Tour champion and 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year **Mike Scroggins** of Amarillo, Texas, also withdrew due to a chronic plantar fasciitis issue.

- As expected, PBA founding member **Carmen Salvino** of Chicago broke his own record as the oldest player ever to bowl in a PBA Tour event when he threw his first ball in the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions on Tuesday, Feb., in Shawnee, Okla. Salvino, 82, broke the record he set a year earlier by bowling in the 2015 TOC in Indianapolis – 53 years after he finished third in the inaugural TOC in 1962 in Indianapolis.

- With his 20th career PBA Tour win in the DHC PBA Japan Invitational, **Amleto Monacelli** became the third-oldest player ever to win a PBA Tour title. The Venezuelan hall of famer won in Tokyo at the age of 54 years, 276 days. The record is held by **John Handegard** who won his only PBA Tour title in Kennewick, Wash., in 1995 at the age of 57 years, 139 days. Second-oldest was **Buzz Fazio** who won twice in 1964 and 1965 at the age of 56-plus.
- The HotelPlanner.com sweepstakes winner for January is **Craig Goodwill**, Monessen, Pa. By booking a room through HotelPlanner.com's link on pba.com, Goodwill earned a \$200 gift certificate for future lodging booked through PBA's official travel partner.
- **Daron Hansen** of Brooklyn Center, Minn., and **Kevin Palmer** of Coral Springs, Fla., were the January sweepstakes winners of new high-performance bowling balls sponsored by MOTIV and DV8. As new Xtra Frame subscribers, Hansen won a new MOTIV ball while Palmer won a DV8 ball. New subscribers (monthly plan \$7.99 or 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99) are automatically entered into the monthly sweepstakes sponsored by the two members of the PBA's Product Registered family.

Tom Smallwood Rolls into FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions Lead

Big second round keeps Australia's Belmonte in contention for third straight TOC title

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Feb. 3, 2016) – Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., who has made a career out of bowling well in major championships, averaged 231.4 for 16 games to move into the lead at the end of qualifying in the 51st FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions at FireLake Bowling Center Wednesday.

Smallwood, 38, posted games of 258, 258, 203, 259, 260, 200, 206 and 231 Wednesday for a 16-game total of 3,703 pins, advancing from 10th place to first in a hotly contested battle for the top 27 berths in Thursday's eight-game cashers round.

Among those who remained in title contention was Australia's two-handed star, Jason Belmonte, who advanced from 48th place to qualify 13th for the cashers round. Belmonte is trying to equal PBA Hall of Famer Jason Couch's record as the second player to win the Tournament of Champions three consecutive times.

Trailing Smallwood at the end of qualifying was 2014 PBA Rookie of the Year Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., with 3,665 pins, 38 pins behind Smallwood, followed by PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., at 3,662; EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., at 3,661 and Dom Barrett of England at 3,633.

Smallwood, who made national news when he won the 2010 PBA World Championship after losing his job at General Motors during the recession, has done his best work in PBA majors. He finished second in the 2011 Tournament of Champions, fourth in the 2014 United States Bowling Congress Masters and fifth in the 2012 PBA World Championship in addition to winning his second PBA title in the 2012 PBA Scorpion Championship.

"I don't put any more time or effort into the majors, but it's only natural to put a little more emphasis on them because they pay more and they're more prestigious," Smallwood said. "For whatever reason my ball decides to strike more in the majors, which is fine with me."

Smallwood said he found a way to play the lanes that other players weren't playing, and they actually helped move the oil around to his favor.

"Usually I'm playing the wrong part of the lane, but I played a little farther right of everybody tonight and it worked," he said. "The first six games, I only moved four boards with my eyes, and that was it. Everyone else was playing farther inside than I was, and they actually gave me more hold area which allowed me to stay where I was."

Among the players advancing to Thursday's cashers round was reigning Professional Women's Bowling Association Player of the Year Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., who also is the first woman ever to advance to the PBA national telecast and the only woman ever to accomplish that feat twice. Johnson qualified in a tie for 20th place.

"I never really put a PBA Tour title on my bucket list, but it would be nice to win one," Johnson said. "The thing I realized this week is that I bowled my first women's pro tournament 20 years ago this week, and to think I'm still out here doing what I'm doing is pretty amazing to me."

Johnson was one of four women in the TOC field. Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., who won the 2010 Tournament of Champions to become the only woman ever to win a PBA Tour title, was in contention Wednesday but faltered down the stretch, finishing 31st and missing the cut by 14 pins.

At the conclusion of Thursday's cashers round, the top 24 based on 24-game pinfall totals will advance to three eight-game rounds of head-to-head match play to determine the top five for Sunday's live ESPN finals at 2 p.m. ET. PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service will cover the cashers round and all three match play rounds live. Rounds start at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. CST Thursday and Friday.

FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Wednesday

Final Qualifying Standings (after 16 games)

- 1, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,703.
- 2, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,665.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,662.
- 4, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,661.
- 5, Dom Barrett, England, 3,633.
- 6, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 3,631.
- 7, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,627.
- 8, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,606.
- 9, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,595.
- 10, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3,594.
- 11, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3,580.
- 12, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,579.
- 13, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,575.
- 14, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,569.
- 15, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 3,567.
- 16, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,560.
- 17, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3,525.
- 18, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,522.
- 19, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3,512.
- 20, (tie) Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., and f-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,497.
- 22, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 3,496.
- 23, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,495.
- 24, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 3,493.
- 25, Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 3,483.
- 26, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3,480.
- 27, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3,476.

Failed to advance

- 28, Stuart Williams, England, 3,470.
- 29, (tie) Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., and Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,468.
- 31, f-Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 3,462.
- 32, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,458.
- 33, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 3,457.
- 34, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3,454.
- 35, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,453.
- 36, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 3,447.
- 37, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 3,435.
- 38, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 3,433.
- 39, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,431.
- 40, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,427.
- 41, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,422.

42, Paul Moor, England, 3,416.
 43, Will Barnes, Wichita, Kan., 3,414.
 44, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 3,405.
 45, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 3,379.
 46, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3,359.
 47, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 3,353.
 48, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,352.
 49, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,346.
 50, David Scardaville, Houston, Texas, 3,341.
 51, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 3,325.
 52, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 3,313.
 53, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3,296.
 54, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3,294.
 55, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 3,286.
 56, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,276.
 57, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 3,269.
 58, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3,265.
 59, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 3,244.
 60, J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 3,222.
 61, (tie) f-Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, and Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 3,210.
 63, f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 3,207.
 64, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,202.
 65, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 3,193.
 66, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 3,189.
 67, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,180.
 68, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 3,150.
 69, Paul Brewbaker, Midwest City, Okla., 3,141.
 70, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 3,133.
 71, Brandon Bivens, East Ridge, Tenn., 3,083.
 72, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3,067.
 73, Lee White, Odessa, Texas, 3,048.
 74, Joe Salvemini, Nevada City, Calif., 2,987.
 75, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 2,890.
 76, Carmen Salvino, Schaumburg, Ill., 2,887.
 77, Jason Couch, Clermont, Fla., 2,369.

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Sweden's Jesper Svensson Charges into FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions Lead

PBA's 2015 Rookie of the Year leads off round with 289, 300 games to move into first place

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Feb. 4, 2016) – Sweden's Jesper Svensson struck on 22 of his first 23 shots Thursday morning in the 51st FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions at FireLake Bowling Center, advancing from sixth place to first, and he continued his blistering pace in match play Thursday night to build a 266-pin lead over Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn.

Svensson, a 20-year-old left-handed two-hander and PBA's 2015 Rookie of the Year, averaged 232.1 for his first 32 games to lead the field of 24 finalists into Friday's final two rounds of match play in the PBA's first major championship of the year. Following games of 289 and 300, Svensson finished his morning round with games of 220, 258, 235, 213, 223 and 203. He then started Thursday night's first round of match play with games of 267, 229, 256 and 290, winning all four matches to break away from the field.

He finished the evening round games of 213, 196 and 213 for losses, and a 238 win in his last game for a 5-3 match play record and a 32-game total of 7,624 pins, including 30 bonus pins for each match won.

“That was good,” Svensson said of his start in the evening round, “but I struggled a bit in the middle, so it was good to finish with a good game. In the middle, the urethane ball I was using got a bit shiny, and I couldn’t get as good of pin carry as when it has a fresh surface.

“But I’m happy; I didn’t expect this at all. I’m just going to have a good time and see where I finish tomorrow.”

Chasing Svensson and Beasley (7,358 pins) in the race for Sunday’s five-player stepladder finals were Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla., with 7,328 pins; Dom Barrett of England with a 7,317 total and EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., with 7,300 pins.

Australia’s Jason Belmonte, the two-time defending champion, was fifth heading into match play, but posted a 4-4 record in the opening round and slipped back to ninth place.

The 24 finalists will bowl their final two eight-game round-robin match play rounds Friday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. CST to determine the five finalists for Sunday’s live ESPN stepladder finals at 1 p.m. CST (2 p.m. Eastern). The finals will be held on a special two-lane installation inside FireLake Arena.

All match play rounds are being covered exclusively, live on PBA’s Xtra Frame online bowling channel. For subscription information visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS **FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Thursday**

Round Five Standings (after 32 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 5-3, 7,624.
- 2, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 7-1, 7,358.
- 3, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 6-2, 7,328.
- 4, Dom Barrett, England, 4-4, 7,315.
- 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6-2, 7,300.
- 6, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 6-2, 7,292.
- 7, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 2-6, 7,262.
- 8, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3-5, 7,219.
- 9, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 4-4, 7,212.
- 10, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 4-4, 7,178.
- 11, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 5-3, 7,167.
- 12, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3-5, 7,141.
- 13, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 5-3, 7,139.
- 14, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4-4, 7,135.
- 15, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 5-3, 7,125.
- 16, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3-5, 7,110.
- 17, x-A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 6-2, 7,085.
- 18, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 4-4, 7,044.
- 19, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2-6, 7,036.
- 20, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3-5, 7,014.
- 21, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 2-6, 7,010.
- 22, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3-5, 6,987.
- 23, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3-5, 6,949.
- 24, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1-7, 6,704.

x-Johnson replace Norm Duke, who withdrew due to a neck injury.

300 Game: Jesper Svensson.

Media Advisory: Final Match Play round in FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions Begins at 5 p.m. CST

A final release with the five players for Sunday’s ESPN finals will be filed est. 9 p.m. CST tonight

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Feb. 5, 2016) – Sweden’s Jesper Svensson cooled off during round five of the 51st FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, but he managed to hold onto first place heading into the final round of match play at FireLake Bowling Center Friday night.

Svensson, who turns 21 on Feb. 15, won four of his eight matches Friday morning and finished the round with a 40-game total of 9,161 pins, including 270 bonus pins for his nine match wins, as his 266-pin lead shrunk to a 32-pin lead over Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla., going into Friday night's final eight games of match play. Svensson, PBA's 2015 Rookie of the Year, won his first two PBA Tour titles last year, but is still looking for his first major title.

Daugherty finished round five with an 11-5 match play record and 9,399 pins. Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., was third with 9,348 pins followed by EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., at 9,296 and two-time defending champion Jason Belmonte of Australia with a 9,284 total. Brad Angelo of Lockport, N.Y., was 54 pins behind Belmonte in the race for the five berths in Sunday's finals.

The 24 finalists will bowl their final eight-game match play round Friday at 5 p.m. CST to determine the five finalists for Sunday's live ESPN stepladder finals at 1 p.m. CST (2 p.m. Eastern). The finals will be held on a special two-lane installation inside FireLake Arena.

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FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS **FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Friday**

Round Five Standings (after 40 of 48 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 9-7, 9,431.
- 2, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 11-5, 9,399.
- 3, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 12-3-1, 9,348.
- 4, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 12-4, 9,296.
- 5, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 10-6, 9,284.
- 6, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 11-5, 9,230.
- 7, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 8-8, 9,081.
- 8, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 11-5, 9,076.
- 9, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 6-9-1, 9,055.
- 10, Dom Barrett, England, 8-7-1, 9,022.
- 11, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 8-8, 8,998.
- 12, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 8-8, 8,984.
- 13, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 4-12, 8,947.
- 14, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 7-9, 8,925.
- 15, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 8-8, 8,902.
- 16, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 5-10-1, 8,881.
- 17, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 7-9, 8,858.
- 18, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 6-10, 8,797.
- 19, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 6-10, 8,793.
- 20, y-Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 5-3, 8,776.
- 21, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 7-9., 8,712.
- 22, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 6-10, 8,661.
- 23, x-A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 7-9, 8,524.
- 24, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 4-12, 8,411.

x-Johnson replace Norm Duke, who withdrew due to a neck injury; y-Sterner replaced Pete Weber, who withdrew due to a hip injury.

300 Game: Anthony Simonsen.

Retired Air Force Veteran Mitch Beasley Claims Top Berth **For FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions Stepladder Finals**

Australia's Jason Belmonte qualifies third in bid for record-tying third consecutive TOC title

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Feb. 5, 2016) – Retired U.S. Air Force veteran Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., will make a bid for his first Professional Bowlers Association major title Sunday as top qualifier in the 51st FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions after dominating match play Friday at FireLake Bowling Center.

Beasley, a 47-year-old right-hander, won all 13 of his final 14 matches Friday, and tied the other one, to advance from third place to first, finishing with a 48-game total of 11,559 pins. Beasley has never finished higher than fourth in a PBA Tour event, but he has won 20 PBA titles, including at least two titles in six of the PBA's seven domestic regions where he was based during his 20-year military career. Beasley served as a crew chief on C130s and recruiter for the U.S. Air Force.

"I retired on Jan. 1, 2008, and left the next day to bowl on Tour."

On Sunday, he will face the player who emerges from three preliminary matches in a one-game duel for the \$50,000 first prize. Also qualifying for Sunday's ESPN stepladder finals were 2015 PBA Rookie of the Year Jesper Svensson of Sweden, a left-handed two-hander who turns 21 on Feb. 15; two-time defending champion Jason Belmonte of Australia; 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., and one-time PBA Tour winner Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla., who is best known for the 100 game he bowled against eventual winner Mika Koivuneimi in the 2011 Tournament of Champions finals.

Daugherty will bowl Tackett, a two-time runner-up in major championships, in the first match. The winner will try to end Belmonte's bid for a record-tying third consecutive TOC title in match two. The match two winner bowls Svensson in the semifinal match for the right to meet Beasley in the title contest.

For Beasley, Friday's final round was the best performance of his career.

"I made four changes to my game two weeks ago. I was really focused on the changes and make good shots and let the ball tell me what to do," he said. "I felt the pressure, but I was just trying to make the shots I needed to make.

"I missed my best years as an athlete while I was in the Air Force, so when you have the opportunity, you have to take advantage of it," he added. "When I started bowling on Tour, I got hurt twice, once with a shattered wrist and then I missed a couple of years with hip and back injuries, so about half of my time, I've been hurt. It feels good to be healthy again."

Sunday will give him a chance to realize the goal he's always dreamed of.

"It's every bowler's dream to win a national title, and to have a chance to have your first title be a major, that's the ultimate," Beasley said. "That's what I've worked for ever since the first time I picked up a bowling ball when I was 19 and in the service in Germany."

Sunday's live ESPN stepladder finals will be contested on a special two-lane installation inside FireLake Arena at 1 p.m. CST (2 p.m. Eastern). First prize in PBA's first major championship of the 2016 season will be \$50,000.

FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Friday

Final Match Play Standings (after 48 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 20-3-1, 11,559.
- 2, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 14-10, 11,455.
- 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 15-9, 11,421.
- 4, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 17-7, 11,300.
- 5, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 15-9, 11,203.

Failed to advance

- 6, Dom Barrett, England, 14-9-1, 11,188, \$5,500.
- 7, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 16-8, 11,168, \$5,000.
- 8, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 12-11-1, 11,088, \$4,500.
- 9, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 12-12, 10,964, \$4,000.
- 10, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 12-12, 10,857, \$3,800.
- 11, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 11-13, 10,801, \$3,600.
- 12, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 15-9, 10,793, \$3,400.
- 13, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 8-16, 10,774, \$3,200.
- 14, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 11-13, 10,747, \$3,100.
- 15, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 7-16-1, 10,744, \$3,000.
- 16, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 12-12, 10,732, \$2,900.
- 17, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 11-13, 10,654, \$2,800.

18, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 10-14, 10,609, \$2,700.
19, y-Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 9-7, 10,602, \$2,600.
20, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 8-16, 10,535, \$2,500.
21, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 8-16, 10,501, \$2,400.
22, x-A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 10-14, 10,349, \$1,000.
23, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 7-17, 10,316, \$2,300.
24, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 8-16, 10,295, \$2,200.
25, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4-4, 7,133, \$1,500.

x-Johnson replace Norm Duke, who withdrew due to a neck injury; y-Sterner replaced Pete Weber, who withdrew due to a hip injury.

300 Games: Anthony Simonsen, Dom Barrett.

Sweden's Svensson Wins FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions

PBA's 2015 Rookie of the Year becomes youngest player to win TOC at age 20

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Feb. 7, 2016) – Eight days shy of his 21st birthday, Sweden's Jesper Svensson, the 2015 Professional Bowlers Association Rookie of the Year, became the youngest player to win the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions Sunday at FireLake Arena.

Svensson, a 6-foot-3, 158-pound left-handed two-hander, defeated top qualifier Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., 226-177, to win his third career PBA Tour title, his first major and a \$50,000 first prize. The previous youngest winner of the TOC was PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman who won the event in 1976 at the age of 21 years, 207 days. Another PBA Hall of Famer, Mike Aulby, is the youngest player ever to win a PBA major title, winning the 1979 PBA National Championship at the age of 19 years, 83 days.

Svensson won the title convincingly, striking on five of his first six shots to build a 30-pin lead while Beasley, making his first television appearance, struggled to figure out the tricky lane condition on the left lane.

"I was pretty comfortable from the start, but then I opened in the second frame (against Daugherty)," Svensson said. "I was a bit nervous. It would be weird if you weren't when you're bowling on TV. But I made the right adjustments and I was fine."

Setting the record as the youngest TOC champion was never on his mind.

"That's a bonus," Svensson said. "I try not to think about how young I am. I just try to compete against the best in the world. Everything has gone pretty quick for me. I just came out here (on Tour in the United States) to get experience. I probably haven't even realized what I've done so far.

"Winning a major is one of the biggest achievements you can have in bowling, so I'm pretty much out of words."

Beasley said he knew he was in trouble early because the power players on the right side of the lane moved the oil to such an extent he couldn't figure out where to throw the ball.

"When you throw your best shot and miss the head pin, that's not good," the retired 20-year U.S. Air Force veteran said. "The guys in front of me really destroyed the left lane. You try to figure it out, but if I missed left, the ball went right and if I missed right, the ball hooked too much. And then you're out of time."

Svensson advanced to the title match by defeating Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla., 245-206, breaking open a tie match with a string of seven strikes after leaving and failing to convert a 4-6-7 split in the second frame.

In the second match, Daugherty ended three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte's bid for a third consecutive TOC title, 220-169. Belmonte contributed to his own defeat, missing a 10 pin in the first frame, a 2-8 spare attempt in the sixth and then failing to convert a 2-4-8-10 split in the ninth frame.

In the opening match, Daugherty finished with seven consecutive strikes to overcome a pair of missed 3-10 spare conversions earlier in the game and rally from a 35-pin deficit to eliminate EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 231-221.

PBA's "Super February" schedule continues next week with the United States Bowling Congress Masters at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis. Belmonte, the only player ever to win the USBC Masters three consecutive times, will be trying to extend his streak to four in a row. Qualifying begins Tuesday. The top 63 qualifiers plus Belmonte will compete in three-game double-elimination match play Friday and Saturday leading to the live ESPN stepladder finals on Sunday at 1 p.m. EST.

All qualifying and match play rounds of the Masters will be covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. Live scoring also will be available throughout the event on pba.com.

FIRELAKE PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Sunday

Final Standings

- 1, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$50,000.
- 2, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., \$25,000.
- 3, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., \$13,000.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$11,000.
- 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$10,000.

Stepladder Results

Match One – Daugherty def. Tackett, 231-221.
Match Two – Daugherty def. Belmonte, 220-169.
Semifinal Match – Svensson def. Daugherty, 245-206.
Championship – Svensson def. Beasley, 226-177.

"The Bad Boy of Bowling" to Make ESPN Debut Online on Feb. 23, On Air on Feb. 26

30 for 30 Films documentary follows life and times of PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber

CHICAGO (Feb. 9, 2016) – "The Bad Boy of Bowling," an award-winning documentary centered around the life-and-times of Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber, will premiere on the ESPN Films *30 for 30 Shorts* website (<http://espn.go.com/30for30/shorts>) on Tuesday, February 23. Later in the week, the film will make its broadcast debut as part of Friday Night Movie Night on ESPN's *SportsCenter* on Friday, February 26 during the 6 p.m ET hour.

The ESPN Films *30 for 30 Shorts* documentary, directed by SideStilt Films' Bryan Storkel and produced by Amy Storkel and Daniel Judge, covers the sometimes controversial but always successful career of the youngest of bowling legend Dick Weber's three sons. Pete Weber, who made his PBA debut at age 17, went on to win PBA Rookie of the Year honors in 1980.

Still active on both the traditional PBA Tour and the PBA50 Tour at age 53, Weber has won 37 PBA Tour titles (fourth-best on the all-time titles list) and earned more than \$3.8 million (second only to Walter Ray Williams Jr.'s \$4.6 million) despite occasional clashes with PBA leadership, battling personal demons along the way, and never apologizing for his approach to life and PBA competition.

While capturing the essence of Weber's career through the eyes of his fiercest competitors as well as Weber's own insights, Storkel also provides "Bad Boy" viewers with a history of PBA competition during the Weber years.

"It's been an amazing experience," Storkel said of producing the film. "I knew about Pete for a while. I saw him in "League of Ordinary Gentlemen: a few years back. When we were asked to do a *30 for 30* film, I thought about bowling because *30 for 30* hadn't done a bowling segment, and I immediately thought about Pete and his father, and how their lives were all centered around bowling.

"I think having the father-and-son element creates something even non-bowling fans will enjoy," Storkel added. "It's really a human story, not just a bowling story."

After reviewing the film, despite it showing some of his darker moments, Weber's reaction was, "I thought it was awesome."

PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark said, “The story of Pete Weber is one of the most compelling in sports history. It was a great decision by ESPN to feature Pete’s story in its artful *30 for 30* documentary series and producer Bryan Storkel captured the story in a way that will entertain and inform those familiar with Pete’s career while also introducing him to those who don’t know much about him.”

Prior to its debut as part of ESPN Films’ *30 for 30 Shorts* series, “The Bad Boy of Bowling” was shown at more than 25 film festivals across the United States, where it routinely received rave reviews and won a special jury prize at the DOC NYC festival, one of the largest and most prestigious festivals.

“The film’s largest screening was at the Maryland Film where it played to hundreds of fans on opening night,” Storkel added. “We could hear the crowd laughing out loud, crying... It was pretty special.”

“The Bad Boy of Bowling” will be widely available to fans through ESPN’s and PBA’s digital platforms and social media outlets following its formal release.

Barbasol PBA Players Championship Returns to Major Title Status

Finals of third consecutive major to air live on ESPN on Sunday, February 21

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 11, 2016) – On the heels of its strongest television ratings in a decade in 2015, the Professional Bowlers Association will return one of its storied franchises to major title status next week when Wayne Webb’s Columbus Bowl hosts the 2016 Barbasol PBA Players Championship.

The third-and-final live telecast in PBA’s “Big February” series will air live on ESPN on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 1 p.m. ET.

The PBA Players Championship, which originated in 1984 and ran continuously through 2000, was suspended while PBA’s new ownership began revamping the PBA at the turn of the century. After watching PBA’s viewership ratings on ESPN surge by 17 percent during the 2015 season, having quality Sunday afternoon time slots for live coverage on ESPN, and the sponsorship of Barbasol in the company’s backyard, PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark decided it was time to return the popular event to the PBA Tour schedule.

The 2016 Barbasol PBA Players Championship will include a demanding 48-game qualifying and match play format, and a five-player stepladder final with a \$40,000 first prize. All of the preliminary rounds of Players Championship week will be covered live for PBA fans around the world who subscribe to PBA’s exclusive Xtra Frame online video-streaming service.

The Barbasol partnership brings the PBA event close to the company’s headquarters and manufacturing facilities. Perio Inc., the parent company of Barbasol LLC, is located in Dublin, a suburb of Columbus, and the company’s Barbasol products are manufactured in Ashland, Ohio.

The third consecutive major championship of the 2016 season will follow the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, won by 20-year-old Swedish two-handed star Jesper Svensson, PBA’s 2015 Rookie of the Year, in Shawnee, Okla., last Sunday. The United States Bowling Congress Masters will be decided this Sunday in Indianapolis. ESPN’s USBC Masters live coverage begins at 1 p.m. ET.

The Players Championship will get underway on Monday, Feb. 15, with practice and a celebrity pro-am at Columbus Bowl, which is co-owned by PBA Hall of Famer Wayne Webb. Eight-game qualifying rounds will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, followed by an eight-game cashers round on Thursday, and three eight-game round-robin match play rounds Thursday and Friday. Additional pro-am squads that provide an opportunity for Ohio grassroots adult, youth and senior league bowlers to bowl alongside the pros will be conducted on Saturday, leading up to Sunday’s live ESPN finals.

The tournament is open exclusively to PBA members, and has served as a stepping stone toward induction into the PBA Hall of Fame for a number of players, including past winners Walter Ray Williams Jr. (1994), Pete Weber (1992), Amleto Monacelli (1989) and defending champion Parker Bohn III (2015) who are still active and among the more than 100 players already entered.

Other Hall of Fame winners who are no longer active include Mark Roth in the inaugural event (1984), Dave Husted (1985), Mark Williams (1986), Dave Ferraro (1988 and 1991), Jason Couch (1993), Ernie Schlegel (1995) and Mike Aulby (1996). Schlegel was the oldest player to win the Players Championship at 52 years, 212 days in 1995; Jason Couch was the youngest winner when he won in 1993 at age 23 years, 362 days.

2016 BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 15-21 (times listed are Eastern)

Monday, Feb. 15

Noon – Official practice session

7 p.m. – Celebrity pro-am

Tuesday, Feb. 16

9 a.m. – Squad A, 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Squad B, 8 qualifying games

Wednesday, Feb. 17

9 a.m. – Squad B, 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Squad A, 8 qualifying games

Top one-fourth of the field after 16 games advance to cashers' round

Thursday, Feb. 18

10 a.m. – Cashers' round, 8 games

Top 24 after 24 games advance to round-robin match play

5 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games match play

Friday, Feb. 19

10 a.m. – Top 24, 8 games match play

5 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games match play

Top 5 after 48 games advance to ESPN stepladder finals

Saturday, Feb. 20

3:30 p.m. – Adult and Young pro-am squad

6 p.m. – Adult pro-am squad

Sunday, Feb. 21

1 p.m. – Top 5 ESPN stepladder finals

HISTORY OF PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

2015 – Parker Bohn III

2013 – Scott Norton

2011 – Jason Belmonte

2000 – Dennis Horan Jr.

1999 – Steve Hoskins

1998 – Dennis Horan Jr.

1997 – Steve Hoskins

1996 – Mike Aulby

1995 – Ernie Schlegel

1994 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.

1993 – Jason Couch

1992 – Pete Weber

1991 – Dave Ferraro

1990 – Duane Fisher

1989 – Amleto Monacelli

1988 – Dave Ferraro

1987 – Tom Crites

1986 – Mark Williams

1985 – Dave Husted

1984 – Mark Roth

PBA Spare Shots

FIRELAKE PBA TOC DRAWS NEARLY ONE MILLION ESPN VIEWERS

The FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions averaged 981,000 viewers on Sunday on ESPN, the highest rated PBA telecast of the 2015-16 ESPN season to date. It also posted a 17 percent increase over last year's Tournament of Champions audience.

The 2016 event kicked off a "Big February" series of three straight weeks of live PBA major championships coverage on ESPN. The February series continues with the USBC Masters finals this Sunday at 1 pm EST from Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis, followed by the Barbasol PBA Players Championship final on Sunday, Feb. 21 at 1 p.m. EST from Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio.

BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME'S SCHEDULE

Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage of the 2016 USBC Masters continues thru Saturday with qualifying (Tuesday-Thursday) and three-game double-elimination match play rounds (Friday-Saturday) from Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis before heading to Columbus, Ohio, for coverage of the Barbasol PBA Players Championship.

Players Championship coverage begins Tuesday, Feb. 16, with first-round qualifying squads at 9 a.m. ET (A Squad) and 4 p.m. (B Squad). The two squads will reserve starting times Wednesday, leading into the Thursday 10 a.m. cashers round. Eight-game match play rounds for the top 24 will be covered Thursday at 5 p.m., and Friday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

ESPN's live coverage of "Big February" will continue with the USBC Masters at 1 p.m. ET this Sunday followed by the Barbasol PBA Players Championship finals at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 21.

Xtra Frame subscription options include a three-day (72-hour) subscription for \$3.99; a 30-day package for \$7.99, and the 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99. To sign up, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. New subscribers are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes drawings for new high-performance bowling balls sponsored by MOTIV and DV8.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: DeStasio Wins PBA South Challenge

Anthony DeStasio of Coral Springs, Fla., defeated **Steve Johnson** of Coral Springs, Fla., 226-216, to win the fourth annual PBA Tavares South Challenge title at Breakpoint Alley in Tavares, Fla., Sunday.

DeStasio, a non-member, had decided he would join the PBA if he cashed in this event - which he did in grand fashion, taking home the \$1,900 first prize - but he lost his chance to claim his first PBA title because titles aren't awarded to non-members. PBA Challenge tournaments are open only to players who have never won a PBA title.

- The Feb. 19-21 weekend includes two PBA Regionals, in the South and West Regions. Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C., will host the PBA50 Dave Edwards Toyota South Open presented by 900 Global, and Gold Country Lanes in Sutter Creek, Calif., will host the Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort Championship.
- Kicking off a busy March schedule over the March 4-6 weekend will be the PBA50 Victory Lanes Central Open presented by 900 Global in Galion, Ohio; the Lakewood Holiday Lanes Southwest Open presented by Storm in Lakewood, Colo.; the PBA50 Monte Skeels Allstate Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, and the Caveman Bowl Northwest/West Open presented by DV8 in Grants Pass, Ore.
- The only regional activity over the March 13 weekend is the one-day PBA50 Thunderbowl Midwest Open presented by Columbia 300 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.
- A busy regional schedule over the March 18-20 weekend includes the PBA50 Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Odessa Southwest Open presented by Columbia 300 at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas; the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by DV8 in Virden, Ill.; the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open in Elmira, N.Y., and the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open presented by Radical at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio.
- The March regional calendar concludes over the March 25-27 weekend with the Cooperfield Bowl Houston Challenge presented by 900 Global in Houston, Texas; the South Point West Challenge and Member/Non-Member Doubles, both presented by Track, at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area.

PBA Returns Players Championship to Major Title Status

PBA Players Committee votes to retroactively recognize past winners Belmonte, Norton, Bohn

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 15, 2016) – Prior to the start of the Barbasol Professional Bowlers Association Players Championship, PBA Deputy Commissioner Kirk von Krueger announced Monday night that three past Players Championship winners – Jason Belmonte, Scott Norton and Parker Bohn III – will be awarded major title recognition retroactively for the titles they won in 2011, 2013 and 2015, respectively.

The announcement was made at Wayne Webb’s Columbus Bowl where the 2016 Barbasol PBA Players Championship begins Tuesday.

“The PBA Players Championship is returning to major status for the first time since it was suspended as a major championship after the 2000 event,” von Krueger said. “In returning the Players Championship to major status because it is a members only event, and includes all of the elements of a major, PBA’s leadership asked the PBA Players Committee to review three events held under the Players Championship banner in recent years, and the committee members voted to retroactively award the winners of those events with major titles.”

Australia’s Jason Belmonte won the Pepsi Elite Players Championship as part of the 2011 PBA World Series of Bowling in Las Vegas, defeating Mike DeVaney, 255-238, in the title match. The decision means Belmonte has now won six majors including the 2013, ’14 and ’15 USBC Masters and the 2014 and ’15 PBA Tournaments of Champions.

Norton, from Mission Viejo, Calif., won the Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship that was held as part of the 2013 PBA Winter Swing at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich. Norton defeated Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 219-181, in the title match. Norton now is credited with his first major title.

Bohn, a PBA Hall of Famer from Jackson, N.J., won the 2015 PBA Players Championship at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis, defeated hometown favorite Ronnie Russell of nearby Marion, Ind., in a two-frame sudden-death roll-off after they tied at 237. Bohn, who now has three major titles, previously won the 2001 USBC Masters and the 2012 PBA World Championship.

The PBA Players Championship begins with eight-game qualifying squads Tuesday and Wednesday at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. ET. The top one-third of the field after 16 games will advance to an eight-game cashers round at 10 a.m. Thursday. After 24 games, the top 24 players will advance to eight-game round-robin match play rounds at 5 p.m. Thursday and 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Friday. All preliminary rounds will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

After 48 games, the top five players will compete for the \$50,000 first prize live on ESPN Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

Celebrity and PBA Tour Player Lineup Announced for CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational Presented by GoBowling.com Feb. 23 at Lucky Strike LA Live

LA Clippers all-star guard Chris Paul and Super Bowl winning Denver Broncos running back C.J. Anderson headline celebrities scheduled to compete in seventh annual fundraiser

LOS ANGELES – The Professional Bowlers Association and the Chris Paul Family Foundation have announced the celebrity and PBA Tour player lineup for the CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational presented by GoBowling.com which will be held Tuesday, Feb. 23 at Lucky Strike LA Live in downtown Los Angeles.

Tournament host, LA Clippers guard and eight-time NBA All-Star **Chris Paul** and Super Bowl winning Denver Broncos running back **C.J. Anderson**, headline the list of celebrities scheduled to compete in the seventh fundraiser which benefits the Chris Paul Family Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting education, health, sports and social responsibility.

Also scheduled to compete are former NFL All-Star receiver **Terrell Owens**; comedian and television personality **Chris Hardwick**; Olympic and World Cup soccer gold medalist **Hope Solo**, former all-star MLB pitcher, PBA50 Tour competitor **John Burkett** and **Shawn Stockman** of the multiple Grammy award winning group Boyz II Men. An additional celebrity will be announced soon.

Celebrity bowlers who have participated in previous events include NBA stars LeBron James, Dwyane Wade, Blake Griffin, Rudy Gay and Kevin Durant; National Football League stars Michael Strahan, Hines Ward, LaMarr Woodley, Reggie Bush and hip-hop stars Chris “Ludacris” Bridges, Lil Wayne and Nelly, comedian/motion picture star Kevin Hart and television star Jesse Williams.

PBA Tour stars scheduled to compete in the Celebrity Invitational are:

- **Pete Weber**, PBA Hall of Famer and 37-time PBA Tour winner.
- **Jason Belmonte**, three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year and 12-time PBA Tour winner.
- **Ronnie Russell**, three-time PBA Tour champion and defending Celebrity Invitational winner (with hip-hop star French Montana).
- **Sean Rash**, 10-time PBA Tour winner and 2011-12 PBA Player of the Year.
- **Bill O’Neill**, 7-time PBA Tour winner.
- **Clara Guerrero**, women’s international bowling star who has a top PBA Tour finish of fourth.
- **Chris Barnes**, 18-time PBA Tour winner and 2007-08 Player of the Year.
- **Gary Faulkner Jr.**, 2015 Rolltech PBA World Championship winner.

VIP and Premium Seat ticket packages for the ESPN taping of the event are available at <http://www.flavorus.com/event/CP3-PBA-Celebrity-Invitational-pres-by-GoBowlingcom/310923>.

- \$350 VIP package - Includes meet & greet, dinner, open bar, premium seat and signed pin
- \$150 Premium Seat ticket - Includes premium seat, two drink tickets and signed bowling pin.

The Celebrity Invitational begins with a red carpet ceremony at 6 p.m. PT at Lucky Strike LA Live (800 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles) with the competition beginning at 7 p.m. The event will be tape-delayed and will air Sunday Feb. 28 at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN.

CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational presented by GoBowling.com Past Winners:

2015 – Ronnie Russell/French Montana
2013 – Chris Barnes/Chris Hardwick
2012 – Pete Weber/Jerry Ferrara/Blake Griffin
2011 – Jason Belmonte/Chris Paul
2010 – Jason Belmonte/Chris Paul
2009 – Jason Couch/LeBron James

Australia's Sam Cooley Out-Scores Hall of Fame Trio for First Round Lead in Barbasol PBA Players Championship

Hall of Famers Parker Bohn III, Pete Weber, Norm Duke among contenders

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 16, 2016) – Sam Cooley, a 25-year-old Australian who made his Professional Bowlers Association debut in the PBA Fall Classic in Las Vegas in October, out-scored a little-known Canadian, a ranking international star and a trio of PBA Hall of Famers to take the first round lead in the Barbasol PBA Players Championship Tuesday at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl.

Cooley, who has yet to qualify for a PBA stepladder finals, averaged 256.38 Tuesday behind games of 257, 300, 279, 209, 236, 266, 226 and 278 for an eight-game total of 2,051 pins to take a 47-pin lead over 35-time titlist Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J. and Canadian Graham Fach, who shared second place with 2,004 pins. England's Dom Barrett, a four-time PBA Tour winner including the 2012 PBA World Championship, was fourth with 1,999 pins, just ahead of 37-time PBA Tour champion Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo. (1,983 pins); and 38-time winner Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla. (1,953 pins).

Cooley, a member of Australia's national team, admitted he has been a little star-struck bowling with and against the PBA greats in his limited career, but "now I'm watching these guys a little, and it's a matter of 'wow, Pete's bowling a good game...and now it's my turn to bowl.' I'm not dwelling on it.

"It's good to be ahead of them, but tomorrow's a new day. In my previous tournaments I've had really good starts and I tend to get carried away with things. I'm learning that each day is its own tournament. You have to take each day on its own. You can start good, catch a bad pair of lanes and it plays on my mind. I have to learn to focus on not worrying about scores, but making good shots all of the time."

Among the early leaders, Weber is the only player who has previously won the PBA Players Championship (1992). With the tournament returning to major championship status this year, Weber, 53, has a chance to win an 11th career major and break his tie with Earl Anthony for the all-time PBA record.

Duke, 51, has a chance to add the only title he needs to complete the so-called "Super Slam" of PBA major titles. He has already won the U.S. Open, PBA Tournament of Champions, PBA World Championship and United States Bowling Congress Masters. A fifth different major in the PBA Players Championship would match a feat only fellow hall of famer Mike Aulby has accomplished.

But Weber, who hobbled into the bowling center after an acupuncture treatment for a lingering hip injury, and Duke, who has been battling a chronic pinched nerve issue in his neck, need to stay healthy.

"I trained really well coming into this swing (of three consecutive major championships)," Duke said. "I was strong, I was ready, but I tweaked my neck a couple of weeks ago and I've been trying to get myself healthy to make good shots. I figure if I can keep my health together, I like my chances. I still feel like I'm very good, but I have to stay healthy."

The PBA Players Championship continues with second eight-game qualifying round for all players Wednesday at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. ET. The top 36 players after 16 games will then advance to an eight-game cashers round at 10 a.m. Thursday. Based on 24-game pinfall totals, the top 24 players will advance to eight-game round-robin match play rounds at 5 p.m. Thursday and 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Friday. All preliminary rounds will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

After 48 games, the top five players will compete for the \$40,000 first prize live on ESPN Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

Immediately following Sunday's live Barbasol PBA Players Championship finals at 3 p.m. ET, ESPN will air the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals presented by the PBA from Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis. The WBT finals will feature three men (England's Dom Barrett, Australia's Jason Belmonte and Mike Fagan of Berkley, Calif.) and three women (Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J.;

Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, N.Y., and Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y.) in stepladder finals which will be contested using an experimental World Bowling scoring system.

BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Tuesday

First Round Standings (after 8 games)

- 1, Sam Cooley, Australia, 2,051.
- 2 (tie), Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2,004.
- 4, Dom Barrett, England, 1,999.
- 5, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,983.
- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,953.
- 7, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,944.
- 8, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,939.
- 9, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,927.
- 10 (tie), Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 1,926.
- 12, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,920.
- 13, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,905.
- 14, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,896.
- 15, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,893.
- 16, Mike Eaton Jr., Cincinnati, 1,892.
- 17, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,884.
- 18, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,883.
- 19 (tie), Jason Belmonte, Australia; Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa; f-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 1,881.
- 23, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,877.
- 24, Brian Himmeler, Cincinnati, 1,874.
- 25, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,871.
- 26, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,867.
- 27, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,863.
- 28, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,856.
- 29, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,852.
- 30, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,850.
- 31, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 1,847.
- 32, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,845.
- 33, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,844.
- 34, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,842.
- 35, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,841.
- 36, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,840.
- 37, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,835.
- 38 (tie), Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., and Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,829.
- 40, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 1,828.
- 41, Lucas Legnani, Argentina, 1,825.
- 42, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 1,824.
- 43, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 1,823.
- 44, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,822.
- 45, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 1,820.
- 46, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,819.
- 47, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,812.
- 48, Chad Roberts, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, 1,807.
- 49, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,804.
- 50 (tie), Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., and Josh Conner, Columbus, Ohio, 1,799.
- 52, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 1,798.
- 53, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,796.
- 54, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,795.
- 55, David Simard, Quebec, Canada, 1,793.
- 56, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 1,783.
- 57, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,780.

58, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,777.
59, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,776.
60, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,774.
61, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,771.
62, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,765.
63, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,762.
64 (tie), Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., and David Haynes, Las Vegas, 1,754.
66, f-Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 1,751.
67, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,750.
68, Jesse Buss, Wichita, Kan., 1,749.
69, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,745.
70, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,744.
71, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 1,739.
72 (tie), Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C.; Manuel Otalora, Colombia, and Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,735.
75, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,728.
76, Jaime Gonzalez, Colombia, 1,724.
77 (tie), Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., and Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 1,720.
79, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,712.
80, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,705.
81, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,700.
82, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,699.
83, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 1,694.
84, B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 1,693.
85, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,691.
86, f-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,683.
87, f-Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 1,682.
88 (tie), Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., and Sean Johnson, Moundsville, W.V., 1,675.
90, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 1,672.
91 (tie), Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., and Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,668.
93, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 1,663.
94, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,661.
95, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,660.
96, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 1,658.
97, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,656.
98, Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 1,652.
99, Brandon Dye, Columbus, 1,650.
100, Stuart Williams, England, 1,649.
101, Terrance Bright, Atlanta, 1,645.
102, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,639.
103, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 1,638.
104, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 1,626.
105 (tie), f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., and Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,616.
107, f-Rocio Restrepo, Colombia, 1,614.
108, Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 1,608.
109, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,597.
110, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,587.
111, Frankie Mazzella, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,565.
112, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,551.
113, Joshua Weiner, Hilliard, Ohio, 1,544.
114, Trey Ford III, Bartlesville, Okla., 1,535.
115, Chris Colella, Templeton, Mass., 1,525.
116, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 1,512.
117, Mark Nance Sr., Grove City, Ohio, 1,495.
118, Frank Bellavia Jr., Niagara Falls, N.Y., 1,467.
119, James Owens, Vernon, N.Y., 1,413.
120, Larry Helton, Bolingbrook, Ill., 1,396.

300 Games: Stuart Williams, Anthony Pepe, Sam Cooley, Andres Gomez.

PBA Spare Shots

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: WHO'LL GET A BARBASOL FACIAL ON SUNDAY?

Will the tradition continue? The question of the week is, who is most likely to get a Barbasol shaving cream facial at the conclusion of Sunday's live ESPN telecast of the Barbasol PBA Players Championship.

In Barbasol's previous titled events – the 2014 and '15 Barbasol PBA Tournaments of Champions – winner **Jason Belmonte** got a ceremonial Barbasol facial courtesy of his friends on tour. This year? Fans will have to wait until the end of the telecast at around 3 p.m. EST Sunday to find out.

In the meantime, Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage of the Barbasol PBA Players Championship continues from Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio. Players Championship coverage began Tuesday with first-round qualifying squads. B and A Squads bowl another eight games Wednesday, leading to Thursday's 10 a.m. cashers round. Eight-game match play rounds for the top 24 after 24 qualifying games will be covered Thursday at 5 p.m., and Friday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Barbasol, the Official Shaving Cream of the PBA, is based in Ohio where corporate headquarters of its parent company, Perio Inc., are based in nearby Dublin and its Barbasol manufacturing facilities are based in Ashland. In addition to the Players Championship, Barbasol is the corporate sponsor of the PBA league's Barbasol Motown Muscle, and currently is conducting the Ultimate PBA Prize Package Sweepstakes which fans ages 13 and older can enter by visiting www.barbasol.com/PBA.

ESPN's live coverage of "Big February" concludes Sunday with the Barbasol PBA Players Championship finals at 1 p.m. ET. Immediately following the Players Championship finals, ESPN will air the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals, presented by the PBA, at 3 p.m. ET

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ANTHONY SIMONSEN DISPLACES ED RESSLER AS YOUNGEST MASTERS WINNER

When 19-year-old **Anthony Simonsen** won the USBC Masters Sunday, he became the youngest player ever to win a PBA major title (U.S. Open, PBA Tournament of Champions, World Championship or PBA Players Championship). As reported Sunday, he displaced **Mike Aulby** for that record. Aulby still holds the PBA National/World Championship record at age 19 years, 93 days.

Simonsen displaced **Ed Ressler Jr.** as the youngest to win the Masters (Ressler won in 1975 at age 20 years, 119 days). **Jesper Svensson** set the youngest Tournament of Champions winner record a week earlier in Shawnee, Okla., at age 20 years, 357 days (note: Svensson turned 21 on Monday in Columbus, Ohio). The PBA Players Championship youngest winner was Jason Couch at age 23 years, 362 days in 1993 in Indianapolis...and just for the record, the oldest Players Championship winner was **Ernie Schlegel** at age 52 years, 212 days in 1995 in Pittsburgh.

USBC MASTERS RETURNS TO LAS VEGAS IN 2017

The USBC Masters returns to Las Vegas for the fourth time in 2017, once again reuniting with the same host city as the USBC Open Championships. The 2017 Masters will take place Feb. 19-26 at The Orleans, a 70-lane center.

Holding the Masters in conjunction with the USBC Open Championships, which will take place Feb. 19-July 9 at the South Point Bowling Plaza, is a major change because all PBA members will be allowed to compete in the USBC Open Championships' top division.

"THE BAD BOY OF BOWLING" MAKES ESPN.COM, ESPN DEBUT NEXT WEEK

"The Bad Boy of Bowling" documentary on the career of PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** debuts on ESPN.com and ESPN next week.

The film, which toured major film festivals across America during the summer months, made its first public appearance on the ESPN Films *30 for 30 Shorts* website (<http://espn.go.com/30for30/shorts>) on Tuesday, Feb. 23.

The film will make its broadcast debut as part of Friday Night Movie Night on ESPN's *SportsCenter* on Friday, Feb. 26, during the 6 p.m ET hour. "Bad Boy" was directed by SideStilt Films' **Bryan Storkel** and produced by **Amy Storkel** and **Daniel Judge**.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: PBA SOUTH, WEST REGIONS RETURN TO ACTION

The Feb. 19-21 weekend includes two PBA Regionals, in the South and West Regions. Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C., will host the PBA50 Dave Edwards Toyota South Open presented by 900 Global, and Gold Country Lanes in Sutter Creek, Calif., will host the Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort Championship.

- Kicking off a busy March schedule over the March 4-6 weekend will be the PBA50 Victory Lanes Central Open presented by 900 Global in Galion, Ohio; the Lakewood Holiday Lanes Southwest Open presented by Storm in Lakewood, Colo.; the PBA50 Monte Skeels Allstate Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, and the Caveman Bowl Northwest/West Open presented by DV8 in Grants Pass, Ore.
- The only regional activity over the March 13 weekend is the one-day PBA50 Thunderbowl Midwest Open presented by Columbia 300 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.
- A busy regional schedule over the March 18-20 weekend includes the PBA50 Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Odessa Southwest Open presented by Columbia 300 at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas; the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by DV8 in Virden, Ill.; the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open in Elmira, N.Y., and the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open presented by Radical at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio.
- The March regional calendar concludes over the March 25-27 weekend with the Cooperfield Bowl Houston Challenge presented by 900 Global in Houston, Texas; the South Point West Challenge and Member/Non-Member Doubles, both presented by Track, at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area.

Canadian Rookie Graham Fach Leads Barbasol PBA Players Championship

24-year-old left-hander averages 248 to take second round lead in second PBA Tour appearance

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 17, 2016) – Graham Fach, a 24-year-old left-hander from Gulph, Ontario, bowling in his second Professional Bowlers Association Tour event, averaged 248.38 to charge into the second round lead in the Barbasol PBA Players Championship at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl Wednesday.

Fach (pronounced "faw") fired games of 276, 227, 195, 289, 235, 256, 245 and 247 during Wednesday's second round to finish with 3,974 pins, overtaking first-round leader Sam Cooley of Australia by 56 pins.

Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., advanced from 12th to third place among the 36 players who advanced to Thursday's cashers round with 3,887 pins. He was followed by PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., with 3,848 pins and 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions winner Jesper Svensson of Sweden in fifth with a 3,830 total. Norm Duke, who is pursuing a fifth different PBA major title, advanced in 17th place.

Fach, who finished 171st in the field of 417 players in his PBA debut in last week's United States Bowling Congress Masters, entered the day in second place, 47 pins behind Cooley.

"After the Masters, I was a little upset; I thought I bowled well and didn't get a check," Fach said. "Today I felt pretty comfortable the whole day. I'm just trying to stay on the high from day one."

Fach, a member of Canada's national bowling team, said, "I've bowled some pretty big amateur tournaments that were kinda similar in format, but this is the first time bowling with this caliber of players, this much talent. It makes you want to strike a lot more because you know they're going to."

"The biggest part for me is, no matter what pair you look at, there's a big name professional. When you start anything as a rookie, you want to make a good impression. Fortunately, my impression here was better than the Masters, where I was barely in the top half of the field. I got comfortable with my ball motion here, and it let me play to my strength.

"Today just means I've proven to myself I can compete with the guys I grew up watching. My goals are to make some money, make the cut to match play, make the show and win a title. I think I've met two of them so far."

The 2015 graduate of Ohio's Urbana University, where he got his degree in sports management, said he's well aware no Canadian has ever won a PBA Tour title.

"Yup, I'm aware. Every time Dan MacLelland makes a TV show, the point is made," Fach said of MacLelland, a Windsor, Ontario native and former Saginaw Valley State All-American who has made nine PBA television shows without winning a title – including a runner-up finish in last week's Masters. "The fact that he hasn't won yet indicates how tough this Tour is."

The PBA Players Championship continues with an eight-game qualifying round for A Squad Wednesday night. After 16 games, the top 36 players will advance to an eight-game cashers round at 10 a.m. Thursday to determine the 24 players who will advance to round-robin match play beginning at 5 p.m. Thursday. The final two match play rounds begin at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Friday. After 48 games, the top five players will compete for the \$40,000 first prize live on ESPN Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

All preliminary rounds will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday

Final Second Round Standings (after 16 games, top 36 advance to cashers' round)

- 1, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 3,974.
- 2, Sam Cooley, Australia, 3,918.
- 3, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 3,887.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,848.
- 5, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 3,830.
- 6, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,829.
- 7, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,818.
- 8, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,806.
- 9, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,804.
- 10, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,783.
- 11 (tie), Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, and Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,781.
- 13, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3,777.
- 14, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 3,757.
- 15 (tie), Osku Palermaa, Finland, and Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3,755.
- 17, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,747.
- 18, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 3,735.
- 19, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,731.
- 20, Dom Barrett, England, 3,727.
- 21, f-Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 3,722.
- 22, Brian Himmler, Cincinnati, 3,716.
- 23, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,714.
- 24, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 3,710.
- 25, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 3,706.
- 26, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3,681.
- 27, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,674.
- 28, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,658.
- 29, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3,656.
- 30 (tie), Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., and Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3,654.
- 32, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 3,644.
- 33 (tie), Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., and John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,642.
- 35 (tie), Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., and Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 3,636.

Failed to advance:

- 37, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,629.
- 38, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 3,616.
- 39, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 3,611.
- 40, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,610.
- 41, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3,609.
- 42, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,607.
- 43, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 3,602.
- 44 (tie), Chad Roberts, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, and Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,594.
- 46, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3,593.
- 47, f-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,587.
- 48 (tie), Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, and Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3,581.
- 50, Josh Conner, Columbus, Ohio, 3,576.
- 51, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 3,572.
- 52, David Simard, Quebec, Canada, 3,569.
- 53, Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 3,568.
- 54, Jesse Buss, Wichita, Kan., 3,565.
- 55, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,554.
- 56, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,549.
- 57, Patrick Girard, Canada, 3,545.
- 58, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3,539.
- 59, B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 3,536.
- 60, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 3,529.
- 61, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3,527.
- 62, Lucas Legnani, Argentina, 3,525.
- 63, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 3,523.
- 64, Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 3,520.
- 65 (tie), Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., and Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,517.
- 67, Mike Eaton Jr., Cincinnati, 3,516.
- 68, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 3,515.
- 69, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 3,514.
- 70, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 3,508.
- 71, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 3,489.
- 72, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,488.
- 73, Jaime Gonzalez, Colombia, 3,472.
- 74, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 3,471.
- 75, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 3,470.
- 76, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 3,463.
- 77, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,459.
- 78, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 3,456.
- 79, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 3,452.
- 80, Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 3,439.
- 81, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3,425.
- 82, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,422.
- 83, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,418.
- 84, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 3,405.
- 85 (tie), Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., and Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 3,404.
- 87, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 3,403.
- 88, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 3,395.
- 89, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 3,381.
- 90, f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 3,378.
- 91, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 3,372.
- 92, f-Rocio Restrepo, Colombia, 3,364.
- 93, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 3,363.
- 94, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 3,340.
- 95, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,329.
- 96, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 3,328.
- 97, Chris Colella, Templeton, Mass., 3,324.

98, Stuart Williams, England, 3,323.
99, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 3,318.
100, f-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 3,317.
101, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 3,315.
102, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan.1, 3,306.
103, Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 3,300.
104, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,297.
105, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 3,291.
106, f-Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 3,277.
107, Sean Johnson, Moundsville, W.V., 3,254.
108, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,248.
109, Frankie Mazzella, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,230.
110, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 3,229.
111, Terrance Bright, Atlanta, 3,201.
112, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 3,192.
113, Brandon Dye, Columbus, 3,136.
114, Joshua Weiner, Hilliard, Ohio, 3,081.
115, Mark Nance Sr., Grove City, Ohio, 3,054.
116, Trey Ford III, Bartlesville, Okla., 2,985.
117, Frank Bellavia Jr., Niagara Falls, N.Y., 2,980.
118, James Owens, Vernon, N.Y., 2,802.
119, Larry Helton, Bolingbrook, Ill., 2,722.
120, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., withdrew.

f-denotes female

300 Games: Tom Hess, Kyle Troup, DJ Archer, David Haynes.

Editor's Note: The following will be updated following the first round of match play at est. 9 p.m. tonight.

Canada's Fach Leads Barbasol PBA Players Championship Field into Match Play

Hall of Famers Pete Weber, Norm Duke, Walter Ray Williams Jr. continue chasing history

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 18, 2016) – Little-known Canadian Graham Fach lost a little ground, but he retained the lead Thursday afternoon and led the field of 24 Professional Bowlers Association finalists into Thursday night's opening round of match play in the Barbasol PBA Players Championship at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl.

The 24-year-old left-hander, bowling in only his second PBA Tour event, fired games of 246, 206, 268, 248, 216, 257, 205 and 223 in Thursday's cashers round for a 24-game total of 5,843 pins and a 45-pin lead over Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y. Australia's Sam Cooley was third with 5,767 pins followed by Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., at 5,761 and Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., at 5,715.

Also among the players advancing to match play are PBA Hall of Famers Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who is trying for a PBA-record 11th major title; Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., who would become the second player in PBA history to complete the so-called "Super Slam" of major titles with a win in the Players Championship, and Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., who could improve upon his 47 career titles, already the PBA record. Weber was ninth, Duke 13th and Williams 20th heading into match play.

But Fach (pronounced "faw") remains the story with his consistent performance and unflappable attitude.

"I don't want to look (at who's behind me); I just want to keep doing what I'm doing," he said. "There were fewer people today, so I had to deal with more transitions. I didn't score as well as I did in my other blocks, but I'm learning to deal with (how the lane conditions change).

"I'm feeling real good; I'm trying not to think about games ahead," he added. "Every time I think about TV, I kick myself and tell myself to focus. It's only 24 games, and there's another 24 with bonus pins, so we're not even halfway through."

For now, Fach is happy to be finally realizing a lifelong dream.

"I've wanted to bowl our here ever since I was a kid," he said. "I told myself I'd go pro at some point, but every time I thought about it, I found a reason not to. I finally decided to dive in.

"I'm getting lots of support – back home in Canada, at school. Not just bowlers, but people I've known throughout my life. It's great," he said.

The PBA Players Championship continues with three eight-game round-robin match play sessions at 5 p.m. ET Thursday, and 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Friday. After 48 games, the top five players will advance to the live ESPN stepladder finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

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BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Thursday

Cashers Round Standings (after 24 games, top 24 advance to round-robin match play)

- 1, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 5,843.
- 2, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 5,798.
- 3, Sam Cooley, Australia, 5,767.
- 4, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 5,761.
- 5, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 5,715.
- 6, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 5,700.
- 7, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 5,650.
- 8, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 5,641.
- 9, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 5,637.
- 10, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 5,635.
- 11, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 5,633.
- 12, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 5,607.
- 13, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 5,599.
- 14, Dom Barrett, England, 5,594.
- 15, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 5,591.
- 16, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 5,583.
- 17, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 5,562.
- 18, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 5,550.
- 19, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 5,537.
- 20, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 5,533.
- 21, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 5,531.
- 22, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 5,529.
- 23, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 5,507.
- 24, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 5,506.

Failed to advance:

- 25, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 5,504, \$1,700.
- 26, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 5,488, \$1,650.
- 27, f-Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 5,486, \$1,600.
- 28, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 5,481, \$1,550.
- 29, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 5,464, \$1,500.
- 30, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 5,459, \$1,450.
- 31, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 5,446, \$1,400.
- 32, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 5,444, \$1,350.
- 33, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 5,379, \$1,300.
- 34, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 5,374, \$1,250.
- 35, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 5,341, \$1,200.
- 36, Brian Himmler, Cincinnati, 5,333, \$1,150.

f-denotes female

300 Games: Ryan Ciminelli, Norm Duke.

Canada's Graham Fach Rebounds to Lead Field into Barbasol PBA Players Championship Final Match Play Rounds

Weber's out, but three Hall of Famers are still chasing history heading into final two match play rounds

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 18, 2016) – Little-known Canadian Graham Fach, bowling in his second Professional Bowlers Association tournament, led the field of 24 finalists into Friday's final two rounds of match play in the Barbasol PBA Players Championship at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl.

Fach, a 24-year-old left-hander who starred at Urbana (Ohio) University a year ago, lost his first three matches in Thursday night's opening round of match play and momentarily dropped out of the lead. But he rebounded with four wins in his next five matches, rolling games of 269, 267, 245, 278 and 266 to regain first place by 49 pins over Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y. Fach had 7,960 pins, Pepe 7,761. Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., was third with 7,895 pins followed by Australia's Sam Cooley with 7,863 pins. EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., was fifth, 21 pins behind Cooley.

Three PBA Hall of Famers are continuing to chase history: Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., who would become the second player in PBA history to complete the so-called "Super Slam" of major titles with a win in the Players Championship, Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., who is trying to win back-to-back Players Championships, and Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., who would improve upon his PBA-record 47 career titles with a win. Duke was in seventh place, Bohn in 10th and Williams 21st heading into Friday's final two eight-game rounds of match play.

Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who was trying for a PBA-record 11th major title, withdrew at the end of the third round due to a chronic hip injury. Weber was in ninth place at the time, only 78 pins out of fifth place.

But Fach (pronounced "faw") remains the story with his consistent performance and unflappable attitude.

"I don't want to look (at who's behind me); I just want to keep doing what I'm doing," he said. "There were fewer people today, so I had to deal with more transitions. I didn't score as well today as I did in my first two rounds, but I'm learning to deal with (how the lane conditions change).

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BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Thursday

Fourth Round Standings (after 32 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 4-4, 7,960.
- 2, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 5-3, 7,911.

- 3, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 6-2, 7,895.
- 4, Sam Cooley, Australia, 6-2, 7,863.
- 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 5-3, 7,712.
- 6, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 6-2, 7,688.
- 7, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 7-1, 7,683.
- 8, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 5-3, 7,619.
- 9, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 5-3, 7,611.
- 10, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 6-2, 7,609.
- 11, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 4-4, 7,596.
- 12, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 4-4, 7,551.
- 13, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 4-4, 7,534.
- 14, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 4-4, 7,533.
- 15, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3-5, 7,510.
- 16, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 4-4, 7,498.
- 17, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 3-5, 7,428.
- 18, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2-6, 7,414.
- 19, x-Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3-5, 7,363.
- 20, Dom Barrett, England, 2-6, 7,344.
- 21, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2-6, 7,326.
- 22, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 4-4, 7,318.
- 23, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 2-8, 7,310.
- 24, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 0-8, 7,233.

Failed to advance (after 24 games):

- 25, x-Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 5,637.
- 26, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 5,488, \$1,650.
- 27, f-Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 5,486, \$1,600.
- 28, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 5,481, \$1,550.
- 29, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 5,464, \$1,500.
- 30, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 5,459, \$1,450.
- 31, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 5,446, \$1,400.
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- 33, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 5,379, \$1,300.
- 34, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 5,374, \$1,250.
- 35, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 5,341, \$1,200.
- 36, Brian Himmler, Cincinnati, 5,333, \$1,150.

x-Smallwood replaced Weber, who withdrew due to injury.

f-denotes female

300 Games: Ryan Ciminelli, Norm Duke, Anthony Pepe.

Ryan Ciminelli Takes Barbasol PBA Players Championship Lead into Final Round of Match Play

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 19, 2016) – Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., advanced from third to take the lead into Friday night's final round of the Barbasol Professional Bowlers Association Players Championship at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl.

Ciminelli, a 29-year-old left-hander and the PBA Tour's only three-time title winner in 2015 – including the U.S. Open – has won 11 of his 16 matches and tied another, averaging 240.1 to take a 31-pin lead over Australia's Sam Cooley. Fourth-round leader Graham Fatch of Guelph, Ontario, was third – five pins behind Cooley, followed by Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., and Swedish two-hander Jesper Svensson.

PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., who needs to win the Players Championship to join Mike Aulby as only the second player to complete the "Super Slam" of major championships, was 59 pins out of the TV show heading into Friday night's final eight match games.

Ciminelli, who finished second in 2015 PBA Player of the Year balloting to Australia's Jason Belmonte, is in solid position to make Sunday's ESPN finals field, but he doesn't want to hear that.

"I've learned to take things one at a time," Ciminelli said. "Too many things can happen.

"Eight months ago, I was looking for a new job in my career training, construction engineering, but it was like I got a message from God – no, not yet. This is what you're meant to do.

"As bummed out as I was (about losing in Player of the Year voting last year), and as confident as I look, I fight demons constantly," Ciminelli continued. "I keep telling myself I'm not that good. It's hard for me to keep believing in myself. I'm such a believer in you're only as good as your last performance, so if I have a bad performance, I tell myself I stink. I just try to make a show. Every tournament is a battle to try to make a show.

"I'm averaging 240 and asking myself, am I good enough to keep doing this? No matter what, I continue to question my ability – but I think that's what makes me keep wanting to prove myself."

The Barbasol PBA Players Championship continues with the final eight-game match play round at 5 p.m. Based on 48-game pinfall totals, the top five players will advance to the live ESPN stepladder finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

The final match play round will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Friday

Fifth Round Standings (after 40 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 11-4-1, 9,952.
- 2, Sam Cooley, Australia, 9-6-1, 9,921.
- 3, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 9-7, 9,916.
- 4, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 8-8, 9,725.
- 5, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 10-6, 9,719.
- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 11-5, 9,660.
- 7, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 9-7, 9,588.
- 8, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 8-8, 9,581.
- 9, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 9-7, 9,568.
- 10, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 11-5, 9,551.
- 11, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 9-7, 9,528.
- 12, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 9-7, 9,520.
- 13, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 8-8, 9,506.
- 14, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 7-8-1, 9,427.
- 15, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 9-7, 9,405.
- 16, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 7-8-1, 9,388.
- 17, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 7-9, 9,336.
- 18, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 7-9, 9,315.
- 19, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6-10, 9,293.
- 20, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 6-10, 9,288.
- 21, Dom Barrett, England, 5-11, 9,266.
- 22, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 6-10, 9,189.
- 23, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 5-11, 9,168.
- 24, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 4-12, 9,132.

x-Smallwood replaced Pete Weber, who withdrew due to injury.

Three-time PBA50 Tour Winner Jim Brenner Dies at 76

CHICAGO -- Three-time PBA50 Tour winner Jim Brenner of Bettendorf, Iowa, the oldest player to win a PBA50 Tour title, died Friday after a brief battle with cancer. He was 76.

The first of his three PBA50 Tour titles came in the 1995 Ladies and Legends doubles event in El Cajon, Calif., where he teamed with Cheryl Daniels to win the title.

In one of his most memorable moments in senior competition, he defeated two of the sport's greats to win the 1996 PBA Senior St. Petersburg/Clearwater Open. He won the event by defeating Teata Semiz, 204-173, in the title match after beating Hall of Famer Earl Anthony in the semifinal, 225-173.

He had to wait 10 years for his next PBA50 title, which was also memorable. In winning the 2006 Epicenter Classic in Klamath Falls, Ore., by beating Henry Gonzalez, 2-1, in the best-of-three-game final match, he became the oldest player to win a PBA50 Tour title at age 66 years and 358 days.

Brenner also owned six PBA50 Regional titles, had four 300 games, and amassed more than \$250,000 in earnings since becoming a PBA member in 1985.

Brenner and his wife Fran had six children. Letters and cards of condolence may be sent to Fran Brenner at 1350 Kimberly Place, Apt. 206, Bettendorf, IA 57222-4185.

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Ryan Ciminelli Wins Top Berth for Sunday's Barbasol PBA Players Championship Finals

Canadian, Australian, Swede and PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke complete stepladder field

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 19, 2016) – Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., advanced from third to take the lead earlier Friday and fired a 300 in his final game to lock up the top berth in Sunday's finals of the Barbasol Professional Bowlers Association Players Championship at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl.

Ciminelli, a 29-year-old left-hander and the PBA Tour's only three-time title winner in 2015 – including the U.S. Open – has won 16 of his 24 matches and tied another, averaging 240.69 to claim the top rung in the stepladder finals by 70 pins over Canadian Graham Fach, who is making his first television final in only his second PBA Tour appearance. Fach, 24, finished with a 14-10 match play record and 11,978 pins in his bid to become the first Canadian ever to win a PBA Tour title.

Australia's Sam Cooley, also qualifying for his first TV final in third place, struggled early in the final round, but turned his fate around with a 300 game to finish with 11,832 pins, 70 ahead of Sweden's two-hander Jesper Svensson. Svensson, who turned 21 on Monday, became the youngest player to win the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions two weeks ago in Shawnee, Okla.

It might not have been the prettiest round among the finalists, but PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., battled his way into the telecast with three exciting victories in his final three matches, slipping past Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., by 12 pins and DJ Archer of Friendswood, Texas – his position round opponent – by 36 pins.

Duke, who needs to win the Players Championship to join Mike Aulby as only the second player to complete the "Super Slam" of major championships, said, "That's the hardest telecast I've made in recent memory. With three games to go I was 100 pins back and it seemed like I could do nothing but leave 10 pins. I just told myself, hang in there. I just willed myself to bowl three good games.

"This is the fifth major," the 51-year-old Hall of Famer added. "Don't think I don't know it. I just know how hard it is to win out here. I want to win one. I just want to win. I don't think my story is over yet."

Ciminelli, as tournament leader, will meet the survivor of three stepladder matches for the title. After finishing second in 2015 PBA Player of the Year balloting to Australia's Jason Belmonte, Ciminelli said he had a premonition about his final match.

"I had a feeling I was going to bowl 300 because I figured Fach was going to bowl 279 or 280, and I'd need the pins," Ciminelli said. He doesn't generally have that kind of confidence.

"Eight months ago, I was looking for a new job in my career training, construction engineering," Ciminelli said, "but it was like I got a message from God – no, not yet. This is what you're meant to do.

"As bummed out as I was (about losing in Player of the Year voting last year), and as confident as I look, I fight demons constantly," he continued. "I keep telling myself I'm not that good. It's hard for me to keep believing in myself. I'm such a believer in you're only as good as your last performance, so if I have a bad performance, I tell myself I stink. I just try to make a show. Every tournament is a battle to try to make a show.

"I'm averaging 240 in this tournament and asking myself, am I good enough to keep doing this? No matter what, I continue to question my ability – but I think that's what makes me keep wanting to prove myself."

Ciminelli will get a chance to prove himself during the live Barbasol PBA Players Championship ESPN stepladder finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET. Immediately following the Players Championship, ESPN will air the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals presented by the PBA.

BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Friday

Final Match Play Standings (after 48 games, including match play bonus pins; top five advance to live ESPN stepladder finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET)

- 1, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 16-7-1, 12,048.
- 2, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 14-10, 11,978.
- 3, Sam Cooley, Australia, 11-11-2, 11,832.
- 4, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 16-7-1, 11,762.
- 5, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 14-9-1, 11,634.

Failed to advance:

- 6, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 12-11-1, 11,622, \$8,000.
- 7, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 12-12, 11,598, \$6,500.
- 8, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 13-10-1, 11,571, \$5,500.
- 9, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 14-10, 11,565, \$5,000.
- 10, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 13-11, 11,485, \$4,500.
- 11, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 13-11, 11,431, \$4,000.
- 12, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 13-11, 11,426, \$3,700.
- 13, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 13-11, 11,411, \$3,400.
- 14, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 11-12-1, 11,408, \$3,200.
- 15, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 11-13, 11,389, \$3,000.
- 16, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 12-11-1, 11,352, \$2,800.
- 17, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 11-13, 11,349, \$2,700.
- 18, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 13-11, 11,295, \$2,600.
- 19, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 10-13-1, 11,219, \$2,500.
- 20, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 9-15, 11,133, \$2,400.
- 21, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 9-15, 11,065, \$2,300.
- 22, Dom Barrett, England, 8-16, 11,050, \$2,200.
- 23, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 5-19, 10,981, \$2,100.
- 24, y-Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 3-2, 10,899, \$2,000.
- 25, xy-Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 7-12, 9,818, \$1,700.
- 26, x-Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 0-0-0, 5,637, \$1,650.

x-Smallwood replaced Pete Weber, who withdrew due to injury.

y-Pluhowsky replaced Tom Smallwood, who withdrew due to illness.

300 Games: Kyle Troup, Sam Cooley, Ryan Ciminelli.

Graham Fach Wins Barbasol PBA Players Championship to Become First Canadian to Win PBA Tour Title

Near-perfect effort toppled top qualifier Ryan Ciminelli in title match

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 21, 2016) – Graham Fach, a 24-year-old left-hander from Guelph, Ontario, became the first Canadian ever to win a Professional Bowlers Association Tour title Sunday when he defeated top qualifier Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., 29-244, to win the Barbasol Players Championship at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl.

Fach, bowling in only his second PBA Tour event, was nearly perfect in winning the \$40,000 first prize, a PBA major championship and a Barbasol shaving cream pie. His only flaw was leaving a 10 pin, which he converted, in the seventh frame while Ciminelli was almost as good, leaving and converting four single-pin spares.

"It's a great feeling to win against players of this caliber," Fach (pronounced "faw") said. "They want to win, but obviously I want to win, too. I wasn't sure I would be able to compete out here, but the only way to find out is come out and try. Now at least the PBA staff knows who I am."

Fach, who earned his shot at the title when he escaped with a 247-244 win over Australia's Sam Cooley in the semifinal round, said the support he's gotten from Canadian fans as well as friends and teammates from nearby Urbana (Ohio) University, where he completed his collegiate bowling career in 2015, has been "incredible."

As happy as Fach was, Ciminelli was equally distraught.

"One of these days someone is going to shoot 210 against me on TV and give me a chance," he said. "It's frustrating but there's not much more I could do about it."

In the first game of the finals, 21-year-old Swedish two-hander Jesper Svensson struck on 10 of his first 11 shots, and converted a pivotal 4-7-10 split in the fifth frame to end PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke's bid to win a fifth different major championship, 274-258. Duke, who had previously won the PBA World Championship, PBA Tournament of Champions, USBC Masters and U.S. Open, had hopes of joining Mike Aulby as the second player to win the PBA "Super Slam."

"I fought hard," the 51-year-old Duke said. "I never created an advantage in this tournament that stuck out. I was the one hanging around all week, but I put together a game I was really proud of and sometimes it just isn't enough. The hardest part is I have to wait another year for the opportunity."

Cooley, in his PBA television debut, eliminated Svensson in the second match, 246-206.

The PBA Tour will take a break during "March Madness," returning to competition with the PBA League Elias Cup competition and the Xtra Frame Maine Shootout in early April at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine.

BARBASOL PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio, Sunday

Final Standings

- 1, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, \$40,000.
- 2, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$20,000.
- 3, Sam Cooley, Australia, \$12,000.
- 4, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$11,000.
- 5, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., \$10,000.

Stepladder Results

Match One: Svensson def. Duke, 274-258.
Match Two: Cooley def. Svensson, 246-206.
Semifinal Match: Fach def. Cooley, 247-244.
Championship: Fach def. Ciminelli, 279-244.

Dom Barrett, Danielle McEwan Win World Bowling Tour Finals Championships

English star rolls unique 10-frame "perfect game" in winning men's title

INDIANAPOLIS - After traversing the globe competing against the top bowlers in the world over a span of two years, England's Dom Barrett and Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, N.Y., emerged as the winners of the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals at Woodland Bowl. The finals, presented by the Professional Bowlers Association, aired Sunday on ESPN.

Using an experimental World Bowling scoring system, Barrett, a four-time PBA Tour champion and top qualifier for the three-man finals, rolled a one-of-a-kind perfect game in defeating five-time PBA Tour winner Mike Fagan of Berkley, Calif., 300-256, to win his first WBT Finals championship.

The unique WBT scoring system retained the traditional 10-frame scoring format, but awarded 30 pins for a strike, 10 pins for a spare plus the pinfall of the first shot in the frame, and actual pinfall for an open frame. For a spare, for example, if the player knocked down eight pins on his/her first ball and then converted the spare, he/she earned 18 pins for the frame. If a player left a split or missed a spare and got only nine pins for both shots in the frame, his/her score for that frame was nine.

The maximum score under the World Bowling system is still 300 – based on 10 consecutive strikes – and there is no extra shot or bonus pins in the 10th frame.

Various versions of bowling's traditional scoring system have been tested by World Bowling, the international governing body for tenpin bowling in the eyes of the International Olympic Committee, in an effort to create a scoring system that will be more easily understood by those who aren't familiar with the traditional bowling system. An experimental "best frame" system – similar to the system golf uses in Ryder Cup competition – was showcased in last year's WBT Finals held in Las Vegas.

For bowling the first-ever perfect game under the experimental format, the PBA awarded Barrett its traditional \$10,000 bonus for the 300 game.

"That was pretty cool," Barrett said, referring both to his unique 300 game and his victory. "It was a long two years getting to that point. The scoring format was irrelevant to me. I just had to throw strikes to get the best score I could. I just trusted if I bowled the best game I could, I'd win."

Barrett said he liked the idea behind the new scoring system.

"I think the idea behind it is great, trying to get us into the Olympics," he said. "If it helps get (bowling) more onto the international stage, the more people who understand it, the better. The reasons behind (the modified scoring system) are all very good reasons."

In the women's final, McEwan won her first WBT Finals championship by defeating 2014 WBT Finals winner and 2016 top qualifier Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., 256-243, throwing six strikes worth 30 pins each and four nine-count spares, each worth 19 pins. McEwan was able to hold off Kulick who had one less strike, four nine-count spares and, the difference-maker, a seven-count spare.

"It's a long process to get here and that's what makes the win all that much better, looking back on what I had to do to get there," said McEwan, who also spoke in favor of the scoring system.

"I liked it; it almost made me not pay attention to the score," she said. "I didn't watch my opponent as much because throwing a string of strikes didn't matter. I just had to focus on each shot I made."

"I'm curious to see how people react to it, like my dad, who isn't a bowler. I want to see if it's easier for him to understand."

In the men's semifinal match Fagan defeated three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte, 265-256. Both players threw seven strikes in the match, but after Belmonte left the 4-10 split in his 10th frame and failed to convert, Fagan threw his seventh strike for the win.

In the women's semifinal, McEwan, the No. 2 qualifier, defeated No. 3 Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., 256-233, out-striking Johnson 6-4 for the difference.

The players earned their berths in the finals as the top point-earners in PBA International-World Bowling Tour events over a two-year rolling WBT points competition.

WORLD BOWLING TOUR FINALS PRESENTED BY PBA
Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Sunday

Men's Division Final Standings

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, *\$30,000.
 - 2, Mike Fagan, Berkley, Calif., \$10,000.
 - 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$5,000.
- *Includes \$10,000 bonus for 300 game

Stepladder Results (based on modified WBT scoring system awarding 30 pins per strike, 10 pins plus first-ball count for spares, and actual pinfall for open frames)

Semifinal - Fagan def. Belmonte, 265-256.

Final - Barrett def. Fagan, 300-256.

Women's Division Final Standings

- 1, Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., \$20,000.
- 2, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., \$10,000.
- 3, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results (based on modified WBT scoring system awarding 30 pins per strike, 10 pins plus first-ball count for spares, and actual pinfall for open frames)

Semifinal – McEwan def. Johnson, 256-233.

Final – McEwan def. Kulick, 256-243.

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ESPN 30 for 30's "The Bad Boy of Bowling," a documentary covering the life and times of PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber, is now available for viewing online. Click here: <http://espn.go.com/video/clip?id=14801148>

The program will make its broadcast debut Friday as part of ESPN's Friday Night Movie Night segment on SportsCenter. Watch the 6 p.m. EST segment.

Feel free to share the link.

Celebrities and PBA Stars Battle it Out in CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational presented by GoBowling.com
Sunday at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN

LOS ANGELES (Feb. 25, 2016) – Tournament host and Los Angeles Clippers All-Star guard **Chris Paul** and three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year **Jason Belmonte** headline the list of celebrities and PBA Tour stars who will compete in the seventh CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational presented by GoBowling.com Sunday at 1 p.m. Eastern on ESPN.

The seventh fundraiser to benefit the Chris Paul Family Foundation, held at Lucky Strike LA Live in downtown Los Angeles, will feature an elimination doubles format involving teams of PBA Tour stars paired with a celebrity partner.

In addition to the doubles team of Paul and Belmonte, the other teams competing will be:

- PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** and former NFL Pro Bowl receiver **Terrell Owens**
- 9-time PBA Tour winner **Sean Rash** and running back **C.J. Anderson** of the Super Bowl Champion Denver Broncos
- International bowling star **Clara Guerrero** and Olympic and World cup soccer gold medalist **Hope Solo**
- 18-time PBA Tour winner **Chris Barnes** and former NFL defensive lineman and ESPN SportsNation co-host **Marcellus Wiley**
- 2015 PBA World Championship winner **Gary Faulkner Jr.** and two-time MLB All-star pitcher **John Burkett**
- 7-time PBA Tour winner **Bill O'Neill** and **Shawn Stockman** of the Grammy award winning group Boyz II Men
- Three-time PBA Tour winner and defending CP3 Invitational champion **Ronnie Russell** and U.S. women's track superstar and Olympic gold medalist **Allyson Felix**

The event will also include a celebrity sudden death best ball shootout, featuring additional celebrity guest competitors Anthony Anderson, star of ABC-TV's "Black-ish" and hip hop artist Too Short.

The event benefits the Chris Paul Family Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting youth education, health, sports and social responsibility.

CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational presented by GoBowling.com Past Winners:

2015 – Ronnie Russell/French Montana
2013 – Chris Barnes/Chris Hardwick
2012 – Pete Weber/Jerry Ferrara/Blake Griffin
2011 – Jason Belmonte/Chris Paul
2010 – Jason Belmonte/Chris Paul
2008 – Jason Couch/LeBron James

Redesigned PBA.com Makes its Debut

Easier access for mobile users, improved navigation among new features

CHICAGO (Feb. 26, 2016) – A newly redesigned PBA.com (<http://pba.com/>), the official website of the Professional Bowlers Association, made its debut Friday, providing PBA fans with easier access from mobile devices and social media platforms, improved navigation and increased focus on PBA's Xtra Frame video-streaming service as well as PBA.com's live scoring feature.

The contemporary look of the revamped website provides more visual impact and includes technology which will allow for expansion of pba.com in the future. Some highlights of the new site:

- A new design that brings the site up to date and gives the PBA a look for the future.
- A responsive design so users can view the site easily on tablet and mobile.
- More focus on Xtra Frame and Live Scoring.
- A slimmed down navigational structure and the ability to find things much easier. Rather than a bank of tabs, the new site uses a simple "menu" tab in the upper left corner of the home page to help visitors easily find what they're looking for.
- A better experience on the individual bowling pages, allowing for videos and great banner photos.
- The new design that will allow PBA to expand the site easily.
- Adds expanded bowler profiles with more imagery and videos for users to browse.
- It brings PBA's news site into the main site, providing fans with a one-site-serves-all experience.
- Greater focus on images and videos on the home page gives pba.com a more visually-pleasing appearance.

"The new PBA.com includes all of the information, records, archives and more that could be found on the original PBA.com website, but now is available in a more attractive, easier-to-navigate package," said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark. "Our goal is to stay on pace with the rapid growth in activity among mobile device users, as well as developments in social media, to continue providing our fans with a great experience in staying in touch with the greatest bowlers in the world."

PBA.com was redesigned in partnership with Boston-based Cloud Construct LLC, a web design and development firm that builds web applications, designs responsive and mobile-optimized websites, and creates software solutions that enable companies to do more, faster. For more information about Cloud Construct, visit www.cloudconstruct.com.

Pete Weber, Terrell Owens Team Up to Win
CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational Presented by GoBowling.com
PBA Tour stars and celebrities compete in seventh Chris Paul Family Foundation benefit

LOS ANGELES – In an evening of fun, glitz, bowling, great athletes from other sports and entertainers pairing up with the PBA's best for competition, Los Angeles Clippers All-Star guard Chris Paul has made a tradition out of raising awareness for a great cause through his CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational presented by GoBowling.com that aired Sunday on ESPN.

In a "battle of the sexes" championship match contested at Lucky Strike LA Live, the team of PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber and former NFL All-Pro receiver Terrell Owens defeated international bowling star Clara Guerrero and Olympic and World Cup women's soccer gold medalist Hope Solo, 78-54, in a special four-frame doubles format championship match.

On their way to the championship match of the event, now in its seventh year, Weber and Owens beat two other pro/celebrity teams. In the quarterfinal round, they defeated seven-time Tour winner Bill O'Neill and Shawn Stockman of the group BoyZ II Men, 68-48, and 2015 Rolltech PBA World Championship winner Gary Faulkner Jr. and former Major League All-Star pitcher and PBA50 Tour competitor John Burkett, 64-52, in the semifinal round.

"It was probably a matter of time," said Owens, who was making his third CP3 Invitational appearance. "I had bowled well in past events but it was a combination of being more consistent and having a great partner."

"As the matches went on, the better I bowled and the better Pete and I were coming together as a team. It's like any sport where you get more focused you get better results. I really felt I had all the pieces of the puzzle in place," Owens continued. "I had the right ball and it left my hand clean, so it was up to me to do my part for the team."

For Weber, who ranks fourth on the list of all-time PBA Tour title winners with 37 titles, it was his second CP3 Invitational win. In a 2012 trios contest, he won with actor Jerry Ferrara and Paul's L.A. Clippers teammate, forward Blake Griffin.

"The 'bad boys' did good," said Weber, using a play on words related to his documentary, "The Bad Boy of Bowling," which premiered on ESPN's 30 for 30 series on Friday. "Terrell and I thought the ladies (Solo and Guerrero) would give us a tough match because they were bowling well and we were looking forward to that challenge. Hope was keeping the ball in play and Clara was throwing strikes like she usually does so we were going to have our work cut out for us."

"I was bowling a little conservative," Weber added. "I was throwing it harder and straighter to stay out of trouble. The last thing you want to do is leave a split or tough spare because you don't have any time to recover from it."

Guerrero and Solo eliminated Paul and three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte, 74-58, in their quarterfinal match before defeating nine-time PBA Tour winner Sean Rash and his partner, Super Bowl champion Denver Broncos running back C.J. Anderson, 78-67, in a close contest. Tied in the ninth frame with 49 each, Guerrero doubled in the 10th to clinch her team's trip to the championship match.

In the other quarterfinal matches, Burkett and Faulkner eliminated 18-time Tour winner Chris Barnes and former NFL defensive end and ESPN SportsNation co-host Marcellus Wiley, 99-49, while Rash and Anderson ousted defending CP3 Invitational champion and three-time Tour winner Ronnie Russell and multiple Olympic and World Championship track gold medalist Allyson Felix, 80-64.

The event also included a celebrity sudden-death best ball “clash” which included additional celebrity guests Anthony Anderson, star of ABC-TV’s “Black-ish”, and hip hop artist Too Short. Burkett, who had a best PBA50 Tour finish of fourth place in his 2015 rookie season, outlasted the other celebrities by bowling a nine-count to Owens’ seven-count in the ninth and final frame for the win.

The beneficiary of the CP3 event was the Chris Paul Family Foundation which strives to positively impact individuals and families by providing resources that enrich and strengthen healthy development of strong communities. Through partnerships with Feed The Children, Make-A-Wish Foundation, The Salvation Army, Boys & Girls Clubs, LA’s BEST, The Reachability Foundation and Habitat for Humanity, the foundation supports literacy and technology initiatives, health and wellness programs and afterschool enrichment.

CP3 PBA CELEBRITY INVITATIONAL PRESENTED BY GOBOWLING.COM

Lucky Strike LA Live, Los Angeles, Sunday

(Four frame, alternate frame elimination format)

Championship Match

Pete Weber/Terrell Owens def. Clara Guerrero/Hope Solo, 78-54.

Semifinal Round

Weber/Owens def. Gary Faulkner Jr./John Burkett, 64-52.

Guerrero/Solo def. Sean Rash/CJ Anderson, 78-67.

Quarterfinal Round

Weber/Owens def. Bill O’Neill/Shawn Stockman, 68-48.

Faulkner/John Burkett def. Chris Barnes/Marcellus Wiley, 99-49.

Rash/Anderson def. Ronnie Russell/Allyson Felix, 80-64.

\Guerrero/Solo def. Jason Belmonte/Chris Paul, 74-58.

Danielle McEwan Wins H.H. Emir Cup in Qatar

DOHA, Qatar (March 2, 2016) – Fresh off her victory in the World Bowling Tour Women’s Final, presented by the PBA, Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, N.Y., defeated Bahrain’s Yousif Falah, 540-416, in the two-game total pinfall final match, to win the H.H. Emir Cup Wednesday at Qatar Bowling Centre.

McEwan, who earned US\$20,000 for her win, fired games of 266 and 274 at Falah, including eight “handicap” pins-per-game awarded to women bowlers in the event. Falah had games of 224 and 192 in the title match. McEwan didn’t need the bonus pins, but by accepting them, she became ineligible to win a PBA International Tour title.

McEwan advanced to the championship match by defeating another female competitor, Singapore’s Daphne Tan, 435-422, in the semifinal round while Falah was eliminating Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., 498-361, in the other semifinal match.

The H.H. Emir Cup was the first PBA International-World Bowling Tour event of the 2016 season. Competition points earned in Qatar will go toward determining the three men and three women who will compete the 2017 World Bowling Tour Men’s and Women’s Finals presented by the PBA. McEwan, who ranked second on the two-year rolling points list for the 2016 WBT Women’s Finals and No. 2 Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., and top qualifier Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., to win the \$20,000 women’s first prize.

PBA International-WBT competition continues with the Kingdom of Bahrain Open at Ozone Entertainment Centre in Manama, Bahrain, March 3-9, and the Brunswick Euro Challenge at Dream Bowl Palace in Munich, Germany, March 13-20. Sweden’s Jesper Svensson is defending champion in Bahrain; Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., is defending champion in Munich. PBA fans can follow the action in Bahrain by visiting abf-online.org and in Munich by visiting brunswickeurochallenge.com.

Blanchard and the PBA contingent will then return to the U.S. for the PBA Maine Event, March 31-April 6, at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine. A weekend of PBA League Elias Cup competition April 2-3 will result in four consecutive ESPN telecasts on Sundays at 1 p.m. ET starting April 17, Blanchard will then try to defend his Xtra Frame PBA Maine Shootout April 4-6. The Maine Shootout will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s video-streaming service, Xtra Frame.

PBA fans also can follow daily reports from all three international events on Bowlingdigital.com, abf-online.org (Qatar and Bahrain) and <http://brunswickeurochallenge.com/> (Brunswick Euro Challenge).

H.H. EMIR CUP

Qatar Bowling Centre, Doha, Qatar, Wednesday, March 2

Championship (two games, total pinfall; women entrants receive 8 handicap pins per game)

f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y. (\$20,000) def. Yousif Falah, Bahrain, (\$12,000),.

Step 4 Final Standings (two games, total pinfall; winners advance to Step 4 championship, losers earned \$6,000)

Falah def. Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 498-361.

f-McEwan def. f-Daphne Tan, Singapore, 435-422.

Step 3 Cashers (after 8 games, top 4 advanced to Step 3 semifinal round)

5, Robert Andersson, Sweden, 1,851, \$3,000.

6, f-Jazreel Tan, Singapore, 1,814, \$3,000.

7, Michael Mak, Hong Kong, 1,808, \$3,000.

8, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,793, \$3,000.

9, f-Shayna Ng, Singapore, 1,754, \$2,400.

10, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,721, \$2,400.

11, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,686, \$2,400.

12, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,649, \$2,400.

Step 2 Cashers (after 8 games, top 12 plus qualifiers 1-4 advanced to Step 3 semifinal round)

13, f-Joey Yeo, Singapore, 1,796, \$2,100.

14 (tie), Mostafa Almousawi, Kuwait, and Cameron Weier, Federal Way, Wash., 1,753, \$2,100.

16, Hazeem Almuraikhi, Qatar, 1,706, \$2,100.

17, Mike Koivuniemi, Finland, 1,682, \$2,000.

18, Jassim Almuraikhi, Qatar, 1,679, \$2,000.

19, f-Bernice Lim, Singapore, 1,667, \$2,000.

20, AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,633, \$2,000.

Step 1 Cashers (after 8 games; top 12 plus qualifiers 5-8 advanced to Step 2 elimination round)

21, Yousef Aljaber, Qatar, 1,827, \$2,000.

22, Ghanim Aboujassoum, Qatar, 1,788, \$1,600.

23, Stuart Williams, England, 1,766, \$1,600.

24, Rickle Kam, Hong Kong, 1,765, \$1,600.

25, Mohammed Alsaud, Saudi Arabia, 1,740, \$1,600.

26, Mohammed Al-Marzooqi, UAE, 1,707, \$1,600.

27, Mohammed Almerekh, Qatar, 1,702, \$1,600.

28, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,671, \$1,600.

29 (tie), Jassem, Alsaqer, Kuwait, and Khaled Aldebayyan, Kuwait, 1,668, \$1,500.

31, Eric Tseng, Hong Kong, 1,638, \$1,400.

32, Mansour Alawami, Qatar, 1,575, \$1,400.

f-denotes female competitors who receive 8 handicap pins per game in addition to actual pinfall totals

PBA Spare Shots

ESPN PARTNERS PEDERSEN, JAKUBOWSKI TO COVER XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR EVENTS

The PBA has announced PBA Hall of Famer and veteran ESPN color analyst **Randy Pedersen** will join ESPN/Xtra Frame lead announcer **Mike Jakubowski** in the broadcast booth for a series of exclusive PBA Xtra Frame tournaments, beginning with the PBA Xtra Frame Maine Shootout April 4-6 at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine. PBA's 2016 Xtra Frame tournament series will include tournaments across the United States. Each Xtra Frame event is an expanded weekend tournament that will award PBA Tour titles and will be covered exclusively, live by PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

The Xtra Frame tour will include two stops in the suburban Chicago area; Jonesboro, Ark.; Lubbock, Texas; Houston, Texas; Middletown, Del.; Detroit, Tamarac, Fla.; Memphis, Tenn., and Las Vegas. Details will be announced soon.

Also, the PBA reported that as of March 1, Xtra Frame had surpassed the 8,000 paid subscriber milestone for the first time. The previous high for paid monthly and annual subscribers was 7,448 on Jan. 2, 2015. The current subscriber total – 8,045 – is 1,122 ahead of the same date a year earlier. The paid subscriber base doesn't include three-day passes.

COMPLETE VERSION OF "THE BAD BOY OF BOWLING" AVAILABLE ONLINE

The complete version of "The Bad Boy of Bowling" documentary on the career of PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** made its debut on ESPN.com on Feb. 23 (<http://espn.go.com/video/clip?id=14801148>) and an abbreviated 10-minute version of the film made its broadcast debut as part of Friday Night Movie Night on ESPN's *SportsCenter* on Feb. 26.

"Bad Boy" was directed by SideStilt Films' **Bryan Storkel** and produced by **Amy Storkel** and **Daniel Judge**.

In conjunction with the "Bad Boy" debut, PBA is offering a special "Who Do You Think You Are?" coffee mug and t-shirt for a limited time. PDW fans can order their special Pete Weber items at the PBA Tour Store on pba.com

(<https://stores.kotisdesign.com/pbastore/pdw>) now through March 231.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: THOMPSON WINS IN WEST, BAKER VICTORIOUS IN SOUTH

- **Greg Thompson Jr.** of Dublin, Calif., defeated **Robby Porter** of Rancho Cordova, Calif., 236-178, to win the PBA West Region's Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort Championship at Gold Country Lanes in Sutter Creek, Calif., on Sunday, Feb. 21. Along with his fourth PBA Regional title, Thompson earned \$2,500.
- **Stoney Baker** of Canton, Ga., defeated **Joe Scarborough** of Charlotte, N.C., 245-156, 243-198, in the best-of-three-game title match to win his 28th PBA Regional title in the PBA50 Dave Edwards Toyota Spartanburg Southern Open presented by Global 900 at Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C., on Sunday, Feb. 21. Baker earned \$2,000.
- Kicking off a busy March schedule over the March 4-6 weekend will be the PBA50 Victory Lanes Central Open presented by 900 Global in Galion, Ohio; the Lakewood Holiday Lanes Southwest Open presented by Storm in Lakewood, Colo.; the PBA50 Monte Skeels Allstate Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, and the Caveman Bowl Northwest/West Open presented by DV8 in Grants Pass, Ore.
- The only regional activity over the March 13 weekend is the one-day PBA50 Thunderbowl Midwest Open presented by Columbia 300 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.
- The March 18-20 weekend includes the PBA50 Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Odessa Southwest Open presented by Columbia 300 at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas; the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by DV8 in Virden, Ill.; the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open in Elmira, N.Y., and the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open presented by Radical at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio.
- The March regional calendar concludes over the March 25-27 weekend with the Cooperfield Bowl Houston Challenge presented by 900 Global in Houston, Texas; the South Point West Challenge and Member/Non-Member Doubles, both presented by Track, at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area.

QUICK NOTES:

- England's **Dom Barrett**, who rolled a unique 10-strike 300 game in winning the World Bowling Tour Men's Finals presented by the PBA, was mildly surprised when PBA CEO and Commissioner **Tom Clark** announced that Barrett would receive the traditional \$10,000 bonus for bowling a nationally-televised perfect game. The finals, which aired on Feb. 21 on ESPN, introduced an experimental World Bowling scoring system that awarded 30 pins for each strike in a 10-frame game with no "bonus" shots in the 10th frame. But to make sure he complied with the traditional 12-strike scoring system in earning the bonus, Barrett told Clark, "I'll be happy to throw two more strikes if you'd like."
- Following his victory in **Chris Paul's** CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational with partner **Pete Weber**, former NFL All-Star wide receiver **Terrell Owens** was a guest on the *Tiki and Tierney Show* on CBS Sports Radio Network, talking about the celebrity bowling event and the NFL Hall of Fame. To listen to the interview, click here: <http://tikiandtierney.radio.cbssports.com/2016/02/26/terrell-owens-black-eye-for-hof-if-not-liking-me-is-why-im-not-in/>
- **Adeline DeBiasi**, a co-owner of long-time PBA tournament host Taylor Lanes in Taylor, Mich., died on Feb. 23 in Allen Park, Mich. She was 79. She is survived by sons William (Ann Adams) DeBiasi and Alan (Kerri) DeBiasi; daughter Maryellen (Fred) Darin, eight grandchildren and one great-grandson. Funeral mass was held Saturday in Allen Park.

- **Andre Bardwell** of Bartlett, Tenn., is the recipient of a new high-performance MOTIV bowling ball and **Dan Mayer** of Waterford, Mich., has been selected as winner of a new DV8 ball in the February sweepstakes sponsored by MOTIV and DV8. New Xtra Frame monthly or yearly subscribers (monthly plan \$7.99 or 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99) are automatically entered into the monthly sweepstakes.

- The HotelPlanner.com sweepstakes winner for February is **Stephanie Wojdyla**. By booking a room through HotelPlanner.com's link on pba.com in Carmel, Ind., for the USBC Masters, Wojdyla earned a \$200 gift certificate for future lodging booked through PBA's official travel partner.

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QubicaAMF Signs on as PBA Regional Tour Partner

Sponsorship agreement bolsters prize funds across PBA's extensive regional program

CHICAGO (March 9, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association today announced a partnership agreement has been signed with QubicaAMF Worldwide, the world leader in bowling capital equipment and state-of-the-art automatic scoring technologies, that will bolster the extensive QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour program.

Under the partnership agreement, QubicaAMF's participation assures the prize funds for the more than 150 tournaments conducted in the PBA's seven domestic regions (East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest, West and Northwest) will exceed player entry fee contributions, enhancing the professional experience for all competitors.

"Since the PBA Regional program was officially launched in 1970, thousands of bowlers have had an opportunity to experience PBA-level competition in hundreds of cities across America," said John Weber, PBA Director of Regional and PBA50 Tours. "Thanks to the support of Qubica A MF, the PBA will continue to provide the future stars of the PBA with affordable, close-to-home opportunities to develop the skills they will need to compete at the highest levels of our sport. At the same time, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour provides thousands of fans an opportunity to see our established and emerging stars in person."

As titled sponsor of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour, QubicaAMF's logo will be part of all of PBA's on-site and online materials related to the regional program.

"We are thrilled to be able to give this boost to the Regional Tour and partner with the PBA," said Pat Ciniello, Chairman of the Board of QubicaAMF. "QubicaAMF is committed to the sport of bowling—from developing products for leagues and tournaments to the QubicaAMF Bowling World Cup, this year celebrating its 53rd Anniversary, which promotes the sport of bowling at all levels across the world. We feel that supporting the PBA and the bowling centers that host the regional events are important steps to ensuring the continuing success of our beloved sport."

The QubicaAMF announcement arrives just as the PBA Regional program springs into its busy summer season, drawing praise from PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark, who described PBA's seven regional directors as "the rock stars" of the PBA.

"They are the core of the greatest bowling tournament club ever created: the PBA," Clark said. "They are great bowlers...trusted tournament directors...mentors...friends. They run their programs humbly, with integrity, professionalism and unmatched experience."

The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour is managed by these seven men, under John Weber's supervision:

- Russ Mills has managed the PBA East Region since 1997. A former PBA Tour and Regional competitor, Mills also was a former Ebonite district sales manager.
- Sam Zurich assumed management of the PBA South Region in 2012 after eight years assisting former South Regional director Harry O'Neale. Zurich is a two-time PBA Tour and 40-time PBA Regional title winner.
- Bobby Jakel has managed the PBA Central Region since 2006. A former collegiate bowler and USBC Open Championships "eagle" winner, Jakel bowled in PBA competition for 2 1/2 years before assuming his administrative role.

- Rich Weber was co-manager of the PBA Midwest Region between 1984-1998, working with his late father Dick Weber and younger brother John, before assuming full-time responsibility for the region in 2006. A two-time PBA Regional titlist in his own right, Rich Weber also was PBA50 Tour Director from 1990-98.
- Pete McCordic has managed the PBA Southwest Region since 1997. He came into the role after bowling on the PBA Tour for 18 years, winning two PBA Tour titles, bowling a nationally-televised 300 game, and winning seven PBA Regional titles. His twin brother Paul is currently active on the PBA50 Tour.
- Gary Mage, who does double-duty as PBA West and Northwest Region manager, is in his 51st year of involvement with the PBA. He bowled on the PBA Tour from 1968-1981, winning one title. A former bowling center owner, he was founder of the PBA Northwest Region in 1978 and has managed the program ever since, adding the PBA West Region to his duties in 2004.

Over the past three years, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional program has conducted an average of 165 tournaments each year, paying out more than \$6.5 million in prize money.

To follow the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour, including upcoming events and results, visit pba.com and click on Menu/schedules/“Regional Tours.”

Bahrain Teenager Ahmed Al Awadhi Wins 14th Kingdom of Bahrain Open

PBA International-World Bowling Tour heads to Munich, Germany for Brunswick Euro Challenge

MANAMA, Bahrain (March 9, 2016) – Teenager Ahmed Al Awadhi of Bahrain survived a two-game title match, defeating Finland’s Osku Palermaa, 240-220 after losing a 234-230 decision in game one, to win the 14th Kingdom of Bahrain Open Wednesday at Funland Bowling Center.

Al Awadhi, a 16-year-old member of Bahrain’s national bowling team, was top qualifier for the Kingdom of Bahrain Open finals, topping Palermaa by seven pins and fellow Bahraini Yusef Falah by 34 pins, thanks to seven-pins-per-game handicap awarded to youth bowler and women in the event. Al Awadhi won the \$25,000 first prize, but didn’t get credit for a PBA International Tour title because he is an amateur.

As top qualifier for the three-player stepladder finals, Al Awadhi’s opponent had to beat him twice to win the event. After Palermaa won the first game, Al Awadhi won the decisive game by 20 pins, not needing his handicap allowance. Palermaa advanced to the championship match with a 179-165 decision over Falah.

The Kingdom of Bahrain Open was the second PBA International-World Bowling Tour event of the 2016 season. PBA International-WBT competitors now travel to Munich, Germany, for the Brunswick Euro Challenge at Dream Bowl Palace in Munich, Germany, March 13-20. Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., is defending champion. PBA fans can follow the action by visiting Bowlingdigital.com or brunswickeurochallenge.com.

PBA Tour competition resumes in the U.S. with the PBA Maine Event, March 31-April 6, at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine. A weekend of PBA League Elias Cup competition April 2-3 will result in four consecutive ESPN telecasts on Sundays at 1 p.m. ET starting April 17. Blanchard will then try to defend his Xtra Frame PBA Maine Shootout April 4-6. The Maine Shootout will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s video-streaming service, Xtra Frame.

PBA INTERNATIONAL-WBT 14TH KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN OPEN Funland Bowling Center, Manama, Bahrain, Wednesday, March 9

Final Standings: 1, y-Ahmed Al Awadi, Bahrain, \$25,000. 2, Osku Palermaa, Finland, \$12,500. 3, Yousif Falah, Bahrain, \$8,000.

Stepladder Results: Match One – Palermaa def. Falah, 179-165. Championship Match – y-Al Awadi def. Palermaa, 230-234, 240-220 (Al Awadi received 7 handicap pins per game as a youth bowler; Palermaa had to beat Al Awadhi twice to win the event).

Round 4 Cashers (after six games, top three advance to stepladder finals):

- 1, y-Al Awadhi, 1,486.
- 2, Palermaa, 1,475.
- 3, Falah, 1,452.
- 4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,414, \$6,000.
- 5, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,409, \$5,000.

- 6, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,367, \$3,500.
- 7, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,349, \$3,000.
- 8, f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,342, \$2,800.
- 9, Wu Siu Hong, Hong Kong, 1,338, \$2,700.
- 10, f-Anggie Ramirez, Chicago, 1,317, \$2,600.
- 11, y-Osama Rahman, Bahrain, 1,240, \$2,500.
- 12, Naif Oqab, UAE, 1,228, \$2,2500

Round 3 Cashers (after 6 games; eliminated players earned \$2,000):

- 13, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,328.
- 14, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, 1,289.
- 15, Stuart Williams, England, 1,269.
- 16, Mohamed Janahi, Bahrain, 1,218.
- 17, Robert Andersson, Sweden, 1,202.
- 18, Jassim Al Muraikhi, Qatar, 1,082.

Round 2 Cashers (after 6 games, eliminated players earned \$1,500):

- 19, Ryan Lalisang, Indonesia, 1,345.
- 20, AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,265.
- 21, f-Tannya Roumimper, Indonesia, 1,229.
- 22, Rickle Kam, Hong Kong, 1,198.
- 23, Lau Kwun Ho, Hong Kong, 1,172.
- 24, Ahmed A. Jabbar, Bahrain, 1,149.

Round 1 Cashers (after 6 games; eliminated players earned \$1,200):

- 25, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 1,293.
- 26, Ahmed Al Malki, Bahrain, 1,285.
- 27, Mike Chan, Hong Kong, 1,270.
- 28, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,203.
- 29, Omar Rashid, Bahrain, 1,188.
- 30, Mohammed Al Merekhi, Qatar, 1,186.

f-denotes female, 7-denotes youth competitors, each of whom receive 7 handicap pins per game in addition to actual pinfall totals

Harry Sullins Wins PBA50 Victory Lanes Central Open

Galion, Ohio (March 6, 2016) – Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp, Mich., defeated Jeff Zaffino of Warren, Pa., by nine pins to win the PBA50 Victory Lanes Central Open presented by 900 Global at Victory Lanes Sunday.

Sullins finished with an 8-4 match play record and a total of 4,468 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to claim his first PBA Central Region PBA50 title of the year and the 19th PBA50 Regional title of his career. Sullins, who will be inducted into the United States Bowling Congress Hall of Fame in the veterans category on April 28 in Las Vegas, also earned \$1,500.

The PBA Central Region's next event will be held at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio, March 18-20.

PBA50 VICTORY LANES CENTRAL OPEN PRESENTED BY 900 GLOBAL Victory Lanes, Galion, Ohio, Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp, Mich., 8-4, 4,468, \$1,500.
- 2, Jeff Zaffino, Warren, Pa., 9-3, 4,459, \$1,000.
- 3, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 7-5, 4,314, \$800.
- 4, Patric Donaghue, Honeoye Falls, N.Y., 8-4, 4,296, \$750.
- 5, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 6-6, 4,233, \$700.
- 6, John Gant, Medford, Mass., 8-4, 4,218, \$675.
- 7, Richie Brown, Marion, Ohio, 6-6, 4,217, \$650.
- 8, Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 8-4, 4,184, \$625.
- 9, Larry Verble, Mason, Mich., 4-8, 4,179, \$600.
- 10, Robert Sommers, Ashland, Ohio, 6-6, 4,171, \$575.
- 11, Michael Llanaeza, Columbus, Ohio, 6-6, 4,107, \$550.
- 12, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 3-9, 4,087, \$540.
- 13, ss-Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 5-7, 4,054,

\$530. 14, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 3-9, 3,984, \$520. 15, n-Scott Sustar, Medina, Ohio, 6-6-0, 3,961, \$510. 16, ss-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, 3-9, 3,873, \$500.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player

PBA Spare Shots

PBA WORLD CHAMPION GARY FAULKNER JR. VISITS WHITE HOUSE LANES

One of the highest honors any athlete, or anyone for that matter, can receive is an invitation to the White House.

Such was the case for 2015 PBA World Championship winner **Gary Faulkner Jr.** when he had the opportunity to visit the White House on Friday, March 4, and bowl on the White House Lanes located in the Executive Office Building adjacent to the White House in Washington D.C.

Faulkner received the invitation thanks to U.S. Rep. Steve Cohen of Memphis who made it possible. While Faulkner didn't have the opportunity to bowl with President Barack Obama, he enjoyed nearly two hours bowling with his mother Wanda, sister Alex along with White House and Rep. Cohen's staff members. They were then treated to a behind-the-scenes tour of the White House.

Faulkner became the second African American to win a PBA Tour title when he defeated **EJ Tackett**, 216-178, in the championship match at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno in December.

Faulkner is the second bowler in the past few years to receive an invitation to the White House. **Kelly Kulick**, the only woman to win a PBA Tour title when she won the 2010 Tournament of Champions, earned an invitation in March of 2010 when she attended an International Women's Day reception hosted by President and Mrs. Obama.

To get the full story of Faulkner's visit click on the Memphis Commercial Appeal story:

<https://www.facebook.com/GaryFaulkner09/photos/pb.420069894863085.-2207520000.1457294312./441450602725014/?type=3&theater>.

BOWLINGBALL.COM BECOMES PRESENTING SPONSOR FOR XTRA FRAME MAINE SHOOTOUT

Bowlingball.com, entering its 20th year as the world's largest online bowling retailer, will be the presenting sponsor of the Xtra Frame PBA Maine Shootout April 4-6 at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, PBA CEO and Commissioner **Tom Clark** and bowlingball.com founder **Keith Spear** announced Thursday.

The Xtra Frame PBA Maine Shootout presented by bowlingball.com will be the first of 10 exclusive Xtra Frame PBA Tour event events in 2016, each awarding a minimum \$10,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title along with a winner-take-all \$10,000 cash bonus to the player who compiles the most competition points for the entire series.

The PBA Maine Shootout, which follows a weekend of PBA League Elias Cup competition at Bayside Bowl, will be a 64-player single-elimination, three-game match play event. A "draw party" will be held on Monday, April 4, to determine pairings. Competition – all covered live, exclusively on Xtra Frame, begins with eight Round of 64 matches at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Additional Round of 64 matches will be held at 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Winners will then bowl Round of 32 matches at 6 and 8 p.m.

Competition continues Wednesday, April 6, with Round of 16 matches at 10 and 11:30 a.m., Round of 8 at 2 p.m., semifinal round at 6 p.m. and the championship match at 7:30 p.m. All times are Eastern. **Josh Blanchard** of Mesa, Ariz., is defending champion.

Xtra Frame is PBA's official online video-streaming service, currently serving more than 8,000 subscribers around the world. Three-day, 30-day and full year subscriptions are available for \$3.99, \$7.99 and \$64.99, respectively. Visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: SULLINS WINS 19TH PBA50 REGIONAL TITLE IN OHIO

Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp, Mich., defeated **Jeff Zaffino** of Warren, Pa., by nine pins to win the PBA50 Victory Lanes Central Open presented by 900 Global at Victory Lanes in Galion, Ohio, Sunday.

Sullins finished with an 8-4 match play record and a total of 4,468 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to claim his first PBA Central Region PBA50 title of the year and the 19th PBA50 Regional title of his career. Sullins, who will be inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame in the veterans category on April 28 in Las Vegas, also earned \$1,500.

- Canadian citizen and Wichita State University graduate **Francois Lavoie**, now living in Wichita, Kan., defeated non-member **Cody Vaughn** of Arvada, Colo., 226-203, to win his first PBA title and the \$2,500 first prize in the fourth annual PBA Lakewood Storm Southwest Open at Holiday Lanes in Lakewood, Colo., Sunday.

Lavoie, one of the nation's top collegiate bowlers while competing for Wichita State, finished the qualifying rounds in second place, earnings byes until the Round of Eight in the single elimination finals. The PBA rookie then started best-of-three-game match play against **Sean Lavery-Spahr** with a 300 game and followed with a 247 to advance. He then defeated **Tyler Jensen** of Fort Worth, Texas, 257-218, in the semifinal round to advance to the title match.

Vaughn, the qualifying leader, defeated **Rick Schafer** of Aurora, Colo., 2-0, in his Round of 8 match and **Steven Badonavic** from Parker, Colo., 192-184, in his semifinal round match.

- **Lennie Boresch** of Kenosha, Wis., defeated **Pete Weber** of St. Ann, Mo., 215-170, to win the PBA50 Monte Skeels Allstate Agent Midwest Open at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., on Saturday. Along with the \$2,200 first prize, Boresch collected his 33rd overall PBA regional title.

Boresch defeated **Dave Traber** of Hebron, Ill., 256-235, in the round of 4, and Weber edged **Scott Weber** of La Salle, Ill., 234-189, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- **David Haynes** of Las Vegas defeated **Chris Warren** of Grants Pass, Ore., 245-241, to win the PBA Northwest/West DV8 Open at Caveman Bowl in Grants Pass, Ore., Sunday. The win was Haynes' 10th in PBA regional competition. He also earned \$2,000.

Haynes defeated **Dean Richards** of Tacoma, Wash., 244-184, to advance to the championship match. In the first stepladder match, **Joe Goldstein Sr.** of Hayward, Calif. defeated **Thomas Ault Jr.** of Portland, Ore., 216-180. In the second match, Haynes eliminated Goldstein, 194-181.

- The only regional activity over the March 13 weekend is the one-day PBA50 Thunderbowl Midwest Open presented by Columbia 300 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

- The March 18-20 weekend includes the PBA50 Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Odessa Southwest Open presented by Columbia 300 at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas; the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by DV8 in Virden, Ill.; the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open in Elmira, N.Y., and the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open presented by Radical at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio.

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PBA Announces Expanded 10-Event Xtra Frame PBA Tour Schedule

\$10,000 winner-take-all bonus awaits Xtra Frame Tour points champion

CHICAGO (March 10, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association has announced a series of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events for the balance of the 2016 season, featuring a \$10,000 winner-take-all points champion bonus, leading into the end-of-season PBA World Series of Bowling VIII at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev., in December.

Complementing the domestic events on the 2016 schedule will be a series of PBA International-World Bowling Tour events which are currently underway in the Middle East and Europe.

The "PBA Maine Event" at Bayside Bowl in Portland, which will include the PBA League Elias Cup finals and the Xtra Frame PBA Maine Shootout presented by bowlingball.com, will provide the kickoff to the PBA's 2016 Xtra Frame Tour series which will include

tournaments across the United States. All of the XF PBA Tour events will be covered exclusively, from start to finish, on PBA's video-streaming service by a veteran announcing team led by ESPN announcer Mike Jakubowski and color analyst Randy Pedersen.

Each XF PBA Tour event will award a PBA Tour title to the winner, a minimum \$10,000 first prize and the player with the most competition points for the entire series will earn a new \$10,000 bonus.

Following the Xtra Frame PBA Maine Shootout presented by bowlingball.com, which will be held April 4-6, the Xtra Frame tour will include stops in Carpentersville and Aurora, Ill.; Jonesboro, Ark.; Lubbock and Houston, Texas; Middletown, Del.; Detroit, Tamarac, Fla. and Memphis, Tenn. In each XF PBA Tour event, the winning player will earn 25 points toward the end-of-series bonus. Second place will earn 19 points, third place 18 points, fourth place 17 points, etc., down to 20th place, which will be worth one point.

Players can enter the XF PBA Tour events by visiting pba.com and clicking on the Schedules tab to find the appropriate event under the PBA Tour link.

The 2016 PBA International-World Bowling Tour schedule includes the recently-completed H.H. Emir Cup in Qatar (won by PBA member Danielle McEwan), the 14th Kingdom of Bahrain Open (won by amateur Ahmed Al Awadhi); the Brunswick Euro Challenge in Munich, Germany, March 13-20, and events later in the year in Thailand, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Qatar. PBA Tour titles will be awarded to each winner if he/she is a PBA member and bowls without accepting handicap pins. Thus McEwan didn't earn a PBA title for her win in Qatar because she accepted 8 handicap pins per game.

All PBA International-WBT events award points toward World Bowling's two-year, rolling competition points standings leading to the annual World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals presented by the PBA.

PBA's 2016 season will conclude with the PBA World Series of Bowling VIII at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev., Nov. 27-Dec. 11. The detailed WSOB schedule will be announced soon.

In addition to Xtra Frame PBA Tour events, Xtra Frame's expanded programming schedule will provide broad coverage of other important events, including exclusive live coverage of the Teen Masters Championships July 3-8 at Sawgrass Lanes in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; preliminary round coverage of the entire 2016 Professional Women's Bowling Association schedule and start-to-finish coverage of the entire PBA50 Tour schedule.

Xtra Frame will continue to offer bowling fans a number of subscription options: three days for \$3.99; a 30-day package for \$7.99, and a 12-month Xtra Frame Season Ticket for \$64.99. To enroll, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

2016 PBA TOUR SCHEDULE

(subject to revisions)

Jan. 17 – Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship (Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas/Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., \$22,000).

Jan. 31 – DHC PBA Japan Invitational (Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$40,000).

Feb. 7 – FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions (Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$50,000)

Feb. 14 – USBC Masters (Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, \$50,000).

Feb. 21 – Barbasol PBA Players Championship (Graham Fach, Canada, \$40,000).

March 2 – H.H. Emir Cup, Qatar (Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., \$20,000).

March 3-9 – Kingdom of Bahrain Open, Manama, Bahrain.

March 13-20 – Brunswick Euro Challenge, Dream-Bowl Palace, Munich, Germany.

April 2-3 – PBA League Elias Cup quarterfinals and finals, Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine.

April 4-6 – Xtra PBA Frame Maine Shootout presented by bowlingball.com, Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine.

April 22-24 – Xtra Frame PBA Storm Open, Liberty Lanes, Carpentersville, Ill.

June 3-5 – Xtra Frame PBA Jonesboro Open, Jonesboro Bowling Center, Jonesboro, Ark.

June 24-26 – Xtra Frame PBA Lubbock Sports Open, South Plains Lanes, Lubbock, Texas.

July 29-31 – Xtra Frame PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles, Bowl on Bellaire, Houston, Texas.

Aug. 6-12 – WBT Thailand, Blu-O Paragon, Bangkok, Thailand.

Aug. 19-21 – Xtra Frame PBA Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic, Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment Center, Middletown, Del.

Sept. 23-25 – Xtra Frame PBA Detroit Open, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Oct. 1-2 – Xtra Frame PBA Parkside Lanes Open, Parkside Bowl, Aurora, Ill.

Oct. 7-9 – Xtra Frame PBA Reality Check Tamarac Open, Sawgrass Lanes, Tamarac, Fla.

Oct. 31-Nov. ? – U.S. Open, South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas.

Nov. 1-8 – UAE Open, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Nov. 10-16 – Kuwait International Open, Cozmo Bowling Center, Kuwait City, Kuwait.
Nov. 11-13 – Xtra Frame PBA Billy Hardwick Memorial, Billy Hardwick's All Star Lanes, Memphis, Tenn.
Nov. 18-23 – 10th Kingdom International Open, Universal Bowling Center, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
Nov. 25-Dec. 1 – Qatar Open, Qatar Bowling Centre, Doha, Qatar.
Nov. 27-Dec. 11 – PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev.

Fans Invited to Pick the Winner in PBA League Elias Eight Bracket Contest

Can Silver Lake Atom Splitters win a third straight Elias Cup?

CHICAGO (March 15, 2016) – Can the Bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters win a third consecutive PBA League Elias Cup title? That's a question to be decided as the eight-team PBA League bracket plays out later in the spring, and if you can pick the team that wins the 2016 Elias Cup, you could win a replica High 5 Gear championship team jersey along with a bowling pin autographed by the winning team members.

The PBA League Elias Eight Bracket Contest is a new "PBA Year of the Fan" promotion featuring the four-year-old PBA team competition. One lucky fan who correctly picks the winners of seven PBA League matches will be declared the winner. In case of ties, whomever comes closest in determining the total pinfall for both teams in the five-player Elias Cup final match will be the first tiebreaker, and time of entry will be the second if needed. The winner will be announced on Monday, May 9.

To enter the contest, fans ages 21 or older must fill out the official PBA League Elias Eight bracket and post it on your Facebook or Twitter page using the hashtag #PBAEliasCup and tag the PBA social channels (<https://www.facebook.com/ProfessionalBowlersAssociation>) or @PBATour. All brackets must be posted no later than 8 p.m. EDT (5 p.m. PDT) on Thursday, March 31. See complete rules below. The official bracket can be found on pba.com, or look for a link on PBA's Facebook or Twitter pages.

PBA League competition will be contested April 2-3 at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, for telecast on ESPN on four consecutive Sundays at 1 p.m. EDT, beginning Sunday, April 17.

Silver Lake, managed by Mark Baker, won the 2014 title with a roster featuring Chris Barnes, Dom Barrett, Wes Malott, Tommy Jones and Bryon Smith. It repeated in Portland in 2015 as the Bass Pro Shops Silver Lake Atom Splitters with a roster including Barnes, Koivuniemi, Craig Nidiffer, Tom Daugherty and PBA League Mark Roth MVP Dick Allen.

The Atom Splitters will enter the 2016 Elias Cup bracket as the top-seeded team, returning with Baker managing a roster including Barnes, Allen, Daugherty and newcomers Matt McNiell and 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions winner Jesper Svensson. The other seven teams are seeded based upon how they finished in the 2015 Elias Cup finals.

The 2016 PBA League schedule, and complete rosters, are included below. For additional information, visit <http://www.pba.com/bowlers/theleague> and follow the PBA League on all PBA Network outlets: <http://www.pba.com/PBANetwork>.

2016 PBA LEAGUE ROSTERS

- GEICO New York City WTT Kingpins (manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard): Pete Weber, Scott Norton, Mike Fagan, Marshall Kent, John Szczerbinski.
- Barbasol Motown Muscle (manager Del Ballard Jr.): EJ Tackett, Ronnie Russell, Josh Blanchard, Anthony Simonsen, Danielle McEwan.
- GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers (player-manager Norm Duke): Bill O'Neill, Tommy Jones, Duke, Shawn Maldonado, B.J. Moore (Maldonado and Moore acquired in a trade with Portland).
- High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen (manager Jason Couch): Dom Barrett, Chris Loschetter, Rhino Page, Tom Smallwood, Dave Wodka.
- Shipyard Portland Lumberjacks (manager Tim Mack): Bryon Smith, Wes Malott, Osku Palermaa, Ryan Ciminelli, Liz Johnson (Ciminelli and Johnson acquired in a trade with Dallas).
- Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles (manager Johnny Petraglia): Sean Rash, Parker Bohn III, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Jason Sterner, Jon VanHees.
- BJ's L.A. X (manager Andrew Cain): Jason Belmonte, Stu Williams, Martin Larsen, Patrick Allen, Andres Gomez.
- Bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters (manager Mark Baker): Chris Barnes, Dick Allen, Tom Daugherty, Matt McNiell, Jesper Svensson.

2016 PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP SCHEDULE

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, March 31-April 3

Thursday, March 31

4 p.m. – Invitational corporate pro-am

7 p.m. – Bayside Bowl pro-am squad

Friday, April 1

6:15 p.m. – Silver Lake Atom Splitters and New York WTT KingPins practice session

7 p.m. – Philadelphia Hitmen and Portland Lumberjacks practice session

7:45 p.m. – L.A. X and Motown Muscle practice session

8:30 p.m. – Brooklyn StYles and Dallas Strikers practice session

Saturday, April 2 (best of two games, Baker format; one-ball roll-off to break ties)

Noon – Quarterfinal Match One: Silver Lake Atom Splitters vs. New York City WTT KingPins

Quarterfinal Match Two: Philadelphia Hitmen vs. Portland Lumberjacks

(ESPN telecast: Sunday, April 17, 1 p.m. ET)

3:30 P.M. – Quarterfinal Match Three: L.A. X vs. Motown Muscle

Quarterfinal Match Four: Brooklyn STyLES vs. Dallas Strikers

(ESPN telecast: Sunday, April 24, 1 p.m. ET)

Sunday, April 3

Noon – Semifinal Match One: Winner Match One vs. Winner Match Two (best of two games, Baker format; roll-off to break ties)

Semifinal Match Two: Winner Match Three vs. Winner Match Four (best of two games, Baker format; roll-off to break ties)

(ESPN telecast: Sunday, May 1, 1 p.m. ET)

3:30 p.m. – Elias Cup Finals: Winner Semifinal One vs. Winner Semifinal Two, total pinfall (singles,

1 point; alternate-shot doubles, 1 point; trios, 1 point; Baker team, 3 points)

(ESPN telecast: Sunday, May 8, 1 p.m. ET)

PBA ELIAS EIGHT BRACKET CONTEST RULES

Open only to legal U.S. residents, who are 21 years of age or older at time of entry. Employees of the Professional Bowlers Association (“PBA”) and the immediate family members and/or those living in the same household of each are NOT ELIGIBLE. Void where prohibited. All federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. No substitution or transfer of prize permitted except as provided herein. All federal, state and local taxes on prizes are the sole responsibility of winner. Winner will be notified by phone/email. PBA reserves the right to substitute prize of equal or greater value if an advertised prize becomes unavailable. Acceptance of prize constitutes permission for the PBA and to use winner’s name and/or likeness for purposes of advertising and trade worldwide without limitation and without further compensation, unless prohibited by law. By accepting prize, winner agrees to hold PBA, its directors, officers, employees and assigns, harmless against any and all claims or liability of any kind arising out of or in connection with, participation in this sweepstakes, the acceptance or use of prize, or participation in prize related activities. By participating in this promotion, entrants agree to be bound by these Official Rules. PBA not responsible for any typographical or other error in the printing of the offer, administration of the sweepstakes or in the announcement of the prize.

PBA Welcomes bowlingball.com as PBA Maine Event Sponsor

Leading online retailer to sponsor PBA League’s Silver Lake Atom Splitters, bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout

PORTLAND, Maine (March 16, 2016) – On the heels of PBA Maine Event being heralded as both a fan and bowler favorite, the Professional Bowlers Association welcomes bowlingball.com as a sponsor of the PBA League’s two-time defending champion bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters and, in a sponsorship package secured by Shamrock Sports Group, title sponsor of the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout presented by Xtra Frame.

“We are excited to partner with the PBA to showcase bowlingball.com’s continued commitment to growing the sport we love. As bowlers ourselves, the bowlingball.com team is dedicated to bringing bowling to people of all ages and skill levels,” said Keith Spear, bowlingball.com CEO & Founder.

The PBA Maine Event begins with two days of PBA League competition, featuring the PBA’s top bowlers on eight teams competing for the Elias Cup. Team matches will take place April 2 and 3 at Portland’s Bayside Bowl, resulting in four two-hour television shows to be aired on ESPN on Sundays, April 17, 24, May 1 and 8, all from 1-3 pm ET.

“The 2015 PBA League event provided fans, bowlers and sponsors alike with contagious energy and excitement. Returning to Maine in 2016, we are confident with the support of valued sponsors such as bowlingball.com, that the PBA League and related events will be bigger and better than ever,” said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark.

The bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout will complete the Maine Event. The PBA Maine Shootout will be a 32-player match play elimination competition taking place April 4, 5 and 6. It will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. The winner will earn a PBA Tour title along with a \$10,000 first prize.

For information on Xtra Frame subscriptions, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (March 16, 2016)

PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted

CHICAGO -- The PBA has announced it is now accepting applications for the 2016 PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Award which recognizes exemplary qualities in male or female college students who compete in the sport of bowling.

The winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. To be eligible candidates must be amateur bowlers who are currently in college (preceding the application date) and maintaining at least a 2.5/4.0 GPA or equivalent. Applications must be postmarked by June 15.

The scholarship was established to annually recognize a college student who combines outstanding bowling talents with academic excellence. Welu, who passed away in 1974, was best known for his expert analysis alongside legendary ABC broadcaster and PBA Hall of Famer Chris Schenkel on the “Pro Bowlers Tour” series. Welu was a two-time PBA Tour champion and a member of the PBA Hall of Fame’s inaugural induction class in 1975.

The application is in two parts and can be retrieved by downloading both files using this link <http://www.pba.com/Corporate/Scholarships>. The application is a PDF file and requires Acrobat Reader to view and print. If those who don’t have the current version of Acrobat Reader, they can download a free copy of [Adobe Acrobat Reader](#) here. Nominations can be sent to scholarships@pba.com or through the U.S. mail at PBA Billy Welu Scholarship, 55 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 401, Chicago, IL 60604.

HISTORY OF PBA BILLY WELU SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

2015 – Ramon Hilferink (Webber International)
2014 – Melanie Hannon (Fairleigh Dickinson)
2013 – Katie Thornton (Webber International)
2012 – Danielle McEwan (Fairleigh Dickinson)
2011 – Kristina Frahm (Maryland Eastern Shore)
2010 – Kim Yioulos (Pikeville)
2009 – Elizabeth Seibel (Penn State)
2008 – Heather D’Errico (Robert Morris-Illinois)
2007 – Ricki Williams (Wichita State)
2006 – Jerrod Reece (Creighton University)
2005 – Mandy Pezzano (U of Penn)
2004 – Holly Pusok (University of Houston)
2003 – Robby Spigner (Indiana University)
2002 – N/A
2001 – Jennie Snoddy (Notre Dame College of Ohio)
2000 – Jackie Edwards (Cal State-Fresno)
1999 – Steven Svetlik (University of Illinois-Chicago)
1998 – Nicholas Hoagland (Indiana University)
1997 – Preston Brunswig (Wichita State)
1996 – Brenda Doshier (University of Southern Indiana)
1995 – Michael Lamont (University of Florida)
1994 – Joe Ciccone (Erie Community College)
1993 – N/A
1992 – Stephen Dale Jr. (Northeastern University)
1991 – Kari Murph (Morehead State)
1990 – Kimberly Berke (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)

1989 – Ronni Shehorn (San Jose State)
1988 – Julie Powell (University of Michigan)
1987 – N/A
1986 – Paul Kaib (University of Florida)
1985 – Curt Pezzano (University of Miami (Fla))
1984 – Michelle Mullen (University of Illinois)
1983 – Jeri Edwards (Penn State)
1982 – Patricia Bowie (Arizona State)

PBA Spare Shots

TEENAGER ANTHONY SIMONSEN LANDS BERTH ON ADULT TEAM USA

Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, has added a berth on Team USA 2016 to his rapidly expanding resumé of accomplishments. The 19-year-old two-handed competitor, who earned a spot on Junior Team USA at the USBC Team USA Trials in January, has been added to the adult Team USA roster in the wake of his victory in the USBC Masters in February and winning his first PBA Tour title in the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship to kick off the PBA Tour's 2016 schedule.

"For Team USA to beat the best in the world, we not only must have the most talented bowlers in the country, but the right mix of players so we can select the strongest team for each event," Team USA head coach **Rod Ross** said. "Anthony has the talent and composure to make Team USA much stronger now and in the future as we look toward the 2017 World Championships and beyond."

Team USA consists of a minimum 12 men and 12 women, and the Team USA coaching staff selects the teams for international competitions (World Bowling Championships, World Cup, Pan American Games, etc.) following annual training camps.

"There are no words to describe the feeling of joining the adult team," Simonsen said. "I bowled Team Trials earlier this year with the goal of making Junior Team USA; making the adult team would have been a bonus. I would be lying if I said I wasn't disappointed not making the adult team. Getting the call from Coach Rod Ross telling me they would like to have me join the adult team is a call I never imagined to get and definitely won't ever forget. It is an honor to represent my country on both teams."

Simonsen has been a PBA member since 2014 when he captured two PBA regional titles on his way to earning PBA Southwest Region Rookie of the Year honors. In 2015, he won the USBC Open Championships Regular Doubles title in El Paso, Texas, with partner **Mark Sleeper Jr.**

In other Team USA news, 16-time PBA Tour winner **Tommy Jones**, amateur **Chris Via**, and former PBA Women's Series title winners **Stefanie Johnson** and **Shannon Pluhowsky** have been selected to represent the United States at the Pan American Bowling Confederation Champion of Champions event in Puebla, Mexico, April 24-26.

The 25-country tournament at Noria Pro Bowling will determine the three countries in the men's and women's field to represent the American Zone in the 2017 World Games in Wroclaw, Poland. The World Games are held every four years for sports that have not been granted medal status in the Olympic Games. In the 2013 World Games, **Kelly Kulick** and **Mike Fagan** combined to win the mixed doubles title and Kulick also captured a silver medal in singles.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: OMAHA'S WILLIAMS WINS IN COUNCIL BLUFFS

Dave Williams Jr. of Omaha, Neb., defeated **Scott Weber** of La Salle, Ill., 279-225, to win the PBA50 Thunderbowl Midwest Open at Thunderbowl Sunday. In addition to his second career regional title, Williams earned \$1,800.

Williams defeated **Tony Majcher** of Rolling Meadows, Ill., 253-165, in the semifinal round while Weber edged **Scott Greiner** of St. Joseph, Mo., 256-255, in his semifinal match.

- The March 18-20 PBA Regional schedule includes the PBA50 Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Odessa Southwest Open presented by Columbia 300 at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas; the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by DV8 in Virden, Ill.; the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open in Elmira, N.Y., and the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open presented by Radical at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio.

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QUICK NOTES:

- The Xtra Frame PBA Tour event at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 3-5 has a new sponsor. Its new name is the PBA Downums Waste Services Greater Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame.
- PBA fans can follow daily progress in the Brunswick Euro Challenge by visiting brunswickeurochallenge.com. The PBA International-World Bowling Tour event concludes Sunday at Dream-Bowl Palace in Munich, Germany.

Jesper Svensson Wins Fourth PBA Tour Title in Brunswick Euro Challenge

PBA Rookie of the Year thwarts Martin Larsen's bid for first title in all-Sweden finals

MUNICH, Germany – Fresh off his Professional Bowlers Association Rookie of the Year season, Swedish two-handed star Jesper Svensson turned back Martin Larsen's bid for his first title, 228-222, to win his fourth PBA Tour title in the Brunswick Euro Challenge Sunday at Dream-Bowl Palace.

Svensson, the 21-year-old World Youth Champion, won \$12,700 along with his sixth European Bowling Tour title in the 13th annual Brunswick Euro Challenge after Larsen's pocket 7-10 in the ninth frame gave him a chance to win. Needing a double and seven pins in his 10th frame to ice the victory, Svensson responded with a double and nine pins.

Martin Larsen started the three-player, all-Sweden stepladder finals with a 245-175 victory over Jesper Larsen. The two Larsens are not related.

The Brunswick Euro Challenge was the final event in a three-tournament PBA International-World Bowling Tour series that included stops in Qatar and Bahrain. PBA competition returns to the United States April 1-6 with the PBA Maine Event at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine.

The 2016 PBA League Elias Cup competition will kick off the Maine Event over the April 1-3 weekend, followed by the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout presented by Xtra Frame. The Maine Shootout will be the first of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events scheduled for the 2016 season, each offering a minimum \$10,000 first prize plus a PBA Tour title. All Xtra Frame PBA Tour events will be covered start-to-finish on Xtra Frame, the PBA's online bowling channel. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

BRUNSWICK EURO CHALLENGE

Dream-Bowl Palace, Munich, Germany, March 20

Final Standings:

1, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$12,770. 2, Martin Larsen, Sweden, \$9,605. 3, Jesper Larsen, Sweden, \$6,215.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Martin Larsen def. Jesper Larsen, 245-175. Championship – Jesper Svensson def. Martin Larsen, 228-222.

Final Step 3 Standings (after 13 games, including 30 match play bonus pins for each match win):

1, M. Larsen, 6-1, 3,332. 2, J. Larsen, 4-3, 3,245. 3, M. Larsen, 5-2, 3,237. 4, f-Daniel McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 5-2, 3,138, \$3,390. 5, Paul Moor, England, 3-4, 3,099, \$3,110. 6, f-Jasmine Nathan, Singapore, 1-6, 2,965, \$2,825. 7, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3-4, 2,938, \$2,440. 8, Joey Yeo, Singapore, 1-6, 2,908, \$2,260.

Step 2 Cashers:

9, Stuart Williams, England, \$2,035.
10, f-Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., \$2,035.
11, Mattias Olsson, Sweden, \$2,035.

- 12, f-Bernice Lim, Singapore, \$2,035.
- 13, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., \$1,810.
- 14, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, Ariz., \$1,810.
- 15, Jason Sterner, Jonesboro, Ga., \$1,810.
- 16, f-Joline Persson, Sweden, \$1,810.
- 17, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., \$1,580.
- 18, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, \$1,580.
- 19, n-Curtis Hooper, England, \$1,580.
- 20, nf-Tina Hulsch, Germany, \$1,580.
- 21, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$1,470.
- 22, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., \$1,470.
- 23, n-New Hui Fen, Singapore, \$1,470.
- 24, Tobias Börding, Germany, \$1,470.
- 25, n-Tracy See, Singapore, \$1,355/
- 26, n-Martin Paulsson, Sweden, \$1,355.
- 27, n-Tore Torgersen, Norway, \$1,355.
- 28, Mik Stampe, Denmark, \$1,355.

Step 1 Cashers:

- 29, nf-Cherie Tan, Singapore, \$1,245.
- 30, n-Marco Baade, Germany, \$1,245.
- 31, Jimmy Mortensen, Germany, \$1,245.
- 32, n-Mikael Roos, Sweden, \$1,245.
- 33, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, \$1,245.
- 34, n-Markus Bergendorff, Denmark, \$1,245.
- 35, Francois Louw, South Africa, \$1,130.
- 36, n-Glenn Morten Pedersen, Norway, \$1,130.
- 37, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., \$1,130.
- 38, nf-Jazreel Tan, Singapore, \$1,130.
- 39, nf-Anja Ginge, Denmark, \$1,130.
- 40, n-Juhani Tonteri, Finland, \$1,130.
- 41, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, \$1,130.
- 42, Richard Teece, England, \$1,130.
- 43, nf-Shayna Ng, Singapore, \$1,130.
- 44, nf-Tannya Roumimper, Indonesia, \$1,130.
- 45, n-Andreas Gripp, Germany, \$1,015.
- 46, n-Petteri Salonen, Finland, \$1,015.
- 47, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, \$1,015.
- 48, Raymond Teece, England, \$1,015.
- 49, nf-Daphne Tan, Singapore, \$1,015.
- 50, n-Mattias Wetterberg, Sweden, \$1,015.
- 51, f-Anggie Ramirez, Columbia, \$1,015.
- 52, n-Magnus, Johnson, Sweden, \$1,015.
- 53, Dom Barrett, England, \$1,015.
- 54, Osku Palermaa, Finland, \$1,015.
- 55, n-John Wells, England, \$905.
- 56, n-Jaroslav., Lorenc, Czech Republic, \$905.
- 57, n-Tay Hui Wen, Singapore, \$905.
- 58, n-Alexander Tarsoly, Hungary, \$905.
- 59, n-André Michow, Germany, \$905.
- 60, n-Ludwig Ingerskog, Sweden, \$905.
- 61, n-Dirk Völkel, Germany, \$905.
- 62, nf-Annie Thorell, Sweden, \$905.
- 63, n-Jakob Karlsson, Sweden, \$905.
- 64, n-Tom Janetzki, Germany, \$905.

f—denotes female (female entrants received 8 handicap pins per game); n—denotes non-member.

O'Grady Perfect in Winning PBA Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open

Hubbard, Ohio (March 20, 2016) – Matt O'Grady of Matawan, N.J., rolled a perfect game in the title match to defeat E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 300-239, to claim the Professional Bowlers Association Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open title presented by Radical at Bell-Wick Bowl Sunday.

The title was O'Grady's first of the year in the PBA Central Region and the second PBA Regional title of his career. He earned \$2,700 along with his title.

O'Grady defeated John Furey of Freehold, N.J., 268-241, to advance to the championship match. Furey started the stepladder finals by eliminating Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., 201-197, and he advanced to the semifinal match by defeating Diana Zavjalova of Latvia, 288-234.

Tackett earned \$1,450 for second place, Furey won \$1,225 for third, Zavjalova \$1,100 for fourth and McCune, \$1,000 for fifth.

The PBA Trumbull County Tourism Bureau Central/East Open is part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region tournament is in Grove City, Ohio, April 8-10.

PBA TRUMBULL COUNTY TOURISM BUREAU CENTRAL/EAST OPEN PRESENTED BY RADICAL Bell-Wick Bowl, Hubbard, Ohio, Sunday

Final Standings:

1, Matt O'Grady, Matawan, N.J., \$2,700. 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$1,450. 3, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., \$1,225. 4, f-Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, \$1,100. 5, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., \$1,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Furey def. McCune, 201-197. Match Two – Furey def. Zavjalova, 288-234. Semifinal Match – O'Grady def. Furey, 268-234. Championship – O'Grady def. Tackett, 300-239.

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play records): 1, Tackett, 11-1, 5,364. 2, O'Grady, 9-3, 5,083. 3, Zavjalova, 7-5, 5,055. 4, Furey, 7-5, 5,026. 5, McCune, 7-5, 5,019. 6, J.R. Raymond, Saginaw, Mich., 8-4, 4,894, \$900. 7, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 7-5, 4,893, \$850. 8, David Knight, Glassboro, N.J., 8-4, 4,868, \$800.

9, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 5-7, 4,813, \$775. 10, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 6-6, 4,741, \$750. 11, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 5-7, 4,738, \$725. 12, n-Robert Harvischak, Campbell, Ohio, 3-9, 4,608, \$700. 13, Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 3-9, 4,563, \$675. 14, n-Robert Vest, Chillicothe, Ohio, 4-8, 4,545, \$650. 15, Zachery Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 5-7, 4,501, \$625. 16, n-Chandler Stevens, Archbold, Ohio, 1-11, 4,362, \$600.

f-denotes female player; n-denotes non-member.

PBA Spare Shots

CLARA GUERRERO WINS RECORD-TYING THIRD PBA REGIONAL TITLE

Colombia native **Clara Guerrero**, now residing in Pflugerville, Texas, defeated **Anthony Lavery-Spah**r of Pasadena, Texas, 246-236, to claim a record-tying third PBA Regional title Sunday in the fifth annual PBA Odessa Southwest Open, presented by Columbia 300 at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas.

Guerrero rallied from an early deficit behind two turkeys and she had an opportunity to close out Lavery-Spahr with a double in her 10th frame. A 7 pin on her second shot gave Lavery-Spahr a chance for the win, but needing a double, he could only manage the first strike.

In addition to the \$2,500 first place check, Guerrero joined California's **Missy Parkin** as the second woman to win three PBA Regional titles.

After finishing seventh in qualifying, Guerrero received a bye to the Round of 12 where she defeated amateur **Seth Rutledge** from Dallas, 2-1, in their best-of-three-game match. She followed with a 2-0 victory over **Mike Bailey** of Allen, Texas, and a 238-197 win over Jakob Butturff from Phoenix in the semifinal round.

Lavery-Spahr advanced to the finals by defeating **Joe Findling** from Mesquite, Texas, 2-0, in the Round of 8, and qualifying leader **Martin Bedford** from Altus, Okla., 233-228, in the semifinal round.

MARTIN LARSEN TAKES WORLD BOWLING TOUR MEN'S POINTS LEAD

With strong performances in the first three PBA International-World Bowling Tour events of the 2016 season, including a runner-up finish to Jesper Svensson in the Brunswick Euro Challenge, Sweden's **Martin Larsen** has passed England's **Dom Barrett** for first place in the two-year rolling World Bowling Tour men's points standings.

Larsen, with 434 points, holds a 32-point lead over Barrett, who won the WBT Men's Finals presented by the PBA earlier this year in Indianapolis. Finland's **Osku Palermaa** is third with 352 points followed by **Jason Belmonte** of Australia and **Mike Fagan** of Berkeley, Calif. The women's points leader and reigning WBT Women's Finals winner is **Danielle McEwan** of Stony Point, N.Y., with 615 points followed by **Liz Johnson** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., with 445 and **Kelly Kulick** of Union, N.J., with 394. Singapore's **Cherie Tan** (322) and Latvia's **Diana Zavjalova** (310) round out of the top five.

The PBA International-World Bowling Tour schedule resumes in August with the Thailand WBT in Bangkok.

FANS STILL HAVE TIME TO ENTER PBA LEAGUE ELIAS EIGHT BRACKET CONTEST

PBA fans still have time to pick the team they think will win the 2016 PBA League Elias Cup in the new PBA League Elias Eight Bracket Contest. One lucky fan who correctly picks the winners of seven PBA League matches will be declared the winner of a replica High 5 Gear championship team jersey along with a bowling pin autographed by the winning team members.

To enter the contest, fans ages 21 or older must fill out the official PBA League Elias Eight bracket and post it on your Facebook or Twitter page using the hashtag #PBAEliasCup and tag the PBA social channels (<https://www.facebook.com/ProfessionalBowlersAssociation>) or @PBATour by no later than 8 p.m. EDT (5 p.m. PDT) on Thursday, March 31. The official bracket can be found on pba.com, or look for a link on PBA's Facebook or Twitter pages.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: O'GRADY PERFECT IN WINNING HIS SECOND REGIONAL TITLE

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- Non-member **Tom Adcock** of Decatur, Ill., defeated **Dave Williams Jr.** of Omaha, Neb., 204-203, to win the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open in Virden, Ill., Sunday. The win was Adcock's second in PBA Regional competition, and he earned \$1,600. But he doesn't get credit for a PBA title because he is not a member.

Adcock defeated **David Tyrrel** of Harlan, Iowa, 2-0, and Williams edged **Bryan Goebel** of Shawnee, Kan., 2-0, in the best-of-three-game semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- **Brian Boghosian** of Springfield, Mass., defeated **Jerry Brunette** of Rochester, N.Y., 247-182, to win the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open at Rossi Lanes in Elmira, N.Y., Sunday.

Boghossian, the 1999 USBC Masters champion, competed as a non-member and was undefeated in Sunday's elimination finals. Boghossian strung six strikes in the middle of the game to overcome an early open while Brunette, a second-year member, started the match with six consecutive nine pin counts before rolling his first strike.

The win earned Boghossian \$3,000, but he isn't credited with a PBA title because he isn't a member. Boghossian defeated 2015 PBA50 East Region Player of the Year **Brian LeClair** of Delmar, N.Y., 225-224, and Brunette defeated three time regional Player of the Year **Ray Edwards** of Middle Island, N.Y., 259-243, in his semifinal round match.

- **Lee Brosius** of Ashburn, Va., defeated hall of famer **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** of Oxford, Fla., 212-217, 279-268, 215-210, in the best-of-three-game title match to win \$1,800 and his third career PBA Regional title in the PBA50 Fayetteville Southern Open at LaFayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C., Sunday.

In the best-of-three semifinal round, Brosius eliminated **Fred Childress** of Patrick Springs, Va., 258-246, 224-224 with Brosius winning a one-ball sudden death roll-off, 10-9, while Williams swept defending champion and fellow hall of famer **Tom Baker** of King, N.C., 203-169, 267-248.

- The March regional calendar concludes over the Easter weekend with the Cooperfield Bowl Houston Challenge presented by 900 Global in Houston, Texas; the South Point West Challenge and Member/Non-Member Doubles, both presented by Track, at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

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Greatest Names in Bowling Return to Portland for PBA's Maine Event 2016

Can Silver Lake Atom Splitters win a third straight PBA League Elias Cup?

CHICAGO (March 25, 2016) – After making a thunderous debut appearance in Maine in 2015, the greatest names in professional bowling from around the world will return to Bayside Bowl in Portland April 1-6 for a second year of Professional Bowlers Association League and individual competition.

No one was quite sure what to expect from the PBA's inaugural visit to quaint Bayside Bowl a year ago, but the bowling fans in Portland provided a sold-out, standing-room-only welcome and the stars of the PBA responded with performances that could only be categorized as "I've never seen anything like it."

Will history repeat? Probably, since tickets to attend the PBA League and bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout sessions have been sold out for weeks as Maine fans welcome back an international field of bowling stars including four of the five most successful bowlers in PBA history: 47-time title winner Walter Ray Williams Jr., 38-time winner Norm Duke, 37-time titlist Pete Weber and 35-time champion Parker Bohn III. Mark Roth, no. 6 on the all-time titles list with 34 victories, will be in attendance to award the Mark Roth MVP Award to the PBA League's most valuable player.

Not only is the Elias Cup on the line in PBA League competition, but the 2016 PBA Player of the Year race will resume. The early leaders in the Player of the Year race are the Tour's only two-time title winners thus far in 2016 – 21-year-old 2015 PBA Rookie of the Year Jesper Svensson and 19-year-old Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, also are one-two in earnings. Svensson, with titles in the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions and Brunswick Euro Challenge, has earned \$74,670 thus far while Simonsen, the winner of the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship (with Connor Pickford) and USBC Masters has banked \$72,418.

In PBA League competition, the two-time defending champion bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters, managed by Mark Baker, will begin their title defense at noon on Saturday, April 2, when they meet the 2013 Elias Cup champion GEICO New York WTT KingPins in the first of four quarterfinal round matches.

The Atom Splitters return with team leader Chris Barnes, veteran Tom Daugherty and PBA League Mark Roth MVP Dick Allen along with newcomers Svensson and Matt McNeil. Svensson comes into the Maine Event on the heels of winning his fourth PBA Tour title in the Brunswick Euro Challenge in Munich, Germany, on March 20 – a win that made him the youngest player in PBA history to win four titles at the age of 21 years, 33 days. The previous holder of that distinction was PBA Hall of Famer Mike Aulby, who won his fourth title at age 21 years, 119 days.

The KingPins are led by PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber and tour veterans Scott Norton, Mike Fagan and John Szczerbinski, along with 2014 Rookie of the Year Marshall Kent.

Quarterfinal match no. 2, pitting the High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen against the hometown favorite Shipyard Portland Lumberjacks, will immediately follow the Atom Splitters-KingPins match on Saturday.

The final two quarterfinal round matches begin at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 2, with BJ's L.A. X meeting the Barbasol Motown Muscle followed by the Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles meeting the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers.

Saturday's early winner will meet in the first semifinal round match Sunday at noon, followed by Saturday's late winners in the second semifinal match. All quarterfinal and semifinal round matches will be best-of-two-game Baker format team matches, in which each player in the lineup will bowl two frames per game.

The Elias Cup finale will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, and will include singles, doubles, trios and Baker team matches.

All PBA League matches will air on ESPN on four consecutive Sundays at 1 p.m. ET, beginning April 17.

The 2016 PBA League schedule, and complete rosters, are included below. For additional information, visit <http://www.pba.com/bowlers/theleague> and follow the PBA League on all PBA Network outlets: <http://www.pba.com/PBANetwork>.

The PBA Maine Event will continue with the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout, beginning with the player "draw party" at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 4, when the field of 64 players will draw for opponents. The best-of-three-game single elimination match play competition begins Tuesday at 9 a.m., continuing with elimination rounds at 11 a.m., 1:30, 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m. reducing the field to 16 survivors.

The Maine Shootout concludes Wednesday with Round of 16 matches at 10 and 11:30 a.m., quarterfinal matches at 2 p.m., semifinals at 6 p.m. and the championship match at 7:30 p.m. The entire bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. (Three-day, 30-day and full year subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com).

Of special interest, Maine fans will get to see a group of home-grown bowlers take on the PBA's best in the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout. (*Editor's Note: see preliminary roster below*).

The bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout is the first of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events on the 2016 PBA Tour schedule. The next event on the Xtra Frame PBA Tour schedule is the Xtra Frame PBA Storm Open which will be hosted by Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., April 22-24.

2016 PBA LEAGUE ROSTERS

- GEICO New York City WTT Kingpins (manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard): Pete Weber, Scott Norton, Mike Fagan, Marshall Kent, John Szczerbinski.
- Barbasol Motown Muscle (manager Del Ballard Jr.): EJ Tackett, Ronnie Russell, Josh Blanchard, Anthony Simonsen, Danielle McEwan.
- GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers (player-manager Norm Duke): Bill O'Neill, Tommy Jones, Duke, Shawn Maldonado, B.J. Moore (Maldonado and Moore acquired in a trade with Portland).
- High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen (manager Jason Couch): Dom Barrett, Chris Loschetter, Rhino Page, Tom Smallwood, Dave Wodka.

- Shipyard Portland Lumberjacks (manager Tim Mack): Bryon Smith, Wes Malott, Osku Palermaa, Ryan Ciminelli, Liz Johnson (Ciminelli and Johnson acquired in a trade with Dallas).
- Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles (manager Johnny Petraglia): Sean Rash, Parker Bohn III, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Jason Sterner, Jon VanHees.
- BJ's L.A. X (manager Andrew Cain): Jason Belmonte, Stu Williams, Martin Larsen, Patrick Allen, Andres Gomez.
- bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters (manager Mark Baker): Chris Barnes, Dick Allen, Tom Daugherty, Matt McNiel, Jesper Svensson.

2016 PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP SCHEDULE

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, March 31-April 3

Thursday, March 31

- 4 p.m. – Invitational corporate pro-am
- 7 p.m. – Bayside Bowl pro-am squad

Friday, April 1

- 6:15 p.m. – bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters and GEICO New York WTT KingPins practice session
- 7 p.m. – High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen and Shipyard Portland Lumberjacks practice session
- 7:45 p.m. – BJ's L.A. X and Barbasol Motown Muscle practice session
- 8:30 p.m. – Concrete Software Brooklyn StYles and GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers practice session

Saturday, April 2 (best of two games, Baker format; one-ball roll-off to break ties)

- Noon – Quarterfinal Match One: Silver Lake Atom Splitters vs. New York City WTT KingPins
- Quarterfinal Match Two: Philadelphia Hitmen vs. Portland Lumberjacks
(ESPN telecast: Sunday, April 17, 1 p.m. ET)
- 3:30 P.M. – Quarterfinal Match Three: L.A. X vs. Motown Muscle
- Quarterfinal Match Four: Brooklyn Styles vs. Dallas Strikers
(ESPN telecast: Sunday, April 24, 1 p.m. ET)

Sunday, April 3

- Noon – Semifinal Match One: Winner Match One vs. Winner Match Two (best of two games, Baker format; roll-off to break ties)
- Semifinal Match Two: Winner Match Three vs. Winner Match Four (best of two games, Baker format; roll-off to break ties)
(ESPN telecast: Sunday, May 1, 1 p.m. ET)
- 3:30 p.m. – Elias Cup Finals: Winner Semifinal One vs. Winner Semifinal Two, total pinfall (singles, 1 point; alternate-shot doubles, 1 point; trios, 1 point; Baker team, 3 points)
(ESPN telecast: Sunday, May 8, 1 p.m. ET)

Bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout presented by Xtra Frame Schedule

Monday, April 4

- 6:30 p.m. – Match Play Draw Party (to determine Maine Shootout match play bracket positions), Bayside Bowl.

Tuesday, April 5

- 9 a.m. – Round of 64, round one (8 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 32)
- 11 a.m. – Round of 64, round two (8 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 32)
- 1:30 p.m. – Round of 64, round three (8 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 32)
- 3:30 p.m. – Round of 64, round four (8 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 32)
- 6 p.m. – Round of 32, round one (8 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 16)
- 8 p.m. – Round of 32, round two (8 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 16)

Wednesday, April 6

- 10 a.m. – Round of 16, round one (4 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 8)
- 11:30 a.m. – Round of 16, round two (4 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Round of 8)
- 2 p.m. – Round of 8 (4 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Semifinal Round)
- 6 p.m. – Semifinal Round (2 best-of-three-game matches; winners advance to Championship Match)
- 7:30 p.m. – Championship Match (best-of-three-games)

PRELIMINARY BOWLINGBALL.COM PBA MAINE SHOOTOUT ROSTER

n-Alex Aguiar, N. Dartmouth, Mass.; Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C.; Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y.; Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas; Dom Barrett, England; Jason Belmonte, Australia; Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz.; Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J.; Dan Buchman, Maple Shade, N.J.; Andrew Cain, Phoenix;

Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; n-Jimmy Clark, Topsham, Maine; n-Joseph Colcord, Portland, Maine; Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla.; Jeremy Domingo, Sewell, N.J.; Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla.; Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn.; Andres Gomez, Colombia; n-Robert Gotchall, Lincoln, Neb.; n-James Goulding, Lewiston, Maine;

Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass.; Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill.; Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C.; Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash.; Martin Larsen, Sweden; Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio; Tim Mack, Indianapolis; Shawn Maldonado, Houston; Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas;

Michael Markis, Tafton, Pa.; Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y.; n-Charlie Mitchell, Portland, Maine; B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C.; n-Scott Moore, Lewiston, Maine; Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif.; Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa.; Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J.; n-Brian Owoc, Portland, Maine; Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla.; Osku Palermaa, Finland;

Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa.; Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J.; n-Sarah Pelletier, Lewiston, Maine; Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C.; Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.; n-Terrence Robinson, Gray, Maine; Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.; Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas; Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich.; Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore.;

Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio; Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla.; Jesper Svensson, Sweden; John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y.; E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.; n-Aaron Thiboutot, Brunswick, Maine; Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C.; Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I.; Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla.; Stuart Williams, England; Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio;

PBA Spare Shots

XTRA FRAME RETURNS APRIL 4-6 WITH BOWLINGBALL.COM PBA MAINE SHOOTOUT

Xtra Frame returns with live coverage of the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout, presented by Xtra Frame, beginning with the player "draw party" at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 4, at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, when the field of 64 players will draw for opponents. **Josh Blanchard** of Mesa, Ariz., will begin defense of his 2015 title when the best-of-three-game single elimination match play competition begins Tuesday, April 5, at 9 a.m., continuing with elimination rounds at 11 a.m., 1:30, 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m. reducing the field to 16 survivors.

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GARY FAULKNER JR. JOINS PBA BOWLING CHALLENGE ROSTER

Gary Faulkner Jr. has joined the roster of PBA players fans can compete against by playing the world's most popular mobile device bowling game, PBA Bowling Challenge. The Concrete Software game has been downloaded on more than 15.2 million mobile devices. To activate the version of the game including Faulkner, PBA Bowling Challenge users need to download the latest update.

SERVICES SET FOR SATURDAY FOR PBA HALL OF FAMER CHUCK CLEMENS

PBA Hall of Famer and long-time PBA executive **Chuck Clemens** died on Monday, March 28 of complications from diabetes. He was 80.

Clemens was inducted into the Meritorious Service Category in 1994 in recognition of his contributions to the organization as its financial director, a position he held until his retirement in 1996. He designed various programs involving health, insurance and investing for the organization. Clemens was also responsible for all financial aspects for the nearly 200 PBA Tour, Regional Tour and Senior Tour tournaments conducted every year.

He is survived by his wife, Carol Jean (Margo); children, Chris (Dan) Krinsky, Bob Clemens and Cheryl (Tim) Goergen; grandchildren Robyn and Hannah Clemens, Brian (Bethany) and Scott Krinsky and Matthew, Christopher and Caroline Goergen; sister Judy Clemens and extended family members.

Services will be at St. Hilary Church in Fairlawn, Ohio, on Saturday, April 2 starting at 9:30 a.m.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: TRIPP WINS FIRST PBA TITLE IN LAS VEGAS

Timothy Tripp of Santa Clarita, Calif., defeated non-member **Justin Spurrier** of Las Vegas, 245-175, to win the South Point West Challenge on Friday, March 25, and non-member **Jon Nakagawa** and **Jakob Butturff** teamed up to win Sunday's companion South Point Member/Non-Member Doubles in a PBA West Region doubleheader at South Point Bowling Plaza.

On Friday, Tripp earned \$2,000 and eligibility for the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions with his first PBA title. He defeated **Craig Spencer** of Tempe, Ariz., 222-216, while Spurrier defeated **Dwight Burns** of Tucson, Ariz., 212-178, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match. PBA Challenge events are open to non-champions only.

Nakagawa, of San Jose, Calif., and Butturff, of Chandler, Ariz., defeated **Russ Oviatt** of Sioux Falls, S.D. and **Benjamin Canfield** of San Diego, 478-438, in the title match to claim the \$5,000 doubles first prize.

- College student **Dallas Leong** from Las Vegas, Nev., won five of his final six matches Sunday to win the PBA Copperfield Bowl Southwest Challenge, presented by Global 900, in Houston.

Leong, a student at UNLV and a non-member of the PBA, was visiting friends on spring break in Houston, and decided to enter his first PBA event. He threw three strikes in the ninth and 10th frames of the final game position round to overtake runner-up **Jonathan Pokorny** of Converse, Texas, for the victory. PBA Challenge events are open only to non-members who have not won a PBA event and PBA members not credited with a PBA title. Because he is a non-member, Leong collected the \$2,500 first prize but doesn't get credit for a PBA title.

Leong, who led the 13-game qualifying portion of the event, started the modified round robin match play finals by losing his first match and tying his second, but he then won five of his final six matches to overtake fellow non-member Pokorny by 43 pins for the win. Pokorny took the lead by winning his first five matches, and led Leong by seven pins going into the final game.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition over the April 6-8 weekend includes the PBA and PBA50 Earl Anthony West/Northwest Classic doubleheader at Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl in Dublin, Calif.; the FireLake Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Open presented by Brunswick in Shawnee, Okla.; and the Debbie & Leon Nunan Memorial Central Open presented by Grove City Family Dentistry and Track at AMF Stardust Lanes in Grove City, Ohio.

- Two QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour events are on top for the April 15-17 weekend, including the Bowlers Discount Pro Shop Eastern Open presented by Hammer at Brunswick Zone Normandy in Ellicott City, Md., and the one-day, reduced entry fee Elkhart Central/Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Country Club Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

- The PBA50 Sarasota Open presented by Ebonite, Wednesday, April 20-Friday, April 22 – will give PBA50 Tour competitors a mid-week stop between the PBA50 Tour's Pasco County Open at Lane Glo Bowl in New Port Richey, Fla. (April 16-19) and the United Health Care Sun Bowl in The Villages presented by Radical at Spanish Springs Lanes (April 23-26). A second mid-week event, the PBA50 Cherokee Lanes South Open presented by Roto Grip, is set for April 28-30 as the PBA50 Tour leaves Florida and heads to North Carolina for the Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life May 1-4.

- In addition to the PBA Tour Xtra Frame Storm Open at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., April 22-24, the PBA West and Northwest Regions return to Hawaii for the annual Hawaii West/Northwest Open at Scofield Air Based April 24, the Fort Shafter West/Northwest Hawaii Open April 27, and the Hickam AFB West/Northwest Open April 29-May 1.

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QUICK NOTES:

- PBA League fans can show off their support for their favorite team by wearing a new PBA League t-shirt, now available through The PBA Store on pba.com: <https://stores.kotisdesign.com/pbastore>

64 Player Match Play Bracket Set for bowlin ball.com PBA Maine Shootout

Live Xtra Frame coverage begins at 9 a.m. ET Tuesday from Bayside Bowl in Portland

PORTLAND, Maine (April 4, 2016) – Matchups for the Professional Bowlers Association's bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout were decided by random draw at Bayside Bowl Monday evening, heading into two days of best-of-three-game, single-elimination match play Tuesday and Wednesday.

The bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout, presented by Xtra Frame, is the first of 10 PBA Tour Xtra Frame events scheduled for 2016, and it's the second PBA Tour event held in Maine. The match play eliminations begin with Tuesday's starting field of 64 players, including PBA Tour, PBA Regional and PBA50 competitors plus a group of Maine area amateurs and three women, with winners advancing to the Round of 32 later Tuesday. Those winners will battle Wednesday in elimination rounds to determine the winner of the \$10,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title. All of the competition will be covered live on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

Some of Tuesday's marquee opening-round matches will include: defending Maine Shootout champion Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., vs. Sweden's Martin Larsen; PBA Tour titles record-holder (47) Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., vs. Bryon Smith of Roseburg, Ore.; future PBA Hall of Famers Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., vs. Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte, and past PBA World Champions Gary Faulkner Jr. of Memphis, Tenn., vs. Dom Barrett of England.

PBA XTRA FRAME MAINE SHOOTOUT MATCH PLAY SCHEDULE

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, (all matches are best of three games)

Round of 64, Bracket A

Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, vs. n-Robert Gotchall, Lincoln, Neb.
John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., vs. n-Jimmy Clark, Topsham, Maine.
Osku Palermaa, Finland, vs. Joseph Hanussak Jr., Hamilton, N.J.
Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., vs. Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore.
Shawn Maldonado, Houston, vs. n-Charlie Mitchell, Portland, Maine.
n-Scott Moore, Lewiston, Maine, vs. Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio.
Michael Markis, Tafton, Pa., vs. Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y.
n-Alex Aguiar, N. Dartmouth, Mass., vs. Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.

Round of 64, Bracket D

Andrew Cain, Phoenix, vs. Joe Paluszczek, Bensalem, Pa.
Dan Buchman, Maple Shade, N.J., vs. n-Joseph Colcord, Portland, Maine.
n-Tony Fernandez, Gorham, Maine, vs. Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y.
Tim Mack, Indianapolis, vs. Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas.
Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., vs. Martin Larsen, Sweden.
n-Terrence Robinson, Gray, Maine, vs. Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich.
Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., vs. Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y.
n-Michael Klosin, Windham, N.H., vs. Jeremy Domingo, Sewell, N.J.

Round of 64, Bracket B

Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., vs. Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio.
Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., vs. Jason Belmonte, Australia.
Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, vs. Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla.
Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., vs. Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J.
Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., vs. Andres Gomez, Colombia.
Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., vs. n-James Goulding, Lewiston, Maine.
Stuart Williams, England, vs. Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla.
Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, vs. Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J.

Round of 64, Bracket C

n-Brian Owoc, Portland, Maine, vs. Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa.
Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., vs. Dom Barrett, England.
Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., vs. Jesper Svensson, Sweden.
Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., vs. Patrick Allen, Mt. Kisco, N.Y.
n-Sarah Pelletier, Lewiston, Maine, vs. Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I.
Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., vs. Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn.
Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., vs. Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C.
B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., vs. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

9 a.m. - Round of 64 Bracket A (winners advance to Round of 32 Bracket AD, 6 p.m. Tuesday)
11 a.m. - Round of 64 Bracket D (winners advance to Round of 32 Bracket AD, 6 p.m. Tuesday)
1:30 p.m. - Round of 64 Bracket B (winners advance to Round of 32 Bracket BC, 8 p.m. Tuesday)
3:30 p.m. - Round of 64 Bracket C (winners advance to Round of 32 Bracket BC, 8 p.m. Tuesday)
6 p.m. - Round of 32 Bracket AD (winners advance to Round of 16 Bracket AD, 10 a.m. Wednesday)
8 p.m. - Round of 32 Bracket BC (winners advance to Round of 16 Bracket BC, 11:30 a.m. Wednesday)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

10 a.m. - Round of 16 Bracket AD (winners advance to Round of 8)
11:30 a.m. - Round of 16 Bracket BC (winners advance to Round of 8)
2 p.m. - Round of 8 (winners advance to semifinal round)
6 p.m. - Semifinal Round (winners advance to championship match)
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Below is the correct schedule for the first round of match play competition in the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout Tuesday.

PBA XTRA FRAME MAINE SHOOTOUT MATCH PLAY BRACKETS AND SCHEDULE
Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, (all matches best of three games, all times Eastern)

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PBA Detroit Fall Swing Set for Thunderbowl Lanes in September

Multi-event Wolf, Bear, Badger, Detroit Opens and King of Swing to air on CBS Sports Network

CHICAGO (April 5, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association will return to historic Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 4-11 with its multi-event Detroit Fall Swing, featuring the Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Opens plus a Fall King of the Swing special event.

All five events will be televised on CBS Sports Network on dates to be announced.

The PBA Fall Swing previously has been held as the PBA Summer Swing in Milwaukee (2013) and Shawnee, Okla. (2014 and '15). The multi-event program will test PBA competitors on three diverse lane conditions – the 32-foot Wolf pattern, the shortest lane oiling pattern in PBA competition, the 52-foot Badger pattern, the longest application of oil in PBA competition, and the 40-foot, flat, U.S. Open-style Bear pattern, one of the most difficult lane conditions in the sport. Players will use combined qualifying pinfall totals on the three animal patterns to advance to the Detroit Open match play finals.

The King of the Swing special event will include the winners of the four Fall Swing tournaments plus the player with the highest points total in the four events without a title.

All preliminary rounds of the Detroit Fall Swing will be covered live, exclusively by PBA's online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. Three-day, 30-day and full year subscriptions are available.

PBA DETROIT FALL SWING SCHEDULE
Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Sunday, Sept. 4

11 a.m. – A Squad practice session.
2:30 p.m. – B squad practice session.
6 p.m. – Pro-am.

Monday, Sept. 5, Wolf Open

8 a.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games.
2 p.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games.
Top 18 after 6 games advance
7:30 p.m. – Top 18 qualifiers, 6 qualifying games.
Top 5 after 12 games advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.

Tuesday, Sept. 6, Bear Open

8 a.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games.
2 p.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games.
Top 18 after 6 games advance
7:30 p.m. – Top 18 qualifiers, 6 qualifying games.
Top 5 after 12 games advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.

Wednesday, Sept. 7, Badger Open

8 a.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games.
2 p.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games.
Top 18 after 6 games advance
7:30 p.m. – Top 18 qualifiers, 6 qualifying games.
Top 5 after 12 games advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.
Top 18 based on 18-game qualifying totals for Wolf, Bear and Badger Opens advance to Detroit Open match play finals.

Thursday, Sept. 8, Detroit Open

10 a.m. – 6 games round-robin match play, Wolf pattern.
2 p.m. – 6 games round-robin match play, Bear pattern.
6 p.m. – 6 games round-robin match play, Badger pattern.
Top 5 after 36 games of qualifying and match play advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.

Friday, Sept. 9

Television setup and PBA practice day.

Saturday, Sept. 10 (Thunderbowl Arena)

10 a.m. – PBA Wolf Championship stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network air date to be announced).
2 p.m. – PBA Bear Championship stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network air date to be announced).
4:30 p.m. – PBA Badger Championship stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network air date to be announced).

Sunday, Sept. 11 (Thunderbowl Arena)

11 a.m. – PBA Detroit Open stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network air date to be announced).
1:30 p.m. – PBA Fall King of the Swing stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network air date to be announced).

Norm Duke Rolls 299 to Advance in bowling ball.com PBA Maine Shootout
Texas teenager Anthony Simonsen remains in contention for third title of 2016 season

PORTLAND, Maine (April 5, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., used a near-perfect 299 game to retain in contention for the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout title at Bayside Bowl Tuesday, advancing to Wednesday's final best-of-three-game elimination rounds along with 19-year-old Texas two-handed star Anthony Simonsen, who is trying to become the first three-time titlist of the 2016 PBA Tour season.

Duke, a 38-year PBA Tour title winner, eliminated Colombia's Andres Gomez after losing the first game, 224-213. Duke escaped with a 239-234 win in game two and then ran away from Gomez in game three, 299-234, missing a perfect game when the 10 pin stood on his final shot.

Simonsen, who became the youngest player ever to win a PBA major title when he won the United States Bowling Congress Masters in February, is trying for his third career title. The Princeton, Texas, resident won his first PBA Tour title in January when he teamed with North Carolina's Connor Pickford to win the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship. Tuesday, he swept PBA Tour veteran Tom Daugherty, 2-0, in the opening Round and ran away from three-time PBA winner Scott Norton in the Round of 32, 2-0.

Defending champion Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., made it through the opening round with a 2-1 win over Sweden's Martin Larsen, but then was eliminated by Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., 2-0, in the Round of 32.

In a marquee opening-round match between two future PBA Hall of Famers, 16-time PBA Tour champion Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., eliminated two-time PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte of Australia, in a thriller. Belmonte won game one, 258-203. Jones tied the match with a 236-227 win in game two and then nipped Belmonte in game three, 209-208. Jones then ousted North Carolina's Kyle Troup in the second round, 2-0.

Maine's final hope, amateur Jimmy Clark from Topsham, upset PBA Tour veteran John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, N.Y., 2-1, in the Round of 64, before losing an intense 2-1 battle with 10-time PBA Tour champion Wes Malott in the Round of 32. Clark won the first game, 235-181, but Malott out-struck him in game two, 266-261, and threw the first two strikes in the 10th frame to win, 235-223, after Clark left a 2-10 split on his second shot in the 10th frame.

The bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout, presented by Xtra Frame, is the first of 10 PBA Tour Xtra Frame events scheduled for 2016. The tournament began with a field of 64 players and concludes Wednesday with best-of-three-game single elimination rounds beginning at 9:30 a.m. ET. The championship match to determine the winner of the \$10,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title begins at 7:30 p.m. ET.

All of the competition will be covered live on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

BOWLINGBALL.COM PBA MAINE SHOOTOUT

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, Tuesday

Round of 64 (best of three games, losers eliminated)

Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, def. n-Robert Gotchall, Lincoln, Neb., 2-1 (214-226, 268-222, 290-223).

n-Jimmy Clark, Topsham, Maine, def. John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 2-1 (230-236, 257-249, 229-203).

Osku Palermaa, Finland, def. Joseph Hanussak Jr., Hamilton, N.J., 2-0 (259-205, 192-169).

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., def. Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 2-0 (224-192, 237-235).

Shawn Maldonado, Houston, def. n-Charlie Mitchell, Portland, Maine, 2-0 (222-158, 204-138).

Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, def. n-Scott Moore, Lewiston, Maine, 2-0 (231-230, 232-193).

Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., def. Michael Markis, Tafton, Pa., 2-1 (205-256, 190-154, 248-204).

Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., def. n-Alex Aguiar, N. Dartmouth, Mass., 2-1 (213-214, 215-154, 300-189).

Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., def. Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 2-0 (193-180, 202-149).

Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., def. Jason Belmonte, Australia, 2-1 (203-258, 236-227, 209-208).

Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, def. Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 2-0 (222-203, 286-212).

Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., def. Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 2-0 (232-208, 223-202).

Andres Gomez, Colombia, def. Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 2-0 (277-183, 237-202).

Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., def. n-James Goulding, Lewiston, Maine, 2-0 (267-184, 216-187).

Stuart Williams, England, def. Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 2-1 (204-203, 192-216, 247-214).

Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, def. Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2-0 (224-177, 205-188).

Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., def. n-Brian Owoc, Portland, Maine, 2-0 (247-174, 259-167).

Dom Barrett, England, def. Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 2-0 (234-224, 235-190).

Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., def. Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 2-0 (226-184, 268-188).

Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., def. Patrick Allen, Mt. Kisco, N.Y. 2-0 (226-181, 227-227, 10-9 in one-ball roll-off).

Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., def. n-Sarah Pelletier, Lewiston, Maine, 2-0 (214-190, 236-209).

Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn., def. Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 2-1 (157-237, 216-215, 290-214).

Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., def. Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 2-0 (245-227, 211-181).

E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., def. B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 2-0 (258-205, 256-233).

Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., def. Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 2-1 (188-237, 256-220, 221-189).
Dan Buchman, Maple Shade, N.J., def. n-Joseph Colcord, Portland, Maine, 2-1 (190-184, 202-144, 191-186).
Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., def. n-Tony Fernandez, Gorham, Maine, 2-1 (163-151, 191-190, 266-235).
Tim Mack, Indianapolis, def. Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2-1 (208-184, 190-249, 235-192).
Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., def. Martin Larsen, Sweden, 2-1 (256-234, 189-257, 216-196).
Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., def. n-Terrence Robinson, Gray, Maine, 2-0 (216-183, 217-189).
Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., def. Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2-1 (224-224, 10-9 in one-ball roll-off; 212-219, 204-191).
Jeremy Domingo, Sewell, N.J., def. n-Michael Klosin, Windham, N.H., 2-0 (223-146, 230-230, 10-10, 10-9 in two-shot roll-off).

Round of 32 (winners advance to Round of 16, losers eliminated and earned \$1,000)

Jones def. Troup, 2-0 (246-225, 194-151).
Simonsen def. Norton, 2-0 (242-207, 236-210).
Duke def. Gomez, 2-1 (213-225, 239-234, 299-234).
Wodka def. S. Williams, 2-0 (246-235, 258-248).
Paluszek def. Buchman, 2-1 (228-205, 220-223, 207-202).
Mack def. McEwan, 2-1 (218-237, 244-219, 200-195).
Smallwood def. Blanchard, 2-0 (268-247, 259-199).
Graywacz def. Domingo, 2-0 (245-191, 254-232).
Malott def. Clark, 2-1 (181-235, 266-261, 235-223).
WR Williams def. Palermma, 2-0 (212-207, 223-220).
Maldonado def. Loschetter, 2-0 (218-201, 276-148).
Ciminelli def. Russell, 2-0 (236-150, 236-228).
Barrett def. O'Neill, 2-1 (206-289, 228-192, 234-228).
Sternier def. Kent, 2-1 (224-218, 175-232, 237-210).
Gillick def. Van Hees, 2-0 (247-212, 243-202).
Tackett def. Rash, 2-1 (227-204, 210-222, 247-246).

n-denotes non-PBA member.

300 Game: Ronnie Russell.

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE (all matches are best of three games)

9:30 a.m. - Round of 16 (winners advance to Round of 8)

Jones vs. Simonsen.
Duke vs. Wodka.
Paluszek vs. Mack.
Smallwood vs. Graywacz.

11:30 a.m. - Round of 16 (winners advance to Round of 8)

Malott vs. WR Williams.
Maldonado vs. Ciminelli.
Barrett vs. Sternier.
Gillick vs. Tackett.

2 p.m. - Round of 8 (winners advance to semifinal round)

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Ciminelli Pushes Himself to Victory in bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout

Cheektowaga left-hander sweeps Tommy Jones for sixth career PBA Tour title

PORTLAND, Maine (April 6, 2016) – Gradually, Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., is beginning to believe in himself, and thanks to a momentary burst of confidence, the 30-year-old left-hander rolled his way to a two-game sweep of 16-time Professional Bowlers Association title winner Tommy Jones in the best-of-three-game title match of the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout at Bayside Bowl Wednesday.

After winning a 2-1 decision over Michael Markin of Tafton, Pa., in the Round of 64, and a 2-0 sweep of Ronnie Russell of Marion, Ind., in the Round of 32 on Tuesday, Ciminelli completed his run to his sixth PBA Tour title and the \$10,000 first prize with best-of-

three-game victories over Shawn Maldonado of Houston, Texas; Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, and Tim Mack of Indianapolis before rolling past Jones in the title match, 255-213 and 225-203.

"I caught these guys at the right time on the right pairs of lanes," Ciminelli said. "For once, everything fell in place for me. I didn't think I had a chance to win this tournament, but I kept my head down and kept fighting."

A year ago, Ciminelli's confidence had bottomed out so badly he was considering retirement, but he made a great run in the second half of the 2015 season, winding up second in the 2015 PBA Player of the Year Race to Australia's Jason Belmonte.

"My confidence is going up with every event," he said. "You're not going to win every tournament you bowl, but you have to keep knocking on the door."

The next event on the PBA Tour schedule is the Xtra Frame PBA Tour Storm Open, the second of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events scheduled for 2016, April 22-24 at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill. The Storm Open will be covered from start to finish, live on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. Three-day, 30-day and full-year subscriptions are available through the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

BOWLINGBALL.COM PBA MAINE SHOOTOUT

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine, Wednesday

(Best-of-three-game, single-elimination match play)

Championship:

Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y. (\$10,000) def. Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C. (\$6,000), 2-0 (255-213, 225-203).

Semifinal Round (losers eliminated and earned \$4,000):

Ciminelli def. Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 2-1 (190-211, 225-205, 222-218).

Jones def. Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn., 2-0 (246-225, 227-226).

Round of 8 (losers eliminated and earned \$2,500):

Jones def. Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2-1 (242-255, 221-192, 258-237).

Mack def. Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 2-1 (218-245, 238-220, 197-183).

Gillick def. Dom Barrett, England, 2-1 (168-230, 237-210, 223-215).

Ciminelli def. Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2-1 (198-182, 247-268, 235-167).

Round of 16 (losers eliminated and earned \$1,500)

Jones def. Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 2-1 (204-242, 255-224, 212-204).

Duke def. Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 2-0 (270-173, 237-226).

Mack def. Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 2-1 (213, 187, 172-192, 255-194).

Graywacz def. Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2-1 (223-288, 193-185, 234-188).

Malott def. Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2-1 (234-259, 278-202, 300-226).

Ciminelli def. Shawn Maldonado, Houston, Texas, 2-0 (216-211, 247-186).

Barrett def. Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 2-1 (214-230, 257-215, 219-180).

Gillick def. EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2-1 (258-254, 196-243, 217-204).

300 Game: Wes Malott.

PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open Starts Expanded

2016 PBA50 Tour Season April 16-19

Defending champion Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III among expected field of 150 players

NEW PORT RICHEY, Fla. - In a 2015 title match that featured two of the PBA's all-time greats with 72 PBA Tour wins between them, Parker Bohn III defeated Norm Duke, 263-222, on pba.com's online bowling channel Xtra Frame to win the PBA50 Tour's Pasco County Florida Open and kick off a great 2015 season opener.

Both players, who will be among a field of approximately 150 of the sport's top stars ages 50 and over, will return for the 2016 Pasco County Florida Open at Lane Glo Bowl in New Port Richey, Fla., April 16-19 in what is becoming a traditional season-opening event for the PBA50 Tour.

Bohn and Duke are among a group of PBA legends competing in New Port Richey who compete full time on both the PBA Tour and PBA50 Tour. They include fellow Hall of Famers Walter Ray Williams Jr., 2014 Pasco County Open champion Amleto Monacelli and reigning PBA50 Player of the Year Pete Weber.

A testament to Bohn being able to compete at the highest level on both tours were his two wins on the PBA Tour last season which came in the Cheetah Championship and Barbasol PBA Players Championship for his third major PBA Tour title.

"It doesn't matter what Tour you're on, one thing is the same," Bohn said. "If you underestimate your opponent, you might as well pack your bags."

Bohn's second win of the 2015 PBA50 Tour season came in the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open where he defeated Weber, 259-238, in the title match.

"In the two tournaments I won last year I had to beat Norm and Pete (Weber) in the championship match," said Bohn, who owns 35 Tour and three PBA50 Tour titles. "After competing against these guys for 30 years, I can guarantee you it didn't matter what tour we were on, we were out to win."

Other Hall of Famers competing will be four-time PBA50 Player of the Year Tom Baker, 25-time PBA Tour winner Brian Voss, 14-time PBA Tour and eight PBA50 Tour winner Johnny Petraglia and 12-time PBA50 Tour winner Dale Eagle.

Also competing will be former all-star major league pitcher John Burkett who had a productive 2015 season making match play in five of the seven tournaments he entered with a best finish of fourth.

"There's a lot to look forward to this year because of the expanded schedule and four majors," Bohn said. "The fact that we go into new cities and we have Xtra Frame, which enables us to get exposure throughout the globe, I think the guys on the PBA50 Tour really appreciate the enhancements at least that's what I'm feeling from my two years out here."

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Competition begins April 17 with the first of two eight-game qualifying rounds beginning at 10 a.m. All players will return for second-round qualifying on April 18 which also begins at 10 a.m. Following a cashers round, the top 32 players will advance to match play on April 19 beginning at noon which will determine the top five players for the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m. A practice session will be held from 9 a.m. – noon on Saturday, April 16 and pro-am squads are scheduled at 1, 3 and 5 p.m.

For the first time, the expanded 15-tournament PBA50 Tour season will include four major tournaments, the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global at Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas (May 29-June 3); USBC Senior Masters at Sam's Town Bowling Center, Las Vegas (June 19-25), the Treasure Island Resort & Casino PBA50 World Championship presented by Storm at Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn. (July 17-23) and the PBA50 National Championship to benefit the Riley Hospital for Children at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind., (Aug. 14-17).

The 2016 PBA50 Tour will also determine the top eight players in points who will earn paid entries into GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno where they also will compete in a PBA50 Tour Challenge qualifier. The top two players from the qualifier will advance to the PBA Challenge Finals along with top PBA Regional, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional and Teen Masters contestants. Points awarded for PBA50 majors will be worth one and a half times of those awarded for a standard PBA50 Tour event.

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2016 PBA50 PASCO COUNTY FLORIDA OPEN SCHEDULE
Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla. (All times Eastern)

Saturday, April 16

9 a.m. – Noon - A & B Squads Practice Session

1, 3, 5 p.m. - Pro-Am Squads

Sunday, April 17

10 a.m. - A Squad qualifying (8 games)

4 p.m. - B Squad qualifying (8 games)

Monday, April 18

10 a.m. - B Squad qualifying (8 games)

4 p.m. - A Squad qualifying (8 games)

Tuesday, April 19

8:30 a.m. - Cashers Round

Noon – Match Play Round 1

3 p.m. – Match Play Round 2

7 p.m. – Five-player stepladder finals

Graham Fach Wins PBA Debbie & Leo Nunan Memorial Central Open

Grove City, Ohio (April 10, 2016) – Graham Fach of Guelph, Ontario, recorded a perfect match play record in defeating Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind. by 236 pins Sunday to win the Professional Bowlers Association Debbie & Leo Nunan Memorial Central Open presented by Grove City Family Dentistry and Track at AMF Stardust Lanes.

Fach, a PBA rookie who won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship in February, finished with a 12-0 match play record and a total of 5,000 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins. The title was Fach's first in QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition. He also earned \$2,400 along with his title.

The Debbie & Leo Nunan Memorial Central Open presented by Grove City Family Dentistry and Track Open was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region event will be a One-Day/Reduced Entry Fee event in Elkhart, Ind., April 16-17.

PBA DEBBIE & LEO NUNAN MEMORIAL CENTRAL OPEN

Presented by Grove City Family Dentistry and Track

AMF Stardust Lanes, Grove City, Ohio, Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins): 1, Graham Fach, Guelph, Ontario, 12-0, 5,000, \$2,400. 2, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 6-6, 4,764, \$1,200. 3, Dave Wodka, Beaver Creek, Ohio, 10-2, 4,747, \$1,000. 4, J.R. Raymond, Saginaw, Mich., 8-4, 4,706, \$850. 5 (tie), n-Dan Higgins, Westerville, Ohio, 6-6, 4,681, and Joseph Hostetler, Louisville, Ohio, 7-5, 4,681, \$767.50. 7, Andrew Klingler, Grand Rapids, Mich., 5-7, 4,541, \$725. 8, Rocio Restrepo, Louisville, Ohio, 6-6, 4,507, \$700.

9, Diana Zavjalova, Beavercreek, Ohio, 5-7, 4,434, \$675. 10, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4-8, 4,418, \$660. 11, Ronnie Sparks, Ecorse, Mich., 6-6, 4,362, 650. 12, Jordan Klassen, St. Catharines, Ontario, 4-8, 4,312, \$640. 13, Jeff Roche, Dearborn, Mich., 6-6, 4,300, \$630. 14, s-Jeff Zaffino, Warren, Pa., 3-9, 4,256, \$620. 15, s-Larry Verble, Mason, Mich., 6-6, 4,230, \$610. 16, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 2-10, 4,025, \$600.

n-denotes non-member; s-denotes PBA50 player.

PBA Spare Shots

RYAN CIMINELLI TAKES EARLY LEAD IN RACE FOR XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR BONUS

With his victory in the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout presented by Xtra Frame, **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., has taken the early lead in the 10-event Xtra Frame PBA Tour competition points race for a \$10,000 bonus.

As the winner of the first tournament in the Xtra Frame PBA Tour series, Ciminelli earned 25 points. Runner-up **Tommy Jones** picked up 19 points, **Tim Gillick** 18 for third place and **Tim Mack** 17 for fourth, followed by **Norm Duke** (16), **Dom Barrett** 15, **Ryan Graywacz** (14), **Wes Malott** (13), **E.J. Tackett** (12), **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** (11), **Anthony Simonsen** (10), **Tom Smallwood** (9), **Jason Sterner** (8), **Joe Paluszek** (7), **Dave Wodka** (6), **Shawn Maldonado** (5), **Bill O'Neill** (3), **Andres Gomez** (2) and **Sean Rash** (1). No points were awarded to the non-member who finished in 17th place. In each subsequent XF PBA Tour events, the same declining points system will be used for the top 20 players.

The next event in the series is the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open April 23-24 at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill. Players can enter the XF Storm Open under the schedules tab on pba.com. Member entry fee is \$250; non-member entry fee is \$300. First prize is a guaranteed \$10,000. The PBA member with the highest points total at the conclusion of the series will be awarded a \$10,000 bonus.

FULL SCHEDULE OF DIVERSE EVENTS COMING TO XTRA FRAME

Xtra Frame subscribers are in for a full schedule of programming in the weeks ahead, including PBA50 Tour, Xtra Frame PBA Tour and PWBA action. Coverage gets underway with start-to-finish coverage of the PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open from New Port Richey, Fla., April 17-19, kicking off the 2016 PBA50 Tour schedule.

Next up will be exclusive coverage of the PBA Xtra Frame Open from Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., April 23-24, followed by the PBA50 United Healthcare Sun Bowl in The Villages presented by Radical, April 24-26.

PWBA action returns to Xtra Frame April 30-May 1 with the PWBA Las Vegas Open from Texas Station. The May schedule continues with the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 May 2-4; the Nationwide PWBA Sonoma County Open May 6-7; the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick May 8-10 and the PWBA Storm Sacramento Open May 13-14.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$12.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

PBA FALL SWING QUALIFYING EVENT SET FOR AUG. 27 IN DETROIT

The PBA has announced it will conduct a pre-tournament qualifier for the PBA Fall Swing at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., on Saturday, Aug. 27. Up to 10 non-members will be able to qualify for the Fall Swing through the PTQ. Additional information regarding the Fall Swing PTQ will be announced later.

The PBA Fall Swing, including the PBA Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Open events as well as the Fall King of the Swing special event, is set for Sept. 4-11 at Thunderbowl. All five stepladder finals will be televised by CBS Sports Network.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: GRAHAM FACH WINS FIRST PBA REGIONAL TITLE

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- USBC Masters champion **Anthony Simonsen** of Austin, Texas, defeated **Mike Edwards** of Tulsa, Okla., 259-223, to win his third PBA Regional title in the fifth annual PBA FireLake Grand Casino Resort Southwest Open presented by Brunswick at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., Sunday.

Simonsen, who qualified in third place, received byes to the Round of 8 where he defeated former USBC Queens champion and Colombian national team member **Maria Rodriguez** of Austin, 2-0. He then edged **Tyler Jensen** of Fort Worth, Texas, 260-259, in the semifinal round.

Edwards qualified fourth and also received byes to the Round of 8. In his opening match, he defeated Canadian **Frankie Lavoie**, now of Wichita, Kan., 2-0. In his semifinal round match, Edwards disposed of former Southwest Region Player of the Year **Chris Hibbitts II** from Keller, Texas, 246-193.

- Amateur **Wesley Low Jr.** of Palmdale, Calif., posted a 12-4 match play record and a 24-game total of 5,597 pins Sunday to win the PBA Earl Anthony West/Northwest Memorial at Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl Sunday while **Noel Vazquez** of Sacramento, Calif., won the PBA50 portion of the doubleheader weekend.

Low, who turns 19 on April 27 (coincidentally the late Earl Anthony's birthday), won his third PBA West Region event as a non-member, but he does not receive credit for a PBA title. The Wichita State University freshman's \$2,500 first prize goes to his SMART scholarship account. The two-handed, left-hander defeated **Josh Blanchard** of Mesa, Ariz., by 102 pins for the win.

In the PBA50 event, Vazquez went 12-4 in and knocked down 5,417 total pins for his 24 games to top **Dennis Horan Jr.** of Oakley, Calif., for his eighth PBA50 West Regional title and \$1,500. Horan had 5,237 pins.

- Two QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour events are on tap for the April 15-17 weekend, including the Bowlers Discount Pro Shop Eastern Open presented by Hammer at Brunswick Zone Normandy in Ellicott City, Md., and the one-day, reduced entry fee Elkhart Central/Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Country Club Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

- The PBA50 Sarasota Open presented by Ebonite, Wednesday, April 20-Friday, April 22 – will give PBA50 Tour competitors a mid-week stop between the PBA50 Tour's Pasco County Open at Lane Glo Bowl in New Port Richey, Fla. (April 16-19) and the United Health Care Sun Bowl in The Villages presented by Radical at Spanish Springs Lanes (April 23-26). A second mid-week event, the PBA50 Cherokee Lanes South Open presented by Roto Grip, is set for April 28-30 as the PBA50 Tour leaves Florida and heads to North Carolina for the Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life May 1-4.

- In addition to the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., April 22-24, the PBA West and Northwest Regions return to Hawaii for the annual Hawaii West/Northwest Open at Scofield Air Based April 24, the Fort Shafter West/Northwest Hawaii Open April 27, and the Hickam AFB West/Northwest Open April 29-May 1.

For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- When **Anthony Simonsen**, at age 19, defeated 54-year-old **Mike Edwards** Sunday to win the PBA FireLake Grand Casino Resort Southwest Open, Edwards spotted Simonsen 35 years in age and experience. Whether that age gap between title round finalists is a record or not is unknown.

- **Tyler Roberts** of Burleson, Texas, is the recipient of a new high-performance MOTIV bowling ball and **Glen Koski** of Fort Bragg, Calif., has been selected as winner of a new DV8 ball in the March sweepstakes sponsored by MOTIV and DV8. New Xtra Frame monthly or yearly subscribers (monthly plan \$7.99 or 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99) are automatically entered into the monthly sweepstakes.

- The March winner of the HotelPlanner.com sweepstakes is **Robert Brown**. By booking a room through HotelPlanner.com's link on pba.com for the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open, Brown earned a \$200 gift certificate for future lodging booked through PBA's official travel partner.

KingPins End Atom Splitters' Reign in PBA League Elias Cup Quarterfinals

Lumberjacks eliminate Philadelphia Hitmen in hometown debut

PORTLAND, Maine – A year after finishing last in the Professional Bowlers Association League race, the GEICO New York City WTT KingPins knocked off the two-time defending PBA League Elias Cup champion bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters as quarterfinal round competition got underway in front of a wildly enthusiastic sold-out crowd at Bayside Bowl in the chase for the 2016 Elias Cup.

In the second quarterfinal round match that aired Sunday on ESPN, the hometown-favorite Shipyard Brewing Co. Portland Lumberjacks eliminated the High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen, 2-0, in their best-of-two-game Baker team match.

The KingPins, winners of the inaugural Elias Cup in 2013, swept the Atom Splitters, rallying behind a string of five strikes for a 223-215 win in the first five-player Baker team contest and ending Silver Lake's bid for a third consecutive Elias Cup, 234-209, in the second game.

New York City took the lead in the match behind consecutive strikes by Mike Fagan, John Szczerbinski, Scott Norton, Marshall Kent and anchor Pete Weber. In the second game, Weber conceded the anchor spot to Kent who delivered a key fifth-frame strike, helping the KingPins build a 35-pin advantage that Silver Lake was unable to overcome.

"We were on a mission," said KingPins' team manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard. "When we picked the team this year, we picked more for chemistry, who would check their egos at the door. Everyone had their own reason for wanting to throw the best shot they could, and it matched up and all came together."

Weber, the KingPins' team leader for all four years of PBA League competition, agreed.

"I made it a point to tell our guys we couldn't do any worse than we did last year. All we could do was improve, and obviously we improved."

He also admitted the decisive strike he got in the 10th frame of game one wasn't his best ever.

"I knew I needed to strike in the 10th of game one, but I felt like Dad (the late Dick Weber) on that shot. I felt like I did a fake follow through because the ball was already off my hand," he said. "It wasn't my best effort ever, but the result was good and that's all that mattered."

The newly-named Portland Lumberjacks, assuming the role formerly held by the Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, got a whole new level of crowd support in nipping Philadelphia, 192-191, in the first game of the second quarterfinal round match. Anchor bowler Wes Malott's strike on his fill ball in the 10th frame was the deciding factor when Philadelphia anchor Dom Barrett threw two strikes followed by leaving a solid 9 pin in the Hitmen's 10th frame.

The Lumberjacks then went on a strike binge to race away to a 256-190 victory in game two. Strikes by Malott, Bryon Smith, Liz Johnson, Osku Palermaa, Ryan Ciminelli and again by Malott turned the game into a runaway, giving the Lumberjacks a victory the former Jack Rabbits had never enjoyed in three previous years of PBA League competition.

"That was incredible," said Lumberjacks manager Tim Mack. "We were fortunate to sneak out the first game because Dom (Barrett) threw a great shot and left a 9 pin. It was crazy. But Wes striking on his fill ball was huge for us, because when you have a game up in this format it allows you not to relax, but to realize you still have life even if you lose the second game."

The change in team identify was more than merely cosmetic, Mack said.

"Last year the crowd was loud but this year, when you're the home team like we were, I think it gives you another 10 pins a game. These guys are all professionals, but in that first game, when things went a little awry for us, (the fans) kept their level of intensity up and that gave us an advantage."

With their victories, New York City and Portland will advance to the first semifinal round match, which will air on ESPN on Sunday, May 1, at 1 p.m. Eastern.

The final quarterfinals round matches pitting BJ's L.A. X against the Barbasol Motown Muscle, and the Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles against the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers, will air Sunday, April 24, at 1 p.m. ET.

2016 PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP QUARTERFINAL ROUND

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine (aired Sunday, April 17 on ESPN)

(Best of two five-player Baker format team games, ties broken by roll-off)

Quarterfinal Match One

GEICO New York City WTT Kingpins (Mike Fagan, John Szczerbinski, Scott Norton, Marshall Kent, Pete Weber) def. bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters (Matt McNiel, Jesper Svensson, Chris Barnes, Tom Daugherty, Dick Allen), 2-0 (223-215, 234-209).

Quarterfinal Match Two

Shipyard Brewing Co. Portland Lumberjacks (Bryon Smith, Liz Johnson, Osku Palermmaa, Ryan Ciminelli, Wes Malott) def. High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen (Chris Loschetter, Dave Wodka, Tom Smallwood, Rhino Page, Dom Barrett), 2-0 (191-192, 256-190).

Auerbach and Baker Top PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open First Round

NEW PORT RICHEY, Fla. – Craig Auerbach of Sunrise, Fla., got the 2016 PBA50 Tour season started by averaging 245 to lead first round qualifying Sunday in the season opening Pasco County Florida Open at Lane Glo Bowl.

The 52-year-old Auerbach, bowling in his fourth PBA50 Tour tournament, bowled a very consistent round with a 1,961 eight-game pinfall total on games of 242, 247, 245, 268, 235, 254, 245 and 225.

“My ball reaction was strong all day long and it was just one of those rounds where there were no dramatic changes from lane to lane,” Auerbach said. “Everything was real consistent. I used the same ball the entire round and didn’t miss any spares so I was able to avoid a roller coaster round where you have a good game one game and a bad one the next.”

Auerbach holds a four-pin lead over four-time PBA50 Player of the Year Tom Baker of King, N.C., who finished with a 1,957 pinfall. Baker had games of 244, 193, 280, 224, 256, 234, 279 and 247.

The 61-year-old Hall of Famer will be trying for his 13th PBA50 Tour title which would put him second all alone on the all-time titles list behind John Handegard with 14 wins.

Rounding out the top five were Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y. and John Donovan, Melbourne, Fla., tied with 1,904, and Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp., Mich. and John Dougherty of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., tied with 1,891.

Defending champion Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., finished the round in ninth with 1,874.

The entire 152-player field returns Monday for the second eight-game qualifying round. The field will be cut to 32 players for Tuesday’s match play rounds which will determine the top five players for the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m. ET.

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PBA50 PASCO COUNTY FLORIDA OPEN

Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla., Sunday

First Round Standings (after 8 games)

- 1, Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 1,961.
- 2, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,957.
- 3 (tie), Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., and John Donovan, Melbourne, Fla., 1,904.
- 5, (tie) Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., and John Dougherty, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., 1,891.
- 7, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,879.
- 8, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,876.
- 9, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,874.
- 10, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,866.
- 11, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,859.
- 12, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 1,857.
- 13, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,847.
- 14, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,835.
- 15, (tie) ss-Warren Nelson, Hemet, Calif., and David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,832.
- 17, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,830.

18, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 1,828.
19, Darin Hays, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,826.
20, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,825.
21, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,819.
22, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,817.
23, (tie) C.K. Moore, Gulf Breeze, Fla., and Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,807.
25, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,798.
26, (tie) Todd Haney, Boiling Springs, S.C., and ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wisc., 1,794.
28, Michael Owen, Gainesville, Fla., 1,789.
29, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,788.
30, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,787.
31, Rory Peterson, Sacramento, Calif., 1,782.
32, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,775.
33, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 1,774.
34, James Luck, Jacksonville, Fla., 1,765.
35, n-John Hough, Naples, Fla., 1,762.
36, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,758.
37, Michael Shequin, Debary, Fla., 1,754.
38, n-Ed Irwin, Hudson, Fla., 1,749.
39, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,748.
40, Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 1,744.
41, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,742.
42, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,741.
43, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,740.
44, (tie) Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., and Brian Brazeau, Ocala, Fla., 1,737.
46, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,734.
47, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,733.
48, Jim Price, Harrisburg, N.C., 1,731.
49, ss-Frank Gallo Jr., Jacksonville, Fla., 1,727.
50, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,724.
51, (tie) Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., and ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,722.
54, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,712.
55, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 1,711.
56, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 1,708.
57, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 1,707.
58, Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., 1,703.
59, (tie) John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., and William Peters, Dayton, Ohio, 1,701.
62, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,697.
63, ss-Roger Kossert, Lithia, Fla., 1,696.
64, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,695.
65, (tie) Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., and ss-Larry Gross, Ocala, Fla., 1,694.
67, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,691.
68, Glenn Smith, New York, 1,690.
69, (tie) Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., and Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 1,685.
71, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,678.
72, n-ss-Stan Sprow, Lakeland, Fla., 1,677.
73, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 1,672.
74, ss-Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,670.
75, Steven Grotowski, Ft Lauderdale, Fla., 1,667.
76, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,665.
77, Steve Kenyon, Dade City, Fla., 1,664.
78, (tie) Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., and Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,661.
80, John Gant, Medford, Mass., 1,657.

81, Rick Woloszyn, Griffith, Ind., 1,653.
82, n-Glenn Francis, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,651.
83, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,650.
84, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,649.
85, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 1,648.
86, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 1,647.
87, ss-Mark Scime, Winter Garden, Fla., 1,645.
88, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 1,642.
89, (tie) Ramon Torres, Carolina, Puerto Rico, and Harry Alchin III, Madeira Beach, Fla., 1,639.
91, n-Ken Fishman, Lutz, Fla., 1,637.
92, ss-Bill Sell, Menasha, Wis., 1,632.
93, (tie) Michael DeVore, Brandon, Fla., and Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,631.
95, (tie) Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, and John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 1,629.
97, ss-Michael Kennedy, Victoria, Australia, 1,628.
98, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 1,627.
99, ss-Bob Chamberlain, The Villages, Fla., 1,626.
100, James Deplanche, Taylor, Mich., 1,623.
101, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,622.
102, ss-Bob Kelly, Dayton, Ohio, 1,621.
103, Jon DeLaney, McKinney, Texas, 1,620.
104, (tie) ss-Nick Panicaro, Ocala, Fla., and David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 1,617.
106, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 1,614.
107, n-ss-Charlie Gadd, West Palm Beach, Fla., 1,612.
108, ss-Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 1,603.
109, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,597.
110, n-John Stronka, Davie, Fla., 1,594.
111, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,591.
112, Michael Vella, Bellport, N.Y., 1,590.
113, (tie) ss-Edgar Gomez, Colombia, and ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,589.
115, (tie) Antonio Santa, San Juan, Puerto Rico, and Karl Ramonas, Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1,584.
117, ss-Bob Pazur, Venice, Fla., 1,583.
118, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,580.
119, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 1,574.
120, n-ss-Leonard Salemme, Hudson, Fla., 1,571.
121, ss-Stephen Lippman, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,567.
121, David Welch, St. Louis, Mo., 1,567.
123, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 1,562.
124, ss-Michael Truitt, New Port Richey, Fla., 1,556.
124, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,556.
126, ss-Lucien Casagrande, Canada, 1,548.
127, ss-Dan Howsmon, Lutz, Fla., 1,547.
128, Tommy King, Oakdale, N.Y., 1,542.
129, (tie) ss-Larry Montgomery, Safety Harbor, Fla., and ss-Steve Bova, Massapequa, N.Y., 1,541.
131, Harry Wright, Venice, Fla., 1,538.
132, (tie) ss-Patsy DellaPenna, Palm Harbor, Fla., and ss-Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,537.
134, Joseph Long, Tarpon, Springs, Fla., 1,531.
135, n-ss-Kenneth Smith, Spring Hill, Fla., 1,520.
136, ss-Dave Schultz, West Bend, Wis., 1,518.
137, ss-James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 1,506.
138, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,505.
139, (tie) ss-Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., and ss-Darrell Adams, Flintstone, Ga., 1,504.
141, ss-Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 1,499.
142, Robert Leonard Sr, Lockwood, N.Y., 1,495.

- 143, ss-Howard Frostman, Washburn, Wis., 1,488.
144, ss-Larry Williams, St. Augustine, Fla., 1,432.
145, n-ss-Jean-Marc Gagnon, Port Charlotte, Fla., 1,431.
146, Larry Woomer, State College, Pa., 1,423.
147, Stephen Wood, Naylor, Ga., 1,418.
148, William Medina, Whites Creek, Tenn., 1,413.
149, n-ss-Rolando Sebelen, Dominican Republic, 1,388.
150, ss-Rich Holden, Chinchilla, Pa., 1,387.
151, n-ss-Michael Osterman, New Port Richey, Fla., 1,312.
152, n-Domingo Castro, Weston, Fla., 1,416.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

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SUNDAY ON ESPN: PBA League Quarterfinal Action Continues at 1 p.m. ET

PBA League quarterfinal action continues Sunday, April 24 at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN with the final two PBA League “best-of-two-game” quarterfinal round matches from Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine.

In Sunday’s first five-player Baker format match, BJ’s L.A. X, managed by Andrew Cain, will take on the Barbasol Motown Muscle managed by Del Ballard Jr.

BJ’s L.A. X will feature the international lineup of three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte from Australia; 13-time Tour winner Patrick Allen, the team’s lone American player; three-time Tour winner Andres Gomez, Colombia; one-time winner Stuart Williams, England, and Tour veteran Martin Larsen, Sweden. Barbasol Motown Muscle will field the lineup of three-time Tour winner Ronnie Russell, past PBA Rookies of the Year Josh Blanchard (2012) and EJ Tackett (2013), 2016 USBC Masters champion Anthony Simonsen, and women’s standout Danielle McEwan.

In the second match, Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles, managed by PBA Hall of Famer Johnny Petraglia, will meet GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers, managed by player-manager and PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke.

Bowling for Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles will be PBA Hall of Famers Walter Ray Williams Jr. and Parker Bohn III, nine-time Tour winner Sean Rash, and one-time Tour winners Jason Sterner and Jon Van Hees. Joining Duke in the GoBowling.com lineup will be 16-time Tour winner Tommy Jones, seven-time Tour winner Bill O’Neill, and rising stars Shawn Maldonado and B.J. Moore.

The winners of Sunday’s quarterfinal matches will meet in the second semifinal round match that will air on ESPN on Sunday, May 1, at 1 p.m. ET. The GEICO New York City WTT KingPins and the Shipyard Brewing Co. Portland Lumberjacks will meet in the first semifinal match on May 1. The semifinal round will determine the two teams advancing to the Elias Cup finale which will air Sunday, May 8 at 1 p.m. ET. The Elias Cup will be decided by singles, doubles and trios matches worth one point each followed by a three-point, five-player Baker team finale.

In the opening round of quarterfinal action on ESPN, the GEICO New York City WTT KingPins (Pete Weber, Scott Norton, Mike Fagan, Marshall Kent and John Szczerbinski) defeated the two-time defending Elias Cup champion bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters (Chris Barnes, Tom Daugherty, Dick Allen, Jesper Svensson and Matt McNiel), 2-0, and the hometown-favorite Shipyard Brewing Co. Portland Lumberjacks (Bryon Smith, Wes Malott, Ryan Ciminelli, Osku Palermaa and Liz Johnson) eliminated the High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen (Dom Barrett, Rhino Page, Tom Smallwood, Chris Loschetter and Dave Wodka), 2-0, in their best-of-two-game Baker team match.



Our Sponsors:

PBA50 Tour Rookie John Donovan Tops Pasco County Florida Open Qualifying; Defending Champion Parker Bohn III Qualifies Third

NEW PORT RICHEY, Fla. – Bowling in his first PBA50 Tour tournament, John Donovan of Melbourne, Fla., averaged 237 to earn top qualifier honors Monday after the second round of the PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open at Lane Glo Bowl.

Donovan, who owns two QubicaAMF PBA regional titles, led qualifying with a 3,799 16-game pinfall total to edge out first round leader Craig Auerbach of Sunrise, Fla., in second by 23 pins. Auerbach finished qualifying with 3,776.

Donovan credited bowling with fellow lefthander and Pasco County Florida Open defending champion Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., during qualifying for his success. Bohn finished the day in third with a 3,774 pinfall.

“Parker was great and he kept things light,” said the 50-year-old Donovan, whose day job is a rural mail carrier. “With both of us bowling a similar line, we were kind of sharing notes out there.

“I’m definitely surprised to be where I’m at,” Donovan added. “This was an opportunity of a lifetime and I’m glad I made the decision to compete here.”

Bohn, a 35-time PBA Tour titlist and three-time PBA50 Tour winner, won last year’s Pasco County Open by beating fellow Hall of Famer Norm Duke 263-222 in the championship match. It was Bohn’s first of two PBA50 Tour wins in 2015 with a win in the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open coming later in the season.

Rounding out the top five after qualifying were 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, who was last season’s only three time winner (3,764), and two-time PBA50 Tour winner Jack Jurek of Lackawanna, N.Y. (3,723).

After Monday’s round, 24 players advanced directly into Tuesday’s match play rounds beginning at noon ET. An additional eight players will earn match play spots after a cashers round Tuesday morning. Tuesday’s match play rounds will determine the top five players for the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m.

Fans can catch all the action on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on the PBA.com homepage.

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PBA50 PASCO COUNTY FLORIDA OPEN
Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla., Monday

Second Round Standings (after 16 games)

Top 24 advance to match play; 25th-50th places plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers round which will determine eight additional match play finalists

- 1, John Donovan, Melbourne, Fla., 3,799.
- 2, Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 3,776.
- 3, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,774.
- 4, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,764.
- 5, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,723.
- 6, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,722.
- 7, John Dougherty III, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., 3,711.
- 8, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,694.
- 9, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,693.
- 10, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 3,681.
- 11, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,674.
- 12, Darin Hays, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,662.
- 13, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,659.
- 14, Todd Haney, Boiling Springs, S.C., 3,652.
- 15, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,650.
- 16, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,644.
- 17, Warren Nelson, Hemet, Calif., 3,639.
- 18, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,631.
- 19, C.K. Moore, Gulf Breeze, Fla., 3,623.
- 20, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,608.
- 21, Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,592.
- 22, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3,573.
- 23, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,566.
- 24, Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,564.
- 25, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 3,557.
- 26, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,549.
- 27, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,545.
- 28, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 3,538.
- 29, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 3,536.
- 30, Roger Kossert, Lithia, Fla., 3,532.
- 31, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,531.
- 32, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 3,528.
- 33, (tie) Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., and Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 3,522.
- 35, Brian Brazeau, Ocala, Fla., 3,519.
- 36, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,514.
- 37, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,505.
- 38, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 3,504.
- 39, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,498.
- 40, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3,497.
- 41, (tie) James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., and Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,496.
- 43, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 3,491.
- 44, (tie) Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., and Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,489.
- 46, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,474.
- 47, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,471.
- 48, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 3,467.

49, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3,462.
50, Frank Gallo Jr., Jacksonville, Fla., 3,461.
51, Rory Peterson, Sacramento, Calif., 3,460.
52, n-John Hough, Naples, Fla., 3,459.
53, n-Ed Irwin, Hudson, Fla, 3,457.
54, John Gant, Medford, Mass., 3,452.
55, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 3,450.
56, Michael Owen, Gainesville, Fla., 3,444.
57, Steve Kenyon, Dade City, Fla., 3,442.
58, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 3,440.
59, Rick Woloszyn, Griffith, Ind., 3,434.
60, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 3,433.
61, (tie) n-Ken Fishman, Lutz, Fla., and Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,432.
63, (tie) Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., and Michael Shequin, Debary, Fla., 3,429.
66, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,418.
67, Glenn Smith, New York, 3,415.
68, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 3,411.
69, Dave Han, Hoover, AL, 3,406.
70, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 3,405.
71, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibolo, Texas, 3,402.
72, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,396.
73, Harry Alchin III, Madeira Beach, Fla., 3,393.
74, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,388.
75, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,376.
76, James Luck, Jacksonville, Fla., 3,366.
77, (tie) Michael Truitt, New Port Richey, Fla., and ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,364.
79, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,358.
80, Jim Price, Harrisburg, N.C., 3,357.
81, Michael DeVore, Brandon, Fla., 3,355.
82, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 3,348.
83, Mark Scime, Winter Garden, Fla., 3,345.
84, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 3,341.
85, Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., 3,338.
86, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 3,336.
87, James Deplanche, Taylor, Mich., 3,334.
88, William Peters, Dayton, Ohio, 3,325.
89, Larry Gross, Ocala, Fla., 3,320.
90, Michael Kennedy, Victoria, Australia, 3,309.
91, Bob Chamberlain, The Villages, Fla., 3,304.
92, Antonio Santa, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 3,303.
93, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 3,296.
94, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,278.
95, Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 3,275.
96, Bill Sell, Menasha, Wis., 3,274.
97, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,272.
98, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,271.
99, Jon DeLaney, McKinney, Texas, 3,263.
100, (tie) Michael Vella, Bellport, N.Y., and Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 3,257.
102, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,255.
103, Peter Knopp, Germany, 3,253.
104, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 3,250.
105, (tie) Tommy King, Oakdale, N.Y., 3,244.
105, Ramon Torres, Carolina, Puerto Rico, and Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 3,232.
108, Edgar Gomez, Colombia, 3,221.
109, n-Stan Sprow, Lakeland, Fla., 3,217.
110, David Welch, St. Louis, Mo., 3,212.
111, Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 3,198.
112, n-Kenneth Smith, Spring Hill, Fla., 3,193.

113, n-Glenn Francis, Palm Harbor, Fla., 3,190.
 114, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,189.
 115, n-Charlie Gadd, West Palm Beach, Fla., 3,182.
 116, (tie) Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., and Steven Grotowski, Ft Lauderdale, Fla, 3,180.
 118, Bob Kelly, Dayton, Ohio, 3,174.
 119, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,172.
 120, Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 3,171.
 121, (tie) Harry Wright, Venice, Fla., and Bob Pazur, Venice, Fla, 3,158.
 123, n-John Stronka, Davie, Fla., 3,155.
 124, Karl Ramonas, Port St. Lucie, Fla., 3,143.
 125, Stephen Lippman, Palm Harbor, Fla., 3,117.
 126, Lucien Casagrande, Canada, 3,114.
 127, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 3,112.
 128, Darrell Adams, Flintstone, Ga., 3,107.
 129, Steve Bova, Massapequa, N.Y., 3,101.
 130, Larry Montgomery, Safety Harbor, Fla., 3,097.
 131, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,092.
 132, Dave Schultz, West Bend, Wis., 3,081.
 133, Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,079.
 134, Nick Panicaro, Ocala, Fla., 3,077.
 135, Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., 3,072.
 136, Dan Howsmon, Lutz, Fla., 3,059.
 137, James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 3,027.
 138, Larry Williams, St. Augustine, Fla., 3,011.
 139, n-Leonard Salemme, Hudson, Fla., 3,007.
 140, Howard Frostman, Washburn, Wis., 2,981.
 141, (tie) Larry Woomer, State College, Pa., and Patsy DellaPenna, Palm Harbor, Fla., 2,969.
 143, Robert Leonard Sr, Lockwood, N.Y., 2,952.
 144, Rich Holden, Chinchilla, Pa., 2,941.
 145, Joseph Long, Tarpon, Springs, Fla., 2,919.
 146, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 2,913.
 147, n-Jean-Marc Gagnon, Port Charlotte, Fla., 2,908.
 148, Stephen Wood, Naylor, Ga., 2,874.
 149, n-Michael Osterman, New Port Richey, Fla., 2,770.
 150, n-Rolando Sebelen, Dominican Republic, 2,768.
 151, William Medina, Whites Creek, Tenn., 2,761.
 152, n-Domingo Castro, Weston, Fla., 1,416.

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PBA Tour Title on the Line in PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open

World's top bowlers to visit Carpentersville April 22-24

CARPENTERSVILLE, Ill. – Several of the Professional Bowlers Association's most talented future stars will take on an all-star roster of PBA Tour champions when the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open visits Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., Friday, April 22 through Sunday, April 24.

At stake in the second of an expanded schedule of 10 events that will be covered exclusively start to finish by pba.com's online video service Xtra Frame, the event will mark the first time that a PBA tournament that awards a PBA Tour title will be held in the Fox Valley/Carpentersville area. Liberty Lanes has been a regular host for PBA's regional tour.

PBA created the special Xtra Frame PBA Tour in 2015 to complement its regular Tour schedule on ESPN and the CBS Sports Network, enabling more bowling fans around the country to attend events that feature the sport's biggest stars in addition to watching coverage on Xtra Frame.

Among the early entries in Carpentersville are several PBA Tour champions including nine-time PBA Tour winner and former Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.; seven-time winner Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa.; six-time winner Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y.; three-time winners Dick Allen of Columbia, S.C., Ronnie Russell of Marion, Ind., and Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., and 2014 Rookie of the Year Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash.

Also entered is Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, who made PBA history February by becoming the youngest player to win a PBA Tour major when he captured the United States Bowling Congress Masters title in February at age 19.

Each XF PBA Tour event awards a PBA Tour title to the winner, a minimum \$10,000 first prize and competition points to the top 20 players toward a special \$10,000 Xtra Frame series bonus.

The PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open gets underway on April 22, with a practice session 4-6 p.m. followed by a pro-am squad at 7 p.m. when grassroots league bowlers – men, women, kids, seniors – can bowl with PBA stars for their own prizes.

Competition begins with two eight-game qualifying squads on Saturday at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., with the top 16 players advancing to the match play finals on Sunday starting at 9 a.m. The top five players after 20 games will compete in a stepladder finale scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

The entire tournament will be covered live, exclusively by PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel. Xtra Frame is a subscription-based video-streaming service, available on a three-day plan for only \$3.99, month-long plan for \$7.99 and full year XF Season Ticket plan for \$64.99. Visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link for details.

For tournament pro-am and admission information, contact Jerry Morano at Liberty Lanes at (847) 428-6446 or visit www.libertylanes-inc.com.

PBA XTRA FRAME STORM OPEN

Liberty Lanes, Carpentersville, Ill., April 22-24 (all times Central)

Friday, April 22

4-6 p.m. - Practice Session

7 p.m. – Pro-Am

Saturday, April 23

9 a.m. - A Squad, 8 qualifying games

3 p.m. - B Squad, 8 qualifying games

Top 16 after 8 games advance to match play

Sunday, April 24

9 a.m. - Round robin match play (12 games; top five after 20 games of qualifying and match play advance)

2:30 p.m. - Top five stepladder finals

Ronnie Sparks Wins PBA Elkhart Central/Midwest Open

Elkhart, Ind. (April 17, 2016) – Ronnie Sparks of Ecorse, Mich. defeated Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., 222-191, to win the PBA Elkhart Central/Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Country Club Lanes Sunday for his first PBA Regional title and a \$2,500 first prize.

Sparks, who is now eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions, topped J.R. Raymond of Saginaw, Mich., 244-233, while McCune downed Tom Hess of Urbandale, Iowa, 267-211, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

McCune earned \$1,350 for second place. Hess and Raymond each earned \$950 as semifinal round losers.

The Elkhart Central/Midwest Open presented by Brunswick was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region tournament is the Baldo Campana Central/Midwest Open in Lorain, Ohio, May 13-15.

PBA ELKHART CENTRAL/MIDWEST OPEN PRESENTED BY BRUNSWICK

Country Club Lanes, Elkhart, Ind., Sunday

Championship:

Ronnie Sparks, Ecorse, Mich. (\$2,500) def. Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind. (\$1,350), 222-191.

Semifinal Round (best game, losers eliminated and earned \$950 each):

Sparks def. J.R. Raymond, Saginaw, Mich., 1-0 (244-233).

McCune def. Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1-0 (267-211).

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$700 each):

Sparks def. n-Aaron Beaver, Edwardsburg, Mich., 2-0.

Hess def. Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 2-1.

McCune def. n-Riley Smith, Kenosha, Wis., 2-0.

Raymond def. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2-1.

Round of 12 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$475 each):

Beaver def. Aaron Morgan, Olmsted Township, Ohio, 2-1.

Dombrowski def. s-Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 2-0.

Smith def. Cory Hines, Jackson, Mich., 2-0.

Raymond def. Aaron Lorincz, Center Line, Mich., 2-1.

n-denotes non-member; s-denotes PBA50 player

Walter Ray Williams Jr. Wins Pasco County Florida Open For 10th PBA50 Tour Title

PBA's all-time Tour titles leader tops all-Hall of Fame stepladder final

NEW PORT RICHEY, Fla. – In an all-PBA Hall of Fame stepladder final that included five all-time greats with a combined 171 PBA Tour titles, Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., won two matches to claim the PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open title Tuesday at Lane Glo Bowl for his 10th PBA50 Tour win.

Williams, the PBA Tour's all-time titles leader with 47 wins defeated 38-time Tour and two-time PBA50 Tour winner Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., 245-225, in the title match and in the process handed Duke his third consecutive championship match defeat in the Pasco County Open.

"It feels good to be back in the winner's circle," said Williams, whose last PBA50 Tour win came in the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open in August of 2014. "Bowling with these guys tonight I had to feel blessed that I was able to bowl in an era with such great players."

In the title match, Williams held a 21-pin lead over Duke in the sixth frame and then struck on the next four shots to seal the win.

"I really didn't have a good read on the lanes," said Williams. "I thought the lanes would be a lot tighter and they were hooking a lot more than I thought. Fortunately, I was able to adjust by steadily moving inside, finding a good hook spot, and catching some timely breaks."

In the semifinal match, Williams ended Parker Bohn III's bid to repeat as champion of the tournament by beating the 35-time Tour and three-time PBA50 Tour winner, 258-223.

The win in the first tournament of the season was especially satisfying for Williams after a slow start finishing 59th at the end of the first day of qualifying.

“Again, I just wasn’t reading the lanes well and was using the wrong equipment,” Williams said. “I think I averaged about 211 for my first 11 games and once I got things figured out I think I averaged about 250 the rest of the way.”

In the second stepladder match, Bohn defeated 37-time PBA Tour, four-time PBA50 Tour winner and reigning PBA50 Player of the Year Pete Weber, 257-224, to advance to the semifinal match against Williams.

In the opening match, Weber beat Johnny Petraglia, a winner of 14 PBA Tour and eight PBA50 Tour titles, 225-193. At age 69, Petraglia was hoping to become the oldest player to win a PBA50 Tour title. The record is held by the late James Brenner at 66 years and 358 days.

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The PBA50 Tour heads to The Villages, Fla., for the second stop of the 2016 season where Spanish Springs Lanes will host the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical April 23-26.

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PBA50 PASCO COUNTY FLORIDA OPEN **Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla., Tuesday**

Final Standings

- 1, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., \$7,500.
- 2, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., \$4,000.
- 3, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., \$3,000.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$2,500.
- 5, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., \$2,000.

Stepladder Results

- Match One – Weber def. Petraglia, 225-193.
Match Two – Bohn def. Weber, 257-224.
Semifinal Match – Williams def. Bohn, 258-223.
Championship – Williams def. Duke, 245-225.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advanced to stepladder finals)

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 5-1, 1,691.
- 2, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 4-1-1, 1,600.
- 3, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 5-1, 1,591.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-3, 1,553.
- 5, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3-3, 1,548.
- 6, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3-3, 1,533, \$1,700.
- 7, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 4-2, 1,527, \$1,700.
- 8, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3-3, 1,489, \$1,700.
- 9, John Donovan, Melbourne, Fla., 3-3, 1,466, \$1,400.
- 10, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 4-2, 1,456, \$1,400.
- 11, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 2-4, 1,414, \$1,400.
- 12, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 2-4, 1,402, \$1,400.
- 13, John Dougherty III, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., 1-4-1, 1,397, \$1,400.
- 14, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3-3, 1,390, \$1,400.
- 15, Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 2-4, 1,299, \$1,400.
- 16, Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 0-6, 1,142, \$1,400.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins)

- 17, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3-2, 1,245, \$1,250.
- 18, Warren Nelson, Hemet, Calif., 2-3, 1,215, \$1,250.

- 19, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 4-1, 1,202, \$1,250.
- 20, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3-2, 1,199, \$1,250.
- 21, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3-2, 1,194, \$1,200.
- 22, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 2-3, 1,193, \$1,400.
- 23, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3-2, 1,182, \$1,200.
- 24, Darin Hays, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2-3, 1,172, \$1,150.
- 25, C.K. Moore, Gulf Breeze, Fla., 2-3, 1,157, \$1,150.
- 26, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1-4, 1,150, \$1,250.
- 27, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 1-4, 1,144, \$1,150.
- 28, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2-3, 1,140, \$1,150.
- 29, Todd Haney, Boiling Springs, S.C., 2-3, 1,095, \$1,075.
- 30, Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1-4, 1,078, \$1,075.
- 31, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1-4, 1,043, \$1,075.
- 32, Frank Gallo Jr., Jacksonville, Fla., 1-4, 1,042, \$1,050.

Other Cashers (after five games)

- 33, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,127, \$1,075.
- 34, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 1,124, \$1,075.
- 35, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, \$1,075.
- 36, ss-Roger Kossert, Lithia, Fla., 1,119, \$1,075.
- 37, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,118, \$1,075.
- 38, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,116, \$1,075.
- 39, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,112. \$1,075.
- 40, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,105, \$1,075.
- 41, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 1,099, \$1,000.
- 42, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,098, \$1,000.
- 43, Brian Brazeau, Ocala, Fla., 1,096, \$1,000.
- 44, Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,083, \$1,000.
- 45, (tie) ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., and ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,078. \$1,000.
- 47, Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 1,076, \$1,000.
- 48, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 1,059, \$1,000.
- 49, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,057. \$1,000.
- 50, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,044, \$1,000.
- 51, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 1,043, \$1,000.
- 52, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,031, \$1,000.
- 53, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 1,023, \$1,000.
- 54, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,017, \$1,000.
- 55, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,013, \$1,000.
- 56, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 993, \$1,000.
- 57, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 956, \$1,000.
- 58, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 947. \$1,000.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

PBA Spare Shots

PWBA/PBA WOMEN'S REGIONAL SCHEDULE SET FOR 2016

In addition to a full schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour events that provide competitive opportunities for women bowlers, the PBA will offer a dedicated PWBA/PBA Women's Regional tournament open exclusively to women bowlers as part of its 2016 program.

The 2016 PWBA-PBA Women's Regional events will be:

- June 17-19 – PWBA/PBA Secoma Lanes Northwest Open presented by Storm, Secoma Lanes, Federal Way, Wash.
- Aug. 19-21 – PWBA/PBA Emerald Bowl Southwest Open, Emerald Bowl, Houston, Texas.
- Aug. 26-28 – PWBA/PBA Lafayette Lanes South Open, LaFayette Lanes, Fayetteville, N.C.

- Sept. 16-18 – PWBA/PBA Maple City Dodge East Open powered by Ram, Maple City Bowl, Hornell, N.Y.
- Sept. 17-18 – PWBA/PBA Budweiser Midwest Open hosted by Diamond Jo Casino, Cherry Lanes, Dubuque, Iowa.
- Sept. 30-Oct. 2 – PWBA/PBA Parkin Bowling Supply West Open, Bowlum Lanes, Montclair, Calif.
- Oct. 8-9 – PWBA/PBA Northwest Lanes Central Open, Northway Lanes, Muskegon, Mich.

In addition to the women-only events, women bowlers, whether Professional Women's Bowling Association members or not, are invited to participate in all QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour events where the highest placing woman (if not among the regular cashers) is guaranteed \$250, and one in five women entered in each tournament is guaranteed at least a \$250 prize.

In each of the PBA's regional programs, women also earn points in each tournament toward berths in the end-of-season PWBA/PBA Women's Regional Challenge special event that will be held as part of PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno Nov. 27-Dec. 11. The leading women in competition points from the PBA's East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest, West, Northwest and Japan Regions will receive paid entries into WSOB VIII along with berths in the special women's challenge event. PBA Midwest Region representative **Ingelimar Beasley** is the defending PWBA/PBA Women's Challenge winner.

FULL SCHEDULE OF DIVERSE EVENTS COMING TO XTRA FRAME

PBA's Xtra Frame continues to provide a full schedule of programming this week, including exclusive coverage of the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open from Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., April 23-24, followed by the PBA50 United Healthcare Sun Bowl in The Villages presented by Radical, April 24-26. PWBA action returns to Xtra Frame April 30-May 1 with the PWBA Las Vegas Open from Texas Station.

The May schedule gets underway with the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life May 2-4; the Nationwide PWBA Sonoma County Open May 6-7; the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick May 8-10 and the PWBA Storm Sacramento Open May 13-14.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: GOLICK TOPS TEENAGER TO WIN IN MARYLAND

Tommy Golick of Oberlin, Pa., defeated teenage amateur **Andrew Lazarchick** of Brick, N.J., 217-198, to win the PBA Bowlers Discount Pro Shop Eastern Open presented by Hammer at Brunswick Zone Normandy Sunday. It was Golick's fourth career title and his first since 2013.

Trailing 2-1 in the best-of-five-game Round of 16, Golick rallied for a 3-2 win over **Will Vidulich** of Parsippany, N.J. He then eliminated **Tim Foy Jr.** of Seaford, Del., 2-0, and he defeated **Kevin Donovan** of Painted Post, N.Y., 233-223, in the semifinal round, throwing three clutch strikes in the 10th frame to secure the win.

In the championship match, Golick faced Lazarchick, who was celebrating his 17th birthday while bowling in only his third PBA Regional tournament. Again Golick threw clutch strikes at the end of the game to secure the \$2,700 first prize.

Lazarchick added \$1,600 to his scholarship account for his runner-up finish. Lazarchick edged qualifying leader **Anthony Pepe** of Elmhurst, N.Y., 225-224, in his semifinal match.

- **Ronnie Sparks** of Ecorse, Mich. defeated **Eugene McCune** of Munster, Ind., 222-191, to win the PBA Elkhart Central/Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Country Club Lanes in Elkhart, Ind., Sunday for his first PBA Regional title and a \$2,500 first prize.

Sparks, who is now eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions, topped **J.R. Raymond** of Saginaw, Mich., 244-233, while McCune downed **Tom Hess** of Urbandale, Iowa, 267-211, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- Next up in QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour competition is the PBA50 Sarasota Open presented by Ebonite, Wednesday, April 20-Friday, April 22 – which will give PBA50 Tour competitors a mid-week stop following the Pasco County Open and heading into the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl in The Villages presented by Radical at Spanish Springs Lanes (April 23-26). A second mid-week event, the PBA50 Cherokee Lanes South Open presented by Roto Grip in Canton, Ga., is set for April 28-30 as the PBA50 Tour leaves Florida and heads to North Carolina for the Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life May 1-4.

- In addition to the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., April 22-24, the PBA West and Northwest Regions return to Hawaii for the annual Hawaii West/Northwest Open at Scofield Air Based April 24, the Fort Shafter West/Northwest Hawaii Open April 27, and the Hickam AFB West/Northwest Open April 29-May 1.

For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- Two-time PBA Tour titlist **Josh Blanchard** and wife Aimee of Mesa, Ariz., welcomed the newest addition to their family on April 14. **Jamison Dean Blanchard** arrived weighing in at 7 pounds and measuring 20 inches.
- Looking for a great buy on PBA logoed merchandise? Check out the “blowout sale” now underway on pba.com: www.pbastore.com.

PBA Fall Classic to Return to South Point Bowling Plaza in October

PBA Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open, PBA Team Challenge to precede U.S. Open

CHICAGO (April 22, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association Fall Classic, featuring a pair of PBA Tour title events, will return to South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas Oct. 28-Nov. 1, in advance of the U.S. Open which also will be held at South Point Nov. 3-9.

The PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza will include two events that will be covered from start-to-finish by PBA’s Xtra Frame online video-streaming service – the PBA Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open singles event, Oct. 28-30, and the return of the five-player PBA Team Challenge Oct. 30-Nov. 1, which this year will award PBA Tour titles to all five team members (if they are PBA members).

The Las Vegas Open officially gets underway with 16 qualifying games for all players on Saturday, Oct. 29, followed by 16 games of round-robin match play for the 16 top qualifiers on Sunday. A five-player stepladder final will complete the event Sunday.

Entry fees for the Las Vegas Open will be \$300 for PBA members and \$350 for non-members. The field is limited to the first 120 entries. First prize is \$10,000 guaranteed, and the XF Las Vegas Open will be the 11th event in the 2016 Xtra Frame PBA Tour series, offering a \$10,000 bonus to the overall points leader.

Following a team practice session on Sunday, Oct. 30, the PBA Team Challenge will include six full team games and 12 Baker format qualifying games on Monday, Oct. 31. The top 10 teams (based on 60 entries) will advance to Baker format round-robin match play Tuesday, Nov. 1, leading into the four-team Baker format stepladder finals.

Entry fee for the PBA Team Challenge will be \$500 per PBA member/\$600 for non-members. First prize for the winning team will be \$30,000 along with PBA Tour titles for team members who are PBA members.

Entries for both events will be accepted beginning on July 1.

2016 PBA FALL CLASSIC PRESENTED BY SOUTH POINT BOWLING PLAZA

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Oct. 28-Nov. 1

Friday, Oct. 28

PBA Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open practice session

Saturday, Oct. 29

PBA Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open 16 qualifying games (top 16 advance to match play)

Sunday, Oct. 30

PBA Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open 16 games round-robin match play

Top 5 stepladder finals

PBA Team Challenge practice session

Monday, Oct. 31

PBA Team Challenge qualifying (6 full team games, 12 Baker format games)

Tuesday, Nov. 1

Top 10 teams (based on 60 entries), 6 games round-robin Baker format match play
Top 4 teams Baker format stepladder finals

Scott Weber and Ryan Ciminelli Lead 16 Players Advancing to PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open Match Play

CARPENTERSVILLE, Ill. (April 23, 2016) – Scott Weber of LaSalle, Ill., whose best finish in a Professional Bowlers Association tournament was second in a QubicaAMF PBA50 regional event, averaged 253 to lead qualifying Saturday in the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open at Liberty Lanes.

The 51-year-old Weber, who is no relation to the famous Weber bowling family, bowled a 2,025 eight-game pinfall total with games of 258, 210, 238, 258, 288, 257, 280 and 236. He holds a 41-pin lead over six-time PBA Tour winner Ryan Ciminelli of Cheetowaga, N.Y., who finished qualifying with a 1,984 pinfall (248 average).

“I don’t know if I can believe it – it’s a dream come true.” said Weber, who topped a field filled with many PBA Tour stars. “I was pretty nervous at the start but after the first game I was able to settle down. It’s tough to do but that’s part of the game. I just took some deep breaths and eventually settled into a rhythm.”

Weber and Ciminelli led a group of 16 players who advanced to Sunday’s match play round beginning at 9 a.m. CT. After match play is completed, the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled to get underway at 2:30 p.m.

Trying for his second consecutive win of the 2016 season, Ciminelli won the recent bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout presented by Xtra Frame in March.

Rounding out the top five after qualifying were 2012-13 PBA Rookie of the Year and one-time Tour winner EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind. 1,975; 2014 Rookie of the Year and one-time Tour winner Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,925, and seven-time PBA Tour winner Bill O’Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,923.

The PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open is the second of 10 Xtra Frame events that will pay the PBA member with the highest points total at the conclusion of the series a \$10,000 bonus.

The PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open continues Sunday with live coverage on PBA’s online bowling channel. Fans can subscribe to Xtra Frame by clicking on the Xtra Frame logo on the pba.com homepage.

PBA XTRA FRAME STORM OPEN Liberty Lanes, Carpentersville, Ill., Saturday

Final Qualifying Standings (after 8 games, top 16 advance to match play Sunday)

- 1, Scott Weber, La Salle, Ill., 2,025.
- 2, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,984.
- 3, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,975.
- 4, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,925.
- 5, Bill O’Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,923.
- 6, Aaron Lorincz, Saginaw, Mich., 1,919.
- 7, Patrick Allen, Mount Kisco, N.Y., 1,913.
- 8, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 1,909.
- 9, Steven Taylor, Deer Creek, Ill., 1,896.
- 10, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,893.
- 11, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,892.
- 12, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,888.
- 13, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 1,887.
- 14, Brian Traber, Waterford, Wis., 1,882.
- 15, Jordan Klassen, St. Catharines, Ont., 1,870.
- 16, Derek Roseberry, Louisville, Ky., 1,866.

Did not advance:

- 17, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,863, \$550.
- 18, Nathan Michalowski, Burlington, Wis., 1,859, \$550.
- 19, Vernon Peterson, Winter Haven, Fla., 1,855, \$550.
- 20, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,854, \$550.
- 21, Drew Klingler, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1,849, \$550.
- 22, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,819, \$550
- 23, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,813, \$550.
- 24, Jeff Voght, Canojaharie, N.Y., 1,798, \$500.
- 25, Chad Vendeville, Otsego, Mich., 1,787, \$500.
- 26, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,786, \$500.
- 27, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,775, \$500.
- 28, Chris O'Neil, Hoffman Estates, Ill., 1,774, \$500.
- 29, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,774, \$500.
- 30, Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 1,771, \$500.
- 31, Kevin Kullman, Tinley Park, Ill., 1,764.
- 32, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,757.
- 33, Brian Netherton, Perry, Iowa, 1,754.
- 34, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,750.
- 35, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,735.
- 36, Travis Anderson, Peoria, Ill., 1,730.
- 37, Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,721.
- 38, Tony Majcher, Rolling Meadows, Ill., 1,718.
- 39, Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., 1,717.
- 40, Ryan Keith, Bloomingdale, Ill., 1,715.
- 41, (tie) Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, and Jerry Morano, Lombard, Ill., 1,706.
- 43, Dave Traber, Hebron, Ill., 1,705.
- 44, (tie) Martin Bedford, Andrews AFB, Md., and AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,698.
- 46, (tie) David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., and Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,696
- 48, Brandon Bivens, East Ridge, Tenn., and Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 1,694.
- 50, Michael Schlabach, Goshen, Ind., 1,690.
- 51, Roger Zuchowski, Ingleside, Ill., 1,686.
- 52, David Knight, Folcroft, Pa., and Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,683.
- 54, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., and John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,678.
- 56, Walter Schaub, Schaumburg, Ill., 1,675.
- 57, Craig Keith, Bloomingdale, Ill, 1,671.
- 58, Robert Krooswyk, Valparaiso, Ind., 1,666.
- 59, Gary E. Faulkner, Norfolk, Va., 1,653.
- 60, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,652.
- 61, Kristian Rogers, Charlotte, N.C., 1,650.
- 62, Brian Robinson, Harrisonburg, Va., 1,645.
- 63, Matt Staninger, Highland, Ind., 1,640.
- 64, Dean Mueller, Vernon Hills, Ill., 1,632
- 65, Brian Regan, Flint, Mich. 1,627.
- 66, Darryl Traber, Waterford, Wis., 1,626.
- 67, Mike Calhoun, Wyandotte, Mich., 1,621.
- 68, Dave Dentlinger, Adel, Iowa, 1,602.
- 69, Dan Hochstein, Farmington Hills, Mich., 1,600.
- 70, Brad Sipes, Bloomington, Ill., 1,599.
- 71, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,598.
- 72, Jason Miller, Houston, 1,595.
- 73, Adam Monks, Conway, S.C., 1,573.
- 74, Jim Montgomery, Byron, Ill., 1,540.
- 75, Anggie Ramirez, Chicago, Ill., 1,531.
- 76, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C. 1,523.
- 77, Beau Rehner, Lake in the Hills, Ill., 1,518.
- 78, Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., 1,491.
- 79, Collin Howe, Salem, Ill., 1,487.

80, Jonathan Krueger, Minneapolis, Minn., 1,482
81, Ike Brownfield, Lowell, Ind., 1,453.
82, Dominic Delbene, Chicago, 1,447.
83, Nick Bezinovich, Forest Park, Ill., 1,442.
84, Joe Maltese, Crystal Lake, Ill, 1,430.
85, Dan Woodford, Jefferson, Iowa, 1,422.
86, Anthony Barbour, Taylor, Mich., 1,404.
87, Antonio Vernon, Cleveland, 1,402.
88, Tyler Arredondo, Carol Stream, Ill., 1,361.
89, Zachary Green, Madison, Wis., 1,277.
90, Floyd Speck, Marshalltown, Iowa, 1,277.
91, Karlton Nagel, Brownville, Neb., 1,210.
92, Dave Oliver, San Tan Valley, Ariz., 1,204.

Motown Muscle, Dallas Strikers Advance to PBA League Elias Cup Semis

Underdog franchises record sweeps in pursuit of first Elias Cup finals

PORTLAND, Maine – The Barbasol Motown Muscle and the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers, two teams that have struggled in their three previous Professional Bowlers Association League appearances, swept their favored opponents to move one step closer to the PBA League Elias Cup title match at Bayside Bowl.

The third and fourth quarterfinal round matches aired Sunday on ESPN, with Motown eliminating perennial contender BJ's L.A. X, 2-0, and Dallas outlasting the star-studded Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles, 2-0.

Motown, with a lineup featuring talented woman bowler Danielle McEwan, Josh Blanchard, Ronnie Russell, EJ Tackett and Anthony Simonsen, turned back L.A. X, 223-218 and 202-180, in their best-of-two-game Baker format contest. Four consecutive strikes by young power players Tackett and Simonsen clinched the first game and consecutive strikes by Russell, McEwan and Blanchard, capped by Simonsen's strike in the 10th frame, was just enough to win a mistake-filled second game against L.A. X's lineup of Patrick Allen, Andres Gomez, Stuart Williams, Martin Larsen and Jason Belmonte.

"That was a very hard match for me, personally," said Motown manager Del Ballard Jr., a PBA Hall of Famer whose day job is working as a staff representative for Storm Bowling Products. "All five guys on the other team (L.A. X) bowl for Storm and Roto Grip. I'm an old time competitor and I love hating who I'm bowling against, so I was really fighting myself emotionally."

A key to Motown advancing past the first round for only the second time in four years was the addition of 19-year-old two-hander Simonsen to a roster that also included the return of Tackett, the 23-year-old 2014 PBA Rookie of the Year.

"One of the reasons why I had Simonsen last and Tackett fourth, even though hooking the ball hasn't done that well in this building, is they are the youngest and they don't get tight between those 15-minute waits," Ballard said. "Watch them throw their first practice balls, and they're cocked and loaded, ready to go. The older guys might get a little slow, might grab the ball, but these kids just get up there and throw it, and that's what they did."

Despite his youth and never having faced the raucous atmosphere inside Bayside Bowl, Simonsen embraced both the sold-out crowd and the challenge of bowling anchor.

"I love (the atmosphere)," he said. "The fans come out here at 8 in the morning to tailgate and they're here all day. To have your team and the crowd behind you is a whole different atmosphere. It gets you worked up, but to be honest, I couldn't tell you if they kept cheering or not. After my first step I kinda blocked it all out."

In the fourth quarterfinal match, Dallas won a tight battle with Brooklyn in the first game, getting a string of four strikes from BJ Moore, Shawn Maldonado, Tommy Jones and a 10th-frame clincher from player-manager Norm Duke to win the first game, 226-213.

Brooklyn built a 42-pin lead after starting the second game behind strikes by PBA Hall of Famers Walter Ray Williams Jr. and Parker Bohn III, Jon VanHees and Jason Sterner, but the Strikers' decision to finish game two on the right lane proved to be the difference. Dallas erased the Styles' lead behind strikes by Jones, Duke and Moore, a spare by Maldonado, and two more strikes by Bill O'Neill and Jones on his first shot in the 10th locked up the 213-207 win.

"The surprise for us was the lineup switch we made for the first game," said Duke, Dallas' player-manager. "We were going to go with the second-game lineup, with Tommy as anchor, but he came to me and said when the lane condition is fresh, the two guys we have who hook the ball are lost.

"It made sense for me to throw the 10th frame in the first game and, when the condition opened up a little, put Tommy back in anchor for the second game. But I didn't want to bowl the 10th; I wanted to lead off to get us a mark out of the gate," Duke added. "But we pulled it off and bowled two really good games considering how bad we actually executed.

"We knew from last year that, given the choice, we wanted to finish on the right lane in the second game," he continued. "If we win the coin toss next time, we're going to finish on that lane, too."

Duke was beaming after advancing out of the first round for the first time since 2013.

"We were among the top five the first year, under a different format, but since then we haven't made it out of the first round," he grinned. "So that's why I'm so hyped right now."

Jones, the only player to bowl for two previous Elias Cup championship teams (GEICO NYC WTT KingPins in 2013 and the Silver Lake Atom Splitters in 2014), was relieved his team was able to survive a less-than-sterling performance against Brooklyn.

"It's survive and advance at this point, and that's what we did," Jones said. "The second game wasn't very pretty, but I felt like we had a chance. Then it kind of fell in our laps. Sometimes you've gotta get lucky."

The 2015 Elias Cup competition now moves into the semifinal round, with the GEICO New York City WTT KingPins meeting the hometown-favorite Shipyard Brewing Co. Portland Lumberjacks and the Barbasol Motown Muscle battling the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers. Both semifinal matches will air on Sunday, May 1, at 1 p.m. ET., with the winners advancing to the Elias Cup Finals on Sunday, May 8, also at 1 p.m. ET

2016 PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP QUARTERFINAL ROUND

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine (aired Sunday, April 24 on ESPN)

(Best of two five-player Baker format team games, ties broken by roll-off)

Quarterfinal Match Three

Barbasol Motown Muscle (Danielle McEwan, Josh Blanchard, Ronnie Russell, EJ Tackett, Anthony Simonsen) def. BJ's L.A. X (Stuart Williams, Andres Gomez, Patrick Allen, Martin Larsen, Jason Belmonte), 2-0 (223-218, 202-180).

Quarterfinal Match Four

GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers (Bill O'Neill, BJ Moore, Shawn Maldonado, Tommy Jones, Norm Duke) def. Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles (Walter Ray Williams Jr., Parker Bohn III, Jon VanHees, Jason Sterner, Sean Rash), 2-0 (226-213 213-207).

E.J. Tackett Wins PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open for Second PBA Tour Title

Key break in title match helps 2013 Rookie of the Year escape top qualifier Ryan Ciminelli

CARPENTERSVILLE, Ill. (April 24, 2016) – EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., broke up a 7-9 split, converting the break into a string of three strikes that proved to be the difference in winning his second career PBA Tour title Sunday in the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open at Liberty Lanes.

Tackett, the 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year, defeated top qualifier Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., 217-210, to win the \$10,000 first prize after eliminating PBA Regional veteran Steven Taylor of Deer Creek, Ill., in the semifinal match.

"They say winning your second title is the toughest," said Tackett, who won his first PBA Tour title in the 2015 PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open. "But I've been close and I've been bowling well. Maybe this will lead to something more.

"I really didn't think I could bowl enough to beat Ryan; I thought it would take 250 to win," Tackett said. "I got fortunate that he didn't bowl a good game because that's really uncharacteristic of how he's been bowling."

Ciminelli's closing string of four strikes forced Tackett to mark in the 10th frame on the lane that was giving him difficulty.

"I liked the first shot," he said, despite leaving a 4 pin. "I guess, being in the situation, I probably threw it a little hard, but the result was good. I was a little nervous on that (4 pin) spare, just because I'd missed one in match play earlier – against Ryan, actually."

Taylor's "Cinderella" bid for his first PBA Tour title, in only his second PBA Tour event after bowling in 103 regionals, came to an end with a 205-200 loss to Tackett in the semifinal match. Tackett threw one double and converted six single-pin spares, but Taylor threw one too many splits.

Taylor, an 11-year PBA Midwest Region competitor with three regional titles, rallied from an early 29-pin deficit with a string of six strikes to eliminate Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 237-209, in the first stepladder match. The 40-year-old right-hander then watched 14-time PBA Tour titlist Patrick Allen of Mount Kisco, N.Y., start with five strikes, rolling into an early 33-pin lead, before throwing eight strikes in his last nine attempts for a 246-212 victory. Allen left a pocket 7-10 in the seventh frame and then saw his titles hopes disappear when he left and failed to convert the 3-7-9 split in the ninth frame.

The PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open is the second of 10 Xtra Frame events that will pay the PBA member with the highest points total at the conclusion of the series a \$10,000 bonus. Tackett said his plan is to bowl the entire Xtra Frame series.

"The series rewards good bowling, it rewards consistency on different patterns," Tackett said. "They're not just handing out titles and with a \$10,000 bonus at the end, it's worth going after."

The PBA Xtra Frame Tour resumes June 25-26 with live coverage of the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open from Lubbock, Texas. Fans can subscribe to Xtra Frame by clicking on the Xtra Frame logo on the pba.com homepage.

PBA XTRA FRAME STORM OPEN

Liberty Lanes, Carpentersville, Ill., Sunday

Final Standings

- 1, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$10,000.
- 2, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$5,000.
- 3, Steve Taylor, Deer Creek, Ill., \$2,500.
- 4, Patrick Allen, Mount Kisco, N.Y., \$2,000.
- 5, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$1,500.

Stepladder Results

Match One – Taylor def. Rash, 237-209.
Match Two – Taylor def. Allen, 246-212.
Semifinal Match – Tackett def. Taylor, 205-200.
Championship – Tackett def. Ciminelli, 217-210.

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Ciminelli, 7-5, 5,256.
- 2, Tackett, 9-3, 5,192.
- 3, Allen, 7-4-1, 5,095.
- 4, Taylor, 8-4, 4,991.
- 5, Rash, 7-4-1, 4,979.
- 6, Aaron Lorincz, Saginaw, Mich., 6-6, 4,903, \$1,100.
- 7, Scott Weber, LaSalle, Ill., 5-7, 4,883, \$1,000.
- 8, Jordan Klassen, Canada, 7-5, 4,877, \$900.

- 9, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, Texas, 5-6-1, 4,852, \$875.
- 10, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 5-7, 4,804, \$850.
- 11, n-Brian Traber, Waterford, Wis., 6-5-1, 4,791, \$825.
- 12, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 6-6, 4,785, \$800.
- 13, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 3-9, 4,702, \$780.
- 14, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 4-8, 4,693, \$770.
- 15, n-Derek Roseberry, Louisville, Ky., 6-6, 4,668, \$760.
- 16, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3-9, 5,494, \$750.

n-denotes non-member.

Ron Mohr Averages 257 to Take UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages First Round Lead

THE VILLAGES, Fla. – With an eye on his own eight-game qualifying record, two-time PBA50 Tour Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, averaged 257 to lead the first round of the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical at Spanish Springs Lanes.

Mohr, who owns the eight-game block qualifying mark of 2,160 (270 average) set during the 2010 HP Lanes Senior Open fired a 2,056 pinfall total Sunday with games of 237, 248, 275, 248, 298, 235, 236 and 279.

“The thought entered my mind but I left too many 10 pins,” said the eight-time PBA50 Tour titlist about the record. “Obviously on a higher scoring condition pin carry is everything.”

Mohr is hoping to end a nearly four-year drought without a PBA50 Tour win. His last win came in the 2012 Senior Decatur Open.

“With so much talent out on the PBA50 Tour now you really have to be at the top of your game day in and day out,” said Mohr, who had a best finish of third in 2015. “To help me get back to that top level I’ve been working on improving my mental game. It’s a work in progress but I’m close to being where I want to be.”

Not far behind Mohr was PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., 23 pins back with 2,033. Williams won last week’s season opening Pasco County Florida Open for his 10th career PBA50 Tour title and then followed that up with a win in the PBA50 Sarasota South Open presented by Ebonite QubicaAMF regional tournament on Friday.

Rounding out the top five after the first round were Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,960; Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,958, and reigning PBA50 Player of the Year Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,956.

Defending champion Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas finished the day in 26th with 1,842.

The 160-player field returns Monday for another eight-game qualifying round which will determine the top 32 players who will advance to Tuesday’s match play. Once match play is concluded the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m. ET.

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PBA50 UNITEDHEALTHCARE SUN BOWL IN THE VILLAGES PRESENTED BY RADICAL Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla., Sunday

First Round Standings (after eight games)

- 1, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 2,056.
- 2, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2,033.
- 3, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,960.
- 4, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,958.
- 5, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,956.
- 6, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 1,951.

7, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,949.
8, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,941.
9, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,929.
10, (tie) ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., and Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 1,922.
12, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,911.
13, Steve Kenyon, Dade City, Fla., 1,910.
14, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,908.
15, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,905.
16, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,902.
17, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,896.
18, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,890.
19, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 1,884.
20, (tie) David Taylor, Largo, Fla., and Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,866.
22, Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 1,859.
23, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 1,854.
24, (tie) John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, and James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,850.
26, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,842.
27, (tie) Jim Pitts, Elmira, N.Y., and Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,834.
29, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,833.
30, (tie) Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., and Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 1,831.
32, Michael Owen, Gainesville, Fla., 1,827.
33, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 1,821.
34, Bruce Hall, Westborough, Mass., 1,820.
35, (tie) Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., and Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 1,818.
37, ss-Bob Kelly, Dayton, Ohio, 1,810.
38, n-John Hough, Naples, Fla., 1,809.
39, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,807.
40, ss-Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,804.
41, ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,803.
42, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 1,802.
43, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,801.
44, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,800.
45, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,798.
46, (tie) ss-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, and Paul LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,796.
48, William Peters, Dayton, Ohio, 1,794.
49, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 1,790.
50, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,785.
51, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,782.
52, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,777.
53, (tie) Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, and Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,776.
55, (tie) Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., and Darin Hays, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,773.
57, Robert Leonard Sr, Lockwood, N.Y., 1,771.
58, (tie) Rory Peterson, Sacramento, Calif., John Gant, Medford, Mass., and Todd Haney, Boiling Springs, S.C., 1,769.
61, (tie) Dan Schmerbach, St. Joseph, Mo., and David Welch, St. Louis, Mo., 1,761.
63, (tie) ss-Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., and Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 1,751.
66, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,749.
67, ss-Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,748.
68, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 1,747.
69, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,745.
70, (tie) ss-Michael Truitt, New Port Richey, Fla., ss-Michael Kennedy, Victoria, Australia, ss-Fred Ferreira, Kings Park, N.Y., ss-John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., and Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,739.
75, ss-Frank Gallo Jr., Jacksonville, Fla., 1,733.
76, ss-Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 1,732.
77, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 1,730.
78, ss-Mark Scime, Winter Garden, Fla., 1,726.
79, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 1,722.
80, Michael Holden, Victoria, Australia, 1,720.
81, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,716.

82, ss-Roger Kossert, Lithia, Fla., 1,714.
83, (tie) ss-Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., and ss-James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 1,713.
85, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,710.
86, ss-Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 1,709.
87, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,707.
88, ss-George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 1,704.
89, Larry Woomer, State College, Pa., 1,703.
90, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,702.
91, Randy Robertson, Evansville, Ind., 1,700.
92, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,698.
93, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 1,696.
94, (tie) ss-Rich Giragosian, Charlotte, N.C., and Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,695.
96, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,692.
97, Bill Ursillo, Bluffton, S.C., 1,691.
98, (tie) John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., and ss-Bob Chamberlain, The Villages, Fla., 1,689.
100, James Lord, Fort Mill, S.C., 1,683.
101, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,681.
102, ss-John Pullen, Oyster Bay, N.Y., 1,678.
103, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,677.
104, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,675.
105, Steven Grotowski, Ft Lauderdale, Fla, 1,674.
106, John Donovan, Melbourne, Fla., 1,673.
107, ss-Steve Bova, Massapequa, N.Y., 1,671.
108, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 1,670.
109, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,669.
109, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 1,669.
111, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,668.
112, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 1,659.
113, (tie) Wayne Bolin, Lumberton, N.C., and David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,656.
115, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 1,647.
116, (tie) ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., and ss-Antonio Santa, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 1,644.
118, Jim Price, Harrisburg, N.C., 1,642.
119, James Deplanche, Taylor, Mich., 1,639.
120, Harry Alchin III, Madeira Beach, Fla., 1,630.
121, Adam Colton, Boynton Beach, Fla., 1,627.
122, John Dougherty III, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., 1,626.
123, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,625.
124, John DiSantis, Wilmington, Del., 1,624.
125, (tie) ss-Michael Chrzanowski, Shepherd, Mich., and ss-Nick Panicaro, Ocala, Fla., 1,623.
127, ss-Mike Walden, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,621.
128, ss-Patsy DellaPenna, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,620.
129, ss-Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 1,612.
130, Billy Block, Pembroke Pines, Fla., 1,610.
131, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,609.
132, (tie) ss-Larry Gross, Ocala, Fla., and Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,608.
134, (tie) Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., and ss-Greg Wilhelm, Saluda, Va., 1,599.
136, Pete Arruda, Gilbert, S.C., 1,595.
137, Stephen Wood, Naylor, Ga., 1,593.
138, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,589.
139, ss-Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 1,584.
140, ss-Darrell Adams, Flintstone, Ga., 1,571.
141, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 1,564.
142, ss-Edgar Gomez, Colombia, 1,562.
143, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 1,558.
144, Jon DeLaney, McKinney, Texas, 1,552.
145, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,551.
146, ss-Howard Frostman, Washburn, Wis., 1,547.
147, ss-Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 1,538.

148, ss-Adrian Eckroth, Ocala, Fla., 1,535.
149, ss-Lindell Woolard, Tallahassee, Fla., 1,533.
150, ss-Larry Montgomery, Safety Harbor, Fla., 1,529.
151, Joseph Long, Tarpon, Springs, Fla., 1,516.
152, William Medina, Camillus, N.Y., 1,499.
153, ss-Dan Howsmon, Lutz, Fla., 1,498.
154, ss-Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., 1,485.
155, ss-Dave Schultz, West Bend, Wis., 1,467.
156, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,455.
157, Larry Felts Jr., Moore, S.C., 1,452.
158, ss-Bobby Dunn, Augusta, Ga., 1,441.
159, ss-Stephen Lippman, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,399.
160, ss-Gerald Dost, Hilton Head, S.C., 1,351.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

PBA, H5G Renew Official Jersey Provider Agreement Through 2019

CHICAGO (April 25, 2016) – H5G, the newly-renamed leader in bowling sports apparel, will remain the Official Jersey Provider of the Professional Bowling Association through 2019, representatives of both companies announced Monday.

“We are pleased that H5G is not only supporting the PBA, but helping the PBA project a professional image throughout the sports world, providing a creative visual promotional tool to help all of PBA’s Product Registered companies and our corporate partners while giving PBA members a creative way to showcase their personalities,” said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark.

“Since becoming the PBA’s official jersey supplier, H5G has seen its involvement with the PBA expand to league and tournament bowlers, and into the high school and collegiate ranks, dramatically improving the image of the sport,” said Todd Molbeck, president of the Waukesha, Wis.-based company.

“H5G set out to change the image of bowling by giving the sport a cool, contemporary and professional look,” Molbeck said. “We have not only accomplished that goal, but at the same time, H5G has provided players with high-quality clothing designed for competition and as our business grows, we are re-investing to help the sport grow and prosper.”

In addition to its exclusive agreement with the PBA, the company originally known as High 5 Gear has cultivated sponsorship programs with the Professional Women’s Bowling Association, the PBA Xtra Frame Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles Championship and the new PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open, the Colorado Scratch Bowlers Tour (CSBT), Pennsylvania Junior Bowlers Tour (PJBT), and a number of other youth and charity events.

The company also has initiated special incentive programs to provide its custom-designed, high-quality apparel to collegiate and high school teams.

SUNDAY ON ESPN: PBA League Semifinals at 1 p.m. ET

PORTLAND, Maine – The PBA League will have a new Elias Cup winner this year as the four surviving teams move into the semifinal elimination rounds on ESPN Sunday at 1 p.m. ET from Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine.

In Sunday’s first semifinal, the GEICO New York City WTT KingPins (Pete Weber, Scott Norton, Mike Fagan, Marshall Kent and John Szczerbinski) will be the only team that has a chance to win the Elias Cup for a second time after eliminating the two-time defending

champion bowlingball.com Silver Lake Atom Splitters in the opening round. The KingPins must defeat the hometown favorite Shipyard Brewing Co. Portland Lumberjacks (Bryon Smith, Wes Malott, Ryan Ciminelli, Osku Palermaa and Liz Johnson) to remain in Elias Cup contention. Sunday's KingPins-Lumberjacks match will be followed by the second semifinal match between the Barbasol Motown Muscle (Danielle McEwan, Josh Blanchard, Ronnie Russell, EJ Tackett and Anthony Simonsen) vs. GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers (Norm Duke, Tommy Jones, Bill O'Neill, Shawn Maldonado and B.J. Moore).

The Lumberjacks, Muscle and Strikers are all trying to win the Elias Cup for the first time.

In last Sunday's quarterfinal matches on ESPN, the Motown Muscle turned back BJ's L.A. X, 223-218 and 202-180, in their best-of-two-game Baker format contest. Bowling for L.A. X were Patrick Allen, Andres, Gomez, Stuart Williams, Martin Larsen and Jason Belmonte. In the final quarterfinal match, the Dallas Strikers beat the Concrete Software Brooklyn Styles (Walter Ray Williams Jr., Parker Bohn III, Jon Van Hees, Jason Sterner and Sean Rash), 226-213 and 213-207.

In the opening round of quarterfinal action on April 17, the KingPins eliminated the Atom Splitters (Chris Barnes, Tom Daugherty, Dick Allen, Jesper Svensson and Matt McNiell), 2-0, and the Lumberjacks eliminated the High 5 Gear Philadelphia Hitmen (Dom Barrett, Rhino Page, Tom Smallwood, Chris Loschetter and Dave Wodka), 2-0, in their best-of-two-game Baker team match.

The semifinal round will determine the two teams advancing to the Elias Cup finals which will air Sunday, May 8 at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN. The Elias Cup, named after the late PBA founder and Hall of Famer Eddie Elias, will be decided by singles, doubles and trios matches worth one point each followed by a three-point, five-player Baker team finale.

The 2016 PBA League schedule, and complete rosters, are available by visiting <http://www.pba.com/bowlers/theleague> and follow the PBA League on all PBA Network outlets: <http://www.pba.com/PBANetwork>.

**Mohr Averages 251 to Dominate
UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages Qualifying**
Two-time PBA50 Player of the Year leads 32 players who advanced to match play

THE VILLAGES, Fla. – Two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, averaged 251 to dominate qualifying and lead 32 players who advanced to match play for the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical at Spanish Springs Lanes.

After a 2,056 eight-game pinfall in Sunday's first round, Mohr followed it up with 1,961 after Monday's second round for a 4,017 16-game overall pinfall. He bowled games of 259, 218, 269, 237, 278, 268, 237 and 195 in the second round.

"When the round started I was having to play the lanes quite a bit deeper than I anticipated but the key is to read the lanes and react," Mohr said. "I expected a three or four board difference from yesterday but it turned out to be eight to 10. It wasn't a problem because I was able to make the right adjustments and I was able throw the same ball as I did yesterday for the whole round."

Mohr, an eight-time PBA50 Tour winner, is hoping to end a nearly four-year drought without a PBA50 Tour win. His last win came in the 2012 Senior Decatur Open.

He's also looking forward to bouncing back from his 39th-place finish in last week's season opening Pasco County Florida Open.

"I spent some time working on some fundamental things before coming here and I think it's made a lot of difference," Mohr said. "I just need to continue to focus on the things I can control and trust that the results will come."

Mohr holds the PBA50 eight and 16-game qualifying records of 2,160 and 4,243, respectively, which were set in the 2010 HP Lanes Senior Open.

Reigning PBA50 Player of the Year Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., qualified second with 3,946. He had games of 245, 258, 222, 258, 264, 248, 216 and 279 in his second round.

"I do well here," said Weber, who finished fourth in the Pasco County Florida Open. "I've made the finals here the last two out of three years and I've got a good start in qualifying so I'm where I need to be at this point."

Rounding out the top five after the second round were Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,893; Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,885, and Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, 3,883.

Pasco County Florida Open winner Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., finished the day in sixth with 3,811 and defending champion Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, finished tied for seventh with 3,777.

Match play begins Tuesday at 9 a.m. ET. At the conclusion of match play the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m.

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PBA50 UNITEDHEALTHCARE SUN BOWL IN THE VILLAGES

PRESENTED BY RADICAL

Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla., Monday

Second Round Standings (after 16 games. Top 32 advance to match play Tuesday)

- 1, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4,017.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,946.
- 3, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,893.
- 4, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,885.
- 5, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,883.
- 6, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,811.
- 7, (tie) Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, and Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,777.
- 9, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,736.
- 10, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,733.
- 11, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,731.
- 12, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 3,729.
- 13, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 3,727.
- 14, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,720.
- 15, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3,707.
- 16, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,702.
- 17, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 3,688.
- 18, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,683.
- 19, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3,681.
- 20, (tie) Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., and David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 3,679.
- 22, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,666.
- 23, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,662.
- 24, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,661.
- 25, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,660.
- 26, Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,659.
- 27, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 3,654.
- 28, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,650.
- 29, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,637.
- 30, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 3,634.
- 31, Bruce Hall, Westborough, Mass., 3,630.
- 32, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 3,627.

Did not advance:

- 33, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3,624, \$1,000.
- 34, Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 3,623, \$1,000.
- 35, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,616, \$1,000.
- 36, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,613, \$1,000.

37, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,611, \$1,000.
38, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,610, \$1,000.
39, Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 3,607, \$1,000.
40, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,594, \$1,000.
41, Paul LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 3,590, \$1,000.
42, Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 3,582, \$1,000.
43, (tie) Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 3,579, and Steve Kenyon, Dade City, Fla., 3,579, \$1,000.
45, John Dougherty III, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., 3,577, \$1,000.
45, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3,577, \$1,000.
47, (tie) Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,567, and Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 3,567, \$1,000.
49, Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 3,564, \$1,000.
49, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 3,564, \$1,000.
51, John Gant, Medford, Mass., 3,550, \$1,000.
52, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 3,542, \$1,000.
53, Dave Han, Hoover, AL, 3,530, \$1,000.
54, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 3,528.
55, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 3,526.
56, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 3,523.
57, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3,522.
58, (tie) John Donovan, Melbourne, Fla., and Jim Pitts, Elmira, N.Y., 3,512.
60, ss-John Pullen, Oyster Bay, NY, 3,511, \$1,000.
61, ss-Roger Kossert, Lithia, Fla., 3,510, \$1,000.
62, William Peters, Dayton, Ohio, 3,509.
63, ss-Mark Scime, Winter Garden, Fla., 3,507, \$1,000.
64, Rory Peterson, Sacramento, Calif., 3,504.
65, Michael Owen, Gainesville, Fla., 3,502.
66, Robert Leonard, Lockwood, N.Y., 3,501.
67, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,500.
68, Todd Haney, Boiling Springs, S.C., 3,498.
69, Darin Hays, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,493.
70, Wayne Bolin, Lumberton, N.C., 3,492.
71, n-John Hough, Naples, Fla., 3,489.
72, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,485, \$1,000.
73, James Lord, Fort Mill, S.C., 3,477.
74, Peter Knopp, Germany, 3,475.
75, ss-Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 3,473, \$1,000.
76, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 3,472, \$1,000.
77, ss-Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 3,471, \$1,000.
78, ss-Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 3,466, \$1,000.
79, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,464.
80, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 3,463.
81, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,456.
82, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 3,454.
83, Pete Arruda, Gilbert, S.C., 3,450.
84, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 3,447.
85, David Welch, St. Louis, Mo., 3,440.
86, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 3,436.
87, (tie) Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., and Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,433.
89, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 3,431.
90, Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 3,430.
91, Frank Gallo Jr., Jacksonville, Fla., 3,429.
92, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 3,422.
93, Dick Gran, Hartsville, Ohio, 3,421.
94, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,418.
95, Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 3,415.
96, Michael Truitt, New Port Richey, Fla., 3,402.
97, Antonio Santa, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 3,377.
98, Jim Price, Harrisburg, N.C., 3,372.

99, Mike Walden, Stony Point, N.Y., 3,366.
 100, James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 3,363.
 101, Rich Giragosian, Charlotte, N.C., 3,362.
 102, Michael Kennedy, Australia, 3,352.
 103, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 3,349.
 104, Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,347.
 105, Bill Ursillo, Bluffton, S.C., 3,344.
 106, Dan Schmerbach, St. Joseph, Mo., 3,343.
 106, Bob Kelly, Dayton, Ohio, 3,343.
 108, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,336.
 109, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,335.
 110, (tie) Randy Robertson, Evansville, Ind., and Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,331.
 112, John DiSantis, Wilmington, Del., 3,321.
 113, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 3,318.
 114, (tie) Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, and Larry Woormer, State College, Pa., 3,317.
 116, Fred Ferreira, Kings Park, N.Y., 3,309.
 117, James Deplanche, Taylor, Mich., 3,304.
 118, Bob Chamberlain, The Villages, Fla., 3,290.
 119, (tie) Billy Block, Pembroke Pines, Fla., Nick Panicaro, Ocala, Fla., and Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,284.
 122, Steven Grotowski, Ft Lauderdale, Fla, 3,275.
 123, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 3,269.
 124, n-Adam Colton, Boynton Beach, Fla., 3,263.
 125, Steve Bova, Massapequa, N.Y., 3,252.
 126, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,246.
 126, Michael Holden, Victoria, Australia, 3,246.
 128, George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 3,245.
 129, Harry Alchin III, Madeira Beach, Fla., 3,243.
 130, Greg Wilhelm, Saluda, Va., 3,240.
 131, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 3,228.
 132, (tie) Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., and Michael Chrzanowski, Shepherd, Mich., 3,221.
 134, (tie) Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, and Patsy DellaPenna, Palm Harbor, Fla., 3,219.
 136, (tie) Jon DeLaney, McKinney, Texas, and Edgar Gomez, Colombia, 3,217.
 138, Darrell Adams, Flintstone, Ga., 3,212.
 139, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 3,197.
 140, Larry Gross, Ocala, Fla., 3,196.
 141, John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 3,190.
 142, Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 3,155.
 143, Paul Mielens, Menomonee, Wis., 3,104.
 144, Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 3,099.
 145, William Medina, Camillus, N.Y., 3,093.
 146, Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 3,090.
 147, Stephen Wood, Naylor, Ga., 3,085.
 148, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,079.
 149, Adrian Eckroth, Ocala, Fla., 3,065.
 150, Stephen Lippman, Palm Harbor, Fla., 2,978.
 151, Dan Howsmon, Lutz, Fla., 2,977.
 152, Larry Montgomery, Safety Harbor, Fla., 2,971.
 153, Joseph Long, Tarpon, Springs, Fla., 2,969.
 154, Larry Felts Jr., Moore, S.C., 2,960.
 155, Lindell Woolard, Tallahassee, Fla., 2,934.
 156, Bobby Dunn, Augusta, Ga., 2,931.
 157, Howard Frostman, Washburn, Wis., 2,925.
 158, Dave Schultz, West Bend, Wis., 2,842.
 159, Gerald Dost, Hilton Head, S.C., 2,834.
 160, Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., 2,733.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 players ages 60 and over out of the regular prize list cashing for \$1,000

Weber Wins PBA50 UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages For Fifth PBA50 Tour Title

Weber benefits from three missed spares by Mohr in championship match

THE VILLAGES, Fla. – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., the 2015 PBA50 Player of the Year, began work defending that crown by winning the PBA50 UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical Tuesday at Spanish Springs Lanes.

Weber won his fifth career PBA50 Tour title by defeating two-time PBA50 Player of the Year and tournament top qualifier Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, 204-162, in the title match.

"I've always bowled well here," said Weber. "I've made the finals here three out of the last four years and was hoping it would just be a matter of time to get a win."

Weber, a winner of 37 titles, including a record-tying 10 majors on the PBA Tour, was helped by three open frames by Mohr, who missed two 10 pins and a four pin. Mohr, an eight-time PBA50 Tour titlist, was trying to end a nearly four-year drought without a win, with his last coming in the 2012 Senior Decatur Open.

"I feel bad for Ron but he's the type of guy that will bounce back no doubt about that," Weber said. "We've all been there. Sometimes when you miss an easy spare, that frustration can make things worse. We were both having trouble that game—I could barely get a double."

The win solidified a good start to the season for Weber who finished fourth in last week's season-opening Pasco County Florida Open.

"I'm feeling good physically and my game is in a good shape so I'm looking forward to another good season," Weber added.

In the semifinal, Weber beat PBA50 Tour newcomer Joel Carlson of Omaha, Neb., 268-223, to advance to the championship match.

In the opening stepladder match, Carlson beat four-time PBA50 Player of the Year and 12-time PBA50 Tour winner Tom Baker of King, N.C., 224-213, and then went on to beat 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, 268-217, to advance to the semifinal.

PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli bowled three 300 games which tied the record for most 300s in a PBA50 Tour tournament with four other bowlers – Mohr, Bob Kelly, Joe Scarborough and Walter Ray Williams Jr.

The PBA50 Tour's third stop of the season will be George Pappas Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C. for the Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life May 1-4.

PBA50 UNITEDHEALTHCARE SUN BOWL IN THE VILLAGES PRESENTED BY RADICAL Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla., Tuesday

Final Standings

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$7,500.
- 2, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, \$4,000.
- 3, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., \$3,000.
- 4, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, \$2,500.
- 5, Tom Baker, King, N.C., \$2,000.

Stepladder Results

Match One – Carlson def. Baker, 224-213.

Match Two – Carlson def. Scroggins, 268-217.

Semifinal Match – Weber def. Carlson, 268-223.

Championship – Weber def. Mohr, 204-162.

Match Play Round 2 results (32-game pinfall totals including bonus pins with match play record. Top five advance to stepladder finals)

- 1, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 6-9-1, 8,050.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 6-9-1, 8,044.
- 3, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 9-6-1, 8,029.
- 4, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 11-3-2, 7,992.
- 5, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 10-6, 7,982.
- 6, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 11-5, 7,951, \$1,700.
- 7, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 10-6, 7,923, \$1,600.
- 8, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 9-7, 7,899, \$1,550.
- 9, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 7-9, 7,853, \$1,500.
- 10, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 9-7, 7,770, \$1,475.
- 11, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 9-7, 7,763, \$1,450.
- 12, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 5-11, 7,750, \$1,425.
- 13, Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 7-8-1, 7,715, \$1,400.
- 14, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 9-7, 7,706, \$1,380.
- 15, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 7-8-1, 7,611, \$1,360.
- 16, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 8-7-1, 7,604, \$1,350.

Match Play Round 1 results (24-game pinfall totals with match play record. Top 16 advanced to match play round 2)

- 1, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 7-1, 6,085.
- 2, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 2-5-1, 6,028.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 4-4, 5,969.
- 4, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 5-3, 5,899.
- 5, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2-6, 5,894.
- 6, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 4-4, 5,885.
- 7, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 5-3, 5,842.
- 8, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 5-3, 5,822.
- 9, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 5-2-1, 5,786.
- 10, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 6-2, 5,782.
- 11, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 4-4, 5,780.
- 12, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 5-3, 5,779.
- 13, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 4-4, 5,763.
- 14, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 5-3, 5,755.
- 15 (tie), Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 4-4, and Tom Baker, King, N.C., 5-3, 5,723.

Did not advance:

- 17, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 5-2-1, 5,722, \$1,200.
- 18, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3-4-1, 5,719, \$1,190.
- 19, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 4-4, 5,713, \$1,180.
- 20, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 2-6, 5,691, \$1,170.
- 21, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3-5, 5,652, \$1,160.
- 22, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 4-4, 5,645, \$1,150.
- 23, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4-4, 5,620, \$1,145.
- 24, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 4-4, 5,604, \$1,140.
- 25, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3-5, 5,598, \$1,135.
- 26, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3-5, 5,589, \$1,130.
- 27, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3-5, 5,566, \$1,125.
- 28, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3-5, 5,544, \$1,120.
- 29, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 6-2, 5,529, \$1,115.
- 30, Bruce Hall, Westborough, Mass., 3-5, 5,506, \$1,110.
- 31, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 2-6, 5,456, \$1,105.
- 32, Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., 2-6, 5,394, \$1,100.

RYAN CIMINELLI EXTENDS XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR POINTS LEAD

With a second-place finish in Sunday's PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., to go along with his win in the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout earlier in the month, **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., has taken a seven-point lead over XF Storm Open winner **EJ Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., in the race for the overall Xtra Frame PBA Tour points crown and a \$10,000 bonus.

Tackett earned 25 points for his win in Carpentersville, following a ninth-place finish in Portland, while Ciminelli picked up another 19 points. After two of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events, Ciminelli and Tackett are the only two players with top 20 finishes in both events. The next tournament in the series is the PBA Downums Waste Services Greater Jonesboro (Ark.) Open presented by Xtra Frame, June 3-5.

The current top 10 in Xtra Frame PBA Tour points are: 1, **Ryan Ciminelli** 44; 2, **EJ Tackett** 37; 3, **Tommy Jones** 19; 4 (tie), **Tim Gillick** and **Steven Taylor** 18. 6 (tie), **Patrick Allen**, **Shawn Maldonado**, **Sean Rash** and **Tim Mack** 17; 10, **Norm Duke** 16.

PWBA SEASON OPENER, PBA50 EVENTS FILL XTRA FRAME SCHEDULE

Coming up on PBA's Xtra Frame schedule will be coverage of the preliminary rounds of the first PWBA Tour event of the 2016 season, the Las Vegas Open, April 30-May 1, from Texas Station, followed by start-to-finish coverage of the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life, May 2-4.

PWBA and PBA50 Tour coverage continues with the Nationwide PWBA Sonoma County Open May 6-7; the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick May 8-10 and the PWBA Storm Sacramento Open May 13-14.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF WINS FIRST OF THREE HAWAII EVENTS

- **Jakob Butturff** of Chandler, Ariz., defeated amateur **Justin Stevens** of Aiea, Hawaii, 245-211, to win the PBA Hawaii West/Northwest Open presented by Brunswick at Schofield Lanes on Schofield Army Base Sunday, kicking off the annual PBA West/Northwest Region Hawaii tripleheader series.

Butturff, the PBA West Region's 2015 Rookie of the Year, has now won three regional titles. He also received \$2,000 for his win. Butturff defeated **Scott Norton** of Mission Viejo, Calif., 218-194, and Stevens defeated **Tom Daugherty** of Tampa, Fla., 208-198, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- In a best-of-three-game final between **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** of Oxford, Fla., and **Lee Brosius** of Ashburn, Va., Williams got payback by defeating Brosius, 237-182, 227-265, 246-212, to win his 33rd QubicaAMF Regional title in the PBA50 Sarasota South Open presented By Ebonite at Sarasota Lanes on Friday.

Fresh off winning his 10th PBA50 Tour title in the season-opening PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open three days earlier, Williams earned \$2,300 in a rematch of the PBA50 Fayetteville Southern Open title match in March, when Brosius defeated Williams. The mid-week PBA50 regional event featured a number of PBA50 Tour stars who were traveling between the Pasco County Open and the tour's second stop of the season, the PBA50 United Healthcare Sun Bowl in The Villages, Fla., which began Sunday.

In the semifinal round, Brosius swept **Bill Peters** of Dayton Ohio, 277-229, 228-225, while Williams defeated **Ron Mohr** of Las Vegas, 242-206, 280-181.

- This weekend, the PBA West and Northwest Regions completes its annual Hawaii tripleheader with the Hickam AFB West/Northwest Open April 29-May 1. The PBA50 Tour heads north to North Carolina for the Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life May 1-4, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour will include a second mid-week event, the PBA50 Cherokee Lanes South Open presented by Roto Grip in Canton, Ga., April 28-30. Victory Lanes in Kankakee, Ill., will host a Midwest Regional Challenge event for non-title winners.

- The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule for the May 13-15 weekend includes the Al Jones Memorial presented by Storm at Rockaway Lanes in Rockaway, N.J., and the Baldo Campana Memorial/Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open presented by Storm at Rebman Recreation in Lorain, Ohio.

- The May 20-22 QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule includes the J.D. Producing/Star Strategies/Orrvilon Inc. Central Open presented by Hammer at Triway Lanes in Wooster, Ohio; the Planet Bowl Southwest Open in Oklahoma City, and a Northwest Region doubleheader – The Shock Top/Budweiser Open presented by US Foods and Brunswick plus the PBA50 Daffodil Bowl Open presented by Sunset Chevrolet and Brunswick in Puyallup, Wash. The Midwest Region will conduct a one-day Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by Hammer on May 21 at Fox Bowl in Wheaton, Ill.
- As PBA50 players head toward Las Vegas and the Suncoast PBA U.S. Senior Open presented by 900 Global May 29-June 3, they'll have a couple of regional opportunities in Arizona – the 7th annual Lona King Saguaro West Open at Johnson Lanes in Sun City West, May 23-25, and the PBA50 Miller Lite Western Open at Starlite Lanes in Flagstaff May 25-27.
- Over the May 27-29 Memorial Day weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition will include the Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open presented by MOTIV in Junction City, Kan. (which was originally scheduled for May 13-15); and the Colony Park Lanes East Challenge for non-title winners in York, Pa.
- The third Xtra Frame PBA Tour event of the year, the Douwnums Waste Services Jonesboro PBA Open presented by Xtra Frame at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 3-5, kicks off the June calendar.

For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- **Reminder:** applications for the \$1,000 2016 PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Award which recognizes exemplary qualities in male or female college students who compete in the sport of bowling are due by the June 15 postmark deadline. The application can be retrieved by downloading two PDF files using this link <http://www.pba.com/Corporate/Scholarships>. Nominations can be sent to scholarships@pba.com or through the U.S. mail at PBA Billy Welu Scholarship, 55 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 401, Chicago, IL 60604.
- Veteran PBA stars **Mike Durbin** of Dallas and **Harry Sullins** of Chesterfield Township, Mich., will be among the 2016 USBC Hall of Fame honorees inducted Thursday evening at The Orleans in Las Vegas. USBC will live-stream the induction ceremonies at 10 p.m. ET (7 p.m. PT) on its BOWL.TV service, accessed through bowl.com.
- Correction: the addition of the PBA Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open to the 2016 Xtra Frame PBA Tour series makes it the 10th event, not the 11th as noted in last week's PBA Fall Classic announcement. The XF Las Vegas Open at South Point Bowling Plaza replaces the Xtra Frame Detroit Open, which was cancelled and replaced by the PBA Fall Swing Sept. 4-11 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

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Perfect Game Propels Dallas Strikers into Elias Cup Finals Against NYC WTT KingPins

Hall of Famers Duke, Weber lead their teams into PBA League championship match

PORTLAND, Maine – Helped by the first perfect game in Professional Bowlers Association League history, the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers advanced to a PBA League Elias Cup showdown with the 2013 Elias Cup champion GEICO New York City WTT KingPins.

The semifinal round matches aired Sunday on ESPN, with PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber leading the KingPins to a dramatic best-of-two-game victory over the hometown-favorite Shipyard Brewing Portland Lumberjacks while Weber's long-time opponent and fellow Hall of Famer Norm Duke inspired the Strikers in their 2-0 sweep of the Barbasol Motown Muscle at Bayside Bowl.

In the first semifinal match, the KingPins, behind Mike Fagan, John Szczerbinski, Scott Norton, Weber and anchor bowler Marshall Kent, used superior strike power in the last half of both games for a 223-190 and 237-222 sweep of the Lumberjacks.

Norton, after leaving a 4-6-7-8-10 “Greek church” in frame three of game one, stabilized the KingPins with strikes on his next three attempts while Kent, PBA's 2014 Rookie of the Year, delivered in the fifth and 10th frames of both games.

“It was all me; I just threw it bad,” Norton said of his initial error, “but I was able to fix the physical mistakes the next three shots. The good thing is, my team was able to pick me up, which is what it's all about.”

Kent was the team's choice to assume the anchor role from Weber because his game matched up better with the conditions, and he embraced the opportunity.

"It feels good the whole team was behind the decision," Kent said. "We work together so well we could have put any of our five guys in that position and we would have been comfortable. But I'm kinda glad it was me. I like being in that position."

"The atmosphere is so much fun," the former Robert Morris-Illinois collegiate star added. "It reminds me a lot of college, with all of the teams and parents, and it's loud and crazy. I'm actually very comfortable in this atmosphere."

In the second semifinal match, Dallas made history with its 300-237 romp in game one, with Duke completing the perfect game with three strikes in the 10th frame. In game two, Duke moved himself to leadoff and turned over anchor duties to Tommy Jones. The Strikers fell behind by 37 pins after five frames on the troublesome left lane, but when they switched to the right lane to finish the game, Duke, BJ Moore, Shawn Maldonado, Bill O'Neill and Jones ran off a string of six consecutive strikes for a 215-204 victory, and the Strikers' first trip to the Elias Cup finals.

"That was mega exciting," Duke beamed later. "I can't even begin to tell you. I was so worried about getting into a big deficit early, like we did last week. It seems like the left lane wants to give you problems if you want to hook the ball, but it's actually my best lane so that's why I bowled the 10th in game one and had Tommy throw the rock in game two."

After starting the first game with eight strikes, Dallas had the game locked up, but the 300 was still in play.

"When Tommy got that strike in the ninth, he turned around and said, 'I'm so glad it's on you (to finish it)...and that's what gave me the strength,'" Duke said. "He just put it on me, like someone gets in your face and dares you, and that's what lifted me to the point I could get it done."

But the pressure was back on Jones to rescue his team in the 10th frame of game two.

"We were pretty much dead and buried through five frames," Jones said. "The left lane is okay early, but once it changes a little bit, it just seems to catch people the wrong way. (Motown's) Josh (Blanchard) got a terrible break leaving an 8 pin in the eighth frame, and Anthony (Simonsen) made a good shot in the 10th that didn't carry."

"We were fortunate to throw a couple of good shots at the end," Jones added. "I'm not sure what Norm's thinking was. We had just bowled 300 and I thought he'd leave the lineup alone, but he's the (manager), he made the choice (to move me to anchor) and we're two for two, so I think we'll keep going with something similar."

While Dallas has never finished higher than fifth place in three previous PBA League seasons, the NYC WTT KingPins won the inaugural Elias Cup in Indianapolis in 2013, with celebrity owner Billie Jean King in the audience and Tommy Jones as part of their roster. Jones, who also helped the Silver Lake Atom Splitters win the 2014 Elias Cup, will be trying to win the PBA League championship for the third time with his third different team.

The 2016 Elias Cup finals will air on Sunday, May 8, at 1 p.m. ET. The PBA League championship will be decided by a singles, alternate-ball doubles and Baker trios matches worth one point each, followed by a five-player Baker team finale worth three points. If the two teams are tied after the Baker team match, a roll-off will determine the winner.

2016 PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP SEMIFINAL ROUND

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine (aired Sunday, May 1 on ESPN)

(Best of two five-player Baker format team games, ties broken by roll-off)

Semifinal Match One: GEICO New York City WTT KingPins (Mike Fagan, John Szczerbinski, Scott Norton, Pete Weber, Marshall Kent) def. Shipyard Brewing Co. Portland Lumberjacks (Bryon Smith, Liz Johnson, Osku Palermaa, Ryan Ciminelli, Wes Malott) (\$35,000), 2-0 (223-190, 237-222).

Semifinal Match Two: GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers (Bill O'Neill, BJ Moore, Shawn Maldonado, Tommy Jones, Norm Duke) def. Barbasol Motown Muscle (Ronnie Russell, Danielle McEwan, Josh Blanchard, EJ Tackett, Anthony Simonsen) (\$35,000), 2-0 (300-237, 215-204).

SUNDAY ON ESPN: Stage is Set for PBA League's Elias Cup Finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET

PORTLAND, Maine – After three weeks of team competition at Bayside Bowl, the stage is set for the PBA League championship match showdown between the GEICO New York City WTT KingPins and the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers Sunday on ESPN at 1 p.m. ET. The winner will claim the coveted fourth annual Elias Cup.

The KingPins and Strikers earned their finals berth after wins in semifinal round matches that aired Sunday on ESPN. The KingPins won the inaugural Elias Cup in 2013 in Indianapolis. The Strikers have never finished higher than fifth place in three previous PBA League competitions.

Helped by the first perfect game in PBA League history, the Strikers posted a dramatic best-of-two-game victory over the Barbasol Motown Muscle while the KingPins notched a 2-0 sweep of the hometown-favorite Shipyard Brewing Portland Lumberjacks.

The KingPins, managed by Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, will field a lineup led by PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber, five-time Tour winner Mike Fagan, three-time Tour winner Scott Norton, 2014 Rookie of the Year Marshall Kent and former Team USA member John Szczerbinski. The Strikers will be led by player-manager Hall of Famer Norm Duke along with 16-time Tour winner Tommy Jones; seven-time Tour champion Bill O'Neill, and rising young talents, BJ Moore and Shawn Maldonado who have yet to win a PBA Tour title.

The PBA League championship will be decided in a multi-event contest including singles, alternate-ball doubles and Baker trios matches worth one point each, followed by a five-player Baker team finale worth three points. If the two teams are tied after the Baker team match, a roll-off will determine the winner.

The Elias Cup is named after the late PBA founder and Hall of Famer Eddie Elias.

Pete Weber Averages 249.7 to Take PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open First Round Lead

MOORESVILLE, N.C. – Trying for his second consecutive win of the young 2016 PBA50 Tour season, defending PBA50 Player of the Year Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., averaged 249.7 Monday to take the first round lead in the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life at George Pappas' Victory Lanes.

Starting the round with games of 258 and 300, the PBA Hall of Famer followed up with games of 256, 279, 247, 196, 247 and 215 for a 1,998 pinfall total.

"You just focus on hitting the pocket," Weber said. "You're going to leave a 7-pin or 10-pin here or there, but if you're hitting the pocket on a regular basis you're going to get your share of strikes."

"Even when I had the 196 game, I was still throwing the ball like I wanted to. I just didn't make the adjustment fast enough. It actually gave me a good baseline to get back on track in the seventh game."

Weber won last week's PBA50 Sun Bowl In The Villages by beating Ron Mohr, 204-162, in the championship match for his fifth career PBA50 Tour title. In the season-opening Pasco County Florida Open, the 37-time PBA Tour titlist finished fourth.

Weber holds a 70-pin lead over Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., who also had a 300 game, in second with 1,928, followed by Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 1,927; Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,889, and Don Herrington of Ballston Lake, N.Y. in fifth with 1,885.

Defending champion Jack Jurek of Lackawanna, N.Y., finished the day in sixth with 1,877.

The 151-player field returns Tuesday for another eight-game qualifying round which will determine the top 32 players who will advance to Wednesday's match play rounds. Once match play is concluded the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m. ET.

The Mooresville Ford Open is streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 MOORESVILLE FORD OPEN PRESENTED BY COLUMBIA 300 AND MILLER HIGH LIFE
George Pappas' Victory Lanes, Mooresville, N.C., Monday

First Round Standings (after eight games)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,998.
- 2, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,928.
- 3, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 1,927.
- 4, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,889.
- 5, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,885.
- 6, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,877.
- 7, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 1,868.
- 8, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 1,866.
- 9, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,865.
- 10, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,862.
- 11, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,839.
- 12, Keith Lesko, Lancaster, S.C., 1,838.
- 13, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,830.
- 14, ss-George Pappas, Charlotte, N.C., 1,829.
- 15, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,827.
- 16, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 1,821.
- 17, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,819.
- 18, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 1,810.
- 19, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,809.
- 20, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,805.
- 21, ss-Greg McMahan, Dandridge, Tenn., 1,801.
- 22, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,796.
- 23, Mac Sanders, Taylors, S.C., 1,791.
- 24, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,771.
- 25, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,767.
- 26, n-Mal Williams Jr., Hicoh Point, N.C., 1,762.
- 27, (tie) Ken Shealy, Myrtle Beach, S.C., and ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,758.
- 29, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,755.
- 30, (tie) ss-Dale Csuhata, Wadsworth, Ohio, and Robert Leonard Sr, Lockwood, N.Y., 1,754.
- 32, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,752.
- 33, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,736.
- 34, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,734.
- 35, (tie) Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., and Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,732.
- 37, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,728.
- 38, ss-Dannie Hettinger, Circleville, Ohio, 1,727.
- 39, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 1,726.
- 40, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,720.
- 41, ss-Bobby Johnson, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,713.
- 42, Tim Hartley, Englewood, Ohio, 1,712.
- 43, (tie) Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., and ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,711.
- 45, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,709.
- 46, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,707.
- 47, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 1,704.
- 48, Todd Haney, Boiling Springs, S.C., 1,701.
- 49, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,699.
- 50, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,696.
- 51, n-Charles Allen Jr., Pell City, Ala., 1,695.
- 52, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,693.
- 53, (tie) ss-Jeff Bellinger, Columbia, S.C., and James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,691.
- 55, Curt Guinn, Greenwood, S.C., 1,687.
- 56, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,686.
- 57, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,682.
- 58, Pete Arruda, Gilbert, S.C., 1,680.

59, Mike Mineman, St Louis, 1,679.
60, Brent Hunter, Glenville, Pa., 1,673.
61, (tie) n-ss-Charlie Gadd, Lake Worth, Fla., and Larry Woomer, State College, Pa., 1,671.
63, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,669.
64, Darryl Traber, Waterford, Wis., 1,667.
65, (tie) Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., and David Zelger, Red Lion, Pa., 1,665.
67, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,663.
68, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,662.
69, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,660.
70, Jim Price, Harrisburg, N.C., 1,657.
71, Leon Davis Jr., Silver Spring, Md., 1,651.
72, (tie) John Gant, Medford, Mass., Barry Slater, Locust, N.C., and ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,647.
75, Larry Popp, Marion, Ohio, 1,643.
76, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 1,640.
77, Dave Flemming, Fairborn, Ohio, 1,638.
78, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 1,637.
79, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 1,633.
80, (tie) ss-David Kneas, Annapolis, Md., and ss-Ken Gibson, Greenville, S.C., 1,632.
82, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,627.
83, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,626.
84, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,623.
85, (tie) Richard Beeson, Lexington, N.C., and Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,622.
87, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,618.
88, (tie) ss-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., and Jeff Porter, Morristown, Tenn., 1,616.
90, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,615.
91, (tie) Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., and ss-Todd Wilson, Summerfield, N.C., 1,612.
93, (tie) Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., and Chuck Walker, Blaine, Tenn., 1,611.
95, ss-Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,610.
96, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,608.
97, ss-Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,604.
98, ss-Gary Shultis, Levittown, N.Y., 1,599.
99, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 1,597.
100, ss-Mark Scime, Winter Garden, Fla., 1,591.
101, Larry Felts Jr., Moore, S.C., 1,587.
102, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,585.
103, ss-Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 1,580.
104, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 1,577.
105, (tie) Steven Grotowski, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and Mark Nance Sr., Grove City, Ohio, 1,575.
107, ss-Mike Walden, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,572.
108, ss-John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 1,571.
109, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 1,570.
110, ss-Ron Glick, Morganville, N.J., 1,569.
111, Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., 1,565.
112, ss-William Tenan Jr, Hayes, Va., 1,564.
113, (tie) Tony Myers, Pensacola, Fla., and n-Mike Long, Charlotte, N.C., 1,558.
115, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,557.
116, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 1,556.
117, ss-Paul Kreins, Mooresville, N.C., 1,555.
118, ss-Pete Bryan, Laurel, Del., 1,554.
119, Karl Ramonas, Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1,553.
120, ss-Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 1,551.
121, n-John Stronka, Davie, Fla., 1,547.
122, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,544.
123, Wayne Bolin, Lumberton, N.C., 1,537.
124, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,531.
125, Michael Byers, Charleston, S.C., 1,525.
126, Randy Robertson, Evansville, Ind., 1,520.
127, ss-Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,519.

128, (tie) ss-Tommy Brodowski, New Hyde Park, N.Y., David Sanders, Blythewood, S.C., and ss-Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 1,516.
131, ss-Rich Giragosian, Charlotte, N.C., 1,505.
132, Ken Fishman, Lutz, Fla., 1,502.
133, (tie) n-ss-Henry Blough, Elizabethtown, Pa., and ss-Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, 1,501.
135, (tie) Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., and Rick LeChette, Lincoln University, Pa., 1,494.
137, Steve Easterday, Strasburg, Ohio, 1,492.
138, n-Jerry Childers, Springville, Ala., 1,490.
139, ss-Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., 1,485.
140, James Cayton, Canton, N.C., 1,475.
141, ss-Bobby Dunn, Augusta, Ga., 1,450.
142, ss-Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 1,449.
143, Ben Snyder, Maryville, Tenn., 1,447.
144, ss-George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 1,439.
145, ss-Richard Felten, Rockville, Md., 1,429.
146, ss-James West, Catonsville, Md., 1,423.
147, ss-James Hutchinson, Ludlow Falls, Ohio, 1,419.
148, William Medina, Whites Creek, Tenn., 1,406.
149, n-Andrew Jones, Danville, Va., 1,370.
150, Chuck Anton, Chesterfield, Va., 1,358.
151, ss-Gary Simon, Bridgeport, W.Va., 1,331.

300 games – Norm Duke, Pete Weber, Amleto Monacelli

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Weber Averages 250.6 to Dominate Qualifying In PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open

MOORESVILLE, N.C. – In another dominating qualifying performance, Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., continued to pace the field in the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life Tuesday, averaging 250.6 to take top qualifier honors at George Pappas' Victory Lanes.

The PBA Hall of Famer and 2015 PBA50 Player of the Year compiled a 4,010 16-game pinfall total bowling 2,012 in Tuesday's eight-game round after a 1,998 in Monday's first round. Weber's games in the second round were 246, 212, 268, 227, 279, 290, 279 and 211.

"I didn't change a thing from yesterday," said the 53-year-old Weber. "I used the same two balls and played the lanes basically the same as yesterday. I actually bowled a little better in the second round and that's kind of unusual for me. Most tournaments I drop down a little in the second round of qualifying but I was able to keep the momentum going."

After the second round, 24 players advanced directly into Wednesday's match play rounds. An additional eight players will earn match play spots after a cashers round Wednesday morning. The match play rounds will determine the top five players for the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m. ET.

"I'll be prepared for match play," the 37-time PBA Tour titlist said. "I have a good read on the lanes and I'm confident in my equipment. I have a third and a second-place finish here, all I'm missing is the No. 1."

Weber is hoping to win his second consecutive title this season, winning last week's UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages by defeating two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr 204-162 in the championship match to also win his fifth career PBA50 Tour title. Weber finished fourth in the season-opening Pasco County Florida Open.

Weber held a 202-pin lead over Stoney Baker of Canton, Ga., who finished qualifying in second with 3,808. Rounding out the top eight were Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 3,789; Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,782; Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,705; Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,690 and Hall of Famers Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,688, and Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,671. Defending champion Jack Jurek of Lackawanna, N.Y. qualified 12th with 3,603.

The Mooresville Ford Open is streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 MOORESVILLE FORD OPEN PRESENTED BY COLUMBIA 300 AND MILLER HIGH LIFE

George Pappas' Victory Lanes, Mooresville, N.C., Tuesday

Second Round Standings (after 16 games)

Top 24 advance to match play; 25th-50th places plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers round which will determine eight additional match play finalists

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4,010.
- 2, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,808.
- 3, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 3,789.
- 4, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,782.
- 5, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,705.
- 6, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,690.
- 7, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,688.
- 8, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,671.
- 9, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,660.
- 10, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,616.
- 11, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,612.
- 12, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,603.
- 13, (tie) Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., and Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,573.
- 15, George Pappas, Charlotte, N.C., 3,558.
- 16, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,549.
- 17, Keith Lesko, Indian Land, S.C., 3,542.
- 18, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,541.
- 19, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 3,525.
- 20, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,521.
- 21, Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 3,513.
- 22, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,512.
- 23, (tie) John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., and Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,509.
- 25, Robert Leonard Sr, Lockwood, N.Y., 3,508.
- 26, (tie) Pete Arruda, Gilbert, S.C., and Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibilo, Texas, 3,496.
- 28, Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 3,481.
- 29, Curt Guinn, Greenwood, S.C., 3,476.
- 30, Peter Knopp, Germany, 3,475.
- 31, (tie) Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., and Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 3,470.
- 33, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,466.
- 34, (tie) Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., and Greg McMahan, Dandridge, Tenn., 3,465.
- 36, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,455.
- 37, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,449.
- 38, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 3,444.
- 39, (tie) Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, and Mac Sanders, Taylors, S.C., 3,441.
- 42, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,438.
- 43, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 3,422.
- 44, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 3,418.
- 45, Bobby Johnson, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,411.
- 46, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 3,400.
- 47, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3,398.
- 48, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 3,397.
- 49, Ken Shealy, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 3,392.
- 49, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,392.

51, Todd Haney, Boiling Springs, S.C., 3,377.
52, Chuck Walker, Blaine, Tenn., 3,357.
53, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,345, \$1,000.
54, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,341, \$1,000.
55, Mike Mineman, St Louis, 3,333.
56, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,332.
57, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,331.
58, Darryl Traber, Waterford, Wis., 3,327.
59, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 3,325.
60, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,321, \$1,000.
61, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 3,319, \$1,000.
62, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3,317, \$1,000.
63, (tie) Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill. and n-ss-Charlie Gadd, Lake Worth, Fla., 3,314, \$1,000.
65, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 3,306.
66, n-Mal Williams Jr., Hicoh Point, N.C., 3,303.
67, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 3,292, \$1,000.
68, ss-Ken Gibson, Greenville, S.C., 3,283, \$1,000.
69, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 3,280.
70, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,279.
71, Jeff Bellinger, Columbia, S.C., 3,275.
72, Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 3,274.
73, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 3,273.
74, (tie) Steven Grotowski, Ft Lauderdale, Fla, and Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,270.
76, Dannie Hettinger, Circleville, Ohio, 3,263.
77, n-Mike Long, Charlotte, N.C., 3,262.
78, Leon Davis Jr., Silver Spring, Md., 3,261.
79, Tim Hartley, Englewood, Ohio, 3,257.
80, (tie) Dave Flemming, Fairborn, Ohio, and Larry Woomer, State College, Pa., 3,256.
82, Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 3,253.
83, n-Charles Allen Jr., Pell City, Ala., 3,241.
84, Richard Beeson, Lexington, N.C., 3,239.
84, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,239.
86, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,234.
87, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 3,233.
88, (tie) Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., and David Zelger, Red Lion, Pa., 3,227.
90, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,226.
91, (tie) Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., and Tommy Brodowski, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 3,223.
93, Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 3,217.
94, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,215.
95, John Gant, Medford, Mass., 3,214.
96, Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,211.
97, David Kneas, Annapolis, Md., 3,203.
98, Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 3,200.
99, Larry Popp, Marion, Ohio, 3,198.
100, Brent Hunter, Glenville, Pa., 3,197.
101, Ken Fishman, Lutz, Fla., 3,196.
102, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,190.
103, Barry Slater, Locust, N.C., 3,184.
104, Karl Ramonas, Port St. Lucie, Fla., 3,177.
105, Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 3,176.
106, Mark Scime, Winter Garden, Fla., 3,170.
107, Jeff Porter, Morristown, Tenn., 3,168.
108, John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 3,161.
109, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,158.
110, (tie) Michael Byers, Charleston, S.C., and Gary Shultis, Levittown, N.Y., 3,155.
112, Jim Price, Harrisburg, N.C., 3,152.
113, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 3,150.
114, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 3,141.

- 115, Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., 3,130.
- 116, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,117.
- 117, Ron Glick, Morganville, N.J., 3,113.
- 118, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 3,108.
- 119, Mark Nance Sr., Grove City, Ohio, 3,104.
- 120, Steve Easterday, Strasburg, Ohio, 3,102.
- 121, n-John Stronka, Davie, Fla., 3,098.
- 122, James Cayton, Canton, N.C., 3,096.
- 123, David Sanders, Blythewood, S.C., 3,091.
- 124, Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, 3,078.
- 125, Todd Wilson, Summerfield, N.C., 3,077.
- 126, William Tenan Jr, Hayes, Va., 3,064.
- 127, Paul Kreins, Mooresville, N.C., 3,039.
- 128, Tony Myers, Pensacola, Fla., 3,029.
- 129, (tie) Wayne Bolin, Lumberton, N.C., and John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 3,022.
- 131, Randy Robertson, Evansville, Ind., 2,995.
- 132, Rich Giragosian, Charlotte, N.C., 2,987.
- 133, Pete Bryan, Laurel, Del., 2,986.
- 134, n-Henry Blough, Elizabethtown, Pa., 2,983.
- 135, Ben Snyder, Maryville, Tenn., 2,970.
- 136, George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 2,968.
- 137, Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 2,958.
- 138, Rick LeChette, Lincoln University, Pa., 2,945.
- 139, Mike Walden, Stony Point, N.Y., 2,939.
- 140, Larry Felts Jr., Moore, S.C., 2,933.
- 141, James West, Catonsville, Md., 2,904.
- 142, Chuck Anton, Chesterfield, Va., 2,899.
- 143, Bobby Dunn, Augusta, Ga., 2,864.
- 144, William Medina, Whites Creek, Tenn., 2,859.
- 145, James Hutchinson, Ludlow Falls, Ohio, 2,853.
- 146, Gary Simon, Bridgeport, W.Va., 2,845.
- 147, n-Andrew Jones, Danville, Va., 2,842.
- 148, Richard Felten, Rockville, Md., 2,837.
- 149, n-Jerry Childers, Springville, Ala., 2,820.
- 150, Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., 2,774.
- 151, Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 2,471.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Pete Weber Wins in Mooresville for Back-to-Back PBA50 Tour Titles

Sixth career PBA50 win ties late father, spoils Jack Jurek's bid to defend Mooresville title

MOORESVILLE, N.C. (May 4, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber won the PBA50 Tour's Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life Wednesday night at George Pappas' Victory Lanes, notching back-to-back titles and his sixth career PBA50 title to tie his late father, Dick Weber, on the all-time "senior tour" titles list.

In winning the title, the reigning PBA50 Player of the Year spoiled Jack Jurek's bid to defend his 2015 Mooresville title after the Lackawanna, N.Y., veteran won all six matches in the final match play round to run away with the top berth for the stepladder finals. Unconverted splits in the first two frames put Jurek in a hole, which he almost escaped, but back-to-back strikes by Weber in the ninth and 10th frames locked up his 212-198 victory.

"I had my first 500-over (a 200 average) round here two years ago and finished third," Weber said. "Last year I was second, and now I'm first. This is now my favorite place to bowl."

Weber, who ended the 2015 season battling chronic back and knee problems, has bowled virtually pain free in 2016, including his romp to victory in the PBA50 UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages Open a week earlier.

"I'm feeling really good," Weber said. "I've had no pain at all this spring, and now I'm looking forward to bowling in New York because I led there last year, too."

Weber advanced to the title match with a 266-205 victory over 61-year-old Tom Baker of King, N.C., ending Baker's bid for a 13th PBA50 Tour title. King started the stepladder finals with a 227-203 win over Robert Brown of Cody, Wyo., followed by a 279-257 slugfest with Sam Maccarone of Blackwood, N.J., in match two.

A global audience watched the Mooresville finals on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. The PBA50 Tour and Xtra Frame's next event will be the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick at Farmingdale Lanes in Farmingdale, N.Y., starting Sunday.

PBA50 MOORESVILLE FORD OPEN
presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life
George Pappas' Victory Lanes, Mooresville, N.C., Wednesday

Final Standings

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$7,500.
- 2, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., \$4,000.
- 3, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., \$2,500.
- 4, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., \$2,000.
- 5, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., \$1,750.

Stepladder Results

- Match One – Baker def. Brown, 227-203.
Match Two – Baker def. Maccarone, 279-257.
Semifinal Match – Weber def. Baker, 266-206.
Championship – Weber def. Jurek, 212-198.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advanced to stepladder finals)

- 1, Jurek, 6-0, 1,742.
- 2, Weber, 4-2, 1,580, \$100.
- 3, Maccarone, 4-1-1, 1,571.
- 4, Brown, 3-3, 1,515.
- 5, Baker, 4-2, 1,511.
- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-3, 1,488, \$1,700.
- 7, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3-3, 1,476, \$1,600.
- 8, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 4-2, 1,466, \$1,600.
- 9, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 3-3, 1,432, \$1,400.
- 10, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1-4-1, 1,426, \$1,400.
- 11, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3-3, 1,400, \$1,400.
- 12, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1-5, 1,399, \$1,400.
- 13, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1-5, 1,375, \$1,400.
- 14, ss-George Pappas, Charlotte, N.C., 3-3, 1,368, \$1,400.
- 15, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2-4, 1,343, \$1,500.
- 16, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 2-4, 1,329, \$1,400.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins)

- 17, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3-2, 1,146, \$1,250.
- 18, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 2-3, 1,136, \$1,250.
- 19, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 4-1, 1,132, \$1,250.
- 20, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3-2, 1,119, \$1,250.
- 21, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 2-3, 1,110, \$1,250.
- 22, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 2-3, 1,096, \$1,250.
- 23, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 2-3, 1,072, \$1,250.

24, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3-2, 1,067, \$1,250.
 25, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1-4, 1,064, \$1,150.
 26, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3-2, 1,059, \$1,150.
 27, ss-Bobby Johnson, Chillicothe, Ohio, 2-3, 1,053, \$1,150.
 28, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1-3-1, 1,049, \$1,150.
 29, Keith Lesko, Indian Land, S.C., 0-5, 1,025, \$1,150.
 30, ss-Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 1-3-1, 1,020, \$1,150.
 31, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1-4, 1,005, \$1,150.
 32, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 0-5, 1,002, \$1,150.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers' round)

33, ss-Ken Gibson, Greenville, S.C., 1,121, \$1,075.
 34, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,112, \$1,075.
 35, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,111, \$1,075.
 36, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 1,107, \$1,075.
 37, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 1,096, \$1,075.
 38, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,093, \$1,075.
 39, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,084, \$1,075.
 40, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,078, \$1,075.
 41 (tie), ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass.; Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, and ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,052, \$1,000.
 44, ss-Greg McMahan, Dandridge, Tenn., 1,048, \$1,000.
 45, Mac Sanders, Taylors, S.C., 1,037, \$1,000.
 46, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,036, \$1,000.
 47, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,015, \$1,000.
 48, Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 1,011, \$1,000.
 49, Ken Shealy, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 1,001, \$1,000.
 50, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 992, \$1,000.
 51, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 983, \$1,000.
 52, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 981, \$1,000.
 53, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 980, \$1,000.
 54, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 979, \$1,000.
 55, Curt Guinn, Greenwood, S.C., 963, \$1,000.
 56, Pete Arruda, Gilbert, S.C., 951, \$1,000.
 57, n-ss-Charlie Gadd, Lake Worth, Fla., 947, \$1,000.
 58, Robert Leonard Sr, Lockwood, N.Y., 887, \$1,000.

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Military Veterans to Benefit as A-List of PBA Stars Head to PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open in Farmingdale

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. – American military veterans will be the beneficiaries when an “A-List” of Professional Bowlers Association stars arrive in Farmingdale Saturday to participate in the second annual PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick at Farmingdale Lanes.

Leading the list of PBA greats will be the tournament namesake, bowling legend and Brooklyn native Johnny Petraglia of nearby Jackson, N.J., the only player to win PBA national titles in six different decades; the four living leaders in PBA Tour titles won (Walter Ray Williams Jr., 47; Norm Duke, 38; Pete Weber, 37, and Parker Bohn III, 35), and fellow PBA Hall of Famers Amleto Monacelli (20 titles); Tom Baker (10 PBA Tour and 12 PBA50 Tour titles in addition to being a four-time PBA50 Player of the Year), and Dale Eagle (12 PBA50 Tour titles).

Petraglia, 69, is still competing on the PBA50 Tour for players 50 and over – more than a half-century after making his debut on the regular tour in 1965. The veteran lefthander has won 14 PBA Tour titles in addition to eight PBA50 Tour titles; is one of six PBA Triple Crown winners; ranks 31st on the all-time PBA earnings list with more than \$1.3 million and is a member of the PBA (1982) and USBC (2003) Halls of Fame. He also was the recipient of the 2010 BPAA Dick Weber Bowling Ambassador Award.

It's a career made all the more remarkable considering Petraglia doesn't fly anywhere. He drives, and he's also is trying to write another chapter in his legendary career by becoming the oldest player to win a PBA50 or PBA Tour title. He came close with a fifth-

place finish in last season's PBA50 UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages and another fifth-place finish in the 2016 season-opening PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open.

"I've seen a lot of changes in the sport over the years, but the essence of the game is still there," Petraglia said. "After all these years, I still get a lot of joy competing. Maybe as much as I ever did, but even though I've had some good tournaments lately, I'm not kidding myself that all of the stars are going to have to lineup if I'm going to win again.

"I don't have a lot of grand expectations because it's tough enough to keep up with the caliber of players out here today," he continued. "You can't spot guys 15 years and expect to be at the top on a regular basis. On the other hand, I'm a strong believer that anything can happen."

In addition to his unique record as a competitor, Petraglia, a Vietnam War veteran who served in 1967 and '68, has been active for decades off the lanes in support of BVL. "Bowlers to Veterans Link," which provides recreational and therapeutic programs and services for America's active duty and veteran service men and women, is supported exclusively by the bowling industry. Petraglia – along with fellow Jackson resident Bohn – also works with the American Legion, Knights of Columbus and VFW, conducting clinics and assisting with their fund-raising events. In recognition of his efforts, the Billiard and Bowling Institute of America presented Petraglia with its 2015 Industry Service Award.

"Because of the benevolence of (host proprietor) John LaSpina, we were able to contribute about \$50,000 to BVL last year," Petraglia added. "I'm just proud of the opportunity we have to put together an event like this that benefits veterans. Everyone did a great job last year. We're looking forward to another great event this year."

In last year's Johnny Petraglia BVL Open, 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year Mike Scroggins defeated Pete Weber, 247-195, to win the second of his three titles in his first year as a "senior" competitor.

Players will arrive in Farmingdale for practice and pro-ams on Saturday. As part of Saturday's program, a special four-person, low-ball-out "Clash of the Legends II" at 6:45 p.m. will feature Hall of Famers Williams, Monacelli, Weber and Bohn. Immediately after the clash, a "Clash of Military Heroes" Baker team event will be held to benefit BVL featuring Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard veterans teaming up with the four "clash" players and Petraglia. Both special events will be streamed live on Xtra Frame.

Competition begins Sunday with the first eight games of qualifying. Qualifying continues on Monday to determine the players who will advance to Tuesday's cashers round followed by match play. Once match play is completed, the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals at 7 p.m. ET on Tuesday.

Admission for May 7, 8 and 9 is \$10. Admission for match play rounds on May 10 is \$20. Reserved seating for the stepladder finals is \$30. For additional admission and pro-am information contact Farmingdale Lanes at (516) 249-4300 or visit www.farmingdalelanes.com.

All competition rounds of the Petraglia BVL Open will be covered live, exclusively by PBA's online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame. Subscriptions are available for three days (\$3.99), 30 days (\$7.99) and 12 months (\$64.99). To subscribe, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame line.

PBA50 JOHNNY PETRAGLIA BVL OPEN
presented by Brunswick Schedule
Farmingdale Lanes, Farmingdale, N.Y. (All times Eastern)

Saturday, May 7

8 a.m. - A & B Squads Practice Session
Noon, 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. - Pro-Am Squads
6:45 p.m. – Clash of PBA Legends II
7 p.m. – Clash of Military Heroes Baker team special event

Sunday, May 8

8 a.m. - A Squad qualifying (8 games)
2 p.m. - B Squad qualifying (8 games)

Monday, May 9

8 a.m. - B Squad qualifying (8 games)

2 p.m. - A Squad qualifying (8 games)

Top 32 advance to match play

Tuesday, May 10

8:30 a.m. - Cashers Round

Noon - Match Play Round One

3 p.m. - Match Play Round Two

Top five advance to stepladder finals

7 p.m. – Top five stepladder finals

PBA Spare Shots

SPECIAL “CLASH” EVENTS KICK OFF PBA50 JOHNNY PETRAGLIA OPEN ON XTRA FRAME

Next up on PBA’s Xtra Frame schedule will be start-to-finish coverage of the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open, the final standard event before the “senior tour” heads west for a five-week early summer swing including two major championships, and preliminary-round coverage of the Nationwide PWBA Sonoma County Open Saturday and Sunday from Double Decker Lanes in Rohnert Park, Calif.

Leading off the Xtra Frame coverage of the Petraglia BVL Open will be a pair of special “clash” event on Saturday night, starting at 6:45 p.m. ET. First will be a special four-person, low-ball-out “Clash of the Legends II” featuring PBA Hall of Famers Walter Ray Williams Jr., Amleto Monacelli, Pete Weber and Parker Bohn III. Immediately after that clash, a “Clash of Military Heroes” Baker team event will be held to benefit BVL featuring Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard veterans teaming up with the four “clash” players plus Petraglia.

Coverage of the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick will include qualifying rounds from Farmingdale Lanes in Farmingdale, N.Y., Sunday and Monday, and the cashers round, match play rounds and the stepladder finals on Tuesday.

The PBA50 Tour will then take a break until the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open May 29-June 3 in Las Vegas, followed by events in Fountain Valley and Brentwood, Calif., before returning to Las Vegas for the USBC Super Senior Classic and USBC Senior Masters June 16-29 at Sam’s Town.

PWBA coverage on Xtra Frame will continue with preliminary rounds of the Storm Sacramento Open May 14-15 and the first PWBA major of the year, the USBC Queens from the Orleans in Las Vegas May 20-26.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: WEIER WINS HAWAII FINALE

● **Cameron Weier** of Federal Way, Wash., defeated former Robert Morris-Illinois teammate **Marshall Kent** of Yakima, Wash., 226-175, to win the PBA Hickam AFB West/Northwest Open presented by Brunswick Sunday, wrapping up the PBA annual West and Northwest Region tripleheader series in Hawaii.

Weier, a second-year PBA member, picked up his second regional title along with the \$2,000 first prize. In the semifinal round, Weier defeated **Anthony Pepe** of Elmhurst, N.Y., 244-201, while Kent defeated **Jakob Butturff** of Chandler, Ariz., 174-166, to set up the championship match.

● **Sam Maccarone** of Blackwood, N.J. swept **Mike Byers** of Charleston, S.C., 239-180, 247-218, in the best-of-three-game championship final to win his 15th QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA50 Canton South Open presented by Roto Grip at Cherokee Lanes in Canton, Ga., Saturday.

The Canton stop included a number of PBA50 Tour players who were on their way to the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life in Mooresville, N.C. Maccarone earned \$2,000.

In best-of-three semifinal round, Maccarone ended **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**'s bid to win back-to-back PBA50 South Region titles by defeating the Oxford, Fla., resident, 242-171, 210-213, 257-221, while Byers eliminated defending Canton South champion **Ron Mohr** of Las Vegas, 227-182, 238-200.

● **Drew Klingler** of Grand Rapids, Mich., defeated amateur **Matt Gargano** of Bloomington, Ill., 236-188, to win the PBA Victory Lanes Midwest Challenge at Victory Lanes in Kankakee, Ill., Sunday.

The win was Klingler's first in PBA Regional competition. He earned \$1,400 in addition to becoming eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions.

Klingler defeated **B.J. Satkowski** of Jackson, Mich., 235-222, and Gargano eliminated amateur **Matt Staninger** of Highland, Ind., 257-187, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

● The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule for the May 13-15 weekend includes the Al Jones Memorial presented by Storm at Rockaway Lanes in Rockaway, N.J., and the Baldo Campana Memorial/Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open presented by Storm at Rebman Recreation in Lorain, Ohio.

● The May 20-22 QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule includes the J.D. Producing/Star Strategies/Orrvilon Inc. Central Open presented by Hammer at Triway Lanes in Wooster, Ohio; the Planet Bowl Southwest Open in Oklahoma City, and a Northwest Region doubleheader – The Shock Top/Budweiser Open presented by US Foods and Brunswick plus the PBA50 Daffodil Bowl Open presented by Sunset Chevrolet and Brunswick in Puyallup, Wash. The Midwest Region will conduct a one-day Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by Hammer on May 21 at Fox Bowl in Wheaton, Ill.

● As PBA50 players head toward Las Vegas and the Suncoast PBA U.S. Senior Open presented by 900 Global May 29-June 3, they'll have a couple of regional opportunities in Arizona – the 7th annual Lona King Saguaro West Open at Johnson Lanes in Sun City West, May 23-25, and the PBA50 Miller Lite Western Open at Starlite Lanes in Flagstaff May 25-27.

● Over the May 27-29 Memorial Day weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition will include the Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open presented by MOTIV in Junction City, Kan. (which was originally scheduled for May 13-15); and the Colony Park Lanes East Challenge for non-title winners in York, Pa.

● The third Xtra Frame PBA Tour event of the year, the Douwnums Waste Services Jonesboro PBA Open presented by Xtra Frame at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 3-5, kicks off the June calendar.

For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

● **Robert Wilson** is the April winner of the HotelPlanner.com sweepstakes after booking a room through HotelPlanner.com's link on pba.com for the PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open. Wilson earned a \$200 gift certificate for future lodging booked through PBA's official travel partner.

● **Jessica Moore** of Chesterfield, Mich., is the winner of a new DV8 ball and **Jeffrey Prucnal** of Milton, Del., is the recipient of a new high-performance MOTIV bowling ball in the April sweepstakes sponsored by DV8 and MOTIV. New Xtra Frame monthly or yearly subscribers (monthly plan \$7.99 or 12-month XF Season Ticket for \$64.99) are automatically entered into the monthly sweepstakes.

"Right" Choice Helps Dallas Strikers Win PBA League Elias Cup

Hall of Famers Duke, Weber lead teams into PBA League championship match

PORTLAND, Maine – Making the "right" lane choice throughout the Professional Bowlers Association League Elias Cup elimination rounds proved to be the correct strategic move as the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers ended four years of frustration in capturing the elusive team championship at Bayside Bowl.

The 2016 Elias Cup finals aired on Sunday on ESPN.

PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke, the only player-manager in the PBA League program, made a series of eyebrow-raising decisions – going all the way back to December when he traded two proven stars for a pair of untested young power players – but in the end, after pulling off a 204-180 victory over the GEICO New York City WTT KingPins in the decisive Baker team finale, Duke led his team to its first Elias Cup.

“Look at the smile on my face,” Duke grinned. “It was just an amazing experience. When you’ve got this many years under your belt, and this many appearances on television, and this many narrow misses...to explain the feeling on the approach after this one doesn’t even compute.

“This is a different environment, a different event,” he continued, adding very deliberately, “We are the Elias Cup champions.”

The Elias Cup finale involved a singles match (Duke defeated NYC’s Marshall Kent, 203-168); an alternative ball doubles match (the KingPins’ John Szczerbinski and Mike Fagan overwhelmed Duke and Bill O’Neill, 224-178), and a Baker trios match, won by the KingPins’ Scott Norton, Pete Weber and Kent, 256-178, over Dallas’ Tommy Jones, Shawn Maldonado and BJ Moore. With a 2-1 edge in the one-point preliminary matches, all signs pointed to the KingPins regaining the Cup they won in the PBA League’s first season in 2013.

With the three-point Baker team match yet to come, Duke took himself out of the anchor position, inserted Jones in that role, and made the call for his team to finish the contest on the right lane that had served the team well in its previous matches. But things didn’t go as expected. Duke started the game on the left lane with a 4-10 split and an open frame, and then the team moved to the right lane, Duke left a 7-10 split and opened again.

In the meantime, O’Neill, Maldonado and Moore put together a string of three strikes on the elusive left lane while NYC struggled on the right, falling into a 19-pin hole. Duke’s second split brought the KingPins back to within 10 pins, but New York City didn’t get a double until the 10th frame. Maldonado and Moore – two young power players Duke landed in a trade with the Shipyard Brewing Portland Lumberjacks for proven stars Liz Johnson and Ryan Ciminelli – both made key shots to help Dallas secure its lead. Jones locked up the Elias Cup with three strikes in the 10th frame for a 204-180 team win.

“I’m glad we put it back in Tommy’s hands because I was the weakest link that last game,” Duke said. “I put the rock in the right person’s hand at the right time, and he delivered every single time.”

Winning the Cup, however, was the result of key contributions by each team member at a critical juncture, Duke added.

“Sometimes it was me, sometimes it was Bill O’Neill. Maldonado was stellar. And BJ Moore?” Duke asked. “People don’t realize what he just did. He’d never bowled on television, and he just walked up there, every single time, like it was nothing. He reminded me of me when I was a kid.

“Whatever we needed to do, we did it as a team,” he continued. “It was so good.”

There was little question, however, that Jones was the correct choice as the Mark Roth Most Valuable Player in the Elias Cup competition.

“Anytime you win something with Mark Roth’s name on it, is special,” Jones said after Roth presented him with the trophy. “I grew up idolizing Mark, and having the chance to get to know him a bit over the years has been amazing. To have a trophy I can put in my trophy case with his name on it – there’s nothing like it.”

At the conclusion of the PBA League competition, PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark, along with Bayside Bowl proprietor Charlie Mitchell, announced the PBA League will return to Portland and an expanded, re-designed Bayside Bowl for the fifth annual PBA League Elias Cup competition in 2017.

2016 PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP FINALS

Bayside Bowl, Portland, Maine (aired Sunday, May 9 on ESPN)

(Best of two five-player Baker format team games, ties broken by roll-off)

Final Standings: GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers (\$60,000) def. GEICO New York City KingPins (\$50,000), 4-2.

Singles Match (one point): Norm Duke, Dallas, def. Marshall Kent, New York City, 203-168.

Alternate Ball Doubles (one point): New York City (John Szczerbinski/Mike Fagan) def. Dallas (Norm Duke/Bill O'Neill), 224-179.

Baker Trios (one point): New York City (Scott Norton/Pete Weber/Marshall Kent) def. Dallas (Tommy Jones/Shawn Maldonado/BJ Moore), 256-187.

Five-Player Baker Team (three points): Dallas (Norm Duke/Bill O'Neill/Shawn Maldonado/BJ Moore/Tommy Jones) def. New York City (Mike Fagan/Pete Weber/Marshall Kent/John Szczerbinski/Scott Norton), 204-180.

Monacelli Averages 236 to Take First Round Lead In PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. – PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli, one of several players who enjoys success on both the PBA Tour and PBA50 Tour, averaged 236.7 Sunday to take the first round lead in the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick at Farmingdale Lanes.

Monacelli, a 20-time PBA Tour winner and five-time PBA50 Tour titlist, fired a 1,894 pinfall total in the first eight-game qualifying block with games of 193, 246, 231, 278, 174, 255, 229 and 288.

Normally I don't bowl that well here, so I'm very happy with the way I bowled," said Monacelli, who finished 41st in last year's BVL Open. "I got off to a slow start because I wasn't using the right ball for the conditions. I changed to a different ball that didn't hook as hard on the backend.

"I had a bad fifth game because that pair of lanes were really different and surprised me," the Venezuelan continued. "In the sixth game I forced myself to relax and was able to refocus to make good shots."

Monacelli won the DHC Japan Invitational in January for his 20th PBA Tour win and his most recent PBA50 Tour wins came in the Northern California Classic and USBC Senior Masters back-to-back last season.

Monacelli holds a 59-pin lead over five-time PBA Tour and three-time PBA50 Tour winner Bob Learn Jr. of Erie, Pa., who finished the day with 1,835.

Rounding out the top five after the first round were Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 1,827; Hall of Famer Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,801, and Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,786.

Defending champion 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, finished the first round in 27th with 1,603, while tournament namesake Hall of Famer Johnny Petraglia finished 26th one pin better with 1,604.

Fans can catch Monday's second qualifying round and Tuesday's match play rounds live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Tuesday's stepladder finals are scheduled for 7 p.m. ET. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 JOHNNY PETRAGLIA BVL OPEN PRESENTED BY BRUNSWICK Farmingdale Lanes, Farmingdale, N.Y., Sunday

First Round Standings (after eight games)

- 1, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,894.
- 2, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,835.
- 3, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 1,827.
- 4, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,801.
- 5, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,786.
- 6, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,781.
- 7, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,763.

8, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,757.
9, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 1,738.
10, Ray Edwards, Middle Island, N.Y., 1,737.
11, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 1,702.
12, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,699.
13, John DiSantis, Wilmington, Del., 1,692.
14, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,690.
15, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,677.
16, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 1,675.
17, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 1,656.
18, n-Michael Dioguardo, Patchogue, N.Y., 1,649.
19, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,646.
20, n-ss-Jim Zimmerman, Oakland, N.J., 1,637.
21, n-ss-Dave Abate, Cranston, R.I., 1,626.
22, n-Steven DiMartino, Upper Saddle River, N.J., 1,624.
23, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,620.
24, (tie) Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., and Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,613.
26, ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,604.
27, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,603.
28, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,602.
29, n-Jose Zambrano, Jackson Heights, N.Y., 1,597.
30, Tommy King, Oakdale, N.Y., 1,594.
31, ss-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 1,589.
32, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 1,585.
33, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,583.
34, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,582.
35, ss-Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., 1,565.
36, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,563.
37, Al Spano, Massapequa Park, N.Y., 1,561.
38, ss-Tommy Brodowski, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 1,555.
39, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,552.
40, Pamela Burns, Endicott, N.Y., 1,548.
41, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,547.
42, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,545.
43, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 1,543.
44, (tie) Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., and ss-n-James Daigle, Methven, Mass., 1,542.
46, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 1,536.
47, ss-Steve Ferraro, Kingston, N.Y., 1,535.
48, ss-Gary Shultis, Levittown, N.Y., 1,533.
49, David Zelger, Red Lion, Pa., 1,526.
50, Jay Farkas, N. Merrick, N.Y., 1,522.
51, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,521.
52, ss-Eric Race, Schoharie, N.Y., 1,507.
52, Dave Mutch, Oakland, N.J., 1,507.
54, Louis Barbera, North Bellmore, N.Y., 1,499.
55, Glenn Smith, N.Y., 1,494.
56, (tie) ss-Barry Warshafsky, Peabody, Mass., and ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,491.
58, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,486.
59, ss-George Tignor, Winchendon, Mass., 1,482.
60, (tie) Jay Boyle, Garnet Valley, Pa., and ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,481.
62, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,480.
63, (tie) n-Joe Biscardi, Wantagh, N.Y., and ss-Steve Bova, Massapequa, N.Y., 1,479.
65, (tie) ss-Gary LaCara, Huntington Station, N.Y., and Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,478.
67, ss-Ron Glick, Morganville, N.J., 1,477.
68, ss-Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 1,468.
69, n-Mitch Sacks, Jersey City, N.J., 1,461.
70, ss-Walter Davis Jr., St. Petersburg, Fla., 1,448.
71, (tie) ss-Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., and Keith Doran, Pomona, N.Y., 1,447.

73, (tie) ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., and ss-Fred Ferreira, Kings Park, N.Y., 1,446.
 75, ss-Dowell Milliken, Lake Grove, N.Y., 1,444.
 76, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,435.
 77, Don Hicks, West Babylon, N.Y., 1,425.
 78, (tie) Robert Greene, Oxford, Conn., and Leon Davis Jr., Silver Spring, Md., 1,413.
 80, Greg Eskow, Syosset, N.Y., 1,411.
 81, Bill Ursillo, Bluffton, S.C., 1,395.
 82, Michael Vella, Bellport, N.Y., 1,394.
 83, ss-Andrew Smith, Colonie, N.Y., 1,393.
 84, ss-Stephen Lippman, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,386.
 85, ss-Ralph Ehrlich, N.Massapequa, N.Y., 1,372.
 86, ss-Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 1,367.
 87, ss-Norm Ginsberg, West Babylon, N.Y., 1,364.
 88, John Maglio, Oceanside, N.Y., 1,359.
 89, n-ss-John Vanek, Smithtown, N.Y., 1,351.
 90, ss-Pete Bryan, Laurel, Del., 1,347.
 91, Scott Zimmerman, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1,342.
 92, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 1,334.
 93, ss-Tony Bellantoni, White Plains, N.Y., 1,331.
 94, n-ss-James Lavendis, Kennett Square, Penn., 1,327.
 95, n-Joseph Risley, Moriches, N.Y., 1,306.
 96, Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., 1,287.
 97, n-Chris McKeon, Maspeth, N.Y., 1,226.
 98, Douglas Slier, Lenox, Mass., 1,201.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

Monacelli and Weber Lead PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open Qualifying

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. – PBA Hall of Famers Amleto Monacelli and Pete Weber took the top two spots after qualifying Monday in the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick at Farmingdale Lanes as competition moves into match play.

Monacelli, who was the leader after the first round, earned top-qualifier honors with a 3,683 16-game pinfall total (230.1 average). The 54-year-old Venezuelan bowled games of 201, 238, 193, 227, 243, 255, 184 and 248 in Monday's second round.

"Before I came here I didn't know what to expect because I didn't do well last year," said Monacelli, who finished 41st in last year's BVL Open. "It was a good test for my mental game, which I am always working on, because I wanted to prove to myself I could overcome last year's result."

Through the first three tournaments of the season Monacelli, who owns five PBA50 Tour titles, has a best finish of 15th which came in last week's Mooresville Ford Open.

Monacelli won the DHC Japan Invitational in January for his 20th PBA Tour win and his most recent PBA50 Tour wins came in the Northern California Classic and USBC Senior Masters back-to-back last season.

The 53-year-old Weber finished qualifying in second with a 3,605 pinfall (225 average) bowling games of 205, 238, 247, 214, 206, 222, 268 and 242 in the second round.

Weber is coming off back-to-back wins on the PBA50 Tour winning the PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open and Sun Bowl In The Villages. If he can win the BVL Open, he would tie the record of three consecutive PBA50 Tour wins held by Hall of Famer Tom Baker of King, N.C., who accomplished the feat in 2006.

“The key here is making the adjustments you need to get the pin carry,” said Weber, who has six PBA50 Tour titles. “I analyze how the ball reacts mid-lane and make adjustments from there whether it be the ball I’m using or the way I’m throwing it. I’m a little old school that way because a lot of guys don’t use that technique.”

The top 24 players advanced directly into Tuesday’s match play with an additional eight players advancing through a cashers round Tuesday morning.

Rounding out the top eight after qualifying were Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,659; former Major League All-Star pitcher John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 3,518; Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,495; Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,466; Baker, 3,445, and Ray Edwards, Middle Island, N.Y., 3,420.

Defending champion 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, finished 16th with 3,262, while tournament namesake Hall of Famer Johnny Petraglia finished tied for 26th with 3,171.

Tuesday’s match play rounds will be live on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame beginning at 8:30 a.m. ET. Tuesday’s stepladder finals are scheduled for 7 p.m. Additional subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 JOHNNY PETRAGLIA BVL OPEN PRESENTED BY BRUNSWICK **Farmingdale Lanes, Farmingdale, N.Y., Monday**

Second Round Standings

(After 16 games. Top 24 advance to match play; places 25-32nd plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers round to determine eight additional match play finalists)

- 1, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,683.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,605.
- 3, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,569.
- 4, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 3,518.
- 5, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,495.
- 6, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,466.
- 7, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,445.
- 8, Ray Edwards, Middle Island, N.Y., 3,420.
- 9, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,413.
- 10, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,399.
- 11, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 3,395.
- 12, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 3,391.
- 13, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,352.
- 14, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,348.
- 15, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 3,315.
- 16, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,262.
- 17, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,219.
- 18, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,217.
- 19, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,216.
- 20, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 3,207.
- 21, (tie) Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., and Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,196.
- 23, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,193.
- 24, n-Steven DiMartino, Upper Saddle River, N.J., 3,184.
- 25, n-Jim Zimmerman, Oakland, N.J., 3,183.
- 26, (tie) Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y. and Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,171.
- 28, n-Michael Dioguardo, Patchogue, N.Y., 3,168.
- 29, Jay Boyle, Garnet Valley, Pa., 3,166.
- 30, Gary Shultis, Levittown, N.Y., 3,159.
- 31, Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., 3,144.
- 32, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,143.
- 33, ss-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 3,135.
- 34, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,134.
- 35, ss-Steve Ferraro, Kingston, N.Y., 3,129.
- 36, David Zelger, Red Lion, Pa., 3,126.

37, n-Jose Zambrano, Jackson Heights, N.Y., 3,118.
38, n-ss-Dave Abate, Cranston, R.I., 3,115.
39, Dave Mutch, Oakland, N.J., 3,107.
40, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 3,103.
41, John DiSantis, Wilmington, Del., 3,100.
42, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,081.
43, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,079.
44, Al Spano, Massapequa Park, N.Y., 3,078.
45, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 3,072.
46, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3,071.
47, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 3,070.
48, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 3,052.
49, Tommy King, Oakdale, N.Y., 3,023.
50, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,019.
51, (tie) ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., and ss-George Tignor, Winchendon, Mass., 3,016.
53, Tommy Brodowski, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 3,014.
54, Jay Farkas, N. Merrick, N.Y., 3,005.
55, Pamela Burns, Endicott, N.Y., 3,003.
56, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,000.
57, Steve Bova, Massapequa, N.Y., 2,996.
58, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 2,993.
59, Barry Warshafsky, Peabody, Mass., 2,987.
60, (tie) Glenn Smith, New York, and n-James Daigle, Methven, Mass., 2,967.
62, Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 2,953.
63, n-Joe Biscardi, Wantagh, N.Y., 2,952.
64, Bill Ursillo, Bluffton, S.C., 2,949.
65, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 2,937.
66, Ron Glick, Morganville, N.J., 2,936.
67, Pete Bryan, Laurel, Del., 2,924.
68, Leon Davis Jr., Silver Spring, Md., 2,919.
69, (tie) Michael Vella, Bellport, N.Y., and Eric Race, Schoharie, N.Y., 2,900.
71, Fred Ferreira, Kings Park, N.Y., 2,896.
72, Walter Davis Jr., St. Petersburg, Fla., 2,895.
73, Keith Doran, Pomona, N.Y., 2,885.
74, Robert Greene, Oxford, Conn., 2,877.
75, Andrew Smith, Colonie, N.Y., 2,875.
76, Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 2,842.
77, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 2,841.
78, Don Hicks, West Babylon, N.Y., 2,840.
79, Norm Ginsberg, West Babylon, N.Y., 2,838.
80, Louis Barbera, North Bellmore, N.Y., 2,831.
81, (tie) n-Mitch Sacks, Jersey City, N.J., and Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 2,830.
83, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 2,829.
84, Dowell Milliken, Lake Grove, N.Y., 2,805.
85, Tony Bellantoni, White Plains, N.Y., 2,778.
86, n-Joseph Risley, Moriches, N.Y., 2,775.
87, Greg Eskow, Syosset, N.Y., 2,758.
88, Ralph Ehrlich, N.Massapequa, N.Y., 2,735.
89, Timothy Regan, East Northport, N.Y., 2,734.
90, Stephen Lippman, Palm Harbor, Fla., 2,730.
91, (tie) n-John Vanek, Smithtown, N.Y., and Gary LaCara, Huntington Station, N.Y., 2,716.
93, Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 2,715.
94, Scott Zimmerman, Brooklyn, N.Y., 2,713.
95, John Maglio, Oceanside, N.Y., 2,680.
96, n-James Lavendis, Kennett Square, Penn., 2,657.
97, n-Chris McKeon, Maspeth, N.Y., 2,523.
98, Douglas Slier, Lenox, Mass., 2,494.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over advancing to cashers round

Pete Weber Wins Record-Tying Third Straight PBA50 Tour Title in New York

Brian LeClair's bid for victory ends with pocket 7-10 split in 10th frame

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (May 10, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber continued his torrid 2016 PBA50 Tour campaign Tuesday night, winning the Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick at Farmingdale Lanes for a record-tying third consecutive PBA50 Tour title.

Weber again dominated the field of 50-and-older players to earn the top berth in the stepladder finals, but he narrowly escaped with a 223-204 victory over Brian LeClair of Delmar, N.Y., when LeClair left a pocket 7-10 split on his first shot in the 10th frame.

With his win, Weber tied the PBA50 Tour record for consecutive titles set by Tom Baker of King, N.C., in 2006. With his seventh career PBA50 Tour title, Weber also broke a personal tie with his late father, who won six PBA50 titles. Weber also noted he won the first Johnny Petraglia Open, held on the PBA Tour at Brunswick Zone Carolier in N. Brunswick, N.J., 25 years ago.

Thus far in 2016, Weber – the reigning PBA50 Player of the Year – has a fourth-place finish in the season-opening Pasco County Florida Open followed by consecutive titles in the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl in The Villages in Florida and the Mooresville Ford Open in North Carolina. Weber will try for his fourth consecutive title in the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open at Suncoast Bowling Center in Las Vegas, May 30-June 3, where Weber also is defending champion.

"I've won a couple titles in a row, maybe made a show the next week, but I've never won three in a row, so it's kinda cool," Weber said.

Unlike many PBA players, Weber was watching when LeClair threw his ill-fated shot in the 10th frame.

"I always watch," he said. "When Brian let it go, I thought, I just lost. But Dad always said I'd rather be lucky than good. I'd rather be both, but tonight I got lucky."

And Weber said his confidence will be soaring when he goes for a fourth consecutive title in Las Vegas in a couple of weeks.

"You know me and the majors. I love the majors," he said. "Having 17 days off before we bowl in Vegas is a big advantage to me. I'll be relaxed and ready to win again."

LeClair, in his second year of PBA50 competition, dominated the early matches, tripping PBA Hall of Famers Tom Baker of King, N.C., 258-247, and Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., 221-205, in the first two matches. LeClair then won a battle of New Yorkers in the semifinal contest, eliminating Ray Edwards of Middle Island, 238-184.

The second Petraglia BVL Open, like its predecessor, raised nearly \$50,000 in support of the nation's military veterans.

"If we can keep raising that kind of money for the people who are protecting us every day, that's what it's all about," Petraglia said.

The entire tournament was video-streamed live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel. The PBA50 Tour's next Xtra Frame's event will be the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open from Las Vegas, May 30-June 3.

PBA50 JOHNNY PETRAGLIA BVL OPEN

presented by Brunswick
Farmingdale Lanes, Farmingdale, N.Y., Tuesday

Final Standings

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$7,500.
- 2, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., \$4,000.
- 3, Ray Edwards, Middle Island, N.Y., \$2,500.
- 4, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., \$1,750.
- 5, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., \$1,500.

Stepladder Results

- Match One – LeClair def. Baker, 258-247.
Match Two – LeClair def. Williams, 221-205.
Semifinal Match – LeClair def. Edwards, 238-184.
Championship – Weber def. LeClair, 223-204.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advanced to stepladder finals)

- 1, Weber, 6-0, 1,643.
- 2, Edwards, 5-1, 1,537.
- 3, Williams, 4-2, 1,505.
- 4, LeClair, 4-2, 1,481.
- 5, T. Baker, 4-2, 1,450.
- 6, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3-3, 1,401, \$1,500.
- 7, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 4-2, 1,400, \$1,500.
- 8, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2-4, 1,398, \$1,500.
- 9 (tie), Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3-3, and James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 2-4, 1,376, \$1,300.
- 11, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3-3, 1,340, \$1,300.
- 12, n-Michael Dioguardo, Patchogue, N.Y., 1-5, 1,321, \$1,300.
- 13, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 2-4, 1,302, \$1,300.
- 14, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 2-4, 1,293, \$1,300.
- 15, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1-5, 1,252, \$1,300.
- 16, ss-Gary Shultis, Levittown, N.Y., 2-4, 1,234, \$1,300.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins)

- 17, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3-2, 1,150, \$1,150.
- 18, George Tignor, Winchendon, Mass., 3-2, 1,141, \$1,150.
- 19, Stephen Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 2-3, 1,091, \$1,150.
- 20, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2-2-1, 1,086, \$1,150.
- 21, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 3-1-1, 1,073, \$1,150.
- 22, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1-4, 1,062, \$1,150.
- 23, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1-4, 1,040, \$1,150.
- 24, Jay Boyle, Garnet Valley, Pa., 2-3, 1,034, \$1,150.
- 25, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 2-3, 1,013, \$1,050.
- 26, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 2-3, 1,002, \$1,050.
- 27, n-Steven DiMartino, Upper Saddle River, N.J., 1-3-1, 972, \$1,050.
- 28, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 2-3, 946, \$1,050.
- 29, ss-Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., 1-4, 941, \$1,050.
- 30, ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 0-4-1, 935, \$1,050.
- 31, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 0-5, 891, \$1,050.
- 32, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1-4, 889, \$1,050.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers' round)

- 33, ss-Steve Ferraro, Kingston, N.Y., 970, \$1,000.
- 34, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 959, \$1,000.
- 35, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 953, \$1,000.
- 36, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 951, \$1,000.
- 37, n-ss-Jim Zimmerman, Oakland, N.J., 933, \$1,000.
- 38, ss-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 930, \$1,000.

39, n-ss-Dave Abate, Cranston, R.I., 914, \$1,000.
40, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 816, \$1,000.

ss-denotes PBA60 player; n-denotes non-member

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (May 13, 2016)

PBA Spare Shots

PBA LEAGUE'S VIEWERSHIP ON ESPN UP 14 PERCENT

ESPN's four-week series of PBA League telecasts from Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, resulted in a 14 percent increase in audience growth over the 2015 series.

The fourth annual PBA League competition was highlighted by the first Baker team 300 game – by PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke's GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers team in the semifinal round – and a great Elias Cup championship round battle won by Duke's Strikers over long-time rival Pete Weber and his GEICO New York City WTT KingPins team.

If you missed one or more of the shows, the entire four-telecast, eight-hour series, featuring eight teams composed of 40 PBA stars, is now available on PBA's YouTube channel.

The PBA and Bayside Bowl have already announced the PBA League will return to Portland, Maine in 2017, where the competition will be conducted in a newly-expanded Bayside Bowl featuring eight additional lanes and specially-designed spectator access.

WRW VS. PDW: THE RACE TO 100 TITLES IS GETTING CLOSE

Maybe the most celebrated rivalry among contemporary bowling stars is the ongoing battle between Hall of Famers **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** and **Pete Weber**, made famous by WRW's domination of PDW in their history of PBA Tour television battles. In head-to-head duels on national television, Williams has beaten Weber nine times in 11 matches, including five victories without a loss in title matches.

Lesser known is the competition between the two that began more than 35 years ago, and has evolved into a race to become the first player in PBA history to win 100 titles at all levels of PBA competition. It's a milestone that one or both PBA superstars could achieve before the 2016 season is over.

In the all-time titles chase, Williams – who made his PBA debut in 1980 – has won 96 times. Now 56, he's the all-time leader in PBA Tour titles with 47, but also owns 32 standard PBA Regional titles, 10 PBA50 Tour titles and nine PBA50 Regional titles.

Weber, who joined the PBA in November 1979 at age 17 and went on to win PBA Rookie of the Year honors in 1980 – the same year Williams joined - ranks fourth in all-time PBA Tour titles with 37, but the St. Louis native is the all-time leader in standard PBA Regional titles with 48. Now 53, Weber also has won four PBA50 Regionals and including his current hot streak of three consecutive PBA50 Tour titles to raise his total in that category to seven, giving him a grand total of 96 titles.

By winning his seventh PBA50 Tour title in the Johnny Petraglia BVL Open, Weber moved into a tie for 12th place on the PBA50 Tour career titles list with **Earl Anthony**, **John Hricsina** and **Dave Soutar**. **John Handegard** is the leader with 14. Williams is alone in sixth place with his 10 titles.

No one else is in the neighborhood in overall PBA titles, in part because few players have bowled so many events at all levels of PBA competition with such a high level of success as Williams and Weber have done. **Parker Bohn III** ranks third with 63 overall titles (35 PBA Tour, 24 standard Regionals, three PBA50 Tour and one PBA50 Regional) followed by the late **Earl Anthony** with 55 (43 PBA Tour, five Regionals and seven PBA50 Tour).

So for now, at least, the race to 100 titles is a two-man contest and it'll be a race worth watching.

XTRA FRAME TO FEATURE EXTENSIVE COVERAGE OF PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S TOUR

While the PBA50 Tour takes a break until the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open May 29-June 3 in Las Vegas, Xtra Frame's exclusive online coverage will focus on the Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour. Next up will be preliminary rounds of the Storm Sacramento Open May 14-15 and the first PWBA major of the year, the USBC Queens from the Orleans in Las Vegas May 20-26.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

TEXAN WINS PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP CONTEST

Patrick Prnka of Fort Worth, Texas, correctly picked the GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers to win the PBA League's Elias Cup, also selecting the winners of five of seven matches correctly, to win the special PBA League Elias Cup contest. As the winner, Prnka wins a replica Dallas Strikers jersey and a PBA bowling pin autographed by team members **Bill O'Neill, BJ Moore, Shawn Maldonado, Tommy Jones** and player-manager **Norm Duke**.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: REGIONALS SET FOR NEW JERSEY, OHIO

- The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule for the May 13-15 weekend includes the Al Jones Memorial presented by Storm at Rockaway Lanes in Rockaway, N.J., and the Baldo Campana Memorial/Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open presented by Storm at Rebman Recreation in Lorain, Ohio.
- The May 20-22 QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule includes the J.D. Producing/Star Strategies/Orrvilon Inc. Central Open presented by Hammer at Triway Lanes in Wooster, Ohio; the Planet Bowl Southwest Open in Oklahoma City, and a Northwest Region doubleheader – The Shock Top/Budweiser Open presented by US Foods and Brunswick plus the PBA50 Daffodil Bowl Open presented by Sunset Chevrolet and Brunswick in Puyallup, Wash. The Midwest Region will conduct a one-day Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by Hammer on May 21 at Fox Bowl in Wheaton, Ill.
- As PBA50 players head toward Las Vegas and the Suncoast PBA U.S. Senior Open presented by 900 Global May 29-June 3, they'll have a couple of regional opportunities in Arizona – the 7th annual Lona King Saguaro West Open at Johnson Lanes in Sun City West, May 23-25, and the PBA50 Miller Lite Western Open at Starlite Lanes in Flagstaff May 25-27.
- Over the May 27-29 Memorial Day weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition will include the Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open presented by MOTIV in Junction City, Kan. (which was originally scheduled for May 13-15); and the Colony Park Lanes East Challenge for non-title winners in York, Pa.

For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- The recently-completed PBA50 **Johnny Petraglia** BVL Open raised just shy of \$50,000 in support of the Bowlers to Veterans Link, but Farmingdale Lanes proprietor and tournament host **John LaSpina**, who also is national chairman of the bowling industry's BVL Committee, has hopes the event will continue to generate revenue to help America's military veterans. One way bowling fans can help the BVL cause is by purchasing a special BVL t-shirt from the USBC Bowling Store. For information about the limited-time, while-supplies-last offer, click here: <http://email.bowl.com/acton/rif/14313/s-0311-1605/-/I-0001:203a/I-0001/showPreparedMessage?sid=wqpOVHis5>.
- **Reminder:** applications for the \$1,000 2016 PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Award which recognizes exemplary qualities in male or female college students who compete in the sport of bowling are due by the June 15 postmark deadline. The application can be retrieved by downloading two PDF files using this link <http://www.pba.com/Corporate/Scholarships>. Nominations can be sent to scholarships@pba.com or through the U.S. mail at PBA Billy Welu Scholarship, 55 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 401, Chicago, IL 60604.

Wodka, Verble Win PBA, PBA50 Baldo Campana Memorial/ Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open Events

Lorain, Ohio (May 15, 2016) – Dave Wodka of Beavercreek, Ohio defeated Patrick Dombrowski of Parma, Ohio by six pins to win the Professional Bowlers Association Baldo Campana Memorial/Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open presented by Storm at Rebman Recreation Sunday, and Larry Verble of Mason, Mich. defeated non-member Gary Schluchter of Fremont, Ohio by 66 pins to win the PBA50 companion event.

Wodka finished with an 11-1 match play record and a total of 4,569 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to win the \$2,100 first prize in the standard regional event. This was Wodka's first title in the Central this year and the 20th of his career.

Verble finished with a 7-5 match play record and 4,637 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to win the PBA50 title, the sixth of his career. He also earned \$1,400.

The PBA Baldo Campana Memorial/Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open presented by Storm and the PBA50 Baldo Campana Memorial/Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open presented by DV8 were part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region event will be in Wooster, Ohio, May 20-22.

PBA BALDO CAMPANA/OHIO LOTTERY CENTRAL/MIDWEST OPEN PRESENTED BY STORM
Rebman Recreation, Lorain, Ohio, Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins):

1, Dave Wodka, Beaver Creek, Ohio, 11-1, 4,569, \$2,100. 2, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 7-5, 4,563, \$1,100. 3, Josh Conner, Columbus, Ohio, 7-5, 4,558, \$800. 4, Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 8-4, 4,521, \$750. 5, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 6-6-0, 4,517, \$725. 6, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 7-5, 4,502, \$700. 7, Cory Hines, Jackson, Mich., 7-5, 4,483, \$690. 8, n-Frank Testa, Akron, Ohio, 5-7, 4,434, \$680. 9, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 7-5, 4,400, \$670. 10, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 4-8, 4,342, \$660. 11, n-James Jones, Dayton, Ky., 6-6, 4,334, \$650. 12, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 5-7, 4,315, \$640. 13, n-Matthew Rubright, Pittsburgh, Pa., 3-8-1, 4,292, \$630. 14, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 4-7-1, 4,248, \$620. 15, Kevin Kachele, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 5-7, 4,192, \$610. 16, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3-9, 4,067, \$600.

PBA50 BALDO CAMPANA/OHIO LOTTERY CENTRAL/MIDWEST OPEN PRESENTED BY DV8
Rebman Recreation, Lorain, Ohio, Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins):

1, Larry Verble, Mason, Mich., 7-5, 4,637, \$1,400. 2, n-Gary Schluchter, Fremont, Ohio, 6-6, 4,571, \$1,000. 3, Richie Brown, Marion, Ohio, 7-5, 4,569, \$800. 4, ss-Dale Csuhata, Wadsworth, Ohio, 7-5, 4,554, \$700. 5, David Williams, Omaha, Neb., 6-6, 4,516, \$650. 6, Dave Johnson, Ashtabula, Ohio, 7-5, 4,413, \$600. 7, n-Scott Sustar, Medina, Ohio, 7-5, 4,407, \$550. 8, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 8-4, 4,393, \$540. 9, Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 6-6, 4,292, \$530. 10, ss-Richard Nesbit, Pittsburgh, Pa., 3-9, 4,163, \$520. 11, Mark Nance, Grove City, Ohio, 5-7, 4,087, \$510. 12, ss-Michael Llana, Columbus, Ohio, 3-9-0, 4,084, \$500.

n-denotes non-member; ss-denotes PBA60 player

Weber Juggernaut's Next Stop:
Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open May 29-June 3 in Las Vegas
Hall of Famer hopes to defend title, win record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour event

LAS VEGAS – Just four events into the relatively young 2016 PBA50 Tour season, Pete Weber has his sights set on a record-setting campaign, including a second consecutive PBA50 Player of the Year crown, back-to-back Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open titles and an unprecedented fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title.

After a fourth-place finish in the Pasco County Florida Open to start the year, followed by three consecutive wins to start the season, he's in prime position to make good on all three goals.

With his torrid start to the 2016 season, the PBA Hall of Famer could make the PBA50 Player of the Year selection a forgone conclusion with little more than a third of the season completed if he can successfully defend his Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global title May 29-June 3 at the Suncoast Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

The seven-time PBA50 Tour winner will arrive in Las Vegas on the heels of wins seen exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel in the Sun Bowl In The Villages, Mooresville Ford Open and Johnny Petraglia BVL Open in successive weeks (highlights of which can be seen here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=leGEkpTDxtY>), joining fellow Hall of Famer Tom Baker as the only players to win three consecutive PBA50 Tour titles.

"Breaking the record would be nice but winning (PBA50) Player of the Year again is what I'm shooting for," said the 53-year-old Weber, whose 2015 PBA50 Player of the Year is the only Player of the Year honor he has won on either PBA tour. "I've won two titles in a row before but never three until this year, so tying Tom for the record was a pretty big deal."

Weber won the 2015 Suncoast Senior U.S. Open by beating top qualifier Eric Forkel of Henderson, Nev., 224-212, and reached another milestone by joining fellow Hall of Famer Norm Duke as the only players to win the PBA50 Senior U.S. Open and the PBA Tour's U.S. Open, which he has won a record five times. His Senior U.S. Open win was his second PBA50 Tour major win after winning the USBC Senior Masters in 2013.

"This year's Senior U.S. Open comes at a good time because, like I've said many times before, I like the long format tournaments, especially the U.S. Open," Weber said. "It's a true test of bowling and you're usually bowling on a challenging lane condition. It's not easy by any means; you have to make your spares and really take advantage of the pairs of lanes where you can capitalize on making strikes."

Also still active and competitive on the PBA Tour in a career that has spanned more than three decades, Weber has compiled 37 PBA Tour titles, which ranks fourth all-time, including a record-tying (with Earl Anthony) 10 majors.

After battling hip and back ailments late last year, Weber said he's feeling good physically and is looking forward to the most demanding test of the season. Like the U.S. Open on the PBA Tour, the Senior U.S. Open demands patience, quality shot-making and a strong mental game over 48 games of qualifying and match play. The top four players will meet in the stepladder finals on June 3 at 4:15 p.m. PT to determine the winner. All rounds of the Senior U.S. Open will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel (for subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link).

"Right now I feel like I have all the confidence in the world," Weber said. "With the break in the schedule we're in now, I'll have plenty of time to prepare and will probably get more confident as the tournament gets closer. There's no real secret to it. When competition starts it's all about focus and making good shots."

In addition to the demanding format, Weber will be competing against approximately 200 of the world's top players ages 50 and older, including eight Hall of Famers (Weber, Baker, Duke, Dale Eagle, Parker Bohn III, Amleto Monacelli, Johnny Petraglia and Walter Ray Williams Jr.) and four other Senior U.S. Open past champions (Duke, 2014; Monacelli 2012, 2013; Baker 2005, 2006; and Ron Mohr, 2011).

The Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open is the first of four majors on the 2016 PBA50 Tour schedule. The remaining majors are the USBC Senior Masters, PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship and PBA50 National Championship.

SUNCOAST PBA SENIOR U.S. OPEN PRESENTED BY 900 GLOBAL SCHEDULE

Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas (All times Pacific)

All rounds, including stepladder finals, streamed live exclusively on Xtra Frame

Sunday, May 29

8 - A Squad practice

9:15 a.m. - B Squad practice

10:30 a.m. - C Squad practice

Monday, May 30

7 a.m. - A Squad, 6 qualifying games

10:45 a.m. - B Squad, 6 qualifying games

2:30 p.m. C Squad, 6 qualifying games

Tuesday, May 31

7 a.m. - B Squad, 6 qualifying games

10:45 a.m. - C Squad, 6 qualifying games

2:30 p.m. - A Squad, 6 qualifying games

Wednesday, June 1

7 a.m. - C Squad, 6 qualifying games

10:45 a.m. - A Squad, 6 qualifying games

2:30 p.m. - B Squad, 6 qualifying games

(Based on 192-player field, top 48 advance to match play)

Thursday, June 2

8 a.m. – 6 games round robin match play

1 p.m. - 6 games round robin match play

Friday, June 3

8 a.m. - 6 games round robin match play

12:30 p.m. - 6 games round robin match play

Top 4 advance after 48 games advance to stepladder finals

4:15 p.m. – Top 4 stepladder finals

PBA's World Series of Bowling VIII Returns to National Bowling Stadium

Silver Legacy, Reno to host multi-event international bowling showcase

CHICAGO (May 20, 2016) – The eighth annual edition of the Professional Bowlers Association's World Series of Bowling, an international multi-event showcase for the world's most talented bowlers, will return to the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev., Nov. 27-Dec. 11.

WSOB VIII will offer PBA members from around the world an opportunity to compete for shares of an estimated \$750,000 in prize money and five PBA Tour titles in nationally-televised ESPN finals.

The PBA World Series, which has evolved into the world's most prestigious test of bowling skills, will again be presented by the Silver Legacy Resort, providing all players, fans, bowling industry partners and news media attendees with top quality accommodations and services at special discounted rates.

WSOB VIII will return to a PBA members-only event, with an all-inclusive entry fee of \$1,000 covering all five PBA Tour events: the PBA Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championships plus the PBA World Championship, the final major championship of the 2016 season. Along with scheduled updates to the bowling lane environment at the National Bowling Stadium, the Shark Championship returns to the World Series lineup for the first time since 2011, replacing the Viper Championship.

In keeping with WSOB tradition, combined qualifying scores from the four animal pattern events, each providing its own unique challenge, will serve as the qualifying stages to determine players advancing to the PBA World Championship match play finals.

In addition to the five PBA Tour events, the World Series will host the fourth annual PBA Challenge Series, inviting the top players in three other levels of PBA competition to participate in the WSOB program and to compete in special PBA Regional, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional and PBA50 Tour Challenge events. The PBA Regional and PWBA/PBA Women's Regional points leaders in the East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest, West, Northwest and Japan Regions as of the Oct. 16 qualifying deadline will receive WSOB and PBA Challenge Series invitations. PBA50 qualifiers will be determined at the conclusion of the PBA50 Tour season on Aug. 17.

The 2016 World Series will get underway a week earlier than it did in 2015, beginning with the PBA Challenge events and a pro-am program on Sunday, Nov. 27, followed by practice sessions and the PBA Challenge finals on Nov. 28 before competition officially gets underway on Tuesday, Nov. 29, with the first of four single-day animal pattern qualifying sessions.

After a day off on Saturday, Dec. 3, PBA World Championship cashers and match play rounds will take place Dec. 4 and 5, followed by best-of-five-game single-elimination match play rounds for the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championship qualifiers Tuesday, Dec. 6, through Thursday, Dec. 8. The four surviving players in each of the animal pattern events will bowl in tape-delayed ESPN finals on Saturday, Dec. 10. World Series VIII will conclude with the live ESPN coverage of the PBA World Championship finals on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. Pacific time).

Entries for the World Series will be accepted on pba.com beginning July 15. All preliminary rounds of WSOB VIII will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, as well as via live scoring on PBA's official website, pba.com, and all outlets included as part of the PBA Network.

PBA WORLD SERIES OF BOWLING VIII SCHEDULE

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Nov. 27-Dec. 11 (all times are Pacific)

Sunday, Nov. 27

10 a.m. – PBA Regional, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional and PBA50 Tour Challenge, 8 games round-robin match play (top two in each division advance to Xtra Frame finals)

3-6 p.m. – Pro-am squad

Monday, Nov. 28

8:30 a.m. – A Squad practice session (Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark lane conditions)

2:30 p.m. – B Squad practice session (Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark lane conditions)

5:30 p.m. – Mandatory PBA WSOB VIII players meeting

7 p.m. – PBA50 Tour Challenge Xtra Frame championship match (live on Xtra Frame)

7:30 p.m. – PBA Regional Challenge Xtra Frame championship match (live on Xtra Frame)

8 p.m. – PWBA/PBA Women's Regional Challenge Xtra Frame championship match (live on Xtra Frame)

Tuesday, Nov. 29

9 a.m. – Cheetah Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Cheetah Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Tuesday, Dec. 6; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

Wednesday, Nov. 30

9 a.m. – Chameleon Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Chameleon Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Tuesday, Dec. 6; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

Thursday, Dec. 1

9 a.m. – Scorpion Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Scorpion Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Wednesday, Dec. 7; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

Friday, Dec. 2

9 a.m. – Shark Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Shark Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Wednesday, Dec. 7; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

(Top 25 percent of field based on 32-game combined qualifying totals from Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark championships advance to PBA World Championship cashers round)

Saturday, Dec. 3

No competition scheduled

Sunday, Dec. 4

11 a.m. – PBA World Championship cashers round, 6 games

(Top 24 based on 38 games advance to round-robin match play)

5:30 p.m. – PBA World Championship, 8 games round-robin match play

Monday, Dec. 5

11 a.m. – PBA World Championship, 8 games round-robin match play

5:30 p.m. – PBA World Championship, 8 games round-robin match play

(Top five after 62 games of qualifying and match play advance to ESPN finals)

Tuesday, Dec. 6

10 a.m. – Cheetah Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

1 p.m. – Cheetah Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 10 a.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

4:30 p.m. – Chameleon Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

7:30 p.m. – Chameleon Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 4:30 p.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

Wednesday, Dec. 7

10 a.m. – Scorpion Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

1 p.m. – Scorpion Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 10 a.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

4:30 p.m. – Shark Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

7:30 p.m. – Shark Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 4:30 p.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

Thursday, Dec. 8

10 a.m. – Cheetah Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)

1 p.m. – Chameleon Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)

4:30 p.m. – Scorpion Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)

7:30 p.m. – Shark Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)

Friday, Dec. 9

No competition (television setup day)

Saturday, Dec. 10

1 p.m. – Cheetah Championship match play semifinals and finals (taped for delayed airing on ESPN)

3:30 p.m. – Chameleon Championship match play semifinals and finals (taped for delayed airing on ESPN)

5:15 p.m. – Scorpion Championship match play semifinals and finals (taped for delayed airing on ESPN)

7 p.m. – Shark Championship match play semifinals and finals (taped for delayed airing on ESPN)

Sunday, Dec. 11

10 a.m. – Live ESPN stepladder finals, PBA World Championship (1 p.m. Eastern)

PBA Spare Shots

DENVER BRONCOS' CJ ANDERSON TO COMPETE IN OKLAHOMA CITY PBA REGIONAL EVENT

The PBA has learned that Denver Broncos' running back CJ Anderson is going to compete in the PBA Planet Bowl Southwest Open in Oklahoma City this weekend.

Anderson, who made his PBA debut as a celebrity guest in the Chris Paul PBA Celebrity Invitational in Los Angeles in January, is serious about bowling and reportedly has been practicing diligently with guidance from PBA competitors, including fellow Denver area PBA member Brett Cooper.

"My 1st PBA tourney this weekend man should be fun," Anderson noted on his Twitter feed this week.

Regarding his chances, he also noted, "I'll do my best, I'm pretty confident. The goal is to make the cut. If I'm rolling it really well I know I have a shot. I will try to win and show the world I'm serious."

Anderson, who is accompanying Cooper to the PBA Southwest Region event in Oklahoma City, scored a touchdown in helping the underdog Broncos win Super Bowl L, 24-10, over the heavily-favored Carolina Panthers. Among his ongoing bowling activities was hosting a "Strikes for Kids" fundraiser last weekend in Lone Tree, Colo., to provide scholarship assistance to deserving young people.

TOP 10 PBA FALL SWING MONEY-WINNERS TO EARN BERTHS IN 2017 DHC JAPAN OPEN

In addition to titles in the PBA's Wolf, Badger, Bear and Detroit Open titles, PBA members bowling in the PBA Fall Swing at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 4-11, will be competing for 15 invitations to participate in the 2017 DHC PBA Japan Invitational in January in Tokyo.

The 2016 PBA Fall Swing – formerly conducted in the summer – will award PBA Tour titles in the Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Opens. Qualifying rounds in the Wolf, Bear and Badger events will qualify players advancing to the Detroit Open, and the winners of all four of those events – plus the points leader who doesn't win a title – will compete in the Fall King of the Swing special event to conclude the Detroit event.

The top 10 PBA members based on total earnings for the Fall Swing will be invited to participate in the DHC PBA Japan Invitational along with defending champion Amleto Monacelli, one PWBA-PBA Women's member, three players selected by tournament sponsor DHC, one Korea PBA member, and 16 representatives of the Japan PBA in a 32-game head-to-head match play competition. The Japan Invitational will offer a \$150,000 prize fund with \$40,000 and a PBA Tour title to the winner (title will be awarded if the winner is a PBA member).

If the leading female bowler is among the top 10 earnings leaders, one additional bowler from the earnings list will be invited. If a PWBA-PBA Women's member is not among the top 10 in money earned, the invitation will go to the highest-finishing woman in the Detroit Open.

XTRA FRAME KICKS INTO HIGH GEAR WITH MULTI-EVENT JUNE SCHEDULE

The future of access to professional bowling will be on full display during the summer months, leading off with a June schedule that is filled with live PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour and PWBA competition.

PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service, which fans can watch on home computers, laptops, mobile devices and even on television screens using modern digital technology, will provide hours of world-class competition, beginning with the PBA50 Tour's first major championship of the year, the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open May 29-June 3 in Las Vegas.

As the PBA Senior U.S. Open wraps up in Las Vegas, the PBA Tour returns to action with the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 3-5. Bowling fans will also be able to watch the world's best women bowlers over the June 3-5 weekend when Xtra Frame provides live coverage of the PWBA Wichita Open from Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan.

PBA50 Tour action on Xtra Frame will continue with the Fountain Valley Open presented by Track at Fountain Bowl, Fountain Valley, Calif., June 5-8, and the Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV at Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif., June 12-15, before returning to Sam's Town in Las Vegas for the year's second major, the USBC Senior Masters, June 19-25.

PWBA Tour competition will continue throughout June as well with the Lincoln Open at Sun Valley Lanes in Lincoln, Neb., June 9-12; the Greater Detroit Open from Super Bowl in Canton, Mich., June 16-19; the PWBA Players Championship from The Ashwaubenon Bowling Alley in Green Bay, Wis., June 23-26, and the Lexington Open from Collins Bowling Center in Lexington, Ky., June 30-July 3. All preliminary rounds of PWBA events leading up to the CBS Sports Network-televised stepladder finals air live on Xtra Frame.

Rounding out the June Xtra Frame schedule will be the fourth of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour tournaments of the year, the Xtra Frame PBA Lubbock Sports Open from South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

PBA50 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP HOST CENTER MAKING MAJOR UPGRADES

Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind., the host center of the season-ending PBA50 National Championship to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children Aug. 14-17, is undergoing \$300,000 in upgrades in anticipation of the event.

Signature Lanes is working with QubicaAMF to do a comprehensive technology upgrade that includes 50-inch flat screen 3D scoring monitors and new tablet-based lane consoles, new scoring and game software, and a major upgrade of existing pinsetters among other upgrades. A number of activities for fans also are planned leading up to the event including an auction, special dinner with the pros, celebrity BBQ contest and live entertainment.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: WODKA, VERBLE, SHAFER NOTCH REGIONAL WINS

Dave Wodka of Beavercreek, Ohio defeated **Patrick Dombrowski** of Parma, Ohio by six pins to win his 20th QubicaAMF PBA Regional title Sunday in the Baldo Campana Memorial/Ohio Lottery Central/Midwest Open presented by Storm at Rebman Recreation in Lorain, Ohio.

Larry Verble of Mason, Mich. defeated non-member **Gary Schluchter** of Fremont, Ohio by 66 pins to win the PBA50 companion event.

Wodka finished with an 11-1 match play record and a total of 4,569 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to win the \$2,100 first prize in the standard regional event while Verble finished with a 7-5 match play record and 4,637 pins for 20 games to win his sixth PBA50 regional title along with the \$1,400 first prize.

● **Ryan Shafer** of Horseheads, N.Y. defeated **Anthony Pepe** of Elmhurst, N.Y., 200-199, to win his 27th QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA Al Jones Memorial Eastern Open presented by Storm at Rockaway Lanes in Rockaway, N.J., Sunday.

Shafer qualified third for the stepladder finals and defeated Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 227-188, and **Steven Arehart**, Chesapeake, Va., 233-174, to advance to the title match where led throughout after Pepe began with two splits. Another open gave Shafer a 20-pin lead, but when Shafer left a 2-8-10 split and opened, Pepe was again within a mark.

Pepe then struck in the ninth frame and got the first two in the 10th before leaving three pins on his fill ball. Shafer struck on his first shot in the 10th, left a 10 pin on his second, and converted the spare to claim the \$3,000 first prize by a single pin.

The long-running event was named to honor the late **Al Jones**, co-owner of Pro Image Bowling pro shop at Rockaway Lanes. Jones, who suffered from cystic fibrosis since childhood, twice endured a double lung transplant, but lost his life to an infection in January, eight years after his second transplant. Jones joined the PBA in 2001 and competed until 2007, just prior to his second transplant.

● The May 20-22 QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule includes the J.D. Producing/Star Strategies/Orrvilon Inc. Central Open presented by Hammer at Triway Lanes in Wooster, Ohio; the Planet Bowl Southwest Open in Oklahoma City, and a Northwest Region doubleheader – The Shock Top/Budweiser Open presented by US Foods and Brunswick plus the PBA50 Daffodil Bowl Open presented by Sunset Chevrolet and Brunswick in Puyallup, Wash. The Midwest Region will conduct a one-day Tony Grigat Allstate Midwest Open presented by Hammer on May 21 at Fox Bowl in Wheaton, Ill.

● As PBA50 players head toward Las Vegas and the Suncoast PBA U.S. Senior Open presented by 900 Global May 29-June 3, they'll have a couple of regional opportunities in Arizona – the 7th annual Lona King Saguaro West Open at Johnson Lanes in Sun City West, May 23-25, and the PBA50 Miller Lite Western Open at Starlite Lanes in Flagstaff May 25-27.

● Over the May 27-29 Memorial Day weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition will include the Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open presented by MOTIV in Junction City, Kan. (which was originally scheduled for May 13-15); and the Colony Park Lanes East Challenge for non-title winners in York, Pa.

For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

● Correction: **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** has won a grand total of 98 PBA titles across the organization's different levels of competition, not 96 as noted in last week's Spare Shots. **Pete Weber** has a combined total of 96 titles.

Wodka Wins Back-to-Back PBA Central Region Titles

Wooster, Ohio (May 22, 2016) - Dave Wodka of Beavercreek, Ohio defeated Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio by 27 pins to win his second straight QubicaAMF Professional Bowlers Association Regional Title in the J.D. Producing, Inc./Star Strategies/Orrvilion, Inc. Central Open presented by Hammer at Triway Lanes Sunday.

Wodka, who finished with a 10-2 match play record and a total of 4,823 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, picked up his 21st career PBA Regional title and the \$2,500 first prize.

The next PBA Central Region event will be the Pro Bowl West Non-Champions Central/Midwest Open in Ft. Wayne, Ind., June 24-25.

The PBA J.D. Producing, Inc./Star Strategies/Orrvilion, Inc. Central Open presented by Hammer is part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

PBA J.D. PRODUCING, INC./STAR STRATEGIES/ORRVILION, INC. CENTRAL OPEN
presented by Hammer
Triway Lanes, Wooster, Ohio, Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins):

1, Dave Wodka, Beaver Creek, Ohio, 10-2, 4,823, \$2,500. 2, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 9-3, 4,796, \$1,400. 3, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 7-5, 4,778, \$1,000. 4, Aaron Lorincz, Center Line, Mich., 8-4, 4,647, \$850. 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6-6, 4,602, \$800. 6, n-Ric McCormick, Cincinnati, Ohio, 7-5, 4,589, \$750. 7, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 6-6, 4,538, \$725. 8, n-Vincent Yoder, Wooster, Ohio, 4-8, 4,435, \$700. 9, Eric Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 5-7, 4,378, \$675. 10, n-Joe Bailey, Doylestown, Ohio, 4-8, 4,360, \$650. 11, s-Larry Verble, Mason, Mich., 4-8, 4,317, \$625. 12, s-Gary Zwiezinski, Elyria, Ohio, 2-10, 4,023, \$600.

n-denotes non-member
s-denotes PBA50 entrant

Denver Broncos' CJ Anderson Makes PBA Debut in Oklahoma City, Jonesboro Event Is Next

Super Bowl-winning running back is taking his bowling experiences seriously

CHICAGO (May 23, 2016) – CJ Anderson, who helped the underdog Denver Broncos upset the heavily favored Carolina Panthers in Super Bowl 50, made his debut in Professional Bowlers Association competition over the weekend in the PBA Planet Bowl Southwest Open in Oklahoma City, and is already making plans for his second appearance in the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 3-5.

The fact that he tied for 64th place out of 71 entries doesn't bother him a bit. The fact that he averaged a modest 173.8 for his first eight games in a PBA Regional tournament for players in the southwest area of the U.S. is nothing more than a learning experience. Being an underdog is nothing new for the 25-year-old Anderson, who signed with the Broncos as an undrafted free agent out of the University of California in 2013, and three years later was wearing a Super Bowl ring.

Bowling at the highest level is just another challenge Anderson decided he wanted undertake as a personal yardstick. Competing against bowlers who have grown up with a sport that Anderson just took up three years ago isn't exactly the same as running into a wall of 300-pound linemen, but it's less painful and a whole lot more fun.

"It was fun," Anderson said of his PBA debut. "I learned a lot. That was my first time bowling in a PBA event. It was the first time I've bowled on the Cheetah lane condition. Bowling on a short (35-foot) pattern like that was not my best, but my last four games were higher than my first four, so I was happy with that."

"It's a matter of my needing to know what to do as the pattern breaks down, so that's what I was working on," he said. "I've only been bowling for three years, so to put myself in position to bowl in an event like this...I'm pretty happy."

Anderson bowls a lot, and he's under the watchful eye of PBA member and veteran regional competitor Brett Cooper ("I call him my boss," Anderson said), as well as Storm Products' Hank Boomershine, the company's Vice President of North American Sales, Research and Development in addition to being a USBC Gold Level Coach.

Anderson, PBA fans may recall, was a celebrity participant in the 2016 Chris Paul PBA Celebrity Invitational, where his unorthodox "wrong-foot" delivery was first noted. Unlike traditional right-handed bowlers who finish their approach by sliding on their left foot, Anderson slides on his right foot. Cooper and Boomershine are trying to help Anderson maximize his style rather than try to change it.

"It's comfortable for me," Anderson said. "That's the way I've bowled since I started. It's a matter of execution – staying down, hitting your target, all that stuff. I'm using the same tools Pete Weber, Norm Duke, all those guys use, so if I execute the shot, I get the same result."

"I've been around some of those bowlers. I'm always around Brett and Hank Boomershine. My goal is to stay consistent," he said. "I want those guys to like the way the ball comes off my hand."

In Oklahoma City, Anderson was out-scored by 55 pins a game by his mentor, Cooper, the eventual tournament winner. He also was 30 pins a game behind former major league baseball star John Burkett, who averaged 207 in finishing 22nd. Burkett got his feet wet in PBA competition while he was still an active major league pitcher, and is now an established competitor on the PBA50 Tour. Anderson is eager at the front edge of his learning curve, and he's eager to try it again.

Anderson will take his game to another plateau in early June in Jonesboro, where a stronger field of PBA Tour champions is expected to compete for a PBA Tour title along with a \$15,000 first prize. He also hopes his experience practicing with Cooper on a wide range of PBA animal patterns, including the longer oiling patterns that power players tend to favor, will suit his game better.

"I understand the Jonesboro tournament will be a long pattern," Anderson said. "That means I'll get to throw my heavy stuff, like I like to throw, so I think the outcome will be a little better for me."

"I'm just happy to be part of it," he concluded. "My goal is to get better and win, and I've got the right people in my corner."

The Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame will be covered live, from start to finish, by PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

DOWNUMS WASTE SERVICES PBA JONESBORO OPEN

presented by Xtra Frame

Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 3-5 (all times are CDT)

Friday, June 3

1 p.m. – A Squad Practice Session

3 p.m. – B Squad Practice Session

6 & 8:30 p.m. – Pro-am Squads

Saturday, June 4

8 a.m. – A Squad, 8 qualifying games

2:30 p.m. – B Squad, 8 qualifying games

(Top 1/3 of field advances to cashers round)

Sunday, June 5

8:30 p.m. – Cashers Round, 5 games

(Top 16 after 13 games advance to match play)

Noon – Top 16, 8 games Modified Round Robin Match Play

(Top four after 21 games advance to stepladder finals)

5:45 p.m. – Top four stepladder finals

SUNCOAST PBA SENIOR U.S. OPEN STORYLINES

PBA50 superstars eye career milestones in first major of the 2016 PBA50 Tour season

LAS VEGAS (May 25, 2016) -- The world's greatest bowlers ages 50 years and older will compete in the first major tournament of the 2016 PBA50 Tour season when the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global returns to the Suncoast Bowling Center in Las Vegas May 29-June 3.

Several of the PBA's all-time great players will be trying to add another milestone to their legendary careers in the fifth stop of the season including defending champion Pete Weber's bid to become the first player to win four consecutive PBA50 Tour Tournaments.

Bowling fans will be able to catch all the action – start to finish – on pba.com's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. For subscription and schedule information click on www.xtraframe.tv.

Here's a look at several compelling storylines for the 14th annual event:

Defending champion Pete Weber will try for a record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title: Defending Senior U.S. Open champion PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber, off to a blazing start in the 2016 PBA50 Tour season, will try to become the first player ever to win four consecutive PBA50 Tour titles. The reigning PBA50 Player of the Year finished fourth in the season-opening Pasco County Florida Open and since then won the United Healthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages, Mooresville Ford Open and Johnny Petraglia BVL Open in successive weeks. Weber currently shares the record for PBA50 consecutive titles with fellow Hall of Famer Tom Baker of King, N.C. who set the mark in 2006.

Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open is still looking for its first three-time winner: PBA Hall of Famers Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, and Tom Baker of King, N.C., will be trying for a record third PBA Senior U.S. Open title. Monacelli, a 20-time PBA Tour and five-time PBA50 Tour winner won the event in 2012 and 2013. Baker, a 10-time PBA Tour and 12-time PBA50 Tour winner also won the event back-to-back in 2005 and 2006.

Baker, who currently is tied for second in career PBA50 Tour titles with Gary Dickinson and Dale Eagle with 12, will also try to move into second place by himself behind all-time titles leader John Handegard with 14 wins.

PBA legend Johnny Petraglia trying to become oldest player to win a PBA50 Tour title: PBA Hall of Famer Johnny Petraglia is trying to become the oldest player to win a PBA50 Tour title at age 69. In more than 50 years of PBA competition, Petraglia has won 14 PBA Tour and eight PBA50 Tour titles. He is the only player in PBA history to win a PBA Tour or PBA50 Tour national title in six different decades. He's still competitive with a best finish of fourth in 2015 and a fourth-place finish this season.

Senior U.S. Open is first of four PBA50 Tour majors: For the first time in the more than 30 year history of the PBA50 Tour, players will have the opportunity to compete in four majors. After the Senior U.S. Open, the remaining majors are the USBC Senior Masters, PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino PBA World Championship and PBA50 National Championship.

Players vying for season-ending PBA50 Tour TV finals: The top eight bowlers from the 2016 PBA50 Tour points list advance to the PBA Challenge held in conjunction with PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno in December. The top two PBA Challenge competitors in the PBA50 division advance to a final to air exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame, following an eight game match play round.

Hall of Famers competing in the Senior U.S. Open: Eight PBA Hall of Famers are entered in the Senior U.S. Open including Walter Ray Williams Jr., Pete Weber, Tom Baker, Norm Duke, Parker Bohn III, Brian Voss, Johnny Petraglia, and Dale Eagle.

Past Champions: Five Past Senior U.S. Open champions are entered including Pete Weber (2015), Norm Duke (2014), Amleto Monacelli (2012-2013), Ron Mohr (2011) and Tom Baker (2005-06).

Challenging format: The PBA Senior U.S. Open is considered the most demanding test for players because of its grueling format and challenging lane conditions. Like the U.S. Open on the PBA Tour, the Senior U.S. Open demands patience, quality shot-making and a strong mental game over 42 games of qualifying and match play. The top four players will then meet in the stepladder finals to determine the winner.

SUNCOAST PBA SENIOR U.S. OPEN WINNERS

2015 Pete Weber

2014 Norm Duke
2013 Amleto Monacelli
2012 Amleto Monacelli
2011 Ron Mohr
2010 Mark Williams
2009 Wayne Webb
2008 Wayne Webb
2007 n-Rick Minier
2006 Tom Baker
2005 Tom Baker
2004 David Ozio
2003 Dave Soutar
n-non-member

SUNCOAST PBA SENIOR U.S. OPEN PRESENTED BY 900 GLOBAL SCHEDULE
Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas (All times Pacific)

Sunday, May 29

8 - A Squad practice
9:15 a.m. - B Squad practice
10:30 a.m. - C Squad practice

Monday, May 30

7 a.m. - A Squad, 6 qualifying games
10:45 a.m. - B Squad, 6 qualifying games
2:30 p.m. C Squad, 6 qualifying games

Tuesday, May 31

7 a.m. - B Squad, 6 qualifying games
10:45 a.m. - C Squad, 6 qualifying games
2:30 p.m. - A Squad, 6 qualifying games

Wednesday, June 1

7 a.m. - C Squad, 6 qualifying games
10:45 a.m. - A Squad, 6 qualifying games
2:30 p.m. - B Squad, 6 qualifying games
(Based on 192-player field, top 48 advance to match play)

Thursday, June 2

8 a.m. – 6 games round robin match play
1 p.m. - 6 games round robin match play

Friday, June 3

8 a.m. - 6 games round robin match play
12:30 p.m. - 6 games round robin match play
Top 4 advance after 42 games advance to stepladder finals
4:15 p.m. – Top 4 stepladder finals

PBA Spare Shots

XTRA FRAME TO COVER PETE WEBER'S BID FOR HISTORY AS SUNCOAST PBA U.S. OPEN BEGINS

Xtra Frame fans will have a full June schedule of viewing options, filled with live PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour and PWBA coverage, but none of the events are likely to have the historical significance of the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open that takes place May 30-June 3 at the Suncoast in Las Vegas.

Fans following the PBA50 Tour's first major championship of the year will be watching to see if PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber can make more history as he continues his quest for a record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title, back-to-back Senior U.S. Open titles and what may prove to be an insurmountable lead in his bid for back-to-back PBA50 Player of the Year honors.

Fans can relive Weber's strike-to-win shot at the 2015 Senior U.S. Open by watching this clip on PBA's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQxytcJeN0g> where Weber also addresses the question, can he repeat?

Previously posted on YouTube is a highlight reel of Weber's three previous PBA50 Tour victories : <https://youtu.be/leGEkpTDxtY> .

As the PBA Senior U.S. Open wraps up, the PBA Tour returns to action with the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 4-5, and PWBA fans will be able to watch live coverage of the preliminary rounds of the PWBA Wichita Open from Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan., also over the June 3-5 weekend.

Additional PBA50 Tour action on the June Xtra Frame schedule include the Fountain Valley Open presented by Track, June 6-8, and the Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV, June 13-15 The USBC Senior Masters, June 19-25, will be coverage by BowlTV on bowl.com.

PWBA competition continues with the Pepsi Lincoln Open from Lincoln, Neb., June 10-11; the Greater Detroit Open from Canton, Mich., June 17-18 and the Go Bowling PWBA Players Championship from Green Bay, Wis., June 24-25. All preliminary rounds of PWBA events leading up to the CBS Sports Network-televised stepladder finals air live on Xtra Frame.

Rounding out the June Xtra Frame schedule will be the fourth of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour tournaments of the year, the Xtra Frame PBA Lubbock Sports Open from South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas, June 25-26, where a \$20,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title will be at stake.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

SPEAKING OF JONESBORO, BAD WEATHER ISN'T A PROBLEM

Heavy rains and flooding that have impacted areas of Jonesboro, Ark., have not impacted Jonesboro Bowling Center. In fact, heeding the old adage about no need to fix the roof if it ain't raining, the soon-to-be host of the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame is one step ahead – making major roof repairs ahead of potential problems. So the center is sitting high-and-dry, awaiting its PBA Tour Xtra Frame event, which will take place June 3-5.

MALAYSIAN CONTINGENT PLANS TO COMPETE IN PBA WORLD SERIES OF BOWLING VIII

Entries for PBA's World Series of Bowling VIII, set for Nov. 27-Dec. 11 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, don't open until July 15, but the PBA has already learned a contingent of bowlers from Malaysia are making plans to compete. No details are available at this point, but Malaysia hasn't had a representative in the WSOB since the inaugural event in 2009.

QUBICAAMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: COOPER WINS FIRST REGIONAL TITLE IN OKC

Veteran QubicaAMF PBA Regional competitor **Brett Cooper** from Denver, Colo., outperformed his challengers in the end to win his first PBA Regional title in the Planet Bowl Southwest Open Sunday at Planet Bowl, topping PBA Southwest Region stalwarts Joe Findling from Mesquite, Texas, and Amarillo's Mark Scroggins.

After decisively winning his first two matches in the eight-game round-robin finals, Scroggins lost his next four matches before rebounding with a 269 win in game seven. Meanwhile, Findling won six of his first seven matches to close in on the lead while Cooper won five of seven matches to take a six-pin lead over Scroggins and a 21-pin advantage over Findling going into the final position round match.

The title was undecided going into the 10th frame where Scroggins finished first, leaving a 7-10 split. Findling then left a solid 10 pin to allow Cooper a chance. Cooper seized the moment, throwing two strikes to collect the \$2,500 first place check and become eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions.

The tournament also was the debut event in PBA competition for Denver Broncos running back **C.J. Anderson**, an amateur who aspires to become an accomplished bowler. In his PBA debut, Anderson finished in a tie for 64th in the field of 71 bowlers, averaging a modest 173 for his eight qualifying games, but he also announced his intention to bowl in the upcoming Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 3-5.

Coincidentally, one of Anderson's coaches is Brett Cooper.

- **Dave Wodka** of Beavercreek, Ohio defeated **Chris Loschetter** of Avon, Ohio by 27 pins to win his second straight QubicaAMF PBA Regional Title in the J.D. Producing, Inc./Star Strategies/Orrvilion, Inc. Central Open presented by Hammer at Triway Lanes in Wooster, Ohio, Sunday.

Wodka, who finished with a 10-2 match play record and a total of 4,823 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, picked up his 21st career PBA Regional title and the \$2,500 first prize.

- **Marshall Kent** of Yakima, Wash., posted an 8-2 match play record and 4,193 pins Sunday to win his third QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA Shock/Top Budweiser Open presented by US Foods at Daffodil bowl in Puyallup, Wash.

Kent, who earned \$2,000, defeated former Robert Morris-Illinois teammate **Cameron Weier** of Federal Way, Wash., by 215 pins for the title. Weier had a 5-5 match play record and 3,978 pins for 18 games including match play bonus pins.

In the companion PBA50 Daffodil Bowl Open presented by Sunset Chevrolet, **Hugh Miller** of Mercer Island, Wash., went 5-3 and knocked down 3,503 total pins for 16 games to top **Barry Tate** of Wenatchee, Wash., for his 10th PBA50 Northwest Regional title. Tate had a 5-3 match play record and 3,333 pins.

- As PBA50 players head toward Las Vegas and the Suncoast PBA U.S. Senior Open presented by 900 Global May 29-June 3, they'll have a couple of pre-Memorial Day regional opportunities in Arizona – the 7th annual Lona King Saguaro West Open at Johnson Lanes in Sun City West, which ended Wednesday, followed by the PBA50 Miller Lite Western Open at Starlite Lanes in Flagstaff which ends Friday. Over Memorial Day weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition will include the Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open presented by MOTIV in Junction City, Kan. (which was originally scheduled for May 13-15); and the Colony Park Lanes East Challenge for non-title winners in York, Pa.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- Correction: **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** has won a grand total of 98 PBA titles across the organization's different levels of competition, not 96 as noted in last week's Spare Shots. **Pete Weber** has a combined total of 96 titles.

- **Reminder:** The June 15 deadline for applications for the \$1,000 2016 PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Award is closing in. The Welu Scholarship recognizes exemplary qualities in male or female college students who compete in the sport of bowling. The application can be retrieved by downloading two PDF files using this link <http://www.pba.com/Corporate/Scholarships>. Nominations can be sent to scholarships@pba.com or through the U.S. mail at PBA Billy Welu Scholarship, 55 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 401, Chicago, IL 60604.

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Norm Duke Takes First Round Lead in Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open

Defending champ Pete Weber in contention for fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title

LAS VEGAS (May 30, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Norm Duke arrived at Suncoast Casino, Hotel and Bowling Center feeling under the weather, but he even surprised himself by averaging 248 on demanding lane conditions to charge into the early first round lead in the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open Monday.

Duke, a third-year PBA50 Tour competitor at age 52, rolled a 280 game out of the gate and followed with games of 196, 245, 242, 249 and 276 for a six-game total of 1,488 pins and a 72-pin lead over 61-year-old Tom Baker of King, N.C.

"I didn't feel 100 percent and I haven't since I got here," Duke said. "I'm just trying to get my legs under me, but my scores don't reflect the way I felt. I looked back and said, 'Wow. That was a pretty good number.'"

Duke, who won the 2014 Senior U.S. Open on his way to PBA50 Rookie and Player of the Year honors, said his familiarity with Suncoast was a key to his round.

"I navigate this center real well," he said. "I know you can't just stand in one spot and shoot 200, so I was playing every pair of lanes the way I was supposed to. That doesn't happen very often in a U.S. Open. I could easily come out here tomorrow and 'pure' every shot, and shoot 20 over. It isn't easy. This is the Senior U.S. Open. No matter how good you are, it doesn't mean you can score big. I feel quite fortunate to have the round I had."

Duke also knows the elite field of professionals and amateurs isn't going to make life easy. Behind Baker – who is trying for his 13th career PBA50 Tour title – is another PBA Hall of Famer, Venezuela's Amleto Monacelli; journeyman contender Jack Jurek of Lackawanna, N.Y., and amateur Michael Klosin of Windham, N.H.

Defending Senior U.S. Open champion Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who is trying for a record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title, was in sixth place with 1,375 pins, 113 behind Duke.

There is a long way yet to go. All 171 players will bowl three six-game qualifying rounds, continuing Tuesday and Wednesday. After 18 games, the top 40 players will advance to modified round robin match play. After two six-game match play rounds Thursday, the top half of the field will bowl two more six-game match play rounds Friday, with the top four players after 42 games advancing to the stepladder finals at 7:15 ET (4:15 p.m. PT).

All rounds of the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global are being covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online video streaming service. Live scoring also is available on PBA's official website, pba.com.

SUNCOAST PBA SENIOR U.S. OPEN
presented by 900 Global
Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas, May 30, 2016

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after six games)

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,488.
- 2, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,416.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,413.
- 4, n-Michael Klosin, Windham, N.H., 1,405.
- 5, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,386.
- 6, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,375.
- 7, ss-Jim Murtishaw, Menifee, Calif., 1,374.
- 8, Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 1,372.
- 9, Christer Petersson, Sweden, 1,370.
- 10, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,367.
- 11, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1,361.
- 12, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,357.
- 13 (tie), Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, and Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,344.
- 15, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 1,342.
- 16 (tie), Joe Goldstein Sr., San Bruno, Calif., and ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,338.
- 18 (tie), Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,335.
- 20, n-Paul Renteria, Henderson, Nev., 1,322.
- 21, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 1,321.
- 22 (tie), Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., and n-Robert Yadao, Las Vegas, 1,320.
- 24 (tie), Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., and ss-n-Alvin Lou, El Cajon, Calif., 1,315.
- 26, ss-Kerry Painter, Henderson, Nev., 1,308.
- 27, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1,306.
- 28, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,302.
- 29, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,296.
- 30, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 1,294.
- 31, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,293.
- 32, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,291.
- 33, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,288.
- 34, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,287.

35, Hugh Miller, Mercer Island, Wash., 1,285.
36, n-Michael Karch, Edgewood, Wash., 1,284.
37, n-Mike Taylor, Las Vegas, 1,282.
38 (tie), n-Andrew Neuer, Lewisburg, Penn., and Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,279.
40, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 1,278.
41, n-Warren Eales, Chandler, Ariz., 1,277.
42, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,274.
43, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 1,273.
44 (tie), Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., and Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,272.
46, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 1,266.
47 (tie), ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., and ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,263.
49, Kent Wagner, Bradenton, Fla., 1,262.
50, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 1,260.
51 (tie), n-ss-Bill Oakes, Lawton, Okla., and Tomas Karlsson, Sweden, 1,259.
53, Mike Kanada, Camarillo, Calif., 1,257.
54 (tie), Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., and Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,256.
56, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,254.
57, Tim Shirlock, Las Vegas, 1,251.
58, Jimmy Jean, Kathleen, Ga., 1,250.
59, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 1,249.
60, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 1,247.
61 (tie), ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., and ss-Diz Francisco, Bakersfield, Calif., 1,246.
63, Rob Rice, Sunnyside, Wash., 1,245.
64, ss-Gerald Calvin, Thousand Oaks, Calif., 1,242.
65, ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,241.
66, ss-n-Terry Leong, Las Vegas, 1,240.
67, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,239.
68 (tie), Steve Kenyon, Dade City, Fla., and n-David Cirigliano, Phoenix, Ariz., 1,238.
70 (tie), ss-Russ Simmons, Fontana, Calif., and ss-n-Harry Mickelson, Yakima, Wash., 1,237.
72, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 1,236.
73, n-ss-John Riozzi Jr, Catskill, N.Y., 1,233.
74, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,232.
75 (tie), ss-Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., and ss-Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 1,230.
77, Dennis Horan Jr., Oakley, Calif., 1,229.
78, ss-Sal Bongiorno, Las Vegas, 1,228.
79 (tie), ss-Jeff Jamison, Boulder City, Nev., and ss-Gregory Waldon, Sun City West, Ariz., 1,222.
81 (tie), ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y.; ss-Ron Winger, Las Vegas, and Marv Sargent, Temecula, Calif., 1,220.
84, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,218.
85, n-Rick Benard, Clovis, NM, 1,216.
86, ss-Jim Gordin, Modesto, Calif., 1,215.
87, Daniel Miyamoto, Mililani, Hawaii, 1,212.
88 (tie), Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif.; ss-n-Dave Washburn, Las Vegas, and Derek Gregory, Chowchilla, Calif., 1,210.
91, n-ss-Nelson Sand, Maple Valley, Wash., 1,208.
92 (tie), Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., and ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,204.
94, ss-Joe Salvemini, Nevada City, Calif., 1,203.
95, Robert Lawrence, Austin, Texas, 1,202.
96 (tie), David Allen, Las Vegas; n-ss-Joe Tusa, South Hackensack, N.J., and Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,199.
99, n-Stephen Putnam, Warner Robins, Ga., 1,195.
100 (tie), Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., and ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,192.
102, n-Clint Frazer, Reseda, Calif., 1,191.
103 (tie), n-Kelly Bonta, Wichita, Kan.; Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla.; ss-Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, and Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,189.
107, n-Dean Hebner, Vancouver, Wash., 1,188.
108, ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,187.
109, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,186.
110, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 1,184.
111, ss-Olle Svenson, Sweden, 1,183.
112, ss-Ken Gibson, Greenville, S.C., 1,182.

113 (tie), ss-n-Paul Appling, Camarillo, Calif., and Scott Schimming, Tacoma, Wash., 1,181.
 115, Paul LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,179.
 116, n-Kevin Sweetman, Henderson, Colo., 1,177.
 117, Timothy Bell, Sacramento, Calif., 1,176.
 118, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 1,171.
 119, ss-Bengt-Ake Bengtsson, Sweden, 1,170.
 119, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,170.
 121, n-Henry Dawson, Elma, Wash., 1,168.
 122, n-Pete Toth, Simi Valley, Calif., 1,167.
 123, ss-Thomas Andres Sr., Highland, Calif., 1,164.
 124, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,160.
 125, ss-Steve Davis, Manteca, Calif., 1,158.
 126, ss-n-Darwin Wimer, Mesquite, Nev., 1,156.
 127, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,155.
 128 (tie), n-Barry Zimmerman, Grand Forks, N.D., and ss-n-Daniel Winter, Rockford, Ill., 1,153.
 130, Garry Blanton, Owensboro, Ky., 1,151.
 131, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,150.
 132 (tie), Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., and Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,149.
 134, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,146.
 135, Joe Beck, Montgomery, Ala., 1,145.
 136, n-ss-Russ Davies, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,141.
 137, ss-Ray Cobb, Highland, Calif., 1,137.
 138, Jim Montgomery, Byron, Ill., 1,135.
 139, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,131.
 140, ss-Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 1,123.
 141, Roger Koplin Jr., Carson City, Nev., 1,121.
 142, n-John Smith, Lebanon, Vir., 1,117.
 143, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,116.
 144, n-Dennis Ferguson, Bellingham, Wash., 1,114.
 145, ss-n-David Chew, Brentwood, Calif., 1,112.
 146 (tie), ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., and n-Gabriel Luchetta, Golden, Colo., 1,109.
 148, ss-John Parry, Oak Park, Calif., 1,103.
 149, n-Forrest Cole, Riverton, Wyo., 1,100.
 150, ss-Bob Amoruso, Glenview, Ill., 1,095.
 151, ss-n-Jay Gneiting, Aberdeen, Idaho, 1,092.
 152, ss-Robert Walters, North Las Vegas, Nev., 1,085.
 153, ss-John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 1,083.
 154, ss-n-Howie Loosbroock, Henderson, NV, 1,082.
 155, Eric Altenburg, Albuquerque, N.M., 1,075.
 156, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,066.
 157, n-Keith Yamakawa, Porter Ranch, Calif., 1,065.
 158, ss-David Blades, East Wenatchee, Wash., 1,063.
 159, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 1,056.
 160, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,052.
 161, ss-n-David Graber, Las Vegas, 1,048.
 162, ss-Don Lane, San Francisco, 1,046.
 163, n-Robert Godden, Las Vegas, 1,037.
 164, n-ss-Fred Edick III, Glendora, Calif., 1,022.
 165, ss-Vincent Oliva, Orland Park, Ill., 1,021.
 166, n-Charles Allen Jr., Pell City, Ala., 1,018.
 167, n-ss-Mark Goldstein, Northridge, Calif., 1,017.
 168, ss-Mark Fennell, Seattle, 1,006.
 169, ss-n-John Shreve Sr., Sheffield Village, Ohio, 995.
 170, Robert Chinner, Adelaide, Australia, 983.
 171, Dean Bruinsma, Clear Lake, S.D., 933.

ss-denotes PBA50 player; n-denotes non-member.

Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Ted Hoffman Dies

DUBLIN, Calif. (May 31, 2016) - Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Ted Hoffman Jr., who served the PBA in a number of capacities for more than 50 years, died Monday following a lengthy illness. He was 76.

The son of a bowling proprietor, Hoffman was a star bowler in suburban Philadelphia in his teens. In 1964 he was selected as Pennsylvania "Bowler-of-the-Year" by the Philadelphia Sportswriters Association and was a winner of the famed Newsday Long Island Open Tournament. It was then that he decided to test the waters of the PBA National Tour where he qualified for the match play finals in his first national PBA tournament.

During a competition career that included more than 100 PBA Tour events (including four second place finishes and two regional titles), Hoffman managed a group of players sponsored by Smallcomb Enterprises, and his organizational and leadership skills led to his election to the PBA Executive Board and Investment Advisory Committee. He also served a brief tenure as PBA's Assistant Tournament Director.

In 1968, Hoffman organized the PBA West Region and served as the West Region's Director until 2000. In 1984, he and the late Hall of Famer Earl Anthony purchased the bowling center in Dublin that bears Anthony's name. Over the ensuing years, Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl has hosted numerous national and regional tournaments including the Earl Anthony Memorial PBA Regional tournament which Hoffman ran as a tribute to his late partner beginning in 2002.

The 1972, he won the PBA West Region's first Pat Patterson Award for outstanding contributions to the PBA Regional Program. His active involvement with the Bowling Proprietor's Association of America, both the local and national level, included a term as president of the Northern California Bowling Proprietors.

Hoffman was inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame for meritorious service in 1985, one of eight halls of fame to honor him. He was named recipient of BPAA's 2010 Victor Lerner Memorial Medal, BPAA's highest honor and honored for his years of industry activity by Kegel with its 2003 John Davis Award.

Hoffman is survived by his wife, Marilyn. Details regarding services were not immediately available.

Duke Averages 231 in Second Round to Retain Lead in Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open

LAS VEGAS (May 31, 2016) – Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., averaged 231 for six games Tuesday to retain his lead after the second round of the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global at the Suncoast Bowling Center.

The PBA Hall of Famer and winner of the 2014 Senior U.S. Open bowled a 1,388 six-game pinfall total in the second round after bowling 1,488 in Monday's first round for a 2,876 overall pinfall total (239.6 average). Duke had games of 237, 212, 289, 220, 224 and 206 in the second round.

"It was a solid round with all 200s," said Duke, who ranks third on the all-time PBA Tour titles list with 38 wins and also owns two PBA50 Tour titles. "You have to put everything in perspective because at this point in the tournament you don't win it today.

"The scores were a little lower today but you have to remember everybody's trying to make their tweaks and get a little better so there's some experimenting going on out there," the 52-year-old Duke added. "I take what I get and move on."

Duke holds a 71-pin lead over non-member Mike Klosin of Windham, N.H., in second, who is bowling in his first Senior U.S. Open.

Adding to Duke's confidence was his ability to play from all areas of the lane regardless of what the lane conditions happened to be.

"There were no surprises for me out there," Duke said. "I could get something from playing all the arrows. I started outside on the fresh condition yesterday and steadily moved in. Today, I was playing a lot of fourth arrow so that just reinforces the fact that I can play the lanes a variety of ways.

"I just want to clarify that I'm feeling good physically, and just need to make a few more tweaks to get my game to 100 percent."

Rounding out the top five were three-time PBA50 Tour winner Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 2,785; Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 2,719, and three-time PBA50 Tour titlist Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2,691.

Two-time Senior U.S. Open winner Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela is in sixth with 2,689. Monacelli and fellow Hall of Famer Tom Baker of King, N.C., who was 21st after the second round with 2,608, are trying to become the first to win Senior U.S. Open three times.

Defending Senior U.S. Open champion Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who is trying for a record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title, was in eighth place with 2,665.

Duke and Weber are the only players to win U.S. Open titles on both the PBA Tour and PBA50 Tours.

The 171-player field will bowl the final six-game qualifying round Wednesday after which the top 40 players will advance to modified round robin match play. After two six-game match play rounds Thursday, the top half of the field will bowl two more six-game match play rounds Friday, with the top four players after 42 games advancing to the stepladder finals at 7:15 ET (4:15 p.m. PT).

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SECOND ROUND STANDINGS (after 12 games)

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2,876.
- 2, n-Mike Klosin, Windham, N.H., 2,805.
- 3, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 2,785.
- 4, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 2,719.
- 5, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2,691.
- 6, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2,689.
- 7, Christer Petersson, Sweden, 2,675.
- 8, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2,665.
- 9, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2,664.
- 10, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2,662.
- 11, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 2,653.
- 12, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 2,644.
- 13, Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 2,643.
- 14, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 2,641.
- 15, n-ss-Bill Oakes, Lawton, Okla., 2,639.
- 16, Kent Wagner, Bradenton, Fla., 2,626.
- 17, (tie) Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., and ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 2,613.
- 19, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 2,611.
- 20, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 2,610.
- 21, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 2,608.
- 22, n-Warren Eales, Chandler, Ariz., 2,606.
- 23, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 2,591.
- 24, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 2,585.
- 25, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 2,581.
- 26, ss-Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 2,580.
- 27, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 2,578.
- 28, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 2,569.
- 29, (tie) ss-n-Alvin Lou, El Cajon, Calif., Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., and Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 2,566.
- 32, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 2,563.
- 33, (tie) ss-Kerry Painter, Henderson, Nev., and n-Paul Renteria, Henderson, Nev., 2,557.

35, ss-Jim Murtishaw, Menifee, Calif., 2,553.
36, Mike Kanada, Camarillo, Calif., 2,552.
37, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 2,551.
38, n-Andrew Neuer, Lewisburg, Pa., 2,548.
39, ss-Ron Winger, Las Vegas, 2,547.
40, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 2,545.
41, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 2,544.
42, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 2,538.
43, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 2,533.
44, (tie) ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., and Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 2,530.
46, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 2,525.
47, n-Michael Karch, Edgewood, Wash., 2,524.
48, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 2,523.
49, n-Rick Benard, Clovis, N.M., 2,522.
50, n-David Cirigliano, Phoenix, Ariz., 2,520.
51, ss-Gregory Waldon, Sun City West, Ariz., 2,518.
52, Joe Goldstein Sr., San Bruno, Calif., 2,509.
53, Robert Lawrence, Austin, Texas, 2,495.
54, Hugh Miller, Mercer Island, Wash., 2,494.
55, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 2,492.
56, n-Mike Taylor, Las Vegas, 2,489.
57, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 2,486.
58, ss-n-Darwin Wimer, Mesquite, Nev., 2,485.
59, (tie) Derek Gregory, Chowchilla, Calif., and Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 2,476.
61, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 2,474.
62, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 2,464.
63, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 2,462.
64, (tie) Dennis Horan Jr., Oakley, Calif., and Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 2,454.
66, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 2,453.
67, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 2,452.
68, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 2,450.
69, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 2,447.
70, ss-Jeff Jamison, Boulder City, Nev., 2,445.
71, Peter Knopp, Germany, 2,442.
72, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 2,440.
73, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 2,436.
74, Rob Rice, Sunnyside, Wash., 2,435.
75, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 2,427.
76, n-Robert Yadao, Las Vegas, 2,425.
77, ss-n-Dave Washburn, Las Vegas, 2,423.
78, ss-Russ Simmons, Fontana, Calif., 2,407.
79, ss-n-Nelson Sand, Maple Valley, Wash., 2,405.
80, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 2,402.
81, ss-Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 2,401.
82, ss-n-John Rizzo Jr, Catskill, N.Y., 2,400.
83, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 2,397.
84, ss-Gerald Calvin, Thousand Oaks, Calif., 2,392.
85, n-Kelly Bonta, Wichita, Kan., 2,390.
86, ss-Sal Bongiorno, Las Vegas, 2,389.
87, (tie) ss-Steve Davis, Manteca, Calif., and ss-Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 2,387.
89, Timothy Bell, Sacramento, Calif., 2,386.
90, (tie) ss-n-Russ Davies, Las Vegas, Nev., and ss-n-Terry Leong, Las Vegas, 2,384.
92, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 2,383.
93, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 2,380.
94, Daniel Miyamoto, Mililani, Hawaii, 2,378.
95, (tie) n-Barry Zimmerman, Grand Forks, N.D., and ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 2,370.
97, n-Henry Dawson, Elma, Wash., 2,360.
98, ss-Olle Svenson, Lerum, Sweden, 2,358.

99, n-Dean Hebner, Vancouver, Wash., 2,353.
100, (tie) Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Tim Shirlock, Las Vegas, 2,351.
102, ss-n-Daniel Winter, Rockford, Ill., 2,349.
103, n-Stephen Putnam, Warner Robins, Ga., 2,348.
104, David Allen, Las Vegas, 2,345.
105, Jimmy Jean, Kathleen, Ga., 2,344.
106, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 2,341.
107, (tie) Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., and ss-Jim Gordin, Modesto, Calif., 2,334.
109, n-Pete Toth, Simi Valley, Calif., 2,332.
110, Steve Kenyon, Dade City, Fla., 2,331.
111, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 2,326.
112, Tomas Karlsson, Sweden, 2,319.
113, ss-Diz Francisco, Bakersfield, Calif., 2,318.
114, Marv Sargent, Temecula, Calif., 2,316.
115, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 2,315.
116, (tie) Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., and Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 2,312.
118, Scott Schimming, Tacoma, Wash., 2,311.
119, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 2,306.
120, ss-Bengt-Ake Bengtsson, Gothenburg, Sweden, 2,305.
121, (tie) Paul LeMond, Jasper, Ind., and n-Clint Frazer, Reseda, Calif., 2,304.
123, ss-n-Joe Tusa, South Hackensack, N.J., 2,303.
124, ss-Joe Salvemini, Nevada City, Calif., 2,300.
125, ss-n-Harry Mickelson, Yakima, Wash., 2,295.
126, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 2,285.
127, ss-Ken Gibson, Greenville, S.C., 2,275.
128, ss-John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 2,273.
129, (tie) ss-Bob Amoroso, Glenview, Ill., and ss-Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 2,269.
131, n-Forrest Cole, Riverton, Wyo., 2,264.
132, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 2,260.
133, ss-n-David Graber, Las Vegas, 2,258.
134, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 2,256.
135, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 2,253.
136, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 2,252.
137, ss-Ray Cobb, Highland, Calif., 2,248.
138, (tie) Joe Beck, Montgomery, Ala., and ss-n-Paul Appling, Camarillo, Calif., 2,243.
140, ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 2,241.
141, ss-Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 2,224.
142, ss-n-Jay Gneiting, Aberdeen, Idaho, 2,216.
143, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 2,211.
144, ss-n-Howie Loosbroock, Henderson, Nev., 2,208.
145, Garry Blanton, Owensboro, Ky., 2,199.
146, (tie) ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., and ss-n-David Chew, Brentwood, Calif., 2,197.
148, Jim Montgomery, Byron, Ill., 2,181.
149, ss-n-John Shreve Sr., Sheffield Village, Ohio, 2,176.
150, n-Robert Godden, Las Vegas, 2,169.
151, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 2,168.
152, ss-John Parry, Oak Park, Calif., 2,163.
153, n-Keith Yamakawa, Porter Ranch, Calif., 2,158.
154, n-Kevin Sweetman, Henderson, Colo., 2,150.
155, (tie) ss-Don Lane, San Francisco, and Eric Altenburg, Albuquerque, N.M., 2,148.
157, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 2,141.
158, n-Gabriel Luchetta, Golden, Colo., 2,134.
159, ss-Robert Walters, North Las Vegas, Nev., 2,122.
160, (tie) n-John Smith, Lebanon, Va., and ss-Thomas Andres Sr., Highland, Calif., 2,110.
162, ss-David Blades, East Wenatchee, Wash., 2,080.
163, ss-Mark Fennell, Seattle, 2,048.
164, ss-nMark Goldstein, Northridge, Calif., 2,031.
165, Dean Bruinsma, Clear Lake, S.D., 2,006.

166, n-Charles Allen Jr., Pell City, Ala., 1,961.
167, n-ss-Fred Edick III, Glendora, Calif., 1,947.
168, n-Dennis Ferguson, Bellingham, Wash., 1,942.
169, ss-Vincent Oliva, Orland Park, Ill., 1,848.
170, Roger Koplin Jr., Carson City, Nev., 1,955.
171, Robert Chinner, Adelaide, Australia, 983.

300 games (1) – Johnny Petraglia

n-denotes non-member; ss-denotes PBA60 player

PBA Offers Incentives to New, Reinstated Members

Exclusive benefits available to bowlers chasing the dream; military bowlers can join at no cost for 2016

CHICAGO (June 1, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association kicked off a membership drive today, offering bowlers who are chasing the dream of competing at the highest levels of the sport a special waiver for the traditional initiation fee, an opportunity to participate in the members-only PBA World Series of Bowling VIII and, for active members of the American Armed Forces, complimentary membership for the duration of the 2016 season.

PBA's 2016 membership drive arrives at the perfect time, with a PBA Tour schedule looming that offers seven Xtra Frame PBA Tour title events, a multi-event PBA Fall Swing in Detroit and the PBA Fall Classic in Las Vegas in addition to the eighth annual PBA World Series of Bowling which will close out the year at Reno's National Bowling Stadium.

In addition to the domestic schedule, PBA Tour players will have the option to participate in a handful of PBA International-World Bowling Tour events, and an extensive schedule of more than 100 PBA Regional tournaments across the U.S. while women and players 50-and-older have their own exclusive opportunities.

To help new players get started in PBA competition, and former members return to action, PBA is waiving the traditional initiation fee to join the PBA between June 1 and August 31. Bowlers who are on active-duty with the U.S. military will be granted free membership for the rest of 2016; all they have to do is apply. And newly-graduating collegiate bowlers are eligible for a low-cost PBA24 membership which allows them to test the PBA waters without committing to a full membership.

PBA members are eligible to enter all PBA tournaments, receive entry priority and lower-cost entry fees for select events that are open to non-members, and receive a variety of benefits depending upon their membership level.

Membership options include the following:

Standard PBA membership:

- Annual dues \$144 (optional payable at \$15 per month);
- Member-rate entry fees (\$65 savings per Regional event; \$100 savings per PBA Tour event and \$50 savings per PBA50 Tour event);
- Opportunity to bowl in three QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour events per calendar year;
- Opportunity to bowl in one PBA Tour or PBA50 Tour event per calendar year;
- Subscription to Bowlers Journal International magazine;
- Discounts on featured equipment from PBA Product Registered companies;
- Free Sterling Silver/Platinum or Aurora Gold ring for first 300 bowled during PBA competition and a diamond for each 300 game bowled thereafter;
- \$0-\$2 cost-per-game at official PBA practice centers;
- Access to the PBA members-only website;
- PBA Newsletter.

Full PBA membership:

- Annual dues \$300 (optional payable at \$28/month);
- Receive all Standard member benefits plus:
- Eligible to bowl in unlimited tournaments for which you are eligible;
 - Advertise your pro shop on www.pba.com and on your shirt while bowling.

PBA24 membership:

- Available to players ages 18-24; annual dues \$49;
- Receive PBA Standard member benefits;
- Receive \$50 discount off first PBA Regional Tour entry fee (if a PBA24 member is referred for membership by another PBA member, that member will also receive a \$50 coupon for a PBA Regional Tour entry);
- A PBA24 member who reaches his/her 25th birthday or wins a PBA title will be required to upgrade to Standard or Full PBA membership;

PBA International membership:

- Any World Bowling member in good standing who wishes to join the PBA may do so for \$99 per year;
- If a PBA International member wins a PBA Tour title, he/she will be required to upgrade to Full membership;
- Eligible to win PBA Tour titles at designated World Bowling Tour events;
- Receive PBA Standard member benefits;
- International Members who upgrade to Full Membership may list their Pro Shops on www.pba.com and wear their logos on their shirts;

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**Duke Overcomes Bump in the Road to Earn
Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open Top Qualifier Honors**

*Defending champion Pete Weber continues his march to record fourth consecutive win
qualifying fourth heading into Thursday's match play*

LAS VEGAS (June 1, 2016) – After cruising through the first 15 games of qualifying as the tournament leader, Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., survived his lowest game of the tournament Wednesday to handily earn top qualifier honors for the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global at the Suncoast Bowling Center.

Duke, who led after the first two rounds, bowled a 178 game in Wednesday's third six-game round after bowling games of 246, 237 and 258, but then rebounded with 215 and 254 to finish with a 4,264 18-game overall qualifying pinfall (236.9 average).

"It's a good thing it's only a 10-frame game or it could have been worse," said Duke of his 178 game. "Actually, I'm surprised it didn't happen sooner. You're in an environment where there's a lot of change from day to day and lane to lane.

"If you keep it in perspective, it won't hurt you mentally," the 2014 Senior U.S. Open champion added. "You just learn from it and move on. I'm still making tweaks to my game and will continue do so until the end."

Duke, who felt comfortable playing a variety of shots and angles on the ever-changing Senior U.S. Open conditions over three days of qualifying, led 40 players who advanced to Thursday's match play rounds.

Defending champion, Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who is trying for a record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title, moved into fourth with 4,069 thanks to a 1,404 six-game pinfall in the final qualifying round on games of 256, 249, 235, 194, 246 and 224.

"This was my best round but really I felt the same as I did the other two rounds," Weber said. "In qualifying you're just grinding it out and trying to knock down as many pins as possible. In match play the focus is on winning the match because of the bonus pins, so it's going to get a little more intense from here on out."

Duke, who finished third in the 2015 Senior U.S. Open, holds an 87-pin lead over three-time PBA50 Tour winner Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp., Mich., in second with 4,177, and non-member Mike Klosin of Windham, N.H., bowling in his first Senior U.S. Open, in third with 4,126.

Duke and Weber are the only players to win U.S. Open titles on the PBA Tour and PBA50 Tour. Weber has won the U.S. Open on the regular tour a record five times while Duke has won the PBA Tour's U.S. Open twice.

Trying to become the first Senior U.S. Open three-time winner, Hall of Famers Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela and Tom Baker of King, N.C., both qualified in the top 20. Monacelli, who won in 2012 and 2013, finished tied for 13th in qualifying with a 3,938 pinfall and Baker, who won back-to-back in 2005 and 2006, finished qualifying in 17th with a 3,909 pinfall.

After two six-game match play rounds Thursday, the top half of the field will bowl two more six-game match play rounds Friday, with the top four players after 42 games advancing to the stepladder finals at 7:15 ET (4:15 p.m. PT).

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THIRD ROUND STANDINGS (after 18 games. Top 40 players advance to match play)

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 4,264.
- 2, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 4,177.
- 3, n-Mike Klosin, Windham, N.H., 4,126.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4,069.
- 5, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4,002.
- 6, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3,989.
- 7, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,956.
- 8, (tie) Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., and Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 3,951.
- 10, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 3,941.
- 11, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 3,940.
- 12, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,939.
- 13, (tie) Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., and Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,938.
- 15, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,920.
- 16, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,913.
- 17, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,909.
- 18, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 3,908.
- 19, n-Mike Taylor, Las Vegas, 3,899.
- 20, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3,896.
- 21, n-Bill Oakes, Lawton, Okla., 3,892.
- 22, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,884.
- 23, Christer Petersson, Sweden, 3,883.
- 24, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 3,877.
- 25, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,866.
- 26, n-Paul Renteria, Henderson, Nev., 3,858.
- 27, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 3,850.
- 28, n-Alvin Lou, El Cajon, Calif., 3,846.
- 29, n-Warren Eales, Chandler, Ariz., 3,843.
- 30, n-Andrew Neuer, Lewisburg, Penn., 3,841.
- 31, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 3,834.
- 32, Jim Murtishaw, Menifee, Calif., 3,832.
- 33, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,829.
- 34, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 3,827.
- 35, Hugh Miller, Mercer Island, Wash., 3,821.
- 36, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,820.
- 37, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,812.
- 38, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,811.
- 39, Mike Kanada, Camarillo, Calif., 3,806.
- 40, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3,804.

Did not advance:

- 41, (tie) Joe Goldstein Sr., San Bruno, Calif., and Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,801, \$1,000.
- 43, Kent Wagner, Bradenton, Fla., 3,789, \$1,000.
- 44, n-Michael Karch, Edgewood, Wash., 3,786.
- 45, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 3,780.
- 46, (tie) Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., and Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,779.

48, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,761, \$1,000.
49, Dennis Horan Jr., Oakley, Calif., 3,756.
50, ss-Kerry Painter, Henderson, Nev., 3,753, \$1,000.
51, (tie) Robert Lawrence, Austin, Texas, and ss-Ron Winger, Las Vegas, 3,746, \$1,000.
53, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 3,745.
54, n-Barry Zimmerman, Grand Forks, N.D., 3,741.
55, (tie) n-Rick Benard, Clovis, N.M., and Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,740.
57, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 3,735.
58, (tie) ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., \$1,000, and ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,729, \$1,000.
60, ss-Jeff Jamison, Boulder City, Nev., 3,723, \$1,000.
61, n-David Cirigliano, Phoenix, Ariz., 3,720.
62, Derek Gregory, Chowchilla, Calif., 3,712.
63, ss-Sal Bongiorno, Las Vegas, 3,706, \$1,000.
64, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,680.
65, ss-Gregory Waldon, Sun City West, Ariz., 3,677, \$1,000.
66, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,672.
67, n-Robert Yadao, Las Vegas, 3,665.
68, (tie) ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,663, \$1,000, and Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,663.
70, Olle Svenson, Sweden, 3,661, \$1,000.
71, Doug O'Bryant, Ball Ground, Ga., 3,659.
72, (tie) Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., and Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 3,657.
74, n-Russ Davies, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,652.
75, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,644.
76, n-Henry Dawson, Elma, Wash., 3,641.
77, n-Kelly Bonta, Wichita, Kan., 3,639.
78, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,632.
79, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 3,624.
80, Marv Sargent, Temecula, Calif., 3,622.
81, (tie) Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, and Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 3,618.
83, Rob Rice, Sunnyside, Wash., 3,614.
84, n-Darwin Wimer, Mesquite, Nev., 3,610.
85, Diz Francisco, Bakersfield, Calif., 3,606.
86, n-Nelson Sand, Maple Valley, Wash., 3,605.
87, n-Clint Frazer, Reseda, Calif., 3,600.
88, Jimmy Jean, Kathleen, Ga., 3,599.
89, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,596.
90, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,589.
91, (tie) Bengt-Ake Bengtsson, Sweden, and n-Terry Leong, Las Vegas, 3,578.
93, Peter Knopp, Germany, 3,576.
94, n-Pete Toth, Simi Valley, Calif., 3,575.
95, n-Dave Washburn, Las Vegas, 3,569.
96, (tie) n-Daniel Winter, Rockford, Ill., and Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,565.
98, (tie) Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., and Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,558.
100, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 3,552.
101, n-John Rizzo Jr, Catskill, N.Y., 3,545.
102, ss-Russ Simmons, Fontana, Calif., 3,542.
103, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 3,539.
104, Steve Davis, Manteca, Calif., 3,537.
105, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 3,530.
106, Daniel Miyamoto, Mililani, Hawaii, 3,524.
107, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,523.
108, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,518.
109, n-Stephen Putnam, Warner Robins, Ga., 3,516.
110, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 3,501.
111, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3,490.
112, (tie) Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., and Joe Salvemini, Nevada City, Calif., 3,489.
114, Timothy Bell, Sacramento, Calif., 3,487.
115, n-Harry Mickelson, Yakima, Wash., 3,483.

116, John Austin Jr., League City, Texas, 3,480.
 117, David Allen, Las Vegas, 3,479.
 118, Gerald Calvin, Thousand Oaks, Calif., 3,478.
 119, Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,459.
 120, n-Joe Tusa, South Hackensack, N.J., 3,456.
 121, (tie) Tim Shirlock, Las Vegas, and n-Dean Hebner, Vancouver, Wash., 3,455.
 123, Ken Gibson, Greenville, S.C., 3,454.
 124, Tomas Karlsson, Sweden, 3,447.
 125, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,444.
 126, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,442.
 127, n-Robert Godden, Las Vegas, 3,438.
 128, Scott Schimming, Tacoma, Wash., 3,429.
 129, (tie) Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., and John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 3,428.
 131, n-John Shreve Sr., Sheffield Village, Ohio, 3,425.
 132, Ray Cobb, Highland, Calif., 3,415.
 133, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,412.
 134, Jim Gordin, Modesto, Calif., 3,411.
 135, (tie) n-Keith Yamakawa, Porter Ranch, Calif., and n-Paul Appling, Camarillo, Calif., 3,407.
 137, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3,406.
 138, (tie) Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, and n-David Chew, Brentwood, Calif., 3,395.
 140, n-Howie Loosbroock, Henderson, Nev., 3,392.
 141, Jim Montgomery, Byron, Ill., 3,384.
 142, Steve Kenyon, Dade City, Fla., 3,375.
 143, Garry Blanton, Owensboro, Ky., 3,372.
 144, Paul LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 3,358.
 145, (tie) n-David Graber, Las Vegas, and n-Forrest Cole, Riverton, Wyo., 3,353.
 147, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 3,323.
 148, Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 3,321.
 149, Bob Amoruso, Glenview, Ill., 3,317.
 150, n-Jay Gneiting, Aberdeen, Idaho, 3,311.
 151, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 3,298.
 152, John Parry, Oak Park, Calif., 3,280.
 153, Joe Beck, Montgomery, Ala., 3,275.
 154, Eric Altenburg, Albuquerque, N.M., 3,273.
 155, Don Lane, San Francisco, 3,268.
 156, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 3,247.
 157, n-Kevin Sweetman, Henderson, Colo., 3,231.
 158, Thomas Andres Sr., Highland, Calif., 3,224.
 159, n-Gabriel Luchetta, Golden, Colo., 3,161.
 160, n-John Smith, Lebanon, Vir., 3,159.
 161, David Blades, East Wenatchee, Wash., 3,148.
 162, Mark Fennell, Seattle, 3,118.
 163, Robert Walters, North Las Vegas, Nev., 3,092.
 164, n-Mark Goldstein, Northridge, Calif., 3,080.
 165, Dean Bruinsma, Clear Lake, S.D., 3,064.
 166, n-Fred Edick III, Glendora, Calif., 3,050.
 167, n-Charles Allen Jr., Pell City, Ala., 3,041.
 168, n-Dennis Ferguson, Bellingham, Wash., 2,889.
 169, Vincent Oliva, Orland Park, Ill., 2,864.
 170, Roger Koplin Jr., Carson City, Nev., 1,955.

300 games (1) – Mike Keough

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player out of the regular prize list also cashing for \$1,000

PBA Spare Shots

ALL-STAR FIELD HEADS TO JONESBORO FOR XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR EVENT

Jonesboro, Ark., a city of 71,000-plus residents, the home of Riceland Rice and Arkansas State University, and the birthplace of novelist **John Grisham**, will be in bowling's spotlight this weekend when an all-star cast of PBA champions invades 32-lane Jonesboro Bowling Center for the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame.

Among the players who will compete for the \$15,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title are PBA Tour champions **Dick Allen**, Columbia, S.C.; **Patrick Allen**, Mount Kisco, N.Y.; **DJ Archer**, Friendswood, Texas; **Chris Barnes**, Double Oak, Texas; **Josh Blanchard**, Mesa, Ariz.; **Ryan Ciminelli**, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; **Tom Daugherty**, Riverview, Fla.; **Andres Gomez**, Colombia; **Tom Hess**, Urbandale, Iowa; **Tommy Jones**, Simpsonville, S.C.; **Marshall Kent**, Yakima, Wash.; **Chris Loschetter**, Avon, Ohio; **Wes Malott**, Pflugerville, Texas; **Scott Newell**, Deland, Fla.; **Sean Rash**, Montgomery, Ill.; **Ronnie Russell**, Marion, Ind.; **Ryan Shafer**, Horseheads, N.Y.; **Anthony Simonsen**, Princeton, Texas; **Jason Sterner**, Coca, Fla.; **EJ Tackett**, Huntington, Ind.; **Kyle Troup**, Taylorsville, N.C., and **Mike Wolfe**, New Albany, Ind.

Chasing the 22 players who have already won PBA Tour titles will be a talented group of young players who are looking to make a name for themselves among the roster of PBA champions. Also on the line are points toward the Xtra Frame PBA Tour series \$10,000 winner-take-all bonus for the top 25 players. Heading into Jonesboro, bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout winner Ryan Ciminelli holds a seven-point lead over Xtra Frame PBA Storm Open winner EJ Tackett.

The tournament is expected to get underway at 8 a.m. Saturday with the first eight-game qualifying squad. The other half of the field will bowl its qualifying round at 2:30 p.m., with the top one-third of the field advancing to a five-game cashers round Sunday at 8:30 a.m. The top 16 players after 13 games will bowl an eight-game match play round at noon, and the top four after 21 games will compete in the stepladder finals Sunday at 5:45 p.m. All times are Central.

All of Saturday's and Sunday's action will be video-streamed live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel. In addition to monthly and annual subscription packages, a three-day subscription is available for only \$3.99 (visit xtraframe.tv to sign up).

XTRA FRAME SET FOR LIVE COVERAGE FROM ARKANSAS, VEGAS, CALIFORNIA

Xtra Frame fans will have all kinds of options this weekend, starting with Friday's final rounds of the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open from Suncoast Bowling Center in Las Vegas, including the stepladder finals at 7:15 p.m. ET (4:15 p.m. PT).

As the PBA Senior U.S. Open wraps up, the PBA Tour returns to action with the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame at Jonesboro Bowling Center in Jonesboro, Ark., June 4-5, and PWBA fans will be able to watch live coverage of the preliminary rounds of the PWBA Wichita Open from Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan., also over the June 3-5 weekend.

PBA50 Tour resumes with coverage of the Fountain Valley Open presented by Track, June 6-8, and the Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV, June 13-15 The USBC Senior Masters, June 19-25, will be covered by BowlTV on bowl.com.

PWBA competition continues with the Pepsi Lincoln Open from Lincoln, Neb., June 10-11; the Greater Detroit Open from Canton, Mich., June 17-18 and the Go Bowling PWBA Players Championship from Green Bay, Wis., June 24-25. All preliminary rounds to determine PWBA's CBS Sports Network stepladder finalists air live on Xtra Frame.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

FUNERAL SERVICES SET FOR PBA HALL OF FAMER TED HOFFMAN JR.

Funeral services for PBA Hall of Famer Ted Hoffman Jr., who died Monday at age 76, will be held on Monday, June 13, at 11 a.m. at St. Joan of Arc Church, 2601 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon, Calif. Cards or letters can be sent to Hoffman's wife: Marilyn Hoffman c/o Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl, 6750 Regional St, Dublin, CA 94568.

BOSOX BOWLING ENTHUSIAST MOOKIE BETTS IS ON A TEAR

Boston Red Sox right fielder **Mookie Betts**, who made his enthusiasm – and talent – for bowling known last fall when he participated in the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII in Reno, is on a record-setting tear with the American League Eastern Division leaders.

Betts, Boston's lead-off hitter, made history over two games against the Baltimore Orioles Tuesday and Wednesday when he hit home runs in his first two plate appearances both nights – a first in major league history. With a third home run Tuesday night, his total of five home runs in consecutive games by a lead-off hitter also made major league history.

Betts, 23, is currently leading all major league lead-off hitters with 14 home runs and 42 RBIs.

Just for the record, Betts has advised the PBA he wants to bowl in the World Series again this winter – if he's invited... It shouldn't be a problem.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: MOHR, KRETZER WIN PRE-SENIOR U.S. OPEN TITLES

Ron Mohr of North Las Vegas, Nev., and "rookie" **Brian Kretzer** of Dayton, Ohio, won PBA50 West Region titles in a pair of traditional Arizona stops prior to the start of the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open in Las Vegas.

Mohr, a two-time PBA50 Player of the Year, posted a 10-1-1 match play record and a 4,894 pinfall total on Friday, May 27, to win \$1,500 and his 17th career regional title in the PBA50 Miller High Life West Open at Starlite Lanes in Flagstaff. Mohr defeated **Paul McCordic** of Sugar Land, Texas, by four pins for his title.

Two-days earlier, Kretzer, who made his PBA50 debut after turning 50 on May 20, earned his first PBA50 regional title in the PBA50 Lona King Saguaro West Open at Johnson Lanes in Sun City West. Kretzer posted a 12-4 match play record and a 5,666 pinfall total for a \$4,000 first prize and a 42-pin margin of victory over **Bob Learn Jr.** of Erie, Pa.

- **Matthew Tomsu** from Omaha, Neb., had two firsts at the ninth annual PBA Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open presented by MOTIV at Junction City Bowl in Junction City, Kan., Sunday.

The 15-year PBA member rolled his first PBA 300 game during the qualifying round and then pulled away from the field, securing his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title with a 279-269 victory over **Tom Hess** of Urbandale, Iowa, in the position round. Tomsu finished with a 21-game total of 5,175 pins, including match play bonus pins, to Hess' 5,059.

In addition to his \$2,500 first prize, Tomsu also became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions.

- **Gary Haines** of West Babylon, N.Y., defeated **Thomas Coco Jr.** of Cortlandt Manor, N.Y., 211-167, to win the PBA Colony Park Lanes Eastern Challenge on Saturday. PBA Challenge events are open to any member or non-member who has never won a PBA event.

Haines, a fourth year member, had three runner-up finishes prior to this event. Along with his \$2,000 first prize, he also became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions.

- A busy summer of QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the June 10-12 weekend with the Homefield Bowl Eastern Open presented by MOTIV in Yonkers, N.Y., and the PBA50 and PBA Vanessa Brown Homes West Opens, both presented by Hammer, at Yosemite Lanes in Modesto, Calif.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional events scheduled for the June 17-19 weekend include the Timmy See Memorial South Open at Nassau Bowling Center in Yulee, Fla.; the PWBA, PBA and PBA50 Secoma Lanes West/Northwest Opens presented by Storm in Federal Way, Wash.; the Rackbusters Pro Shop East Challenge at Bowlerama in New Castle, Del., and the Strike n Spare II Adrenaline Midwest Classic in Lockport, Ill. PBA Challenge events are open to players who have not won a PBA title.

- Closing out the June schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the June 24-26 weekend will be the Battle at Black Oak Casino West Open at Black Oak Lanes in Tuolumne, Calif.; the Pro Bowl West Center/Midwest Challenge presented by Columbia 300 in Fort Wayne, Ind., and the PBA/PBA50 AMF Fredericksburg Over/Under 50 Doubles presented by Radical in Fredericksburg, Va. The June 24-26 weekend also will include the Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports PBA Open in Lubbock, Texas.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- **Frank Dallriva** of Raymond, Miss., and **Ethan Kipillii** of Mesa, Ariz., are winners of new MOTIV and DV8 high-performance bowling balls, respectively, as winners of the monthly sweepstakes open to new Xtra Frame subscribers, sponsored by MOTIV and DV8.

● **Adam Chase** of West Babylon, N.Y., is the winner of the \$200 HotelPlanner.com \$200 certificate, good for future lodging expenses, compliments of PBA's official travel partner. The monthly sweepstakes is open to anyone who books a hotel through the HotelPlanner.com link on pba.com.

Weber's 7-5 Match Play Record and 234.5 Average Good Enough to Take Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open Lead

Weekend warrior tournament bowler Mike Klosin of Windham, N.H., is in second just 15 pins behind

LAS VEGAS (June 2, 2016) – Defending champion Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., put together a 7-5 record and averaged 234.5 Thursday after two match play rounds to move into the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global lead at the Suncoast Bowling Center.

In his quest to win a record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title, the PBA Hall of Famer put together a 5-1 record in the morning round and then followed up with a 2-4 record in the afternoon round.

"I ran into some tough matches in that second round," said the 53-year-old Weber. "It seemed like my opponents were all throwing the first six or seven strikes at me and that's a tough challenge to overcome."

Weber moved into the lead in the position round match when he beat weekend warrior tournament bowler Mike Klosin of Windham, N.H., 278-216. Weber has a 30-game 7,094 pinfall total (including bonus pins), just 15 pins ahead of Klosin in second with 7,079.

"Overall I was satisfied with the way I bowled all day, but that 278 was probably my best game of the day," Weber added. "I'm really relaxed and throwing the ball the way I want to, so the plan is just to hit the pocket, and if I don't, leave a spare I can make."

Weber led a field of 20 players who advanced to Friday's final two six-game match play rounds that will determine the top four players for the stepladder finals at 4:15 p.m. PT (7:15 p.m. ET).

Bowling as a non-member in his first PBA50 Tour tournament, the 51-year-old Klosin compiled a 9-3 record and averaged 223.5 for the day.

"To be in second surprises me but I was confident I could make a good showing here," said Klosin, who is originally from the Buffalo suburb of Orchard Park, N.Y., one of the country's bowling hotbeds. "I've bowled against some of the best players western New York has to offer, so even though I don't have a lot of experience at the national tournament level, I've bowled against some high-caliber players in the east and western New York for most of my life."

Three-time PBA50 Tour winner Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp., Mich., is in third after a 7-5 record in match play and finishing with a 7,033 pinfall.

Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., who led after the first four rounds, fell to fourth after going 5-1 in the first match play round but then failed to win a match in the second round finishing with 5-7 overall record and 6,938 pinfall. Duke won the 2014 Senior U.S. Open and finished third in 2015.

Friday's match play rounds and stepladder finals will be covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online video streaming service. Live scoring also is available on PBA's official website, pba.com.

SUNCOAST PBA SENIOR U.S. OPEN

Presented by 900 Global

Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Thursday

FIFTH ROUND STANDINGS

(After 30 games. Top 20 advance to Friday's match play. Includes match play record and total pinfall including bonus pins)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 7-5, 7,094.
- 2, n-Mike Klosin, Windham, N.H., 9-3, 7,079.
- 3, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 7-5, 7,033.
- 4, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 5-7, 6,938.

- 5, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 7-5, 6,925.
- 6, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 9-3, 6,901.
- 7, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 6-6, 6,877.
- 8, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 6-6, 6,855.
- 9, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 8-4, 6,842.
- 10, (tie) Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 5-7, and Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 7-5, 6,834.
- 12, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 8-4, 6,786.
- 13, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 8-4, 6,770.
- 14, Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 5-7, 6,762.
- 15, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 7-5, 6,721.
- 16, (tie) Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 6-6, and Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 7-5, 6,660.
- 18, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 7-5, 6,648.
- 19, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 5-7, 6,627.
- 20, n-Mike Taylor, Las Vegas, 5-7, 6,605.

Did not advance:

- 21, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 6-6, 6,583, \$1,400.
- 22, Christer Petersson, Gothenburg, Sweden, 5-7, 6,579, \$1,375.
- 23, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 6-6, 6,578, \$1,350.
- 24, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 7-5, 6,558, \$1,325.
- 25, Jim Murtishaw, Menifee, Calif., 6-6, 6,534, \$1,300.
- 26, n-Andrew Neuer, Lewisburg, Penn., 7-5, 6,532, \$1,280.
- 27, n-Bill Oakes, Lawton, Okla, 6-6, 6,488, \$1,260.
- 28, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 6-6, 6,485, \$1,240.
- 29, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 8-4, 6,480, \$1,220.
- 30, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 5-7, 6,474, \$1,200.
- 31, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 5-7, 6,466, \$1,190.
- 32, Hugh Miller, Mercer Island, Wash., 6-6, 6,450, \$1,180.
- 33, n-Paul Renteria, Henderson, Nev., 4-8, 6,449, \$1,170.
- 34, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 5-7, 6,436, \$1,160.
- 35, n-Warren Eales, Chandler, Ariz., 4-8, 6,420, \$1,150.
- 36, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 2-10, 6,415, \$1,140.
- 37, n-Alvin Lou, El Cajon, Calif., 5-7, 6,337, \$1,130.
- 38, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 5-7, 6,324, \$1,120.
- 39, Mike Kanada, Camarillo, Calif., 6-6, 6,270, \$1,110.
- 40, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 2-10, 6,176, \$1,100.

n-denotes non-member

Weber Successfully Defends Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open Title For Record Fourth Consecutive PBA50 Tour Win

Weber wins eighth career PBA50 Tour title by defeating Harry Sullins 223-184 in title match

LAS VEGAS (June 3, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., successfully defended his Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global title Friday for a record fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title.

Weber, who was the top qualifier for the stepladder finals, defeated Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 223-184, in the title match at the Suncoast Bowling Center to set the new mark. He had shared the previous record of three consecutive titles with fellow Hall of Famer Tom Baker who achieved the feat in 2006.

“It ranks way up there as far as my career accomplishments,” said Weber, who has won a record five U.S. Open titles on the PBA Tour. “I think this is the best I’ve ever felt or thrown the ball for five consecutive weeks in my whole career.”

Leading Sullins by eight pins in the six frame, Weber threw four consecutive strikes to clinch the match and his eighth career PBA50 Tour title. It was his third PBA50 Tour major title having also won the 2013 United States Bowling Congress Senior Masters.

"I could see it was tough for Harry to get anything going and when he didn't strike in the ninth I knew I had the match," Weber said.

For Weber, who ranks fifth on the all-time PBA Tour titles list with 37 wins and has won a record-tying 10 PBA Tour majors, he ranked his win among his top accomplishments in a professional career that spans more than three decades.

"It's way up there as far as anything I've done in my career," said the 53-year-old Weber. "I just do whatever I can do to win and that's the way it has been my entire career. Like I've said many times, winning never gets old."

Weber began the 2016 season with a fourth-place finish in the Pasco County Florida Open and then won the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages, PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open and Johnny Petraglia BVL Open prior to winning the Senior U.S. Open.

In the semi-final match, Sullins, who was recently inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame, defeated Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, making his PBA50 Tour debut, 193-164 to advance to the final match. Sullins was trying for his fourth PBA50 Tour win and second major having won the 2009 PBA Senior World Championship.

In the opening match, Sullins defeated PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, 212-207, to advance to the semifinal. Monacelli, who won the Senior U.S. Open in 2012 and 2013, was trying to become the tournament's first three-time winner.

Weber joined Monacelli, Baker and Wayne Webb as a two-time Senior U.S. Open winner, all of whom have won in successive years. Baker won his back to back in 2005 and 2006, and Webb in 2008 and 2009.

Weber will try to make it five in a row when the PBA50 Tour heads to Fountain Valley, Calif. for the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open presented by Track June 5-8. The sixth stop of the 2016 PBA50 Tour season can be seen on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. For subscription and schedule information visit www.xtraframe.tv.

SUNCOAST PBA SENIOR U.S. OPEN PRESENTED BY 900 GLOBAL Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Friday

Final Standings:

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann., Mo., \$10,000.
- 2, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., \$6,000.
- 3, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, \$5,000.
- 4, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$4,000.

Playoff Results:

Match One – Sullins def. Monacelli, 212-207.

Semifinal – Sullins def. Kretzer, 193-164.

Championship match – Weber def. Sullins, 223-184.

SEVENTH ROUND RESULTS

(42-game pinfall totals including bonus pins, match play record and money earned.

Top four advanced to stepladder)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 15-9, 10,109.
- 2, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 16-8, 9,836.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 15-9, 9,818.
- 4, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 12-12, 9,802.
- 5, n-Mike Klosin, Windham, N.H., 16-8, 9,781, \$3,500.
- 6, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 15-9, 9,734, \$3,000.
- 7, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 16-8- 9,693, \$2,800.
- 8, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 15-9, 9,686, \$2,600.
- 9, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 12-12, 9,680, \$2,400.
- 10, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 14-10, 9,671, \$2,200.
- 11, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 9-15, 9,591, \$2,100.
- 12, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 11-13, 9,566, \$2,000.

- 13, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 13-11, 9,535, \$1,900.
- 14, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 11-12-1, 9,527, \$1,800.
- 15, Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 10-14, 9,506, \$1,750.
- 16, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 12-11-1, 9,386, \$1,700.
- 17, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 13-11, 9,363, \$1,650.
- 18, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 11-13, 9,262, \$1,600.
- 19, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 9-15, 9,261, \$1,550.
- 20, n-Mike Taylor, Las Vegas, 8-16, 9,052, \$1,500.

SIXTH ROUND RESULTS

(36-game pinfall totals including bonus pins and match play record)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 10-8, 8,522.
- 2, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 10-8, 8,492.
- 3, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 14-4, 8,467.
- 4, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 12-6, 8,427.
- 5, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 12-6, 8,407.
- 6, n-Michael Klosin, Windham, N.H., 12-6, 8,385.
- 7, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 7-11, 8,298.
- 8, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 13-5, 8,266.
- 9, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 11-7, 8,261.
- 10, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 10-8, 8,247.
- 11, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 9-9, 8,220.
- 12, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 8-10, 8,186.
- 13, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 8-9-1, 8,122.
- 14, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 10-8, 8,090.
- 15, Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 6-12, 8,025.
- 16, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 10-8, 8,014.
- 17, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 9-8-1, 8,004.
- 18, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 9-9, 7,974.
- 19, n-Mike Taylor, Las Vegas, 8-10, 7,954.
- 20, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 5-13, 7,886.

n-denotes non-member

Texas Teenager Anthony Simonsen Leads PBA Jonesboro Open Qualifying

Indiana's EJ Tackett in second place heading into Sunday's final rounds

JONESBORO, Ark. (Saturday, June 4) – Texas teenager Anthony Simonsen averaged 225 Saturday to lead the qualifying round of the Professional Bowlers Association's Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame by 16 pins over .

Simonsen, a 19-year-old two-handed player, rolled games of 237, 182, 243, 276, 200, 172, 219 and 278 to finish the eight-game qualifying round with 1,807 pins. Simonsen won both of his PBA Tour titles earlier in the year, teaming with Connor Pickford of Charlotte, N.C., to win the Mark Roth/Marshal Holman PBA Doubles Championship and later winning the United States Bowling Congress Masters, becoming the youngest bowler in PBA history to win a major championship.

Simonsen and Sweden's Jesper Svensson are the only two players with two PBA Tour titles during the 2016 season. Svensson isn't competing in Jonesboro.

In third place among the 34 players still in contention was Kyle Troup of Taylorsville, N.C., followed by Ryan Shafer of Horseheads, N.Y., and Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas.

The top one-third of the field of 103 bowlers advances to Sunday's five-game cashers round at 8:30 a.m. CDT. Based on 13-game pinfall totals, the top 16 players will advance to a modified round robin match play round at noon, leading to the four-player stepladder finals at 5:45 p.m. First prize is \$15,000 plus a PBA Tour title if the winner is a PBA member.

All rounds of the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open are being video-streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. To enroll as an Xtra Frame subscriber, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

DOWNUMS WASTE SERVICES PBA JONESBORO OPEN

presented by Xtra Frame

Jonesboro Bowling Center, Jonesboro, Ark., Saturday

Qualifying Round (top 50 after 8 games; top 34 advance to cashers round):

- 1, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,807.
- 2, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,791.
- 3, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,778.
- 4, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,774.
- 5, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,770.
- 6, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,759.
- 7, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,753.
- 8, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,753.
- 9, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,752.
- 10, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,732.
- 11, DJ Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,731.
- 12, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,720.
- 13, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,713.
- 14, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,709.
- 15, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,699.
- 16, n-Jared Wolf, Lowell, Ark., 1,695.
- 17, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,693.
- 18, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,688.
- 19, n-Matt Gasn, Laurel, Md., 1,687.
- 20, n-Grace Hall, Oklahoma City, Okla., 1,681.
- 21, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,662.
- 22, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,660.
- 23, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 1,659.
- 24, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 1,655.
- 25, Joe Findling, Greenville, Texas, 1,643.
- 26, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,639.
- 27, n-Anthony Richmond, Memphis, Tenn., 1,638.
- 28, Gary Faulkner, Sanford, Fla., 1,635.
- 29, Curt Dupre, Metairie, La., 1,635.
- 30, Patrick Allen, Mount Kisco, N.Y., 1,633.
- 31, n-Justin Williams, Bartlett, Tenn., 1,630.
- 32, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,626.
- 33, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 1,620.
- 34, Will Hoge, Sand Springs, Okla., 1,618.

Failed to advance:

- 35 (tie), Shawn Maldonado, Houston, Texas, and Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,616.
- 37, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,615.
- 38, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,614.
- 39, Justin Veitch, St. Petersburg, Fla., 1,609.
- 40, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,596.
- 41, James Cantere, Purcell, Okla., 1,590.
- 42, Mark Decman, Canada, 1,588.
- 43 (tie), Beau Peterson, Newton, Kan., and Jeff Atkins, Hot Springs Village, Ark., 1,585.
- 45, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,580.
- 46, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 1,579.

47, Dave Han, Birmingham, Ala., 1,577.

48, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 1,576.

49 (tie), Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, and Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,573.

Tip from Roommate Helps Tommy Jones Win PBA Jonesboro Open

Urethane ball, direct-to-pocket delivery keys to tying PBA Hall of Famer Carmen Salvino with 17th title

JONESBORO, Ark. (June 5, 2016) – Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., a future Professional Bowlers Association hall of famer, used a tip from his roommate and an “old school” technique to win the Douwnums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame Sunday at Jonesboro Bowling Center.

Jones, 37, defeated top qualifier Kyle Troup of Taylorsville, N.C., 237-228, to win his 17th PBA Tour title – tying PBA Hall of Famer Carmen Salvino for 20th place on the all-time PBA Tour titles list. Jones also won a \$15,000 first prize.

After qualifying fourth for the four-man stepladder finals, Jones eliminated Connor Pickford of Charlotte, N.C., in the opening match, 212-163, and Frankie Lavoie of Wichita, Kan., in the semifinal, 247-213, before winning a “carry contest” over Troup in the title match. While Troup pounded the pocket, he couldn’t put back-to-back strikes together until the final four frames.

Jones, using a less-reactive urethane bowling ball and a hard, straight-to-the-pocket delivery, doubled in the third and fourth frames, and then put together a late string of four strikes – including his first shot in the 10th – to hold off Troup.

The deciding factor was the use the urethane ball to manage the demanding lane condition, a suggestion he got from roommate DJ Archer of Friendswood, Texas.

“I wouldn’t have even tried the urethane ball if DJ hadn’t suggested it,” Jones said. “I was just looking for something that would work on these lanes. I just didn’t have good ball reaction doing anything else. I bowled 240 against Frankie and I got some pretty fortunate hits in that match. Then I figured urethane is what got me to the title match so I was going to ride it.”

The Douwnums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open was the third of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events scheduled for 2016. The overall competition points winner for the exclusive Xtra Frame Tour will earn a \$10,000 bonus. The next event in the series will be the Xtra Frame PBA Lubbock Sports Open from South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas, June 25-26, where a \$20,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title will be at stake.

DOUWNUMS WASTE SERVICES PBA JONESBORO OPEN

presented by Xtra Frame

Jonesboro Bowling Center, Jonesboro, Ark., Sunday

Final Standings:

- 1, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$15,000.
- 2, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., \$8,000.
- 3, Frankie Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., \$4,000.
- 4, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., \$2,500.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Jones def. Pickford, 212-163.

Semifinal Match – Jones def. Lavoie, 247-213.

Championship – Jones def. Troup, 237-228.

Final Match Play Standings (after 21 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Troup, 4-4, 4,749.
- 2, Lavoie, 7-1, 4,738.
- 3, Pickford, 6-2, 4,688.
- 4, Jones, 5-3, 4,618.
- 5, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3-5, 4,595, \$1,500.
- 6, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3-5, 4,589, \$1,300.
- 7, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 4-4, 4,555, \$1,150.
- 8, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 6-2, 4,551, \$1,100.

- 9, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 5-3, 4,494, \$1,050.
- 10, DJ Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 6-2, 4,484, \$1,000.
- 11, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 3-5, 4,476, \$950.
- 12, Gary Faulkner, Memphis, Tenn., 2-6, 4,452, \$900.
- 13, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 5-3, 4,398, \$850.
- 14, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1-7, 4,380, \$800.
- 15, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 2-6, 4,356, \$750.
- 16, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 2-6, 4,347, \$700.

Other Cashers (after 13 games):

- 17, n-Grace Hall, Oklahoma City, Okla., 2,700, \$640.
- 18, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 2,687, \$590.
- 19, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2,684, \$580.
- 20, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 2,683, \$570.
- 21, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,677, \$565.
- 22, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 2,659, \$560.
- 23, n-Jared Wolf, Jonesboro, Ark., 2,658, \$555.
- 24, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 2,656, \$550.
- 25, n-Justin Williams, Bartlett, Tenn., 2,654, \$545.
- 26, n-Anthony Richmond, Memphis, Tenn., 2,645, \$540.
- 27, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 2,642, \$535.
- 28, n-Matt Gasn, Laurel, Md., 2,631, \$530.
- 29, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 2,619, \$525.
- 30, Patrick Allen, Mt. Kisco, N.Y., 2,583, \$520.
- 31, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 2,575, \$515.
- 32, Curt Dupre, Destrehan, La., 2,551, \$510.
- 33, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2,530, \$505.
- 34, Will Hoge, Sand Springs, Okla., 2,510, \$500.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Monacelli Averages 243.5 to Lead PBA50 Fountain Valley Open First Round

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, Calif. (June 6, 2016) – Coming off a fourth-place finish in last week’s Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open, Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela averaged 243.5 Monday to take the first round lead in the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open presented by Track at Fountain Bowl.

The five-time PBA50 Tour winner led qualifying with a 1,948 eight-game pinfall total with games of 255, 264, 235, 227, 269, 233, 237 and 228 to edge two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas who finished the first round in second with 1,921.

Monacelli had trouble early in the PBA50 Tour season with his release and credited a change in his grip before last week’s U.S. Open for a more comfortable and consistent delivery.

“I was having trouble getting out the ball clean,” said the 54-year-old Monacelli, who was the winner of the 2012 and 2013 Senior U.S. Opens. “I found I was squeezing the ball and decided to make a major change so that my hand would be more comfortable in the ball. It has made all the difference for me.

"It took some guts for me to make those drastic changes because the grip I was using I had for a very long time. But, you do what you feel you need to do and don't be afraid."

Still competitive on the PBA Tour, Monacelli won the DHC PBA Japan Invitational in January for his 20th PBA Tour title.

Rounding out the top five after the first round were Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,917; followed by PBA Hall of Famers Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,900, and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,887.

Hall of famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., hoping to bounce back from a disappointing 11th-place finish in the Senior U.S. Open after leading qualifying, finished the day in sixth with a 1,877 pinfall. Senior U.S. Open champion Pete Weber is taking the week off.

Second round qualifying continues Tuesday which will be followed by match play on Wednesday. Once match play is concluded, the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled for 7 p.m. PT.

The Fountain Valley Open is streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 FOUNTAIN VALLEY OPEN PRESENTED BY TRACK
Fountain Bowl, Fountain Valley, Calif., Monday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after eight games)

- 1, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,948.
- 2, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,921.
- 3, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,917.
- 4, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,900.
- 5, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,887.
- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,877.
- 7, (tie) Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., and Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,850.
- 9, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,845.
- 10, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,819.
- 11, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,815.
- 12, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,814.
- 13, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,798.
- 14, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,788.
- 15, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,781.
- 16, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 1,768.
- 17, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,759.
- 18, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,756.
- 19, n-Herman Ferguson, Los Angeles, Calif., 1,752.
- 20, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 1,748.
- 21, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1,746.
- 22, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,741.
- 23, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,738.
- 24, ss-Ray Cobb, Highland, Calif., 1,736.
- 25, (tie) ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., and Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,727.
- 27, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,725.
- 28, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,724.
- 29, Darron Peters, Temecula, Calif., 1,719.
- 30, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,716.
- 31, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,707.
- 32, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,705.
- 33, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,699.
- 34, ss-Jim Starks, San Bernardino, Calif., 1,698.
- 35, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,696.
- 36, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,682.
- 37, Hugh Miller, Mercer Island, Wash., 1,673.
- 38, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,668.
- 39, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,667.

40, (tie) Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., and ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,666.
 42, (tie) Dennis Horan Jr., Oakley, Calif., and ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,664.
 44, (tie) Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, and ss-Jim Murtishaw, Menifee, Calif., 1,662.
 46, ss-Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,661.
 47, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 1,660.
 48, Doug Kempt, Arcadia, Calif., 1,658.
 49, (tie) John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, and ss-n-Steve Kiss, Clackamas, Ore., 1,657.
 51, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wisc., 1,650.
 52, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,646.
 53, (tie) Rob Rice, Sunnyside, Wash., and ss-Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 1,637.
 55, (tie) n-Ron Anderson, Canyon Country, Calif., and Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 1,635.
 57, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,633.
 58, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 1,626.
 59, n-Clint Frazer, Reseda, Calif., 1,624.
 60, Craig Miller, Tracy, Calif., 1,616.
 61, ss-a-Eddie Katz, Lakewood, Calif., 1,604.
 62, ss-Jim Lesiuk, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., 1,603.
 63, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,598.
 64, (tie) ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, and n-Forrest Cole, Riverton, Wyo., 1,597.
 66, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,593.
 67, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,591.
 68, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 1,579.
 69, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 1,578.
 70, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 1,575.
 71, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,574.
 72, ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,571.
 73, ss-Mark Fennell, Seattle, 1,563.
 74, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,555.
 75, ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,554.
 76, ss-Don Lane, San Francisco, 1,550.
 77, ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,537.
 78, ss-Jim Gordin, Modesto, Calif., 1,526.
 79, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,518.
 80, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,516.
 81, ss-n-Joe Barna, Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., 1,508.
 82, n-Rick Bowman, Bakersfield, Calif., 1,506.
 83, ss-Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 1,493.
 84, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,486.
 85, n-Kevin Sweetman, Henderson, Colo., 1,454.
 86, ss-n-Jim Zimmerman, Tehachapi, Calif., 1,419.
 87, ss-Bill Kaiser, Allen, Texas, 1,401.
 88, ss-n-Johnny Pineda, Tustin, Calif., 1,382.

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Ron Mohr Averages 241.3 in PBA50 Fountain Valley Open To Earn Second Top Qualifier Honor of the Season

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, Calif. (June 7, 2016) – Two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, averaged 241.3 in the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open presented by Track Tuesday after the second round to earn his second top qualifier honor of the 2016 season.

The 60-year-old Mohr led qualifying with a 3,862 16-game pinfall total, topping first round leader PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli in second with 3,815. Mohr averaged 251 to lead qualifying in the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages in April.

In Tuesday's second eight-game round, Mohr had a 1,941 pinfall with games of 221, 258, 246, 223, 248, 248, 277 and 220 after finishing second with a 1,921 pinfall in the first round.

“Right now I feel like I’m bowling the best I have in two years,” said Mohr, who finished second to Pete Weber in the Sun Bowl In The Villages after losing 204-162 in the title match. “My challenge is to keep my ball speed slow so that it complements my rev rate. I’m making good progress doing that.

“After The Villages I felt I could compete with anybody and my confidence has grown steadily since then,” he added. “With all the talent that’s out here (on the PBA50 Tour), I’m having to keep convincing myself that I can bowl with the best.”

After a cashers round Wednesday morning, 24 players will compete in match play which will determine the top five players who will advance to the stepladder finals at 7 p.m. PT. All of the action will be streamed live on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

Mohr, an eight-time PBA50 Tour winner, is hoping to win his first PBA50 Tour win since capturing the Senior Decatur (Ill.) Open title in August of 2012.

One-time PBA Tour winner Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, who finished third in last week’s Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open in his PBA50 Tour debut, finished qualifying in third with a 3,738 pinfall, followed by PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., in fourth with 3,696, and Robert Brown of Cody, Wyo., in fifth with 3,690.

PBA50 FOUNTAIN VALLEY OPEN PRESENTED BY TRACK Fountain Bowl, Fountain Valley, Calif., Tuesday

SECOND ROUND STANDINGS (after 16 games. Top 16 advance to match play. Places 17-24 plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers round to determine eight additional match play finalists)

- 1, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,862.
- 2, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,815.
- 3, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,738.
- 4, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,696.
- 5, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,690.
- 6, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,689.
- 7, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,664.
- 8, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3,642.
- 9, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,639.
- 10, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,624.
- 11, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,623.
- 12, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,620.
- 13, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,619.
- 14, (tie) Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., and Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,615.
- 16, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,605.
- 17, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,583.
- 18, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3,563.
- 19, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,553.
- 20, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,544.
- 21, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,516.
- 22, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,491.
- 23, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,478.
- 24, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,474.
- 25, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 3,467.
- 26, (tie) Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., and Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,461.
- 28, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,458.
- 29, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,444.
- 30, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3,434.
- 31, Peter Knopp, Germany, 3,432.
- 32, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,428.
- 33, Darron Peters, Temecula, Calif., 3,425.
- 34, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 3,400.
- 35, ss-Jim Starks, San Bernardino, Calif., 3,397.
- 36, n-Herman Ferguson, Los Angeles, Calif., 3,393.

- 37, n-Ron Anderson, Canyon Country, Calif., 3,378.
- 38, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,370.
- 39, (tie) ss-n-Steve Kiss, Clackamas, Ore., and ss-Ray Cobb, Highland, Calif., 3,364.
- 41, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 3,361.
- 42, ss-Jim Murtishaw, Menifee, Calif., 3,351.
- 43, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 3,342.
- 44, ss-Jim Lesiuk, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., 3,336.
- 45, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 3,332.
- 46, Doug Kempt, Arcadia, Calif., 3,318.
- 47, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,314.
- 48, Dennis Horan Jr., Oakley, Calif., 3,301.
- 49, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,299.
- 50, n-Eddie Katz, Lakewood, Calif., 3,284.
- 51, (tie) Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., and Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,267.
- 53, Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 3,263.
- 54, n-Clint Frazer, Reseda, Calif., 3,254.
- 55, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 3,252.
- 56, Rob Rice, Sunnyside, Wash., 3,250.
- 57, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 3,246.
- 58, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,242.
- 59, n-Forrest Cole, Riverton, Wyo., 3,240.
- 60, Hugh Miller, Mercer Island, Wash., 3,238.
- 61, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,237.
- 62, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,235.
- 63, Craig Miller, Tracy, Calif., 3,217.
- 64, (tie) Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., and Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 3,208.
- 66, (tie) Mark Fennell, Seattle, and Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,206.
- 68, (tie) Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., and Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 3,205.
- 71, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 3,197.
- 72, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 3,194.
- 73, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3,189.
- 74, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 3,160.
- 75, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 3,156.
- 76, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 3,146.
- 77, Lew Elting, Carlsbad, Calif., 3,124.
- 78, n-Rick Bowman, Bakersfield, Calif., 3,117.
- 79, n-Joe Barna, Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., 3,074.
- 80, Don Lane, San Francisco, 3,066.
- 81, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,062.
- 82, Jim Gordin, Modesto, Calif., 3,059.
- 83, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,045.
- 84, n-Kevin Sweetman, Henderson, Colo., 3,034.
- 85, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 3,028.
- 86, n-Jim Zimmerman, Tehachapi, Calif., 2,936.
- 87, n-Johnny Pineda, Tustin, Calif., 2,911.
- 88, Bill Kaiser, Allen, Texas, 2,846.

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ss-denotes PBA60 players ages 60 and over advancing to cashers round

PBA Spare Shots

EJ TACKETT TAKES LEAD IN XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR POINTS RACE

With his fifth-place finish in the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open presented by Xtra Frame, **EJ Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., has taken the lead in the Xtra Frame PBA Tour points race, a season-long contest that will reward the winner of the 10-event series with a \$10,000 bonus.

Tackett now has 53 points and a nine-point lead over **Ryan Ciminelli** and Jonesboro Open winner **Tommy Jones**, who are tied for second with 44 points. **Sean Rash** is fourth with 31 points followed by Jonesboro Open runner-up **Kyle Troup** (23). **Steven Taylor**, **Tim Mack** and **Francois Lavoie** are tied for seventh with 18 points. Five players are tied for ninth with 17 points each: **Patrick Allen**, **Shawn Maldonado**, **Tim Gillick**, **Anthony Simonsen** and **Connor Pickford**.

The Xtra Frame PBA Tour points race is designed for a close, hotly-contested battle. In each XF Tour event, the winner earns 25 points. Second place earns 19 points, third 18 points, etc., with points awarded on a one-point declining basis through 20 places.

Tackett earned his 53 points by finishing ninth in the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout (12 points), first in the Xtra Frame PBA Storm Open in Carpentersville, Ill. (25 points) and fifth in Jonesboro (16 points). Ciminelli was first in Maine (25), second in Carpentersville (19) and 33rd in Jonesboro, earning no points. Jones was second in Maine (19), first in Jonesboro (25) and didn't bowl in Carpentersville.

The fourth event in the Xtra Frame PBA Tour series will be the Xtra Frame PBA Lubbock Sports Open from Lubbock, Texas, June 24-26. Completing the series will be the PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles from Houston, Texas, July 29-31; Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic from Middletown, Del., Aug. 20-21; the Parkside Lanes Open from Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2; the PBA Reality Check Tamarac Open from Tamarac, Fla., Oct. 8-9; the South Point Las Vegas Open, Oct. 29-30, and the concluding event, the Billy Hardwick Memorial from Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 12-13.

All tournaments in the XF Tour series are covered live, exclusively from start to finish, on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming channel. To sign up for a subscription, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

ENTRIES OPEN FOR PBA FALL SWING PRE-TOURNAMENT QUALIFIER

Entries are now being accepted for the PBA Fall Swing pre-tournament qualifier which will be held Aug. 27 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., the host center for the multi-event Fall Swing. The PTQ – with a \$120 entry fee – is open as an option to PBA members who live within a 50-mile radius of Thunderbowl, giving members a chance to win a \$750 paid entry at a significant savings – and to non-members.

The six-game PTQ, to be bowled on the Wolf pattern, will award 10 guaranteed entries into the Fall Swing. Non-members must win entries into the Fall Swing through the PTQ, otherwise they will not be eligible to enter.

The PBA Fall Swing, set for Sept. 4-11, will include the Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Opens along with the King of the Swing special event. Direct entries for PBA members only will be accepted beginning June 15. The \$750 entry fee covers all five events.

The PBA also has announced entries for the PBA Fall Classic, presented by South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas, will be accepted beginning July 5. The Fall Classic, set for Oct. 28-Nov. 1, includes the Xtra Frame PBA Las Vegas Open (\$300 members, \$350 non-members) and the five-player PBA Team Challenge (\$500 per member, \$600 per non-member).

Entries for the PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, set for Nov. 27-Dec. 11, will be accepted beginning July 15. The entry fee is \$1,000 for all events. WSOB VIII will be open to PBA members only.

SUNCOAST SENIOR U.S. OPEN WAS ONE FOR THE BOOKS

Pete Weber's record-setting victory in the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open included a fourth consecutive PBA50 Tour title, but that was just one in a series of highlights from the PBA50 Tour's first major championship of the 2016 season:

- In his third Suncoast Senior U.S. Open Tournament appearance, Weber joined **Tom Baker** (2005-06), **Wayne Webb** (2008-09) and **Amleto Monacelli** (2012-13) as the fourth player to win back-to-back titles in the event. Weber also had a runner-up finish in 2014 when he lost to **Norm Duke**, 214-174, in the title match.
- Weber's win was his third PBA50 major title (he also won the 2013 USBC Senior Masters). **Tom Baker** has won the most PBA50 majors with four, including two Senior U.S. Opens (2005-2006) and two Senior Masters (2006-2007).
- Weber is tied with the late **Earl Anthony** for the most majors won in PBA Tour competition (10), but with his three PBA50 Tour majors, Weber has set himself apart with 13 overall majors. Anthony never won a major title in his limited PBA50 Tour career.
- **Harry Sullins** needs a win in the Suncoast Senior U.S. Open to hit for the cycle. With his second place finish this year he now has a second, a third (2011), a fourth (2009) and a fifth-place finish (2010).

XTRA FRAME CONTINUES PBA50, PWBA COVERAGE FROM CALIFORNIA, MIDWEST

Xtra Frame's exclusively PBA50 Tour coverage of the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open presented by Track concludes today with the final round of match play at 5:45 p.m. and the stepladder finals at 9:45 p.m. (EDT) before PBA's senior players head to Brentwood, Calif., for the PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV, June 13-15. The PBA50 players' western swing will conclude with the USBC Senior Masters, June 19-25, which will be covered by BowlTV on bowl.com.

Meanwhile, the PWBA Tour continues competition in the Midwest with the Pepsi Lincoln Open from Lincoln, Neb., June 10-11; the Greater Detroit Open from Canton, Mich., June 17-18 and the Go Bowling PWBA Players Championship from Green Bay, Wis., June 24-25. All preliminary rounds to determine PWBA's CBS Sports Network stepladder finalists air live on Xtra Frame.

Proprietors Cup V, from Beaver Vu Bowl in Beavercreek, Ohio, also will be video-streamed live on Xtra Frame June 11-12.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

PORTLAND'S BAYSIDE BOWL BREAKS GROUND FOR EXPANSION

Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, current home to the PBA Maine Experience, including PBA League Elias Cup competition and the Xtra Frame PBA Maine Shootout, has begun its multi-million-dollar expansion project that will add eight lanes to its existing facility along with a rooftop deck, mezzanine level and more.

"We're excited to be here because we think over the next 10 to 15 years, Bayside is going to be a place where there is a lot more housing, a lot more retail, a lot more people living, working and eating," said co-owner and state Senator **Justin Alfond**. "I think we will be at the center of it."

The expansion project is expected to create 30-40 summer construction jobs and 15-20 new full-time jobs when the project is completed in November.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: WEEKEND EVENTS SET FOR NEW YORK, CALIFORNIA

The busy summer of QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the June 10-12 weekend with the Homefield Bowl Eastern Open presented by MOTIV in Yonkers, N.Y., and the PBA50 and PBA Vanessa Brown Homes West Opens, both presented by Hammer, at Yosemite Lanes in Modesto, Calif.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional events scheduled for the June 17-19 weekend include the Timmy See Memorial South Open at Nassau Bowling Center in Yulee, Fla.; the PWBA, PBA and PBA50 Secoma Lanes West/Northwest Opens presented by Storm in Federal Way, Wash.; the Rackbusters Pro Shop East Challenge at Bowlerama in New Castle, Del., and the Strike n Spare II Adrenaline Midwest Classic in Lockport, Ill. PBA Challenge events are open to players who have not won a PBA title.
- Closing out the June schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the June 24-26 weekend will be the Battle at Black Oak Casino West Open at Black Oak Lanes in Tuolumne, Calif.; the Pro Bowl West Center/Midwest Challenge presented by Columbia 300 in Fort Wayne, Ind., and the PBA/PBA50 AMF Fredericksburg Over/Under 50 Doubles presented by Radical in Fredericksburg, Va. The June 24-26 weekend also will include the Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports PBA Open in Lubbock, Texas.
- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- **Last call:** applications for the \$1,000 2016 PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Award which recognizes exemplary qualities in male or female college students who compete in the sport of bowling are due by the June 15 postmark deadline. The application can be retrieved by downloading two PDF files using this link <http://www.pba.com/Corporate/Scholarships>. Nominations can be sent to scholarships@pba.com or through the U.S. mail at PBA Billy Welu Scholarship, 55 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 401, Chicago, IL 60604.

Monacelli Wins PBA50 Fountain Valley Open For Sixth Career PBA50 Tour Title

In hall of fame match up, Monacelli beat Parker Bohn III 266-247 for first PBA50 Tour win of the season

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, Calif. (June 8, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela won four consecutive matches in the stepladder finals Wednesday to win the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open presented by Track at Fountain Bowl.

Monacelli, who qualified fourth for the finals, beat top qualifier hall of famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., 266-247, in the title match to win his first PBA50 Tour title of the season and the sixth of his career.

Monacelli benefited from a bad break for Bohn, who was trying for his fourth career PBA50 Tour title, when Bohn left a pocket 7-10 split in the second frame.

“All the matches were very close,” said the 54-year-old Monacelli. “It was important to stay focused and low key, not get too excited if I’m leading or too low if I’m losing. If I stay calm I’ll have a clear mind to make the adjustments and the good shots that I need to make.”

In the semifinal match, Monacelli defeated hall of famer Walter Ray Williams Jr., of Oxford, Fla., trying for his 11th career PBA50 Tour title and second of the season, 249-245. Monacelli needed two strikes and a seven count in the 10th frame but threw three strikes to win the match.

“That was an example of a good test for my mental game,” Monacelli said. “I basically needed to have three strikes in the 10th to win and if I wasn’t calm so that I could make good shots I would have lost the match.”

Monacelli opened the stepladder finals by beating PBA50 Tour veteran Sammy Ventura of Syracuse, N.Y., who was trying for his first title, 256-248, before advancing to the second match where he beat six-time PBA Tour winner Chris Warren of Grants Pass, Ore., 225-218, to advance to the semifinal against Williams.

Monacelli’s previous best finish this season was fourth in last week’s Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global.

Competing on the PBA Tour and PBA50 Tour, Monacelli won the DHC PBA Japan Invitational for his 20th PBA Tour win in January.

The PBA50 Tour heads to Harvest Park Bowl in Brentwood, Calif. June 12-15 for the PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV which will also be streamed live on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame. For subscription and schedule information visit www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 FOUNTAIN VALLEY OPEN PRESENTED BY TRACK Fountain Bowl, Fountain Valley, Calif., Wednesday

Final Standings

- 1, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$7,500.
- 2, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., \$4,000.
- 3, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., \$2,500.
- 4, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., \$2,000.
- 5, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., \$1,750.

Stepladder Results

- Match One – Monacelli def. Ventura, 256-248.
Match Two – Monacelli def. Warren, 225-218.
Semifinal Match – Monacelli def. Williams, 249-245.
Championship – Monacelli def. Bohn, 266-247.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advanced to stepladder finals)

- 1, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 6-0, 1,718.
- 2, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 4-2, 1,593.
- 3, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 4-2, 1,540.
- 4, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 4-2, 1,480.
- 5, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3-3, 1,442.
- 6, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3-3, 1,434, \$1,500.

- 7, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4-2, 1,430, \$1,500.
- 8, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 4-2, 1,392, \$1,500.
- 9, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 2-4, 1,378, \$1,250.
- 10, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-3, 1,370, \$1,250.
- 11, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2-4, 1,367, \$1,250.
- 12, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3-3, 1,353, \$1,250.
- 13, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 2-4, 1,335, \$1,250.
- 14, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3-3, 1,330, \$1,250.
- 15, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1-5, 1,293, \$1,250.
- 16, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 0-6, 1,247, \$1,250.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins)

- 17, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 2-3, 1,210, \$1,150.
- 18, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 2-2-1, 1,187, \$1,150.
- 19, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1-3-1, 1,149, \$1,150.
- 20, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 3-2, 1,135, \$1,150.
- 21, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 2-3, 1,129, \$1,150.
- 22, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 0-5, 1,123, \$1,150.
- 23, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1-4, 1,121, \$1,150.
- 24, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 0-5, 940, \$1,150.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers' round)

- 25, (tie) ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., and Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 1,055, \$1,050.
- 27, ss-Ray Cobb, Highland, Calif., 1,049, \$1,050.
- 28, ss-n-Steve Kiss, Clackamas, Ore., 1,048, \$1,050.
- 29, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,028, \$1,050.
- 30, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,023, \$1,000.
- 31, ss-Jim Starks, San Bernardino, Calif., 1,017, \$1,000.
- 32, ss-Jim Lesiuk, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., 1,013, \$1,000.
- 33, ss-Dale Eagle, Laguna Niguel, Calif., 979, \$1,000.
- 34, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 972, \$1,000.
- 35, ss-Jim Murtishaw, Menifee, Calif., 971, \$1,100.
- 36, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 958, \$1,000.
- 37, ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 950, \$1,000.

ss-denotes PBA60 player; n-denotes non-member

PBA FOUNDING MEMBER BOB BELLEW DIES IN FLORIDA

Tammy Bellew Andros has informed the Professional Bowlers Association that her father, Robert (Bob) Bellew, one of the founding members of the PBA in 1958, died in Leesburg, Florida, on June 7. He was 86.

Born in Owensboro, Kentucky, in 1930, the 6-foot-2 Bellew was the manager – and later owner – of King Pin Lanes in Henderson, Kentucky. Additional information, including details regarding services, will be distributed as soon as they are available.

SERVICES SET FOR PBA FOUNDING MEMBER ROBERT (BOBBY) BELLEW

Visitation and funeral services for PBA founding member Robert (Bobby) Bellew have been scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday at James H. Davis Funeral Home (<http://www.davisfuneralhome.com/>) in Owensboro, Ky. Visitation will be held Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. and funeral services will take place Thursday at noon.

A native of Owensboro, Ky., Bellew, 86, died in Leesburg, Fla., on June 7.

A feature story about Bellow, written by bowling writer Jeff Crowley for the *Evansville (Ind.) Courier Press* in 2008, and reprinted by AlabamaBowling.com (<http://www.alabamabowling.com/articles/crowley080214.shtml>) provides a great deal of insight into one of the PBA's originals in his own words.

In August 1948, at age 18, Bob became one of the nation's youngest bowling lanes proprietor as the owner and operator of King Pin Lanes in Henderson. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, graduated from Evansville College after his military service with a degree in accounting, and was one of the original 33 members of the PBA. A member of the Henderson Bowlers Hall of Fame, he was the star of a local television show, "Beat The Pro," which aired on Sunday nights in Evansville.

In 1968, Bellew became a charter member of the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society (BASS) and a professional bass fisherman. He began working for the U.S. Treasury, Dept. of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms as an inspector. He was commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel in 1974, by then Governor Wendell H. Ford. After retiring from his U.S. Treasury post in 1990, he moved to Florida where he continued to do in-store fishing promotions in Wal-Mart and Gander Mountain stores for 35 years, representing a wide range of fishing tackle companies.

Survivors include his wife, Martha; two sons, Retired USAF Major Donald Richard Bellew and Robert Levi Bellew; four daughters, Bobbie Lee Davenport, Sherry Ann Jackson, Tamara Susan Andros, and Leighann Nichole Bellew; six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Burial with military honors will follow Thursday's services in Mater Dolorosa Cemetery in Owensboro.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Ron Mohr Continues Qualifying Hot Streak Averaging 246.8 To Lead PBA50 Northern California Classic First Round

BRENTWOOD, Calif. (June 13, 2016) – As qualifying leader for two tournaments this season, two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas is on his way to making it three after averaging 246.8 to lead first round qualifying Monday in the PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV.

Mohr bowled a 1,975 eight-game pinfall total with games of 244, 278, 199, 237, 258, 235, 247 and 277 at Harvest Park Bowl to hold a 49-pin lead over Robert Brown of Cody, Wyo., in second with 1,926.

Mohr, an eight-time PBA50 Tour titlist, led qualifying in last week's PBA50 Fountain Valley Open with a 241 average and averaged 251 to lead qualifying in the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In the Villages in April where he finished second to Pete Weber after losing 204-162 in the title match.

"I feel like I'm bowling the best I have the last couple of years, but it is becoming a bit of an issue that I can't continue the momentum of qualifying into match play and win," said the 60-year-old Mohr, whose last win came in the 2012 Senior Decatur (Ill.) Open. "It kind of seems like I can throw the ball great until I have to.

"I don't have any excuses," Mohr added. "My game is a work in progress so I'm hoping the work will pay off soon. I have good success here so hopefully it will continue for the rest of the tournament."

Brown, who has committed to a full season on the PBA50 Tour this year after bowling eight events in 2015, had games of 225, 268, 233, 213, 279, 228, 234 and 246.

After taking last week off, PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who is trying to extend his record of four consecutive PBA50 Tour titles, finished the first round in third with a 1,917 pinfall. He bowled games of 226, 279, 289, 247, 246, 254, 206 and 170.

Defending champion Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, who is trying for his second consecutive win of the season after winning in Fountain Valley, struggled finishing 30th with a 1,746 pinfall.

Rounding out the top five after the first round were Mark McCreary of Livermore, Calif., in fourth with 1,899, and Craig Miller of Tracy, Calif., in fifth with 1,896.

Second round qualifying continues Tuesday which will be followed by match play on Wednesday. Once match play is concluded, the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled for 6:30 p.m. PT.

The Northern California Classic is streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CLASSIC PRESENTED BY MOTIV
Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif., Monday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after eight games)

- 1, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,975.
- 2, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,926.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,917.
- 4, Mark McCreary, Livermore, Calif., 1,899.
- 5, Craig Miller, Tracy, Calif., 1,896.
- 6, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 1,891.
- 7, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,871.
- 8, ss-Ty Dawson, Sunnyvale, Calif., 1,866.
- 9, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,845.
- 10, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,843.
- 11, (tie) Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., and ss-Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,833.
- 13, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,828.
- 14, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,821.
- 15, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,816.
- 16, (tie) Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., and ss-n-Terry Leong, Las Vegas, 1,811.
- 18, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,792.
- 19, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 1,787.
- 20, Joe Goldstein Sr., San Bruno, Calif., 1,782.
- 21, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,776.
- 22, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,773.
- 23, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,768.
- 24, Ray Valdovino, Sacramento, Calif., 1,762.
- 25, (tie) Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., and Jim Horan, Mountain View, Calif., 1,761.
- 27, ss-Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,759.
- 28, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,757.
- 29, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 1,751.
- 30, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,746.
- 31, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,744.
- 32, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,741.
- 33, Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., 1,740.
- 34, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,739.
- 35, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,738.
- 36, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,737.
- 37, (tie) Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., and Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1,723.
- 39, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,719.
- 40, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,710.
- 41, (tie) Scott Hansel, Stockton, Calif., and ss-n-Dennis Jones, Fremont, Calif., 1,705.
- 43, n-Joe Baca, Brentwood, Calif., 1,703.
- 44, ss-Henry Gonzalez, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,699.
- 45, Dennis Horan Jr., Oakley, Calif., 1,697.
- 46, Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,691.
- 47, ss-Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,685.
- 48, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,684.
- 49, ss-Skip Pavone, San Jose, Calif., 1,683.
- 50, (tie) Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., Dave Dayton, Reno, Nev., and David Bolles, Stockton, Calif., 1,680.
- 53, Junior Self, Martinez, Calif., 1,679.
- 54, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,676.
- 55, ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,668.
- 56, Norm Spurlock, Kenner, La., 1,662.
- 57, Rory Peterson, Sacramento, Calif., 1,660.
- 58, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,659.

59, ss-Jim Gordin, Modesto, Calif., 1,658.
 60, (tie) Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, and ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wisc., 1,657.
 62, (tie) ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, and Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,651.
 64, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,649.
 65, n-Larry Dyson, Stockton, Calif., 1,644.
 66, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,643.
 67, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,642.
 68, ss-Chuck Best, Buda, Texas, 1,640.
 69, ss-Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 1,636.
 70, ss-Dan Sasaki, Richmond, Calif., 1,631.
 71, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,628.
 72, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 1,627.
 73, Joseph Petrovich, Tracy, Calif., 1,624.
 74, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,623.
 75, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 1,622.
 76, n-Forrest Cole, Riverton, Wyo., 1,620.
 77, ss-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 1,619.
 78, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 1,617.
 79, ss-n-Sam Carter, Ben Lomond, Calif., 1,611.
 80, ss-Steve Davis, Manteca, Calif., 1,606.
 81, ss-n-John Dorsett, Concord, Calif., 1,597.
 82, (tie) ss-Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., and ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,595.
 84, n-Al Bella, Pittsburg, Calif., 1,594.
 85, (tie) Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., and n-Jim Taliaferro, Turlock, Calif., 1,583.
 87, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 1,581.
 88, Nick Morgan, Sacramento, Calif., 1,569.
 89, n-Chris Sargent, Crockett, CA, 1,560.
 90, (tie) ss-n-Phillip Spruill, San Francisco, and Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 1,554.
 92, ss-Phil Regan, Mendocino, Calif., 1,548.
 93, ss-Dale Eagle, New Port Beach, Calif., 1,545.
 94, ss-Jim Lesiuk, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., 1,535.
 95, ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,515.
 96, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,508.
 97, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,506.
 98, ss-n-David Chew, Brentwood, Calif., 1,503.
 99, (tie) ss-Duane Wilson, Brentwood, Calif., and Joe Beck, Montgomery, Ala., 1,500.
 101, ss-Larry Galloway, Lakewood, Calif., 1,484.
 102, ss-Don Lane, San Francisco, 1,473.
 103, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,455.
 104, Timothy Bell, Sacramento, Calif., 1,438.
 105, n-Kevin Sweetman, Henderson, Colo., 1,420.
 106, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,373.
 107, Lauri Karppala Jr., Folsom, Calif., 1,337.
 108, n-ss-Roy Thomas, Visalia, Calif., 1,333.
 109, ss-Bill Kaiser, Allen, Texas, 1,295.
 110, ss-Mike Saraiva, Napa, Calif., 1,428.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

Ron Mohr and Pete Weber Top PBA50 Northern California Classic Qualifying

*Mohr earns third top-qualifier crown of the season while Weber heads into match play
 in good position for fifth consecutive PBA50 Tour title*

BRENTWOOD, Calif. (June 14, 2016) – In seven PBA50 Tour tournaments this season, Ron Mohr of Las Vegas has been the qualifying leader in three of them. The goal now is to turn his success in qualifying into a tournament win.

The two-time PBA50 Player of the Year averaged 242.8 after the second round of the PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV Tuesday at Harvest Park Bowl for his third top-qualifier crown. He led qualifying with a 3,885 pinfall total 13 pins ahead of PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who is trying for his fifth consecutive PBA50 Tour title.

Mohr led Monday's first round with a 1,975 eight-game pinfall and followed it up with a 1,910 pinfall in Tuesday's second round on games of 237, 268, 255, 235, 209, 277, 203 and 226.

"If these tournaments were 16 games I'm in business," said Mohr, who owns eight career PBA50 Tour titles. "I feel like I'm doing everything I need to do to win but I just need to make it happen for the whole of the tournament."

Mohr, who was top qualifier for the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages and last week's Fountain Valley Open, is trying for his first PBA50 Tour title since winning the Senior Decatur (Ill.) Open in August of 2012. Weber beat Mohr, 204-162, in the championship match of the Sun Bowl In The Villages in April which started Weber's record run of four consecutive titles.

Weber finished qualifying with a 3,872 pinfall bowling 1,917 in Monday's first eight-game round and 1,955 pinfall in Tuesday's second round on games of 280, 225, 226, 233, 268, 259, 247 and 217.

After his win in the Sun Bowl In The Villages Weber won the Mooresville Ford Open, Johnny Petraglia BVL Open and then successfully defending his Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open title June 3 before skipping last week's PBA50 Fountain Valley Open.

Tournament defending champion hall of famer Amleto Monacelli advanced to match play qualifying 19th with a 3,578 pinfall. Monacelli is trying for his second consecutive title this season after winning the Fountain Valley Open.

Rounding out the top five after qualifying were Noel Vazquez of Sacramento, Calif., 3,729; Brian Cooper of Henderson, Nev., 3,714, and Robert Brown of Cody, Wyo., 3,711.

After a cashers round Wednesday morning, 24 players will compete in match play which will determine the top five players who will advance to the stepladder finals at 6:30 p.m. PT. All of the action will be streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CLASSIC PRESENTED BY MOTIV Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif., Tuesday

SECOND ROUND STANDINGS

(after 16 games. Top 24 advance to match play. Positions 25-36 plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers round to determine eight additional match play finalists)

- 1, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,885.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,872.
- 3, Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., 3,729.
- 4, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,714.
- 5, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,711.
- 6, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,687.
- 7, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,680.
- 8, Ty Dawson, Sunnysvale, Calif., 3,677.
- 9, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,676.
- 10, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,672.
- 11, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,671.
- 12, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 3,667.
- 13, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 3,653.
- 14, Mark McCreary, Livermore, Calif., 3,638.
- 15, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,621.
- 16, Craig Miller, Tracy, Calif., 3,618.
- 17, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,603.
- 18, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,594.
- 19, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,578.

20, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,575.
21, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,569.
22, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,564.
23, (tie) Joe Goldstein Sr., San Bruno, Calif., and Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,559.
25, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 3,541.
26, Peter Knopp, Germany, 3,537.
27, n-Dennis Jones, Fremont, Calif., 3,532.
28, Jim Horan, Mountain View, Calif., 3,528.
29, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 3,527.
30, Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,506.
31, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3,504.
32, n-Terry Leong, Las Vegas, 3,502.
33, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,490.
34, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,475.
35, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,466.
36, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,465.
37, David Bolles, Stockton, Calif., 3,460.
38, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,444.
39, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 3,443.
40, Dave Dayton, Reno, Nev., 3,429.
41, n-Joe Baca, Brentwood, Calif., 3,428.
42, ss-Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 3,409.
43, Ray Valdovino, Sacramento, Calif., 3,387.
44, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,384.
45, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,370.
46, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,359.
47, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,358.
48, ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 3,348.
49, ss-Dale Eagle, New Port Beach, Calif., and ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 3,346.
51, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 3,342.
52, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 3,339.
53, ss-n-Sam Carter, Ben Lomond, Calif., 3,338.
54, ss-Skip Pavone, San Jose, CA, 3,334.
55, Scott Hansel, Stockton, Calif., 3,333.
56, Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 3,330.
57, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,328.
58, Junior Self, Martinez, Calif., 3,323.
59, Joseph Petrovich, Tracy, Calif, 3,319.
60, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,306.
61, (tie) n-Jim Taliaferro, Turlock, Calif., and Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 3,304.
63, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3,299.
64, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibilo, Texas, 3,293.
65, Dan Sasaki, Richmond, Calif., 3,292.
66, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,290.
67, Henry Gonzalez, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,288.
68, (tie) n-Al Bella, Pittsburg, Calif., and Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,272.
70, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,268.
71, Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 3,266.
72, n-Forrest Cole, Riverton, Wyo., 3,262.
73, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 3,260.
74, Chuck Best, Buda, Texas, 3,258.
75, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 3,256.
75, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3,256.
77, Dennis Horan Jr., Oakley, Calif., 3,251.
78, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 3,246.
79, Steve Davis, Manteca, Calif., 3,245.
80, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 3,237.
81, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 3,228.

- 82, Jim Lesiuk, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., 3,223.
- 83, Norm Spurlock, Kenner, La., 3,213.
- 84, (tie) n-Phillip Spruill, San Francisco, and Rory Peterson, Sacramento, Calif., 3,212.
- 86, (tie) Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, and Bob Spaulding, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3,203.
- 88, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 3,185.
- 89, Jim Gordin, Modesto, Calif., 3,178.
- 90, n-Larry Dyson, Stockton, Calif., 3,168.
- 91, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 3,165.
- 92, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,134.
- 93, Phil Regan, Mendocino, Calif., 3,116.
- 94, Joe Beck, Montgomery, Ala., 3,071.
- 95, n-David Chew, Brentwood, Calif., 3,069.
- 96, Don Lane, San Francisco, 3,062.
- 97, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,053.
- 98, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,043.
- 99, Duane Wilson, Brentwood, Calif., 3,042.
- 100, n-Chris Sargent, Crockett, Calif., 2,999.
- 101, Larry Galloway, Lakewood, Calif., 2,998.
- 102, n-John Dorsett, Concord, Calif., 2,993.
- 103, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 2,961.
- 104, n-Kevin Sweetman, Henderson, Colo., 2,917.
- 105, Timothy Bell, Sacramento, Calif., 2,858.
- 106, Bill Kaiser, Allen, Texas, 2,697.
- 107, Lauri Karppala Jr., Folsom, Calif., 2,693.
- 108, n-Roy Thomas, Visalia, Calif., 2,646.
- 109, Nick Morgan, Sacramento, Calif., 1,569.
- 110, Mike Saraiva, Napa, Calif., 1,428.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over advancing to cashers round

Vazquez Wins PBA50 Northern California Classic for First PBA50 Tour title Ending Weber's Consecutive Win Streak at Four

BRENTWOOD, Calif. (June 15, 2016) – Noel Vazquez of Sacramento, Calif., won the PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV Wednesday for his first career PBA50 Tour title and in the process ended Pete Weber's record run of consecutive PBA50 Tour titles at four.

Vazquez, who has won two PBA regional and six PBA50 regional titles, defeated Weber 255-224 in the title match at Harvest Park Bowl.

"I'm shocked and at a loss for words," said the 56-year-old Vazquez. "To bowl against the greatest bowlers in the game is unbelievable and something you only dream about."

Vazquez, who qualified third for the finals, took an 11-pin lead in the fifth frame and then threw five consecutive strikes which were too much for Weber, who was the finals top qualifier, to overcome.

"I just had to keep thinking to stay within myself and make the shots I'm capable of," Vazquez said. "You bring your "A" game and win or lose you can take satisfaction that you did your best.

"I'm pretty goal oriented," Vazquez added. "That's what helped me win my regional titles and it helped me get this win. I've always kidded my friends that if I won a national title I'd retire but I'm rethinking that right now."

Vazquez's previous best PBA50 Tour finish was 11th in the 2015 Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open.

Weber, a 37-time winner on the PBA Tour, which includes a record-tying 10 majors, was trying for his ninth career PBA50 Tour win. His streak of four wins started with the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages in April which was followed by wins in the Mooresville Ford Open, Johnny Petraglia BVL Open and his second consecutive Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open win.

“My hat is off to Noel,” said Weber, who is the defending PBA50 Player of the Year. “He broke the streak by bowling great and deserved to win.”

Vazquez reached the title match by beating Ty Dawson of Sunnyvale, Calif., who was also making his first finals appearance, 213-195, in the semifinal.

In the opening stepladder match two-time PBA50 Player of the Year and eight-time PBA50 Tour winner Ron Mohr of Las Vegas defeated Brian LeClair of Delmar, N.Y. 256-238, who was trying for his second title. In the second match, Dawson defeated Mohr 279-235 to advance to the semifinal.

The PBA50 Tour returns to Las Vegas for the USBC Super Senior Classic June 16-19 followed by the USBC Senior Masters June 19-25 at Sam’s Town Bowling Center.

PBA50 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CLASSIC PRESENTED BY MOTIV Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif., Wednesday

Final Standings

- 1, Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., \$8,000.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$4,500.
- 3, Ty Dawson, Sunnyvale, Calif., \$2,700.
- 4, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, \$2,200.
- 5, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., \$1,800.

Stepladder Results

Match One – Mohr def. LeClair, 256-238.

Match Two – Dawson def. Mohr, 279-235.

Semifinal Match – Vazquez def. Dawson, 213-195.

Championship – Vazquez def. Weber, 255-224.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games. Pinfall including match play bonus pins and money earned. Top five advanced to stepladder finals)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 5-1, 1,648.
- 2, Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., 4-2, 1,567.
- 3, Ty Dawson, Sunnyvale, Calif., 5-1, 1,548.
- 4, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 4-2, 1,539.
- 5, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4-2, 1,525.
- 6, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3-3, 1,502, \$1,500.
- 7, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3-3, 1,467, \$1,500.
- 8, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 2-4, 1,413, \$1,500.
- 9, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3-3, 1,409, \$1,350.
- 10, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3-3, 1,389, \$1,350.
- 11, Craig Miller, Tracy, Calif., 2-4, 1,379, \$1,350.
- 12, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 2-4, 1,369, \$1,350.
- 13, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 2-4, 1,357, \$1,350.
- 14, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 2-4, 1,345, \$1,350.
- 15, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2-4, 1,335, \$1,350.
- 16, Mark McCreary, Livermore, Calif., 2-4, 1,302, \$1,350.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games. Pinfall including match play bonus pins and money earned)

- 17, John Burkett, Southlake, Texas, 2-3, 1,258, \$1,200.
- 18, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 4-1, 1,255, \$1,200.
- 19, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3-2, 1,224, \$1,200.
- 20, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3-2, 1,223, \$1,200.

21, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3-2, 1,202, \$1,200.
22, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2-3, 1,200, \$1,200.
23, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3-2, 1,197, \$1,200.
24, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3-2, 1,186, \$1,200.
25, Skip Pavone, San Jose, Calif., 3-2, 1,160, \$1,100.
26, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1-4, 1,156, \$1,100.
27, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1-4, 1,141, \$1,100.
28, Joe Goldstein, San Bruno, Calif., 1-4, 1,132, \$1,100.
29, Dave Arnold, Elk Grove, Calif., 0-5, 1,109, \$1,100.
30, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1-4, 1,076, \$1,100.
31, Jim Horan, Mountain View, Calif., 1-4, 1,015, \$1,100.
32, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 0-5, 977, \$1,100.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers round)

33, ss-n-Sam Carter, Ben Lomond, Calif., 1,104, \$1,000.
34, ss-n-Terry Leong, Las Vegas, 1,085, \$1,000.
35, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,043, \$1,000.
36, James Hansen, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,039, \$1,000.
37, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,031, \$1,000.
38 ss-n-Dennis Jones, Fremont, Calif., 1,030, \$1,000.
39, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,025, \$1,000.
40, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 989, \$1,000.
41, Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 988, \$1,000.
42, Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 958, \$1,000.
43, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 954, \$1,000.
44, Dale Eagle, New Port Beach, Calif., 944, \$1,000.

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PBA Spare Shots

RACE FOR PBA REGIONAL, PWBA/PBA WOMEN'S REGIONAL CHALLENGE BERTHS HEATS UP

Competition to earn berths in the QubicaAMF Regional Tour's Regional and PWBA/PBA Women's Regional Challenge events which will be held as part of PBA's World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno are heating up along with the summer temperatures.

In each of the seven domestic PBA regions, players are accumulating points between Jan. 1 and the Sept. 30 cutoff date to not only earn berths in the eight-player PBA Challenge events, but also win paid entries into WSOB VIII worth \$1,000. Seven qualifiers from the PBA's East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest, West and Northwest Regions will join players from the PBA Japan Region in eight-game round-robin match play events on Monday, Nov. 28 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno. The PBA Challenge finals will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel.

In the event a player is points leader in more than one region, the determining factor(s) for awarding the PBA Challenge berth and WSOB entry involve, in order: first, the player's home region; secondly, the region in which the player bowled the most events and third, if necessary, to the next highest player in points within the region in question.

The PBA50 Tour Challenge, which also is part of the WSOB program, will include the eight leading points earners as of the conclusion of the 2016 PBA50 Tour schedule.

As of Sunday, June 13, the following players ranked one-two in points in their respective regions:

PBA East Region: 1, Matt O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 58,885. 2, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 47,178. Women: 1, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 17,332. 2, Kerry Smith, New Holland, Pa., 3,677.

PBA South Region: 1, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 32,768. 2, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 27,708. Women: 1, Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 6,145. 2, Elise Bolton, Merritt Island, Fla., 4,225.

PBA Central Region: 1, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 102,226. 2, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 83,296. Women: 1, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 50,179. 2, Rocio Restropo, Colombia, 12,212.

PBA Midwest Region: 1, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 58,164. 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 49,712. Women: 1, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 6,385. 2, Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 3,277.

PBA Southwest Region: 1, Francois Lavoie, Canada/Wichita, Kan., 67,414. 2, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 64,515. Women: 1, Clara Guerrero, Pflugerville, Texas/Colombia, 28,721. 2, Maria Rodriguez, Pflugerville, Texas/Colombia, 13097.

PBA West Region: 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 111,121. 2, Greg Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 94,511. Women: 1, Missy Parkin, Lake Forrest, Calif., 9822. 2, Catherine Rawsthorne, Federal Way, Wash., 9,096.

PBA Northwest Region: 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 93,789. 2, Cameron Weier, Federal Way, Wash., 76,317. Women: 1, April Lord Wittig, Steilacoom, Wash., 11,341. 2, Catherine Rawsthorne, Federal Way, Wash., 9,096.

ENTRIES OPEN FROM PBA FALL SWING IN DETROIT

Entries are now being accepted for the multi-event PBA Fall Swing at Thunderbowl in suburban Detroit, Sept. 4-11. The Fall Swing will include four PBA Tour-title events and the King of the Swing special event resulting in five CBS Sports Network television finals and a project payout of nearly \$240,000 in prize money.

The Fall Swing, a PBA-members only event (except for non-members who may qualify through a one-day pre-tournament qualifier on Aug. 27 at Thunderbowl Lanes), will award PBA Tour titles in the Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Opens, and conclude with the King of the Swing special event. The all-included entry fee is \$750. PBA members should email Mary von Krueger at maryvk@pba.com or call 206-332-9688 to enter. Entries are being accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

Detroit area bowling fans are invited to attend all of the competition, including the stepladder finals in each event which will be conducted on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10-11, for delayed broadcast on CBS Sports Network. The Wolf, Bear and Badger Opens will be contested on Sept. 10 at 11 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m., respectively. The Detroit Open and King of the Swing will be contest on Sept. 11 at noon and 3:30 p.m., respectively. The finals will air in that order on five consecutive Wednesdays at 9 p.m. ET beginning Sept. 21. All times are Eastern.

For more detailed information about the PBA Fall Swing, click here: (<http://www.pba.com/articles/PBAe28099s-Multi-Event-Detroit-Fall-Swing>Returns-to-Historic-Thunderbowl-Lanes-Sept-4-11>)

THIS WEEK ON XTRA FRAME: PWBA VISITS DETROIT, LUBBOCK OPEN COMING SOON

While the PBA50 Tour takes a three-week hiatus following the USBC Super Senior Classic and Senior Masters in Las Vegas, Xtra Frame turns its attention to the PWBA Tour Friday and Saturday with coverage of the Greater Detroit Open from Canton, Mich., followed by the Go Bowling PWBA Players Championship from Green Bay, Wis., June 24-25. Xtra Frame provides exclusive live coverage of all preliminary rounds to determine PWBA's CBS Sports Network stepladder finalists.

PBA's senior players will complete their western swing with the USBC Super Senior Classic and Senior Masters, June 19-25. USBC Senior Masters coverage will be provided by BowlTV on bowl.com.

Also coming soon to Xtra Frame will be start-to-finish coverage of the Xtra Frame PBA Lubbock Sports Open from South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas, June 25-26, and the Xtra Frame PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles from Bowl on Bellaire in Houston, Texas, July 29-31.

Following the USBC Senior Masters, PBA50 players will take a break before returning to action as the 2016 PBA50 Tour season begins its six-event home stretch run on Xtra Frame beginning July 17-23 with a new major event for senior players, the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm from Island Xtreme Bowl in Welch, Minn.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: LOPEZ, BROWN BECOME TOC-ELIGIBLE IN MODESTO

Abraham Lopez of Chula Vista, Calif., defeated **Greg Thompson Jr.** of Dublin, Calif., 203-191, to win the PBA Vanessa Brown Homes West Open, presented by Hammer, at Yosemite Lanes in Modesto, Calif., on Sunday.

In the companion PBA50 Vanessa Brown Homes West Open, **Robert Brown** of Cody, Wyo., defeated **Brian Kretzer** of Dayton, Ohio, 279-265, for his first PBA50 regional title and a \$1,700 first prize.

With their first QubicaAMF PBA Regional wins, Lopez (bowling in only his second regional as member) and Brown also became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions.

Lopez defeated **Jakob Butturff** of Chandler, Ariz., 245-236, in the semifinal round while Thompson advanced to the title match by defeating **Will Garber** of Modesto, 249-183. In the PBA50 semifinal round, Brown eliminated **Dave Arnold** of Elk Grove, Calif., 244-236, and Kretzer defeated **Ron Mohr** of Las Vegas, 258-195.

● **Billy Asbury** of Odenton, Md., edged **Isaac Kim** of Lebanon, Pa., 225-224, to win the PBA Homefield Bowl Eastern Open presented by MOTIV at Homefield Bowl in Yonkers, N.Y., Sunday.

Asbury threw four clutch strikes to end the championship match, forcing Kim to strike on his first shot in the 10th frame, but Kim hit the pocket light and left the 2 pin. Along with his second career QubicaAMF PBA Regional title, Asbury earned a \$3,000 first prize.

In the opening stepladder match, Asbury defeated **Rob Hoffman** of Freehold, N.J., 205-200, and he then eliminated **Matt O'Grady** of South Amboy, N.J., 242-237.

● QubicaAMF PBA Regional events scheduled for the June 17-19 weekend include the Timmy See Memorial South Open at Nassau Bowling Center in Yulee, Fla.; the PWBA, PBA and PBA50 Secoma Lanes West/Northwest Opens presented by Storm in Federal Way, Wash.; the Rackbusters Pro Shop East Challenge at Bowlerama in New Castle, Del., and the Strike n Spare II Adrenaline Midwest Classic in Lockport, Ill. PBA Challenge events are open to players who have not won a PBA title.

● Closing out the June schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the June 24-26 weekend will be the Battle at Black Oak Casino West Open at Black Oak Lanes in Tuolumne, Calif.; the Pro Bowl West Center/Midwest Challenge presented by Columbia 300 in Fort Wayne, Ind., and the PBA/PBA50 AMF Fredericksburg Over/Under 50 Doubles presented by Radical in Fredericksburg, Va. The June 24-26 weekend also will include the Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports PBA Open in Lubbock, Texas.

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PBA Spare Shots

INTERNATIONAL BOWL EXPO HELPS BOOST PBA XTRA FRAME LUBBOCK SPORTS OPEN FIELD

The PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open may have received a boost from International Bowl Expo, the annual multi-event bowling industry trade show and educational showcase that is set to get underway in Las Vegas this weekend.

A number of PBA stars, including international stars **Dom Barrett** (England) and **Jason Belmonte** (Australia), will compete in the Lubbock Sports Open at South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas, this weekend before heading to Las Vegas to make appearances at the Bowl Expo trade show for the bowling ball companies next week.

Among the early entries in Lubbock are 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year **EJ Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., who will try to defend his 2015 title – his first in PBA Tour competition – along with PBA Tour champions **Dick Allen**, **Patrick Allen**, **Chris Barnes**, **Tom Daugherty**, **Gary Faulkner**, **Tom Hess**, **Tommy Jones**, **Marshall Kent**, **Robert Lawrence**, **Bill O'Neill**, **Anthony Pepe**, **Sean Rash**, **Ronnie Russell**, **Ryan Shafer**, **Kyle Troup**, **Stuart Williams** and **Mike Wolfe**.

In addition to the \$20,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title, at stake in the expanded schedule of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events in 2016 is a \$10,000 winner-take-all bonus that will be awarded to the series points leader - who happens to be Tackett after the first three events. Tackett, with 53 points, is nine points ahead of **Ryan Ciminelli** and **Jones**, each with 44.

The PBA Lubbock Sports Open will be covered exclusively from start-to-finish by pba.com's online video service (three-day, monthly and annual subscriptions are available at xtraframe.tv).

During the Bowl Expo trade show June 29-30, a number of PBA as well as a group of PBA50 Tour stars who are in Las Vegas for the USBC Senior Masters will be on hand to sign autographs, and visit with proprietors and industry leaders. Also representing the PBA during the trade show will be PBA CEO and Commissioner **Tom Clark**, PBA Deputy Commissioner **Kirk von Krueger** and PBA's ESPN sideline reporter, former Miss USA **Kimberly Pressler**.

WEBER TRIES FOR ANOTHER MILESTONE IN USBC SENIOR MASTERS

While defending PBA50 Player of the Year **Pete Weber**'s streak of four consecutive PBA50 Tour wins ended with his title-match loss to **Noel Vazquez** in the Northern California Classic, he remains in the hunt to re-write the PBA50 record book.

Weber's next target is the record for most PBA50 titles in a season which he can break if he wins this week's USBC Senior Masters for his fifth title in 2016. Weber, who won the 2013 Senior Masters, is currently tied with **Pete Couture** (1998), **Dale Eagle** (1999), **Bob Glass** (2001), **Tom Baker** (2006) and **Ron Mohr** (2011) - all of whom have won four PBA50 tournaments in a season.

If Weber fails to win the USBC Senior Masters, he will still have five additional opportunities before the 2016 PBA50 Tour season concludes Aug. 14-17 with the PBA50 National Championship to benefit Riley Hospital for Children at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

THIS WEEK ON XTRA FRAME: XF LUBBOCK SPORTS OPEN, PWBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Xtra Frame's start-to-finish coverage of the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open from South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas, headlines this weekend's coverage as the PBA Tour returns to action. The fourth of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour series events will air live on Xtra Frame Saturday and Sunday, with the five-player stepladder finals scheduled for 5:45 p.m. (CDT) Sunday.

Also on tap this week will be the preliminary rounds of the Go Bowling PWBA Players Championship from Green Bay, Wis., Friday and Saturday. Xtra Frame provides exclusive live coverage of all preliminary rounds to determine PWBA's CBS Sports Network stepladder finalists.

PBA50 players are competing all this week in the USBC Senior Masters. Coverage, which concludes Saturday, is airing on BowlTV on bowl.com.

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QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: HOHLBEIN, RICE, ESKEW WIN IN NW TRIPLEHEADER

Erik Hohlbein of Renton, Wash.; **Rob Rice** of Sunnyside, Wash., and non-member **Lori Eskew** of Hillsboro, Ore., were victorious in the PBA Secoma Lanes Northwest tripleheader in Federal Way, Wash., Sunday.

In the Northwest Region standard event, Hohlbein and **Sam Cooley** of Australia were tied after 20 games, forcing a one-ball sudden-death roll-off which Hohlbein won, 10-9, for his sixth regional title and the \$2,000 first prize.

Rice won the PBA50 portion of the tripleheader, recording an 11-1 match play record and 5,056 total pins for 20 games to beat **David Williams Jr.** of Omaha, Neb., by 140 pins for the \$1,500 first prize and his eighth regional title.

In the PWBA-PBA Women's Regional event, Eskew had a 4-2 match play record and knocked down 2,809 total pins for 13 games to top non-member **Courtney Couch** of Puyallup, Wash., for the win and a \$800 prize. Couch had 2,667 pins. Because Eskew is not a member she did not receive credit for a title nor did she earn points toward the end-of-season PWBA-PBA Women's Regional Challenge during PBA World Series of Bowling VIII.

- **Anthony Colosimo** of Pembroke Pines, Fla., won his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title Sunday at Nassau Bowling Center in Yulee, Fla., by defeating match play leader **Kyle Troup** of Taylorsville, N.C., 234-180, to win the PBA Timmy See Memorial South Open.

Colosimo earned \$2,600 and became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions after winning his first PBA title. After leading qualifying on Saturday, Colosimo lost the lead to Troup going into the stepladder finals. Colosimo eliminated non-member **Sean Connolly** of Apopka, Fla., in the stepladder semifinal match, 197-168, before out-striking Troup to run away with the title.

In the first stepladder match Connolly, a home school bowler competing for money for his SMART scholarship fund, disposed of **Darin Hays** from Wesley Chapel, Fla., 215-185.

- **Isaac Kim** of Lebanon, Pa., defeated **Michael Houtz** of Myerstown, Pa., 230-190, to win the PBA Rackbusters Pro Shops Eastern Challenge at Bowlerama in New Castle, Del. on Saturday. PBA Challenge events are open to any member or non-member who has never won a PBA event.

Kim, who was the runner-up in the PBA East Region standard event in Yonkers, N.Y. the weekend before, went undefeated in elimination match play rounds after qualifying 12th in the field of 76. Kim's opponent for the title ended up being Houtz, his long-time friend and mentor. Kim overcame a missed single pin spare early in the match while Houtz suffered through severe cramps in his bowling hand throughout the semifinal and championship matches.

Kim earned \$1,800 for the win and became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions with his first title.

- **Ryan Lakota** of Shorewood, Ill., defeated **Zach Singer** of Buffalo Grove, Ill., 244-168, in a battle of amateur players to win the PBA Strike N Spare II Adrenaline Midwest Challenge at Strike N Spare II in Lockport, Ill., Saturday.

The win was Lakota's first and he earned \$1,300 but he does not credit for a PBA title because he is not a PBA member.

Lakota defeated **Eric Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., 199-175, in the semifinal round, while Singer edged **Brian Traber** of Waterford, Wis., 189-173, to set up the championship match.

- Closing out the June schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the June 24-26 weekend will be the Battle at Black Oak Casino West Open at Black Oak Lanes in Tuolumne, Calif.; the Pro Bowl West Center/Midwest Challenge presented by Columbia 300 in Fort Wayne, Ind., and the PBA/PBA50 AMF Fredericksburg Over/Under 50 Doubles presented by Radical in Fredericksburg, Va. The June 24-26 weekend also will include the Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports PBA Open in Lubbock, Texas.

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Belmonte, Ciminelli, Svensson and Simonsen Nominated for ESPY Best Bowler Award; Voting Now Open

CHICAGO -- Three-time defending PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte, Player of the Year contender Ryan Ciminelli, 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions winner and 2015 Rookie of the Year Jesper Svensson and 2016 USBC Masters champion Anthony Simonsen have been selected as nominees for the 2016 ESPY Best Bowler Award.

Fans can vote for their selections by clicking on <http://espn.go.com/espys/2016/?voting=bestbowler>

Awards will be announced Wednesday, July 13 during the ESPYs telecast in Los Angeles beginning at 8 p.m. ET on ABC. Voting will be open until the start of the ESPYs telecast.

In 2015, Belmonte became the first international player to win three consecutive PBA Player of the Year awards. He became the first player to win the USBC Masters in three consecutive years and won his second consecutive PBA Tournament of Champions title to become the first player to win the Masters and TOC in back-to-back seasons. He will be trying for his second consecutive ESPY and third overall.

A contender for 2015 Player of the Year honors, Ciminelli won three titles in 2015 including the U.S. Open and finished third in the PBA World Championship. In 2016 he won the bowlingball.com Maine Shootout for his sixth career Tour title.

Svensson won two titles in 2015 on his way to earning Rookie of the Year honors and in 2016 won the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions to become the tournament's youngest champion at age 21.

Simonsen became the youngest player ever to win a major when he won the 2016 USBC Masters at age 19. He won his first title by teaming with Connor Pickford to capture the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship early in 2016.

HISTORY OF ESPY BEST BOWLER AWARD WINNERS

2015 – Jason Belmonte
2014 - Pete Weber
2013 – Pete Weber
2012 – Sean Rash
2011 – Jason Belmonte
2010 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
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1999 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
1998 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
1997 – Bob Learn Jr.
1996 – Mike Aulby
1995 – Norm Duke

Anthony Simonsen Leads PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open Qualifying

Texas teenager holds one-pin lead in bid for third PBA Tour title of 2016 season

LUBBOCK, Texas (June 25, 2016) – Nineteen-year-old Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, bidding to become the first Professional Bowlers Association player to win three PBA Tour titles in 2016, led the field of 151 players through Saturday's qualifying in the Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open at South Plains Lanes.

Simonsen won his first PBA Tour title with partner Connor Pickford in the season-opening Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship and then became the youngest player ever to win a PBA Tour major when he won the United States Bowling Congress Masters in Indianapolis in February.

Simonsen, a two-handed player, averaged 236.6 during Saturday's eight qualifying games to finish with a 1,893 pinfall total for a one-pin lead over Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn. Simonsen is hoping for a better outcome than he experienced earlier in June when he was leading qualifier in the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open in Jonesboro, Ark. A 1-7 match play performance in Sunday's finals in Arkansas dropped him to 14th place. Beasley, who is trying for his first PBA Tour title, led qualifying at the Firelake PBA Tournament of Champions in Shawnee, Okla., in February before losing to Sweden's Jesper Svensson in the title match, 226-177.

Four-time PBA Tour titlist Mike Wolfe of New Albany, Ind., who hasn't won since 2009, was in third place with 1,844 pins followed by one-time title winners Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., with a 1,832 total and 2015 PBA World Champion Gary Faulkner Jr. of Memphis, Tenn., with 1,826 pins.

The top 50 bowlers after Saturday's eight game qualifying round advanced to Sunday's four-game cashers round at 8:10 a.m. CDT. Based on 13-game pinfall totals, the top 16 players will advance to a modified round robin match play round at noon, leading to the five-player stepladder finals at 4:15 p.m. First prize is \$20,000 plus a PBA Tour title if the winner is a PBA member.

All rounds of the Lubbock Sports Open are being video-streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. To enroll as an Xtra Frame subscriber, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

PBA XTRA FRAME LUBBOCK SPORTS OPEN
South Plains Lanes, Lubbock, Texas, Saturday

Final Qualifying Standings (after 8 games; top 50 cashers round qualifiers)

- 1, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,893.
- 2, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,892.
- 3, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,844.
- 4, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,832.
- 5, Gary Faulkner, Memphis, Tenn., 1,826.
- 6, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,823.
- 7, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,819.
- 8, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,811.
- 9, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,810.
- 10, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,806.
- 11, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,801.
- 12, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 1,798.
- 13, n-Tyler Albracht, Amarillo, Texas, 1,797.
- 14, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,792.
- 15, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,788.
- 16, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,785.
- 17, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,778.
- 18, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,768.
- 19, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,766.
- 20, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,764.
- 21, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,749.
- 22, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,745.
- 23, Dom Barrett, England, 1,743.
- 24, Stuart Williams, England, 1,742.
- 25, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,740.
- 26, Jason Duran, Littleton, Colo., 1,735.
- 27, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,734.
- 28, n-Dylan Burns, Lawrence, Kan., 1,730.
- 29 (tie), Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., and Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,729.
- 31, n-Tyson Branagan, Euless, Texas, 1,728.
- 32, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 1,727.
- 33, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,726.
- 34 (tie), Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, and n-Trey Sledge, Amarillo, Texas, 1,725.
- 36, n-Kamron Doyle, Brentwood, Tenn., 1,717.
- 37, Stephen Keblish, Oklahoma City, Okla., 1,714.
- 38, n-Thomas Peters, Belleville, Ill., 1,706.
- 39, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 1,703.
- 40, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,702.
- 41, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,700.
- 42 (tie), n-John Pierce, Denton, Texas, and Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 1,698.
- 44, n-Austin Boulds, Creal Springs, Ill., 1,673.
- 45, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,672.
- 46, James Grago, Rome, N.Y., 1,667.
- 47 (tie), n-Stefan Wood, Lubbock, Texas, and Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,664.
- 49, Anthony Colosimo, Pembroke Pines, Fla., 1,660.
- 50, n-Marshall Morrison, Amarillo, Texas, 1,653.

n – denotes non-member

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Arizona's Jakob Butturff Wins PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open Title

22-year-old lefthander wins first PBA Tour title by two pins over Houston's Shawn Maldonado

LUBBOCK, Texas (June 26, 2016) – Jakob Butturff, a 22-year-old lefthander who won't complete his first full year of Professional Bowlers Association competition until next month, won the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open at South Plains Lanes Sunday, nipping Houston's Shawn Maldonado in the title match, 207-205.

Butturff, who has an unorthodox delivery that generates significant strike power, used a late double to pull even with Maldonado, and then struck on his fill ball in the 10th frame to force the Houston two-handed player to double for the win. Maldonado's bid for his first PBA Tour title ended when the 4 pin stood on his try for a second strike in the 10th.

"I'm feeling great for once," Butturff said. "Winning that first title feels great. We were basically going at the same pace in the title match, but eventually, my fill shot in the 10th was the whole thing."

Butturff, who finished fourth in the PBA Viper Championship and fifth in the PBA Chameleon Championship during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII in December in Reno, earned \$20,000 for his first title.

He rolled into the lead with a 6-2 match play record and some keen observations.

"I was watching Gary Faulkner Jr. bowl for a couple of games and I tried to stay in the same zone he was in, and that was most successful for me," Butturff said. "I tried that (Saturday) and it worked, so I did it again today, and it worked out perfectly."

Faulkner, also a lefthander, won the 2015 PBA World Championship in Reno.

Butturff also was well aware of the success a couple of other young players have had in PBA competition earlier in the year. Sweden's Jesper Svensson became the youngest player ever to win the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions at age 20 in February, and 19-year-old Anthony Simonson of Princeton, Texas, became the youngest ever to win a PBA major title in the USBC Masters.

"I just wanted to go out and prove I could compete with some of the best," Butturff said. "I wanted to keep up with Jesper and Anthony, and prove the young guns can win out here on tour."

All rounds of the Lubbock Sports Open were video-streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. The Lubbock tournament was the fourth in a series of 10 Xtra Frame PBA Tour events that will pay the overall competition points winner a \$10,000 bonus. The next event in the XF series will be the PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles at Bowl on Bellaire in Houston, Texas, July 28-31.

PBA XTRA FRAME LUBBOCK SPORTS OPEN

South Plains Lanes, Lubbock, Texas, Sunday

Final Standings

- 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., \$20,000.
- 2, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, Texas, \$11,000.
- 3, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, \$6,000.
- 4, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., \$3,000.

Stepladder Results

Match One – Maldonado def. Pepe, 214-205.
Semifinal Match – Maldonado def. Jensen, 248-213.
Championship – Butturff def. Maldonado, 207-205.

Final Match Play Standings (after 22 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Butturff, 5,240.
- 2, Maldonado, 5,104.
- 3, Jensen, 5,121.
- 4, Pepe, 5,074.
- 5, Dylan Burns, Lawrence, Kan., 5,072, \$2,200.
- 6, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 5,030, \$1,500.
- 7, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 5,018, \$1,300.
- 8, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 5,014, \$1,200.

- 9, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 4,991, \$1,100.
- 10, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 4,984, \$1,000.
- 11, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 4,967, \$950.
- 12, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 4,953, \$900.
- 13, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 4,950, \$850.
- 14, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 4,946, \$800.
- 15, Kris Prather, Milton, Fla., 4,878, \$750.
- 16, Stuart Williams, England, 4,736, \$725.

Other Cashers (after 14 games):

- 17, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 3,084, \$630.
- 18, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,069, \$620.
- 19, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,068, \$610.
- 20, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 3,057, \$640.
- 21, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 3,056, \$595.
- 22, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,051, \$585.
- 23 (tie), Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., and Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 3,047, \$577.50.
- 25, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,046, \$570.
- 26, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,042, \$565.
- 27, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,032, \$560.
- 28, Anthony Colosimo, Pembroke Pines, Fla., 3,030, \$555.
- 29, Dom Barrett, England, 3,025, \$550.
- 30, n-Tyler Albracht, Amarillo, Texas, 3,024, \$545.
- 31, n-Austin Boulds, Creal Springs, Ill., 3,021, \$540.
- 32, n-Tyson Branagan, Euless, Texas, 3,017, \$535.
- 33, Jason Duran, Littleton, Colo., 3,014, \$530.
- 34, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3,008, \$525.
- 35, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 2,988, \$525.
- 36, n-Stefan Wood, Lubbock, Texas, 2,981, \$520.
- 37, n-Thomas Peters, Belleville, Ill., 2,956, \$520.
- 38, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 2,947, \$520.
- 39, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 2,932, \$515.
- 40, n-Kamron Doyle, Brentwood, Tenn., 2,929, \$515.
- 41, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 2,914, \$515.
- 42, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 2,907, \$510.
- 43, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 2,875, \$510.
- 44, n-Marshall Morrison, Amarillo, Texas, 2,870, \$510.
- 45, n-Trey Sledge, Amarillo, Texas, 2,867, \$505.
- 46, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 2,865, \$505.
- 47, James Grago, Rome, N.Y., 2,850, \$505.
- 48, Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., 2,839, \$500.
- 49, n-John Pierce, Denton, Texas, 2,827, \$500.
- 50, Stephen Keblish, Oklahoma City, Okla., 2,702, \$500.

n – denotes non-member

Colella Wins PBA Pro Bowl West Central/Midwest Challenge

Ft. Wayne, Ind. (June 25, 2016) – Chris Colella of Templeton, Mass. defeated Jean Perez of Puerto Rico, 252-202, to win the PBA Pro Bowl West Central/Midwest Challenge presented by Columbia 300 at Pro Bowl West on Saturday.

Challenge events are open to PBA members without a PBA title or Non-Members that have never won a PBA event.

The title was Colella's first PBA Regional title. He earned \$1,500 along with his title which made him eligible to enter the 2017 Firelake PBA Tournament of Champions in Shawnee, Okla.

Colella downed Matt Staninger of Indianapolis, 2-0, and Perez topped Joe Hostetler of Louisville, Ohio, 2-1, in the best-of-three-game semifinal round matches to set up the championship match.

Perez earned \$1,100 for second place. Staninger and Hostetler each earned \$850 as semifinal round losers.

The next PBA Central Region tournament is the Boss Snow Plows Central Open in Fishers, Ind., July 15-17.

PBA PRO BOWL WEST CENTRAL/MIDWEST CHALLENGE PRESENTED BY COLUMBIA 300 Pro Bowl West, Ft. Wayne, Ind., Saturday

Championship: Chris Colella, Templeton, Mass. (\$1,500) def. Jean Perez, Puerto Rico (\$1,100), 252-202.

Semifinal Round (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$850 each):

Perez def. Joseph Hostetler, Louisville, Ohio, 2-1.

Colella def. Matt Staninger, Indianapolis, Ind., 2-0.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$625 each):

Perez def. Michael Bankert, Indianapolis, Ind., 2-0.

Hostetler def. Brian Regan, Flint, Mich., 2-1.

Staninger def. Eric Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2-1.

Colella def. Mike Eaton, Mason, Ohio, 2-1.

PBA Spare Shots

PBA SURPRISES DUKE WITH \$10,000 300 GAME BONUS FOR HIS DALLAS STRIKERS PBA LEAGUE TEAM

It had never been done before in PBA competition, so when the PBA League GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers, led by player-manager **Norm Duke**, bowled a Baker format 300 game in the semifinal round of the PBA League Elias Cup competition at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, the question arose, does the team qualify for the traditional \$10,000 bonus for a nationally-televised 300 game?

The question was answered in front of a crowd of more than 1,000 bowling proprietors and industry leaders during International Bowl Expo at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas Tuesday when PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark surprised Duke with a check for \$10,000 to share with his Elias Cup-champion teammates **BJ Moore, Shawn Maldonado, Bill O'Neill** and **Tommy Jones**.

The Baker 300 game, which aired on ESPN on May 1 as part the Elias Cup series, helped the Strikers eliminate the Barbasol Motown Muscle and advance to the championship round against **Pete Weber** and his GEICO New York City WTT KingPins teammates. Duke called the experience of anchoring the perfect game "one of the five top moments in my career."

"It was a surprise because at the time it happened, the PBA League was not a traditional PBA Tour event and there wasn't a 300 game bonus plan in place," Clark said. "But we discussed the situation after the fact and decided the reward was in order, and center stage at International Bowl Expo provided us a perfect opportunity to not only present the \$10,000 bonus, but to show the industry leaders a clip of the 10th frame of the historic game."

TACKETT, JONES CLING TO ONE-TWO SPOTS IN XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR POINTS RACE

Despite finishing outside the top 20 and earning no points in the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open, **EJ Tackett** retained the lead in the winner-take-all race for the \$10,000 XF PBA Tour series bonus while **Tommy Jones**, who earned two points for his 19th place finish in Lubbock, held on to second place.

Moving into contention after the fourth of 10 XF PBA Tour events was **Sean Rash**, who earned 13 points for finishing eighth; Lubbock runner-up **Shawn Maldonado**, who collected 19 points, and Lubbock winner **Jakob Butturff**, who picked up his first 25 points in the series.

Heading into the PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles event at Bowl on Bellaire in Houston July 29-31, the top 20 in the XF PBA Tour points race are:

- 1, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 53.
- 2, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 46
- 3 (tie), Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 44.
- 5, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 36.
- 6, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 31.
- 7, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 25.
- 8, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 23.
- 9, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 21.
- 10, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 20.
- 11 (tie), Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., and Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 19.
- 13 (tie), Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas; Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan.; Tim Mack, Indianapolis, and Steven Taylor, Deer Park, Ill., 18.
- 17 (tie), Patrick Allen, Mt. Kisco, N.Y.; Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn.; Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., and Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 17.

In each of the series events, the winner earns 25 points. Second place earns 19 points, third place 18, etc., descending by one point per place through 20th place.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PWBA LEXINGTON OPEN, TEEN MASTERS

Heading into the Fourth of July holiday weekend, Xtra Frame's live coverage will focus on the PWBA Lexington Open Friday and Saturday from Collins Bowling Center-East in Lexington, Ky., followed by extensive coverage of the Teen Masters' boys and girls championships from Sawgrass Lanes in Tamarac, Fla., July 4-8.

Xtra Frame also will be on the scene for the PWBA Rochester Open at AMF Gates Lanes in Rochester, N.Y., Friday and Saturday, July 8-9.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

PBA TOUR CHAMPION JOHN FORST RECEIVES JIM JARYSZAK LANEMAN AWARD

Chicago area native **John Forst**, a four-time PBA Regional and one-time PBA Tour titlist who worked several national and international championship tournaments as a lane technician for Kegel, was presented the 2016 Jim Jaryszak Laneman Award at Bowl Expo in Las Vegas on Wednesday. The award winner is selected by the USBC Equipment Specifications and Certifications team.

Forst, who worked as a lane technician for Kegel from 1997-2007, also is a USBC Silver Level coach who worked with the Indonesian and Malaysian national teams over a four-year span. He won his PBA Tour title with partner Louis Blancarte in the 1984 Columbia Senior/Touring Pro Doubles Championship in San Antonio, Texas.

ANTHONY SIMONSEN TO COMPETE IN WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rising PBA star **Anthony Simonsen**, a 19-year-old two-handed player from Princeton, Texas, will be one of the eight bowlers who will represent the United States in the 2016 World Bowling Youth Championships July 26-Aug. 2 in Lincoln, Neb. Simonsen will bowl with **Kamron Doyle** of Brentwood, Tenn.; **Wesley Low** of Palmdale, Calif., and Michael Tang of San Francisco on the boys' team.

Simonsen won the USBC Masters earlier this year. Doyle and Low were on the team that won a third straight title for Junior Team USA at the 2014 World Youth Championships in Hong Kong where Low also won boys all-events.

The girls' team will consist of reigning National Tenpin Coaches Association Division I National Player of the Year **Stephanie Schwartz** of Racine, Wis.; **Julia Bond** of Aurora, Ill.; **Gazmine Mason** of Cranston, R.I., and **Jordan Richard** of Tecumseh, Mich.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: HAGGERTY TOPS HAUGEN TO WIN IN TUOLUMNE

● **PJ Haggerty** of Roseville, Calif., posted an 8-4 match play record and a 20-game total of 4,941 pins Sunday to win his 10th PBA Regional title in the PBA Battle of Black Oak Casino West Open at Black Oak Lanes in Tuolumne, Calif.

Haggerty, who earned \$2,500, defeated **Michael Haugen Jr.** of Phoenix, Ariz., by 40 pins for the title. Haugen had a 10-2 match play record and 4,901 pins for 20 games including match play bonus pins.

- **Chris Colella** of Templeton, Mass. defeated **Jean Perez** of Puerto Rico, 252-202, to win the PBA Pro Bowl West Central/Midwest Challenge presented by Columbia 300 at Pro Bowl West in Ft. Wayne, Ind., on Saturday. Challenge events are open to players without a PBA title or non-members who have never won a PBA event.

Along with his first PBA title, Colella earned \$1,500 and became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions.

Colella downed **Matt Staninger** of Indianapolis, 2-0, and Perez topped **Joe Hostetler** of Louisville, Ohio, 2-1, in the best-of-three-game semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- The July QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule gets underway July 1-3 with the PBA/PBA50 AMF Fredericksburg Over/Under Doubles presented by Radical in Fredericksburg, Va., and the PBA FlipSide Flipin Awesome Bowling Classic at FlipSide Lanes in Gilbert, Ariz.

- Over the July 8-10 weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional events include the PBA Wine Country West/Northwest Open presented by Roto Grip at Double Decker Lanes in Rohnert Park, Calif.; the PBA50 Cecil Raymond Memorial presented by Track at 30 Strikes in Stratford, N.J.; the PBA Grand Hotel, Casino & Resort Southwest Open at Firelake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla.; the PBA Crystal Automotive Spring Hill South Open presented by Track at Spring Hill Lanes in Spring Hill, Fla., and the PBA Chuck's Boots Midwest Open presented by Krey Distributing and 590 The Fan at St Charles Lanes in St. Charles, Mo.

- On the QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule for the July 15-17 weekend are the PBA Boss Snow Plows Central Open at PinHeads Bowling Center in Fishers, Ind.; the PBA/PBA50 Sands Regency West/Northwest Doubles presented by MOTIV at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, and the PBA Glo Bowl Midwest Open in Marengo, Ill.

- July's QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the July 22-24 weekend with the PBA Angola Central/Midwest Open presented by Roto Grip at Angola Bowl in Angola, Ind., and the PBA Fort Sill Southwest Open presented by DV8 at Twin Oaks Bowling in Fort Sill, Okla.

- Closing the July schedule will be the PBA/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles, presented by Xtra Frame, at Bowl on Bellaire (formerly Palace Lanes) in Houston, Texas. The tournament affectionately called the "Luci" in honor of the late Luci Bonneau, who died of breast cancer, begins on Friday, July 28, and concludes on Sunday, July 31. All rounds will be covered live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, and both PBA and PWBA Tour titles will be awarded if the respective players are members.

Other QubicaAMF PBA Regional events scheduled for the July 29-31 weekend include the PBA Romeo Chevrolet-GMC-Buick Open presented by Ebonite at Patel's Kingston Lanes in Kingston, N.Y.; the PBA and PBA50 Boise West and Northwest Opens presented by Ebonite at 20th Century Lanes in Boise, Idaho; the PBA50 Beverly Lanes Midwest/Central Open in Arlington Heights, Ill.; the PBA50 Sparetimes Hampton South Open at Sparetimes Bowling Center in Hampton, Va., and the PBA Greater Marion Central Open at BlueFusion Fun Center in Marion, Ohio.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- Hammer Shoes are now part of the PBA Product Registered program, which makes them eligible for use by players in PBA competition.

PBA Tour Titlist John Forst's Final Day Includes Surprise Award, Reunion with Friends, Colleagues, Former Competitors

LAS VEGAS – A matter of hours after he was surprised as the 2016 recipient of the Jim Jaryszak Laneman Award at International Bowl Expo on June 29, LaGrange, Ill., native John Forst was found unresponsive on the Mandalay Bay property.

Forst, who was suffering from terminal brain cancer, was 55.

At Bowl Expo, Forst had a final opportunity to reunite with a horde of friends, colleagues and former competitors from his days working with Storm Products, Kegel, USBC and PBA competition before he decided to spend some idle time playing slots. According to unofficial reports, he took a break to get some fresh air, wandered off and was found hours later where emergency resuscitation efforts were unsuccessful.

Among hundreds of social media reactions to the unexpected turn of events was this comment from his brother, Ken Forst: "In a way it's like he was able to go to his own wake. If anyone could pick what to do on their last day I'm sure most would want to have a day like this."

Forst launched his bowling career as a PBA Tour competitor, winning his only national title with partner Louis Blancarte in the 1984 Columbia Senior/Touring Pro Doubles Championship in San Antonio, Texas. He made six other television finals in 286 PBA Tour appearances, including the 1981 and '82 Brunswick Memorial World Opens held in Glendale Heights, and winning four times in 100 PBA Regional appearances before continuing his career in the lane maintenance field.

As a lane technician for Kegel from 1997-2007, Forst was trained by Kegel founder John Davis and Len Nicholson, the former PBA Director of Lane Maintenance, to handle major events on the PBA Tour and events around the world for the World Tenpin Bowling Association. He also was involved in the research and development of lane machines, lane conditioners and lane cleaners, and he developed lane patterns and performed topography studies at Kegel, where he also presented seminars on ball reaction and lane maintenance.

He oversaw lane maintenance at the USBC Open Championships in Billings, Mont., in 2002 and Knoxville, Ky., in 2003, and supervised lane maintenance for USBC Women's Championships in Salt Lake City (1994), Tucson (1995) and Reno, Nev. (1997). A USBC Silver coach, he later helped coach the Indonesian and Malaysian national teams.

He was the sixth recipient of the "Laneman Award" named in honor of the late USBC Equipment Specifications and Certifications department employee, an award selected by USBC to recognize a person for their behind-the-scenes work.

In accepting the award, the 2014 Illinois Bowling Association Hall of Fame inductee said, "I had no idea. I'm not very big on awards, but it's great to receive an award named for someone like Jim. I'm glad the service side is getting recognition."

Forst, who was living with wife Tracy in West Jordan, Utah, at the time of his death. Information regarding services will be posted on pba.com when details are confirmed.

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Floridians Jackson Short, Samantha Johnson Hold Early Teen Masters Leads

Challenging competition for high school-age bowlers draws 211 boys, 101 girls

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (July 4, 2016) – Floridians Jackson Short of Brooksville and Samantha Johnson of Apopka rolled into the first round leads in the boys and girls divisions of the Teen Masters Championships at Sawgrass Lanes Monday.

Short rolled games of 234, 177, 224, 258, 212 and 246 for a 225.1 average, finishing his six-game opening round for a 1,351 pinfall total and a 16-pin lead over Cody Estes of Somersworth, N.H. Igar Rodriguez of Miami, Fla., was third in the field of 211 boys with 1,329 pins.

Johnson averaged 204.5 for 1,227 pins, rolling games of 184, 205, 193, 240, 194 and 211 for a nine-pin lead over Breanna Clemmer of Clover, S.C. Mallory Liversedge of Meridian, Idaho, was third among the field of 101 girls, averaging an even 200 for her 1,200 pins.

The Teen Masters has provided as an elite challenge for high school age boys and girls since 1997. All competition is conducted on Professional Bowlers Association-caliber short- and long-oil lane conditions, and all players limited to using special PBA Skill Balls – one polyester and one urethane – to emphasize player skills rather than exotic equipment. All players will bowl three six-game

qualifying rounds and the top 25 percent of each group will then advance to the final four six-game rounds Thursday and Friday. The winner in each division will receive a \$6,000 scholarship.

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TEEN MASTERS HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sawgrass Lanes, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., July 4

BOYS' DIVISION

First Round Standings (after six games):

- 1, Jackson Short, Brooksville, Fla., 1,351.
- 2, Cody Estes, Somersworth, N.H., 1,335.
- 3, Igar Rodriguez, Miami, Fla., 1,329.
- 4, Hunter Kempton, Buzzards Bay, Mass., 1,319.
- 5, Jonathan Cummins, Independence, Ky., 1,310.
- 5, Dawson Maier, Hampton, Va., 1,310.
- 7, Jorge Orfila Jr, Miami, Fla., 1,293.
- 8, Austin Cramer, Alachua, Fla., 1,284.
- 8, Cerell Cardines, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,284.
- 10, Alec Dudley, Anchorage, Alaska, 1,277.
- 11, Jacob Shockley, Ocean City, Md., 1,273.
- 12, Kennon McFalls, Gastonia, N.C., 1,271.
- 13, Connor Egan, East Northport, N.Y., 1,268.
- 14, Chris Grimes, Lee's Summit, Mo., 1,267.
- 15, Adam Zimmerman, Deer Park, N.Y., 1,265.
- 16, Andrew Hall, Westborough, Mass., 1,261.
- 17, Zachary Singer, Buffalo Grove, Ill., 1,259.
- 18, Gage Stelling, Apopka, Fla., 1,257.
- 19, Kenneth Merrick, Port St Lucie, Fla., 1,251.
- 20, Kevin Fischer, Orlando, Fla., 1,244.
- 21, Ryan Winters, Livonia, Mich., 1,238.
- 22, Charlie Forero, Miami, Fla., 1,233.
- 23, Nicholas Huber, Amelia, Ohio, 1,231.
- 24, Alex Glinski, Linfield, Pa., 1,228.
- 25, Nick Larsen, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,227.
- 25, Cade Hartsfield, San Antonio, Texas, 1,227.
- 27, Logan Dalbol, West Fargo, N.D., 1,226.
- 28, Nickolas Archacki, Saegertown, Pa., 1,225.
- 29, Parker Johnson, Cibolo, Texas, 1,219.
- 30, Steven Faulkner, Butner, N.C., 1,218.
- 31, Antonio Corea, Miami, Fla., 1,217.
- 32, Jamey Kragh, Minot, N.D., 1,216.
- 33, Sinjin Slater, Fond du Lac, Wis., 1,211.
- 33, Mitchel Guzzle, Rock Falls, Ill., 1,211.
- 35, Joshua Rondino, Lilburn, Ga., 1,209.
- 36, Daniel Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,203.
- 37, Wyatt Smith, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,202.
- 38, Caden Price, Palmer, Alaska, 1,201.
- 38, Tyler Michel, Chesapeake, Va., 1,201.
- 38, Anthony Naujokas, Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 1,201.
- 41, Kevin Markowitz, Port St Lucie, Fla., 1,199.
- 41, Jorge Rodriguez, Yauco, P.R., 1,199.
- 43, Alexander Sorge, Monmouth Junction, N.J., 1,197.
- 44, Peyton Smith, Loganville, Ga., 1,195.
- 44, Mason Yamada, Kenai, Alaska, 1,195.
- 46, Roscoe Pretlow, Chesapeake, Va., 1,194.
- 47, Briar Harper, Owensboro, Ky., 1,192.

47, Andy Campbell, Fort Thomas, Ky., 1,192.
49, Tyler Gromlovits, Junction City, Kan., 1,191.
50, Tom Hankey, Great Barrington, Mass., 1,189.
51, Brandon Soedarmasto, Levittown, N.Y., 1,188.
52, Rylan Breese, Wilmington, N.C., 1,187.
53, Sean Wilcox, Altamonte Springs, Fla., 1,181.
54, Marcus McClain, Lincoln park, Mich., 1,175.
55, Jonathan Lovett, Columbia, S.C., 1,173.
56, Cole Skelley, North Canton, Ohio, 1,170.
56, Morgan Moore, Aurora, Colo., 1,170.
58, Jarren Dudden, Jupiter, Fla., 1,169.
58, Tyler Zogg, Chesapeake, Va., 1,169.
60, James Fitzgerald, Helotes, Texas, 1,167.
60, Michael Heath, St Peters, Mo., 1,167.
62, Kevin Morrissey Jr, Miami, Fla., 1,166.
62, Michael Rachal, Lafayette, La., 1,166.
64, Daniel Petriello, Commack, N.Y., 1,156.
65, Gavin McCarthy, Coral Springs, Fla., 1,155.
65, Tristan Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 1,155.
67, Zayne LaForty, Clermont, Fla., 1,154.
68, Joseph Watynski, Coral Springs, Fla., 1,151.
69, Brandon Fleming, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 1,147.
69, Kenneth High, Lake Mary, Fla., 1,147.
71, Jacob Yoder, Wooster, Ohio, 1,142.
72, Jarek Vincent, Fort Smith, Ark., 1,141.
72, James Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,141.
74, Jacob Brown, Russiaville, Ind., 1,140.
75, Jarod Del Campillo, Kissimmee, Fla., 1,133.
76, Tyrell Ingalls, Loganville, Ga., 1,132.
76, Austin Albarado, Tamarac, Fla., 1,132.
78, Nicholas Forthofer, Lake Placid, Fla., 1,130.
79, Dylan Moore, Evansville, Ind., 1,129.
80, Bradley Woodrum, Streetsboro, Ohio, 1,128.
80, Benjamin Hardin, Tampa, Fla., 1,128.
82, Josh Singer, Buffalo Grove, Ill., 1,127.
83, Terry Salvant, Memphis, Tenn., 1,125.
83, Isaac Gorzynski, Jupiter, Fla., 1,125.
83, Joseph Goodwin, Port Orange, Fla., 1,125.
86, Austin Fleming, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 1,124.
86, Zachary Cook, Peyton, Colo., 1,124.
88, Dylan Lautanen, Minot Air Force Base, N.D., 1,120.
89, Steven Welsh, Patchogue, N.Y., 1,117.
89, Connor Kottke, Lake Zurich, Ill., 1,117.
91, Jason Hilowitz, Virginia Beach, Va., 1,116.
91, Christian Miller, Homosassa, Fla., 1,116.
93, Matthew Stephens, Egg Harbor Township, N.J., 1,115.
94, Joshua Kragh, Minot, N.D., 1,114.
94, Brandon Magennis, Fort Mill, S.C., 1,114.
96, Ryan Gentes, Manchester, N.H., 1,112.
97, Nathan Samuels, Coral Springs, Fla., 1,111.
98, Cory Coffey, Romulus, Mich., 1,110.
99, Garrett Halseth, Topeka, Kan., 1,107.
99, Mason Moore, Aurora, Colo., 1,107.
101, Donny Richards, O'Fallon, Ill., 1,106.
101, Tyson Gray, Greenville, Texas, 1,106.
103, Anthony Allen, Webster, N.Y., 1,105.
103, Conner Mixson, Lewisville, Texas, 1,105.
105, G.W. Martin, Mooresville, N.C., 1,104.

106, Eric Ullian, New Lenox, Ill., 1,103.
107, Aaron Stubbs, Southgate, Mich., 1,098.
108, Adam Reine, Shreveport, La., 1,096.
109, Derek Poole, Rockford, Ill., 1,094.
110, Robert Cooper, Manassas Park, Va., 1,093.
111, Michael Harmon Jr., Rockledge, Fla., 1,092.
112, Brandon Ramos, Mililani, Hawaii, 1,089.
113, Daniel Hartman, Commack, N.Y., 1,086.
114, Kirk Mowl, Ormond Beach, Fla., 1,084.
115, Brian Fink, NewPortRichey, Fla., 1,083.
115, Andrew Cannuli, Moorestown, N.J., 1,083.
117, Austin Henderson, Smyrna, Ga., 1,082.
118, Michael Putzier, Sioux Falls, S.D., 1,081.
119, Travis Knowlton, Dade City, Fla., 1,079.
119, Trace Nuss, Tampa, Fla., 1,079.
119, Anthony Mastroianni, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1,079.
122, Kaan Kurt, Leland, N.C., 1,078.
123, Kai Alfonso, Chesapeake, Va., 1,075.
124, Jason Pesce, Egg Harbor Township, N.J., 1,071.
125, Jack Trinique, Gulf Breeze, Fla., 1,067.
125, Tiger Steinhaus, Sioux Falls, S.D., 1,067.
125, Ben Webber, Fort Smith, Ark., 1,067.
128, Tommy Croskrey, Great Falls, Mont., 1,065.
128, Harris Mirza, East Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,065.
130, Alexander McMahon, Marlborough, Mass., 1,063.
131, Angelo Biondo, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 1,062.
132, Duke Crouch, Pinellas Park, Fla., 1,060.
132, Patrick Phillips, Roseboro, N.C., 1,060.
132, Jacob Austin, Sunrise, Fla., 1,060.
132, Jacob Berry, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 1,060.
136, Ethan Sutton, Tampa, Fla., 1,057.
137, Ben Drogue, Keene, N.H., 1,056.
138, Alexander Boone, Westminster, Colo., 1,055.
138, Cole Stillman, Sherwood, Ark., 1,055.
140, Tucker Hale, Gainesville, Fla., 1,054.
140, Chace Cogar, Shreve, Ohio, 1,054.
142, Bertram Cedola, Hinesville, Ga., 1,053.
142, Shawn Chouinard, North Lauderdale, Fla., 1,053.
142, Cody Stevens, Miami, Fla., 1,053.
145, Mark Styles, Killeen, Texas, 1,052.
146, Josiah Youngblood, Columbia, Mo., 1,051.
147, Richard Baden III, Cocoa, Fla., 1,050.
148, Blase Beckham, Mount Vernon, Ill., 1,044.
148, Joseph Patten, Broomfield, Colo., 1,044.
150, Jonathan Gould, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,042.
151, Blake Reiger, Grafton, Wis., 1,037.
152, Baker Schmidt, Fond du Lac, Wis., 1,036.
153, Nolan Croskrey, Great Falls, Mont., 1,035.
154, Jonathan Zaoutis, Astoria, N.Y., 1,033.
154, Andysson Alleyne, Plantation, Fla., 1,033.
156, Richy Zenner, Hawthorn Woods, Ill., 1,031.
157, Alex Reine, Shreveport, La., 1,029.
158, Jacob Bassell, Jacksonville, Fla., 1,028.
159, Riley Corneil, Billings, Mont., 1,027.
160, Timothy Woods, Virginia Beach, Va., 1,025.
161, Bradley Solomon, O'Fallon, Ill., 1,024.
161, Chandler Sumpter, Bossier City, La., 1,024.
161, Zackary Hall, Cocoa, Fla., 1,024.

164, Tanner Williams, Olathe, Kan., 1,023.
 165, Donovan Quick, Tamarac, Fla., 1,021.
 166, Devin Flowers, Rosedale, N.Y., 1,018.
 167, BoRui He, China, 1,015.
 168, Ryan Stubbs, Southgate, Mich., 1,013.
 168, Aaron Johnson, Sioux Falls, S.D., 1,013.
 170, Irwin Jaraplasan, Cocoa, Fla., 1,009.
 170, Payton Smith, Preston, Idaho, 1,009.
 172, Ben Downs, Virginia Beach, Va., 1,004.
 172, Joshua Morin, Kodiak, Alaska, 1,004.
 174, Brandon Mooney, Roscoe, Ill., 1,001.
 175, Evan Decker, Beaver Dam, Ky., 998.
 176, Issac Heim, Meadville, Pa., 994.
 177, Ryan Bare, Sanford, Fla., 992.
 178, Connor Nelson, Riverview, Fla., 991.
 179, Samuel Cannon, Orlando, Fla., 990.
 180, John Rossignol, Lake City, Fla., 988.
 181, Connor Hill, Kansas City, Kan., 984.
 182, Silas Lira, Tampa, Fla., 982.
 183, Michael Wagoner, Hinesville, Ga., 976.
 184, Devin Dowdle, Indian Springs, Ala., 973.
 185, Alex Roberts, Benton, Ark., 972.
 186, Pedro Irizarry, Ponce, N.Y., 970.
 187, Killian Kilpatrick, Erie, Pa., 965.
 188, Allen Wilkerson, Ocean Springs, Miss., 962.
 189, Dean Tischer, Valley Stream, N.Y., 956.
 190, Jordan Jenkins, Harmony, Fla., 953.
 191, Jonathan Rodriguez, Spring, Texas, 948.
 192, Chandler Carr, Lutz, Fla., 945.
 193, Alex Lewis, Applegate, Mich., 942.
 194, Marcus Yamada, Kenai, Alaska, 941.
 195, Xavier Bamford, Gonic, N.H., 936.
 196, Chandler McCall, North Myrtle Beach, S.C., 932.
 197, Blake Lyons, Branford, Fla., 931.
 198, Blake Hall, Lake City, Ark., 927.
 199, Alexander Horton, Douglassville, Pa., 924.
 200, Keegan Baatz, Sioux Falls, S.D., 921.
 201, Adam Marsh, New Braunfels, Texas, 920.
 202, Noah Love, Mineola, N.Y., 919.
 203, Logan Harvey, Titusville, Fla., 917.
 204, Noah Saul, Hudson, Fla., 914.
 205, David Harris, JBER, Alaska, 909.
 206, Logan Rogers, Bryant, Ark., 906.
 207, Eric Marsh, New Braunfels, Texas, 879.
 208, Ian Deutsch, Fort White, Fla., 858.
 209, Logan Heffele, Wasilla, Alaska, 804.
 210, Chester N. Butler, Chesapeake, Va., 790.
 211, Cole Brauchi, Odessa, Texas, 708.

GIRLS' DIVISION

First Round Standings (after six games):

1, Samantha Johnson, Apopka, Fla., 1,227.
 2, Breanna Clemmer, Clover, S.C., 1,218.
 3, Mallory Liversedge, Meridian, Idaho, 1,200.
 4, Crystal Elliott, Melbourne, Fla., 1,195.
 5, Adrianna Stacy, Sebring, Fla., 1,190.
 6, Crystal Singh, Coral Springs, Fla., 1,182.
 7, Leanne Vastbinder, Winter Park, Fla., 1,178.

8, Asia Wren, Round Rock, Texas, 1,171.
9, Patricia Rosales, Orlando, Fla., 1,160.
10, Kaitlyn Eder, Lithia, Fla., 1,154.
11, Kyra Chambers, Ocoee, Fla., 1,145.
12, Kimberly Forthofer, Lake Placid, Fla., 1,143.
13, Heather Trapp, Chester, Va., 1,139.
14, Bailey Palmer, Ottumwa, Iowa, 1,133.
15, Madison Janack, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 1,130.
16, Caitlyn Johnson, Beaumont, Texas, 1,127.
17, Taryn Gray, Greenville, Texas, 1,121.
18, Amber Moore, Cocoa, Fla., 1,120.
19, Nicole Gattenby, Allen, Texas, 1,118.
20, Bryanna Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 1,117.
21, Natalie Koprowitz, Girard, Ill., 1,114.
22, Hannah Diem, Seminole, Fla., 1,112.
23, Cayla Hicks, Salem, Va., 1,108.
23, Sara Shuey, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,108.
25, Paulina Torres, Ponce, N.Y., 1,107.
26, Jenna Williams, Homosassa, Fla., 1,106.
27, Haley Youker, Minoa, N.Y., 1,105.
27, Allison Wells, Dilworth, Minn., 1,105.
29, Amanda Naujokas, Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 1,104.
30, Brooke Roberts, Port Orange, Fla., 1,103.
31, Rachel Bamford, Rochester, N.H., 1,100.
32, Caroline Thesier, Mooresville, N.C., 1,096.
32, Emma Owens, Owensboro, Ky., 1,096.
34, Emma Dockery, Ravenna, Ohio, 1,093.
35, Colby Jones, Virginia Beach, Vir., 1,089.
36, Kaela Ruby, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,088.
36, Mabel Cummins, Elburn, Ill., 1,088.
38, Megan Eaglehouse, Cibolo, Texas, 1,086.
39, Emma Elfrink, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,084.
40, Jordan Shipp, Pensacola, Fla., 1,083.
41, McCayla Donna, Belleview, Fla., 1,082.
42, Samantha Mueller, Fond du Lac, Wis., 1,080.
43, Mari Pizzini, Helena, Mont., 1,079.
44, Megan Wehmeier, Lawton, Okla., 1,074.
45, Morgan Peacha, Henderson, Nev., 1,072.
46, Mackenzie Wagner, Syosset, N.Y., 1,070.
47, Kylie Angiel, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,068.
48, Madison McCall, North Myrtle Beach, S.C., 1,063.
49, Sarah Florence, Egg Harbor City, N.J., 1,062.
50, Alyssa Berke, Mount Kisco, N.Y., 1,060.
51, Marisa Gould, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,059.
52, Jaclyn Navarro, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,055.
53, Mckenna Shaffer, Dandridge, Tenn., 1,041.
54, Brigitte Jacobs, Freeport, Ill., 1,038.
55, Jennifer Kiss, Tallmadge, Ohio, 1,037.
56, Hayley Connelly, Hazlet, N.J., 1,035.
57, Marina Vorobyeva, Windermere, Fla., 1,031.
58, Kierra Miller, Fond du Lac, Wis., 1,026.
58, Sara Snyder, Depew, N.Y., 1,026.
60, Sara Howell-Floyd, Slidell, La., 1,025.
61, Vakara Daugherty, Olathe, Kan., 1,023.
61, Jessica Flanagan, Lavaca, Ark., 1,023.
63, Saige Yamada, Kaneohe, Hawaii, 1,020.
64, Larkin Kramer, Plantation, Fla., 1,016.
65, Maggie Carter, Owensboro, Ky., 1,014.

66, Kristi Carpenter, Lucie, Fla., 1,009.
 66, Morgan Mullinax, Pelham, Ala., 1,009.
 68, Magdalena Hignojos, Round Rock, Texas, 1,000.
 68, Annie Leihardt, Georgetown, Texas, 1,000.
 70, Yasmine Sams, Chesapeake, Va., 997.
 71, Tyra Sanchez, Honolulu, Hawaii, 994.
 72, Rose-Marie Snyder, Wantagh, N.Y., 992.
 73, Sarah Tenyer, Barrington, Ill., 990.
 74, Madison Kasza, O'Fallon, Ill., 989.
 75, Hayleigh Hale, Allen, Texas, 988.
 76, Madison Gentes, Manchester, N.H., 984.
 77, Juliana Sams, Chesapeake, Va., 983.
 78, Kyra Kansaki, Greenbrier, Ark., 978.
 78, Emilie Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 978.
 80, Emily Wyant, Dallas, N.C., 973.
 80, Genevieve Burnett, Barton, N.Y., 973.
 80, Hailie Savoie, Sunset, La., 973.
 83, Lyndsay Ennis, Conway, S.C., 972.
 84, Lexi Moore, Cocoa, Fla., 967.
 85, LeeAnne Davidson, Deltona, Fla., 959.
 86, Illyssa Jaraplasan, Cocoa, Fla., 931.
 86, Lara Kurt, Leland, N.C., 931.
 88, Kaitlin Hofmeister, South Sioux City, N.D., 917.
 89, Melissa Markowitz, Port St Lucie, Fla., 916.
 90, Emma Yoder, Wooster, Ohio, 901.
 91, Madison Foster, Coral Springs, Fla., 895.
 92, Nichole Lewis, West Palm Beach, Fla., 892.
 93, Desirae Seedorf, Bismarck, N.D., 847.
 94, Holly Brauchi, Odessa, Texas, 846.
 95, Kate Edwards, New Braunfels, Texas, 844.
 96, Rebecca Walker, N. Grosvenordale, Conn., 838.
 97, Courtney Seedorf, Bismarck, N.D., 836.
 98, Samantha Srodulski, Allen, Texas, 825.
 99, Pamela Hodson, Fairview, Texas, 805.
 99, DayLynn Schnieber-Bruns, Minot, N.D., 805.
 101, Emily Fortune, Boise, Idaho, 793.

Virginia's Maier, Florida's Stacy Advance from Fifth to First in Teen Masters Qualifying

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (July 5, 2016) – Dawson Maier of Hampton, Va., and Adrianna Stacy of Sebring, Fla., both advanced from fifth to first after the second round of qualifying in the Teen Masters Championships at Sawgrass Lanes Tuesday.

Maier, 17, rolled games of 233, 234, 216, 197, 236 and 219 Tuesday to finish the second round with a 12-game total of 2,645 pins and a 12-pin lead over Andy Campbell of Fort Thomas, Ky. Campbell was tied for 47th after the first six games.

Stacy, also 17, had games of 268, 204, 157, 205, 226 and 147 to finish her second round with 2,397 pins – a 199.75 average – but it was enough to hold off a charge by Madison Janack of Myrtle Beach, S.C., who made the move from 15th place to second. Janack was 34 pins behind Stacy.

Within the Teen Masters is a sub-contest for bowlers ages 14 and under. Tyler Michel of Chesapeake, Va., led the boys' group in 54th place overall with 2,256 pins while Mabel Cummins of Elburn, Ill., was in eighth place among the girls with 2,275 pins.

The Teen Masters provides as an elite challenge for high school-age boys and girls including competition on Professional Bowlers Association-caliber short- and long-oil lane conditions, and restrictions on bowling balls that require emphasis on skill vs. technology. All players bowled six qualifying games on a 38-foot lane condition Monday, a 30-foot oiling pattern on Tuesday and a third six-game qualifying round Wednesday with the long-oil pattern on one lane and the short-oil pattern on the adjoining lane.

After 18 games, the top 25 percent of the field of 211 boys and 101 girls will advance to the final four additional six-game rounds Thursday and Friday. Based on 42 game pinfall totals, the winner in each division will receive a \$6,000 scholarship.

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Sawgrass Lanes, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., July 5

BOYS' DIVISION

Second Round Standings (after 12 games):

- 1, Dawson Maier, Hampton, Va., 2,645.
- 2, Andy Campbell, Fort Thomas, Ky., 2,633.
- 3, Igar Rodriguez, Miami, Fla., 2,574.
- 4, Connor Egan, East Northport, N.Y., 2,549.
- 5, Adam Zimmerman, Deer Park, N.Y., 2,538.
- 6, Andrew Hall, Westborough, Mass., 2,528.
- 7, Kenneth Merrick, Port St Lucie, Fla., 2,508.
- 8, Steven Welsh, Patchogue, N.Y., 2,503.
- 9, Kennon McFalls, Gastonia, N.C., 2,502.
- 10, Tyler Gromlovits, Junction City, Kan., 2,480.
- 11, Hunter Kempton, Buzzards Bay, Mass., 2,454.
- 12, Jackson Short, Brooksville, Fla., 2,445.
- 13, Jarek Vincent, Fort Smith, Ark., 2,440.
- 14, Charlie Forero, Miami, Fla., 2,439.
- 15, Ryan Winters, Livonia, Mich., 2,434.
- 16, Tom Hankey, Great Barrington, Mass., 2,426.
- 17, Jacob Yoder, Wooster, Ohio, 2,425.
- 18, Alec Dudley, Anchorage, Alaska, 2,419.
- 19, Jacob Shockley, Ocean City, Md., 2,410.
- 20, Daniel Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 2,389.
- 21, Benjamin Hardin, Tampa, Fla., 2,372.
- 22, Austin Cramer, Alachua, Fla., 2,371.
- 23, Steven Faulkner, Butner, N.C., 2,370.
- 24, Alex Glinski, Linfield, Pa., 2,362.
- 24, Cerell Cardines, Las Vegas, Nev., 2,362.
- 26, Tyler Zogg, Chesapeake, Va., 2,357.
- 26, Kevin Fischer, Orlando, Fla., 2,357.
- 28, Jonathan Cummins, Independence, Ky., 2,355.
- 29, Kenneth High, Lake Mary, Fla., 2,350.
- 30, Brandon Magennis, Fort Mill, S.C., 2,346.
- 31, Brandon Soedarmasto, Levittown, N.Y., 2,344.
- 32, Michael Heath, St Peters, Mo., 2,342.
- 33, Sean Wilcox, Altamonte Springs, Fla., 2,340.
- 34, Brian Fink, NewPortRichey, Fla., 2,326.
- 34, Sinjin Slater, Fond du Lac, Wis., 2,326.
- 36, Marcus McClain, Lincoln park, Mich., 2,325.
- 37, Nicholas Huber, Amelia, Ohio, 2,320.
- 38, Mitchel Guzzle, Rock Falls, Ill., 2,319.
- 39, Jonathan Lovett, Columbia, S.C., 2,313.
- 40, Nick Larsen, Cape Coral, Fla., 2,306.
- 41, Jorge Rodriguez, Yauco, P.R., 2,298.
- 42, Daniel Hartman, Commack, N.Y., 2,288.
- 43, Parker Johnson, Cibolo, Texas, 2,284.
- 44, Mason Yamada, Kenai, Alaska, 2,283.
- 45, Cody Estes, Somersworth, N.H., 2,280.
- 46, Tristan Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 2,279.

47, Bradley Solomon, O'Fallon, Ill., 2,267.
48, Alexander Sorge, Monmouth Junction, N.J., 2,266.
49, Garrett Halseth, Topeka, Kan., 2,263.
50, Peyton Smith, Loganville, Ga., 2,262.
51, Zachary Cook, Peyton, Colo., 2,261.
52, Christian Miller, Homosassa, Fla., 2,259.
53, Roscoe Pretlow, Chesapeake, Va., 2,257.
54, Tyler Michel (14u), Chesapeake, Va., 2,256.
55, Michael Rachal, Lafayette, La., 2,250.
56, James Fitzgerald, Helotes, Texas, 2,247.
57, Kevin Morrissey Jr, Miami, Fla., 2,246.
58, Andrew Cannuli, Moorestown, N.J., 2,239.
58, Jason Hilowitz, Virginia Beach, Va., 2,239.
58, Daniel Petriello, Commack, N.Y., 2,239.
61, Wyatt Smith, Cape Coral, Fla., 2,236.
62, Richy Zenner, Hawthorn Woods, Ill., 2,234.
63, Morgan Moore, Aurora, Colo., 2,232.
64, Zachary Singer, Buffalo Grove, Ill., 2,228.
65, Isaac Gorzynski, Jupiter, Fla., 2,224.
66, Logan Dalbol, West Fargo, N.D., 2,223.
67, Joshua Rondino, Lilburn, Ga., 2,221.
68, Cade Hartsfield, San Antonio, Texas, 2,220.
68, Gage Stelling, Apopka, Fla., 2,220.
70, Nickolas Archacki, Saegertown, Pa., 2,214.
71, Brandon Fleming, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 2,207.
72, Antonio Corea (14u), Miami, Fla., 2,206.
73, Anthony Naujokas, Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 2,200.
74, Anthony Allen, Webster, N.Y., 2,199.
75, Kaan Kurt, Leland, N.C., 2,197.
76, Kevin Markowitz, Port St Lucie, Fla., 2,195.
76, Chris Grimes, Lee's Summit, Mo., 2,195.
78, Josh Singer, Buffalo Grove, Ill., 2,194.
79, Jacob Brown, Russiaville, Ind., 2,188.
80, Cory Coffey, Romulus, Mich., 2,184.
81, Cody Stevens, Miami, Fla., 2,180.
82, Travis Knowlton (14u), Dade City, Fla., 2,178.
83, Jamey Kragh (14u), Minot, N.D., 2,175.
84, Jacob Berry, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 2,166.
84, Caden Price, Palmer, Alaska, 2,166.
86, Michael Harmon Jr. (14u), Rockledge, Fla., 2,164.
87, Ryan Gentes, Manchester, N.H., 2,155.
88, Josiah Youngblood, Columbia, Mo., 2,151.
89, Ben Drogue, Keene, N.H., 2,146.
90, Joseph Goodwin, Port Orange, Fla., 2,144.
91, Chace Cogar, Shreve, Ohio, 2,141.
92, Cole Skelley, North Canton, Ohio, 2,138.
93, Anthony Mastroianni (14u), Brooklyn, N.Y., 2,136.
94, Mason Moore, Aurora, Colo., 2,132.
95, Tanner Williams, Olathe, Kan., 2,130.
95, Derek Poole, Rockford, Ill., 2,130.
97, Joshua Kragh, Minot, N.D., 2,126.
98, Tucker Hale, Gainesville, Fla., 2,121.
99, James Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 2,118.
100, Michael Putzier, Sioux Falls, S.D., 2,113.
101, Baker Schmidt, Fond du Lac, Wis., 2,112.
102, Ben Downs, Virginia Beach, Va., 2,110.
103, Nicholas Forthofer (14u), Lake Placid, Fla., 2,108.
104, Alexander McMahon, Marlborough, Mass., 2,103.

105, Eric Ullian, New Lenox, Ill., 2,098.
106, Conner Mixson, Lewisville, Texas, 2,095.
106, Austin Albarado, Tamarac, Fla., 2,095.
108, Jorge Orfila Jr, Miami, Fla., 2,091.
109, Jarren Dudden, Jupiter, Fla., 2,082.
110, Zackary Hall, Cocoa, Fla., 2,075.
111, Bradley Woodrum, Streetsboro, Ohio, 2,062.
112, Brandon Mooney, Roscoe, Ill., 2,059.
113, Blake Reiger (14u), Grafton, Wis., 2,058.
113, Zayne LaForty, Clermont, Fla., 2,058.
115, Aaron Johnson, Sioux Falls, S.D., 2,057.
116, Shawn Chouinard, North Lauderdale, Fla., 2,056.
116, Brandon Ramos, Mililani, Hawaii, 2,056.
116, Rylan Breese (14u), Wilmington, N.C., 2,056.
119, Joseph Watynski, Coral Springs, Fla., 2,052.
120, Austin Henderson, Smyrna, Ga., 2,034.
121, Aaron Stubbs, Southgate, Mich., 2,032.
122, Irwin Jaraplasan (14u), Cocoa, Fla., 2,031.
123, Dylan Moore, Evansville, Ind., 2,027.
124, Tyrell Ingalls, Loganville, Ga., 2,025.
125, Duke Crouch, Pinellas Park, Fla., 2,018.
125, Donny Richards, O'Fallon, Ill., 2,018.
127, Briar Harper (14u), Owensboro, Ky., 2,014.
128, Dylan Lautanen, Minot Air Force Base, N.D., 2,008.
129, Kirk Mowl (14u), Ormond Beach, Fla., 2,007.
130, Harris Mirza (14u), East Elmhurst, N.Y., 2,006.
131, Angelo Biondo (14u), Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 2,001.
131, Jarod Del Campillo, Kissimmee, Fla., 2,001.
133, Connor Kottke, Lake Zurich, Ill., 2,000.
134, Adam Reine, Shreveport, La., 1,989.
135, Joseph Patten, Broomfield, Colo., 1,988.
135, Nathan Samuels, Coral Springs, Fla., 1,988.
137, Cole Stillman, Sherwood, Ark., 1,984.
138, Jason Pesce, Egg Harbor Township, N.J., 1,980.
139, Ethan Sutton, Tampa, Fla., 1,977.
140, Patrick Phillips, Roseboro, N.C., 1,970.
141, Ryan Bare, Sanford, Fla., 1,968.
142, Tommy Croskrey, Great Falls, Mont., 1,967.
143, Mark Styles, Killeen, Texas, 1,965.
144, Donovan Quick, Tamarac, Fla., 1,961.
144, Matthew Stephens, Egg Harbor Township, N.J., 1,961.
146, John Rossignol, Lake City, Fla., 1,958.
146, Tyson Gray, Greenville, Texas, 1,958.
148, Nolan Croskrey, Great Falls, Mont., 1,957.
149, Timothy Woods, Virginia Beach, Va., 1,955.
149, Riley Corneil, Billings, Mont., 1,955.
151, Kai Alfonso (14u), Chesapeake, Va., 1,954.
152, Logan Harvey (14u), Titusville, Fla., 1,952.
153, Jordan Jenkins, Harmony, Fla., 1,939.
154, Michael Wagoner (14u), Hinesville, Ga., 1,938.
154, Jacob Austin, Sunrise, Fla., 1,938.
156, Trace Nuss, Tampa, Fla., 1,935.
157, Terry Salvant, Memphis, Tenn., 1,933.
158, Jonathan Zaoutis, Astoria, N.Y., 1,925.
159, Chandler Carr, Lutz, Fla., 1,911.
160, Andysson Alleyne (14u), Plantation, Fla., 1,907.
161, Payton Smith, Preston, Idaho, 1,905.
162, Allen Wilkerson, Ocean Springs, Miss., 1,904.

163, BoRui He, China, 1,900.
 164, Jacob Bassell, Jacksonville, Fla., 1,897.
 165, Issac Heim (14u), Meadville, Pa., 1,892.
 166, David Harris, JBER, Alaska, 1,891.
 167, Connor Hill, Kansas City, Kan., 1,889.
 168, Jonathan Rodriguez, Spring, Texas, 1,887.
 168, Silas Lira (14u), Tampa, Fla., 1,887.
 170, Gavin McCarthy, Coral Springs, Fla., 1,885.
 171, Jack Trinque, Gulf Breeze, Fla., 1,881.
 172, Alexander Horton (14u), Douglassville, Pa., 1,876.
 173, Tiger Steinhuis, Sioux Falls, S.D., 1,870.
 174, Dean Tischer, Valley Stream, N.Y., 1,867.
 175, Samuel Cannon, Orlando, Fla., 1,866.
 175, Alex Reine, Shreveport, La., 1,866.
 177, Austin Fleming, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 1,865.
 178, Jonathan Gould (14u), Palm Bay, Fla., 1,861.
 179, Devin Flowers (14u), Rosedale, N.Y., 1,850.
 180, Joshua Morin, Kodiak, Alaska, 1,849.
 181, Richard Baden III, Cocoa, Fla., 1,843.
 181, G.W. Martin (14u), Mooresville, N.C., 1,843.
 183, Bertram Cedola, Hinesville, Ga., 1,837.
 184, Blake Hall, Lake City, Ark., 1,826.
 185, Alexander Boone, Westminster, Colo., 1,821.
 186, Killian Kilpatrick (14u), Erie, Pa., 1,819.
 187, Chandler Sumpter, Bossier City, La., 1,818.
 188, Chandler McCall (14u), North Myrtle Beach, S.C., 1,810.
 189, Robert Cooper, Manassas Park, Va., 1,809.
 190, Evan Decker, Beaver Dam, Ky., 1,807.
 191, Ryan Stubbs, Southgate, Mich., 1,804.
 192, Noah Saul (14u), Hudson, Fla., 1,799.
 193, Xavier Bamford (14u), Gonic, N.H., 1,793.
 194, Ben Webber, Fort Smith, Ark., 1,789.
 195, Pedro Irizarry (14u), Ponce, N.Y., 1,773.
 196, Blase Beckham, Mount Vernon, Ill., 1,771.
 197, Keegan Baatz, Sioux Falls, S.D., 1,767.
 197, Alex Roberts (14u), Benton, Ark., 1,767.
 199, Devin Dowdle, Indian Springs, Ala., 1,757.
 200, Blake Lyons, Branford, Fla., 1,740.
 201, Connor Nelson (14u), Riverview, Fla., 1,722.
 202, Marcus Yamada, Kenai, Alaska, 1,710.
 203, Eric Marsh, New Braunfels, Texas, 1,701.
 204, Adam Marsh (14u), New Braunfels, Texas, 1,691.
 205, Alex Lewis, Applegate, Mich., 1,688.
 206, Noah Love (14u), Mineola, N.Y., 1,677.
 207, Logan Rogers, Bryant, Ark., 1,654.
 208, Ian Deutsch, Fort White, Fla., 1,644.
 209, Chester N. Butler, Chesapeake, Va., 1,499.
 210, Logan Heffele, Wasilla, Alaska, 1,425.
 211, Cole Brauchi (14u), Odessa, Texas, 1,388.

GIRLS' DIVISION

Second Round Standings (after 12 games):

1, Adrianna Stacy, Sebring, Fla., 2,397.
 2, Madison Janack, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 2,363.
 3, Crystal Elliott, Melbourne, Fla., 2,307.
 4, Crystal Singh, Coral Springs, Fla., 2,302.
 5, Leanne Vastbinder, Winter Park, Fla., 2,300.
 6, Caitlyn Johnson, Beaumont, Texas, 2,289.

7, Bryanna Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 2,283.
8, Mabel Cummins (14u), Elburn, Ill., 2,275.
9, Jenna Williams, Homosassa, Fla., 2,273.
10, Breanna Clemmer, Clover, S.C., 2,271.
11, Samantha Johnson, Apopka, Fla., 2,267.
12, Cayla Hicks, Salem, Va., 2,259.
13, Natalie Koprowitz, Girard, Ill., 2,245.
14, Heather Trapp, Chester, Va., 2,235.
15, Haley Youker, Minoa, N.Y., 2,225.
16, Megan Eaglehouse, Cibolo, Texas, 2,207.
17, Sarah Florence, Egg Harbor City, N.J., 2,198.
18, Emma Dockery, Ravenna, Ohio, 2,191.
19, Taryn Gray, Greenville, Texas, 2,179.
20, Mallory Liversedge, Meridian, Idaho, 2,172.
21, Patricia Rosales, Orlando, Fla., 2,166.
22, Kaitlyn Eder, Lithia, Fla., 2,154.
23, Kyra Chambers, Ocoee, Fla., 2,146.
24, Sarah Tenyer, Barrington, Ill., 2,145.
25, McCayla Donna, Belleview, Fla., 2,140.
26, Hayley Connelly, Hazlet, N.J., 2,127.
27, Paulina Torres, Ponce, N.Y., 2,121.
28, Allison Wells, Dilworth, Minn., 2,119.
29, Hannah Diem (14u), Seminole, Fla., 2,114.
30, Caroline Thesier, Mooresville, N.C., 2,105.
31, Asia Wren, Round Rock, Texas, 2,096.
32, Bailey Palmer, Ottumwa, Iowa, 2,094.
33, Kimberly Forthofer (14u), Lake Placid, Fla., 2,079.
34, Colby Jones, Virginia Beach, Vir., 2,075.
35, Mackenzie Wagner, Syosset, N.Y., 2,074.
36, Emma Owens (14u), Owensboro, Ky., 2,072.
37, Amanda Naujokas (14u), Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 2,068.
38, Mckenna Shaffer, Dandridge, Tenn., 2,063.
39, Kylie Angiel (14u), Palm Bay, Fla., 2,057.
40, Megan Wehmeier, Lawton, Okla., 2,056.
41, Rachel Bamford, Rochester, N.H., 2,052.
42, Jordan Shipp (14u), Pensacola, Fla., 2,051.
43, Sara Snyder, Depew, N.Y., 2,037.
44, Brigitte Jacobs, Freeport, Ill., 2,028.
45, Brooke Roberts, Port Orange, Fla., 2,022.
46, Amber Moore (14u), Cocoa, Fla., 2,001.
47, Marisa Gould, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,995.
48, Jennifer Kiss, Tallmadge, Ohio, 1,991.
49, Morgan Peacha, Henderson, Nev., 1,987.
49, Emma Elfrink, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,987.
51, Kaela Ruby, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,985.
52, Kristi Carpenter, Lucie, Fla., 1,980.
53, Emily Wyant, Dallas, N.C., 1,979.
54, Jaclyn Navarro, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,971.
55, Madison McCall, North Myrtle Beach, S.C., 1,960.
56, Mari Pizzini, Helena, Mont., 1,957.
57, Alyssa Berke, Mount Kisco, N.Y., 1,951.
58, Jessica Flanagan, Lavaca, Ark., 1,946.
59, Saige Yamada, Kaneohe, Hawaii, 1,935.
60, Annie Leihardt, Georgetown, Texas, 1,934.
61, Larkin Kramer (14u), Plantation, Fla., 1,924.
62, Marina Vorobyeva, Windermere, Fla., 1,916.
63, Lyndsay Ennis (14u), Conway, S.C., 1,913.
64, Emilie Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,905.

64, Sara Shuey, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,905.
66, Nicole Gattenby, Allen, Texas, 1,901.
67, Vakara Daugherty, Olathe, Kan., 1,893.
67, Samantha Mueller, Fond du Lac, Wis., 1,893.
69, Madison Kasza, O'Fallon, Ill., 1,879.
70, Sara Howell-Floyd, Slidell, La., 1,870.
71, LeeAnne Davidson, Deltona, Fla., 1,860.
72, Maggie Carter, Owensboro, Ky., 1,857.
73, Kierra Miller, Fond du Lac, Wis., 1,844.
74, Magdalena Hignojo, Round Rock, Texas, 1,837.
75, Rose-Marie Snyder, Wantagh, N.Y., 1,834.
76, Morgan Mullinax, Pelham, Ala., 1,830.
77, Tyra Sanchez, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1,828.
78, Juliana Sams (14u), Chesapeake, Va., 1,820.
79, Lara Kurt (14u), Leland, N.C., 1,816.
80, Kyra Kansaki, Greenbrier, Ark., 1,802.
81, Yasmine Sams, Chesapeake, Va., 1,800.
82, Lexi Moore, Cocoa, Fla., 1,799.
83, Genevieve Burnett, Barton, N.Y., 1,797.
84, Madison Foster, Coral Springs, Fla., 1,792.
85, Madison Gentes (14u), Manchester, N.H., 1,786.
86, Hayleigh Hale (14u), Allen, Texas, 1,778.
87, Illyssa Jaraplasan, Cocoa, Fla., 1,770.
87, Hailie Savoie, Sunset, La., 1,770.
89, Kaitlin Hofmeister, South Sioux City, N.D., 1,714.
90, Melissa Markowitz, Port St Lucie, Fla., 1,708.
91, Emma Yoder (14u), Wooster, Ohio, 1,693.
92, Nichole Lewis, West Palm Beach, Fla., 1,680.
93, Holly Brauchi (14u), Odessa, Texas, 1,671.
94, Courtney Seedorf, Bismarck, N.D., 1,612.
95, Emily Fortune (14u), Boise, Idaho, 1,598.
96, Pamela Hodson (14u), Fairview, Texas, 1,591.
97, Desirae Seedorf (14u), Bismarck, N.D., 1,567.
98, Rebecca Walker, N. Grosvenordale, Conn., 1,564.
99, Kate Edwards (14u), New Braunfels, Texas, 1,552.
100, Samantha Srodulski (14u), Allen, Texas, 1,485.
101, DayLynn Schnieber-Bruns, Minot, N.D., 1,423.

Virginia's Dawson Maier Retains Boys' Lead, Texan Caitlyn Johnson Advances into Girls' Lead as Teen Masters Arrives at "Cut Day"

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (July 6, 2016) – As the Teen Masters Bowling Championships arrived at "cut day" at Sawgrass Lanes Wednesday, Dawson Maier of Hampton, Va., held onto the lead in the boys' division while Caitlyn Johnson of Beaumont, Texas, advanced into the lead in the girls' division.

After 18 games, the top 45 boys ages 15-and-older and the top nine U14 boys will advance to a fourth six-game qualifying round Thursday along with the top 20 girls 15-and-older plus the top six U14 girls.

Maier, 17, continued his solid scoring pace, averaging 222.39 for his 18 qualifying games. He rolled games of 246, 231, 234, 236 and 243 Wednesday before ending his round with a sub-par 168 game. Despite his closing game, he finished with the third round with 4,003 pins and a 67-pin lead over Andy Campbell of Ft. Thomas, Ky.

Johnson, also 17, had games of 257, 210, 193, 256, 278 and 210 for Wednesday's round, finishing with 3,493 pins – a 199.61 average – and a six-pin lead over three-time Junior Team USA member Breanna Clemmer of Clover, S.C., who entered the round in 10th place. Johnson was in 16th place after the first round, sixth after round two and completed her move into the lead Wednesday.

Among the bowlers ages 14 and under who are competing for \$2,000 scholarships, Antonio Corea of Miami, Fla., led the boys' group with 3,279 pins (in 73rd place overall) while girls' U14 leader Mabel Cummins of Elburn, Ill., moved up two spots to sixth place overall with 3,456 pins.

The Teen Masters, a scratch competition for high school-age boys and girls, involves competition on Professional Bowlers Association-caliber short- and long-oil lane conditions, and restrictions on bowling balls that require emphasis on skill vs. technology. All players bowled six qualifying games on a 38-foot lane condition Monday, a 30-foot oiling pattern on Tuesday and a six-game "mixed pairs" qualifying round Wednesday where the longer oiling pattern was applied to one lane and the shorter pattern to the lane on each pair.

Based on 24-game pinfall totals after Thursday morning's fourth qualifying round, the top 18 in each division, regardless of age, will advance to the match play finals, including one six-game round Thursday evening and two six-game rounds Friday. The winner in each division after a total of 42 games will receive a \$6,000 scholarship.

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TEEN MASTERS HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sawgrass Lanes, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., July 6

BOYS' DIVISION

Third Round Standings (after 18 games; top 45 boys ages 15-older, and top nine boys ages 14-under advance to Round Four):

- 1, Dawson Maier, Hampton, Va., 4,003.
- 2, Andy Campbell, Fort Thomas, Ky., 3,936.
- 3, Andrew Hall, Westborough, Mass., 3,853.
- 3, Igar Rodriguez, Miami, Fla., 3,853.
- 5, Kennon McFalls, Gastonia, N.C., 3,778.
- 5, Kenneth Merrick, Port St Lucie, Fla., 3,778.
- 7, Adam Zimmerman, Deer Park, N.Y., 3,752.
- 8, Connor Egan, East Northport, N.Y., 3,711.
- 9, Hunter Kempton, Buzzards Bay, Mass., 3,692.
- 10, Steven Welsh, Patchogue, N.Y., 3,689.
- 11, Ryan Winters, Livonia, Mich., 3,676.
- 12, Tyler Gromlovits, Junction City, Kan., 3,666.
- 13, Benjamin Hardin, Tampa, Fla., 3,664.
- 14, Jacob Shockley, Ocean City, Md., 3,652.
- 15, Jarek Vincent, Fort Smith, Ark., 3,642.
- 16, Sean Wilcox, Altamonte Springs, Fla., 3,617.
- 17, Austin Cramer, Alachua, Fla., 3,611.
- 18, Michael Heath, St Peters, Mo., 3,604.
- 18, Brandon Magennis, Fort Mill, S.C., 3,604.
- 20, Tristan Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 3,573.
- 21, Tom Hankey, Great Barrington, Mass., 3,572.
- 22, Jorge Rodriguez, Yauco, P.R., 3,571.
- 22, Jacob Yoder, Wooster, Ohio, 3,571.
- 24, Brandon Soedarmasto, Levittown, N.Y., 3,552.
- 25, Charlie Forero, Miami, Fla., 3,545.
- 26, Tyler Zogg, Chesapeake, Va., 3,540.
- 27, Alec Dudley, Anchorage, Alaska, 3,523.
- 28, Steven Faulkner, Butner, N.C., 3,517.
- 29, Alex Glinski, Linfield, Pa., 3,514.
- 30, Zachary Cook, Peyton, Colo., 3,504.
- 31, Cerell Cardines, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,493.
- 32, Daniel Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 3,485.
- 33, Daniel Hartman, Commack, N.Y., 3,477.
- 34, Jackson Short, Brooksville, Fla., 3,459.
- 35, James Fitzgerald, Helotes, Texas, 3,452.
- 35, Jonathan Cummins, Independence, Ky., 3,452.

37, Morgan Moore, Aurora, Colo., 3,449.
38, Kenneth High, Lake Mary, Fla., 3,445.
39, Kevin Fischer, Orlando, Fla., 3,441.
40, Marcus McClain, Lincoln park, Mich., 3,426.
41, Sinjin Slater, Fond du Lac, Wis., 3,418.
42, Jonathan Lovett, Columbia, S.C., 3,416.
43, Chris Grimes, Lee's Summit, Mo., 3,405.
44, Christian Miller, Homosassa, Fla., 3,391.
45, Nicholas Huber, Amelia, Ohio, 3,388.
46, Alexander Sorge, Monmouth Junction, N.J., 3,381.
47, Garrett Halseth, Topeka, Kan., 3,380.
48, Nickolas Archacki, Saegertown, Pa., 3,379.
49, Roscoe Pretlow, Chesapeake, Va., 3,377.
50, Richy Zenner, Hawthorn Woods, Ill., 3,373.
51, Mitchel Guzzle, Rock Falls, Ill., 3,369.
52, Baker Schmidt, Fond du Lac, Wis., 3,367.
52, Anthony Naujokas, Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 3,367.
54, Brian Fink, NewPortRichey, Fla., 3,364.
55, Andrew Cannuli, Moorestown, N.J., 3,361.
56, Anthony Allen, Webster, N.Y., 3,357.
57, Gage Stelling, Apopka, Fla., 3,354.
58, Daniel Petriello, Commack, N.Y., 3,351.
59, Brandon Fleming, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 3,348.
60, Parker Johnson, Cibolo, Texas, 3,346.
61, Bradley Solomon, O'Fallon, Ill., 3,345.
62, Mason Yamada, Kenai, Alaska, 3,343.
63, Nick Larsen, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,336.
64, Kevin Morrissey Jr, Miami, Fla., 3,335.
65, Peyton Smith, Loganville, Ga., 3,331.
66, Logan Dalbol, West Fargo, N.D., 3,324.
66, Isaac Gorzynski, Jupiter, Fla., 3,324.
66, Wyatt Smith, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,324.
69, Cody Estes, Somersworth, N.H., 3,314.
70, Joshua Rondino, Lilburn, Ga., 3,308.
71, Cody Stevens, Miami, Fla., 3,306.
72, Brandon Mooney, Roscoe, Ill., 3,305.
73, Antonio Corea (14u), Miami, Fla., 3,279.
73, Michael Rachal, Lafayette, La., 3,279.
75, Jason Hilowitz, Virginia Beach, Va., 3,269.
76, Joshua Kragh, Minot, N.D., 3,266.
77, Josh Singer, Buffalo Grove, Ill., 3,265.
78, Cory Coffey, Romulus, Mich., 3,259.
78, Tyler Michel (14u), Chesapeake, Va., 3,259.
80, Derek Poole, Rockford, Ill., 3,258.
81, Jacob Brown, Russiaville, Ind., 3,255.
82, Blake Reiger (14u), Grafton, Wis., 3,252.
82, Jamey Kragh (14u), Minot, N.D., 3,252.
84, Ben Drogue, Keene, N.H., 3,246.
85, Kirk Mowl (14u), Ormond Beach, Fla., 3,245.
86, Chace Cogar, Shreve, Ohio, 3,243.
87, Tucker Hale, Gainesville, Fla., 3,240.
88, Cade Hartsfield, San Antonio, Texas, 3,233.
89, Kevin Markowitz, Port St Lucie, Fla., 3,231.
90, Kaan Kurt, Leland, N.C., 3,229.
91, Zachary Singer, Buffalo Grove, Ill., 3,222.
92, Josiah Youngblood, Columbia, Mo., 3,219.
93, Eric Ullian, New Lenox, Ill., 3,215.
94, Ben Downs, Virginia Beach, Va., 3,213.

95, Cole Skelley, North Canton, Ohio, 3,211.
96, Tyrell Ingalls, Loganville, Ga., 3,206.
97, Brandon Ramos, Mililani, Hawaii, 3,205.
98, Anthony Mastroianni (14u), Brooklyn, N.Y., 3,203.
99, Joseph Goodwin, Port Orange, Fla., 3,202.
100, Conner Mixson, Lewisville, Texas, 3,199.
101, Jacob Berry, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 3,198.
102, Michael Harmon Jr. (14u), Rockledge, Fla., 3,185.
103, Aaron Johnson, Sioux Falls, S.D., 3,176.
103, Bradley Woodrum, Streetsboro, Ohio, 3,176.
105, Travis Knowlton (14u), Dade City, Fla., 3,174.
106, Alexander McMahon, Marlborough, Mass., 3,169.
107, Ryan Gentes, Manchester, N.H., 3,168.
108, Michael Putzier, Sioux Falls, S.D., 3,157.
109, Caden Price, Palmer, Alaska, 3,148.
110, Irwin Jaraplasan (14u), Cocoa, Fla., 3,146.
111, James Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 3,143.
112, Aaron Stubbs, Southgate, Mich., 3,139.
113, Connor Kottke, Lake Zurich, Ill., 3,131.
114, Shawn Chouinard, North Lauderdale, Fla., 3,130.
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122, Austin Albarado, Tamarac, Fla., 3,074.
123, Ryan Bare, Sanford, Fla., 3,073.
124, Duke Crouch, Pinellas Park, Fla., 3,063.
125, Rylan Breese (14u), Wilmington, N.C., 3,058.
126, Gavin McCarthy, Coral Springs, Fla., 3,033.
127, Donny Richards, O'Fallon, Ill., 3,032.
128, Patrick Phillips, Roseboro, N.C., 3,026.
129, Donovan Quick, Tamarac, Fla., 3,023.
129, Nathan Samuels, Coral Springs, Fla., 3,023.
131, Nicholas Forthofer (14u), Lake Placid, Fla., 3,022.
132, Joseph Watynski, Coral Springs, Fla., 3,020.
133, Tyson Gray, Greenville, Texas, 3,015.
134, Dylan Lautanen, Minot Air Force Base, N.D., 3,004.
135, Jason Pesce, Egg Harbor Township, N.J., 3,001.
136, Angelo Biondo (14u), Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 2,998.
137, Cole Stillman, Sherwood, Ark., 2,986.
138, Michael Wagoner (14u), Hinesville, Ga., 2,984.
138, Tommy Croskrey, Great Falls, Mont., 2,984.
140, Mark Styles, Killeen, Texas, 2,976.
141, Dylan Moore, Evansville, Ind., 2,972.
142, Matthew Stephens, Egg Harbor Township, N.J., 2,966.
143, Austin Henderson, Smyrna, Ga., 2,964.
144, Riley Corneil, Billings, Mont., 2,960.
145, Andysson Alleyne (14u), Plantation, Fla., 2,953.
146, Joseph Patten, Broomfield, Colo., 2,952.
147, Logan Harvey (14u), Titusville, Fla., 2,947.
148, Jorge Orfila Jr, Miami, Fla., 2,943.
149, G.W. Martin (14u), Mooresville, N.C., 2,940.
149, Jonathan Zaoutis, Astoria, N.Y., 2,940.
151, Harris Mirza (14u), East Elmhurst, N.Y., 2,931.
152, John Rossignol, Lake City, Fla., 2,917.

153, Jarod Del Campillo, Kissimmee, Fla., 2,914.
154, Kai Alfonso (14u), Chesapeake, Va., 2,909.
155, Timothy Woods, Virginia Beach, Va., 2,901.
156, Connor Hill, Kansas City, Kan., 2,894.
156, Terry Salvant, Memphis, Tenn., 2,894.
158, Austin Fleming, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 2,892.
159, Issac Heim (14u), Meadville, Pa., 2,886.
160, Briar Harper (14u), Owensboro, Ky., 2,885.
161, Jordan Jenkins, Harmony, Fla., 2,878.
162, Alex Reine, Shreveport, La., 2,876.
163, Allen Wilkerson, Ocean Springs, Miss., 2,870.
164, BoRui He, China, 2,868.
165, Jacob Bassell, Jacksonville, Fla., 2,865.
166, Silas Lira (14u), Tampa, Fla., 2,862.
167, Devin Flowers (14u), Rosedale, N.Y., 2,850.
168, Nolan Croskrey, Great Falls, Mont., 2,842.
169, Payton Smith, Preston, Idaho, 2,841.
170, Samuel Cannon, Orlando, Fla., 2,839.
171, Joshua Morin, Kodiak, Alaska, 2,838.
172, Dean Tischer, Valley Stream, N.Y., 2,831.
173, Blake Hall, Lake City, Ark., 2,826.
174, Jack Trinqué, Gulf Breeze, Fla., 2,823.
175, Chandler Carr, Lutz, Fla., 2,816.
176, Jonathan Rodriguez, Spring, Texas, 2,814.
177, Jonathan Gould (14u), Palm Bay, Fla., 2,813.
178, David Harris, JBER, Alaska, 2,801.
179, Trace Nuss, Tampa, Fla., 2,799.
180, Jacob Austin, Sunrise, Fla., 2,789.
181, Bertram Cedola, Hinesville, Ga., 2,781.
182, Keegan Baatz, Sioux Falls, S.D., 2,779.
183, Chandler Sumpter, Bossier City, La., 2,772.
184, Tiger Steinhaus, Sioux Falls, S.D., 2,770.
185, Ben Webber, Fort Smith, Ark., 2,764.
186, Alexander Boone, Westminster, Colo., 2,755.
187, Xavier Bamford (14u), Gonic, N.H., 2,747.
188, Richard Baden III, Cocoa, Fla., 2,741.
189, Killian Kilpatrick (14u), Erie, Pa., 2,739.
190, Evan Decker, Beaver Dam, Ky., 2,721.
191, Alexander Horton (14u), Douglassville, Pa., 2,702.
192, Robert Cooper, Manassas Park, Va., 2,698.
193, Blake Lyons, Branford, Fla., 2,680.
193, Blase Beckham, Mount Vernon, Ill., 2,680.
195, Logan Rogers, Bryant, Ark., 2,673.
196, Marcus Yamada, Kenai, Alaska, 2,672.
197, Alex Roberts (14u), Benton, Ark., 2,668.
197, Noah Saul (14u), Hudson, Fla., 2,668.
199, Devin Dowdle, Indian Springs, Ala., 2,643.
200, Pedro Irizarry (14u), Ponce, N.Y., 2,638.
201, Ryan Stubbs, Southgate, Mich., 2,627.
202, Chandler McCall (14u), North Myrtle Beach, S.C., 2,620.
203, Noah Love (14u), Mineola, N.Y., 2,576.
204, Alex Lewis, Applegate, Mich., 2,550.
205, Connor Nelson (14u), Riverview, Fla., 2,538.
206, Eric Marsh, New Braunfels, Texas, 2,482.
207, Ian Deutsch, Fort White, Fla., 2,476.
208, Adam Marsh (14u), New Braunfels, Texas, 2,467.
209, Chester N. Butler, Chesapeake, Va., 2,185.

- 210, Cole Brauchi (14u), Odessa, Texas, 2,183.
211, Logan Heffele, Wasilla, Alaska, 2,169.

GIRLS' DIVISION

Third Round Standings (after 18 games; top 20 girls ages 15-older, and top six girls ages 14-under advance to Round Four):

- 1, Caitlyn Johnson, Beaumont, Texas, 3,593.
- 2, Breanna Clemmer, Clover, S.C., 3,587.
- 3, Adrianna Stacy, Sebring, Fla., 3,520.
- 4, Bryanna Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 3,514.
- 5, Madison Janack, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 3,500.
- 6, Mabel Cummins (14u), Elburn, Ill., 3,456.
- 7, Megan Eaglehouse, Cibolo, Texas, 3,444.
- 8, Leanne Vastbinder, Winter Park, Fla., 3,443.
- 9, Samantha Johnson, Apopka, Fla., 3,409.
- 10, Crystal Elliott, Melbourne, Fla., 3,405.
- 11, Cayla Hicks, Salem, Va., 3,378.
- 12, Natalie Koprowitz, Girard, Ill., 3,366.
- 13, Heather Trapp, Chester, Va., 3,361.
- 14, Emma Dockery, Ravenna, Ohio, 3,351.
- 15, Jenna Williams, Homosassa, Fla., 3,333.
- 16, Crystal Singh, Coral Springs, Fla., 3,316.
- 17, Patricia Rosales, Orlando, Fla., 3,313.
- 18, Haley Youker, Minoa, N.Y., 3,301.
- 19, Mallory Liversedge, Meridian, Idaho, 3,294.
- 20, Sarah Florence, Egg Harbor City, N.J., 3,288.
- 21, Kaitlyn Eder, Lithia, Fla., 3,253.
- 22, Taryn Gray, Greenville, Texas, 3,214.
- 23, Rachel Bamford, Rochester, N.H., 3,208.
- 24, Paulina Torres, Ponce, N.Y., 3,204.
- 25, Bailey Palmer, Ottumwa, Iowa, 3,200.
- 26, McCayla Donna, Belleview, Fla., 3,192.
- 27, Amanda Naujokas (14u), Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 3,182.
- 28, Kimberly Forthofer (14u), Lake Placid, Fla., 3,173.
- 29, Allison Wells, Dilworth, Minn., 3,155.
- 30, Sarah Tenyer, Barrington, Ill., 3,150.
- 31, Mackenzie Wagner, Syosset, N.Y., 3,145.
- 32, Caroline Thesier, Mooresville, N.C., 3,134.
- 33, Brigitte Jacobs, Freeport, Ill., 3,131.
- 34, Kyra Chambers, Ocoee, Fla., 3,110.
- 35, Megan Wehmeier, Lawton, Okla., 3,090.
- 36, Hayley Connelly, Hazlet, N.J., 3,084.
- 37, Emma Owens (14u), Owensboro, Ky., 3,083.
- 38, Mckenna Shaffer, Dandridge, Tenn., 3,076.
- 39, Madison McCall, North Myrtle Beach, S.C., 3,071.
- 39, Sara Snyder, Depew, N.Y., 3,071.
- 41, Jordan Shipp (14u), Pensacola, Fla., 3,050.
- 41, Asia Wren, Round Rock, Texas, 3,050.
- 43, Hannah Diem (14u), Seminole, Fla., 3,048.
- 44, Brooke Roberts, Port Orange, Fla., 3,043.
- 45, Emily Wyant, Dallas, N.C., 3,025.
- 46, Jennifer Kiss, Tallmadge, Ohio, 3,004.
- 47, Kristi Carpenter, Lucie, Fla., 3,001.
- 48, Colby Jones, Virginia Beach, Vir., 2,987.
- 49, Morgan Peacha, Henderson, Nev., 2,952.
- 50, Amber Moore (14u), Cocoa, Fla., 2,938.
- 51, Emma Elfrink, Palm Harbor, Fla., 2,930.
- 52, Marisa Gould, Palm Bay, Fla., 2,924.
- 53, Jaclyn Navarro, Palm Bay, Fla., 2,918.

54, Saige Yamada, Kaneohe, Hawaii, 2,916.
55, Marina Vorobyeva, Windermere, Fla., 2,915.
56, Kylie Angiel (14u), Palm Bay, Fla., 2,904.
57, Jessica Flanagan, Lavaca, Ark., 2,890.
58, Annie Leihardt, Georgetown, Texas, 2,887.
59, Mari Pizzini, Helena, Mont., 2,875.
60, Kaela Ruby, Cape Coral, Fla., 2,874.
61, Larkin Kramer (14u), Plantation, Fla., 2,871.
62, Madison Kasza, O'Fallon, Ill., 2,868.
63, LeeAnne Davidson, Deltona, Fla., 2,839.
64, Kierra Miller, Fond du Lac, Wis., 2,835.
65, Emilie Watkinson, Palm Bay, Fla., 2,833.
66, Nicole Gattenby, Allen, Texas, 2,819.
67, Samantha Mueller, Fond du Lac, Wis., 2,812.
68, Lara Kurt (14u), Leland, N.C., 2,803.
69, Vakara Daugherty, Olathe, Kan., 2,801.
70, Magdalena Hinojos, Round Rock, Texas, 2,796.
71, Lyndsay Ennis (14u), Conway, S.C., 2,791.
72, Illyssa Jaraplasan, Cocoa, Fla., 2,779.
72, Madison Foster, Coral Springs, Fla., 2,779.
74, Maggie Carter, Owensboro, Ky., 2,778.
75, Juliana Sams (14u), Chesapeake, Va., 2,766.
76, Hailie Savoie, Sunset, La., 2,765.
77, Tyra Sanchez, Honolulu, Hawaii, 2,751.
78, Yasmine Sams, Chesapeake, Va., 2,719.
79, Rose-Marie Snyder, Wantagh, N.Y., 2,709.
80, Sara Howell-Floyd, Slidell, La., 2,706.
81, Sara Shuey, Cape Coral, Fla., 2,694.
82, Genevieve Burnett, Barton, N.Y., 2,682.
83, Lexi Moore, Cocoa, Fla., 2,678.
84, Morgan Mullinax, Pelham, Ala., 2,676.
85, Kyra Kansaki, Greenbrier, Ark., 2,675.
86, Madison Gentes (14u), Manchester, N.H., 2,662.
87, Kaitlin Hofmeister, South Sioux City, N.D., 2,653.
88, Hayleigh Hale (14u), Allen, Texas, 2,646.
89, Melissa Markowitz, Port St Lucie, Fla., 2,599.
90, Nichole Lewis, West Palm Beach, Fla., 2,583.
91, Emma Yoder (14u), Wooster, Ohio, 2,531.
92, Holly Brauchi (14u), Odessa, Texas, 2,511.
93, Courtney Seedorf, Bismarck, N.D., 2,408.
94, Rebecca Walker, N. Grosvenordale, Conn., 2,407.
95, Emily Fortune (14u), Boise, Idaho, 2,405.
96, Pamela Hodson (14u), Fairview, Texas, 2,346.
97, Desirae Seedorf (14u), Bismarck, N.D., 2,333.
98, DayLynn Schnieber-Bruns, Minot, N.D., 2,217.
99, Samantha Srodulski (14u), Allen, Texas, 2,184.
100, Kate Edwards (14u), New Braunfels, Texas, 2,182.
101, Alyssa Berke, Mount Kisco, N.Y., 1,951.
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PBA Spare Shots

PBA FALL CLASSIC ENTRIES NOW OPEN; WSOB ENTRIES OPEN JULY 18

Entries for the PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza, being held in one of the premier bowling facilities in the country - the South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas, are now being accepted. The event features a pair of PBA Tour title events –

the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open and the five-player PBA Team Challenge. Both events will be covered live from start-to-finish by Xtra Frame.

The PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza includes:

- **PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open, Oct. 28-30** - A singles event awarding a PBA Tour title and a guaranteed \$10,000 first prize. The field is limited to 120 entries. One in three will cash.
- **PBA Team Challenge, Oct. 30-Nov. 1** - First prize for the winning team will be \$30,000 along with PBA Tour titles for team members who are PBA members. The field is limited to 30 teams. One in three teams will cash.

Schedule details are available on pba.com under Schedules/PBA Tour. Select the appropriate event for the entry form or contact PBA Membership Services Manager **Mary von Krueger** (email: maryvk@pba.com; phone: 206-322-9688; fax: 850-564-1717).

Entries for the PBA World Series of Bowling VII, set for Nov. 27-Dec. 11 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, will open on Monday, July 18.

Entries for all remaining PBA50 Tour events, including the multi-event PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm July 18-23 in Welch, Minn., also may be submitted through PBA Membership Services Manager Mary von Krueger.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: TEEN MASTERS, PWBA ROCHESTER OPEN

Xtra Frame's live coverage of the Teen Masters' boys' and girls' championships from Sawgrass Lanes in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., concludes Friday, followed immediately by the preliminary rounds of the PWBA Rochester Open from AMF Gates Lanes in Rochester, N.Y., Friday and Saturday.

PBA50 Tour competition returns to Xtra Frame with start-to-finish coverage of the multi-event PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm July 18-23. PBA Tour coverage returns with the PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles July 29-31.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF WINS AGAIN IN ARIZONA

Fresh off winning his first PBA Tour title in the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open, **Jakob Butturff** of Chandler, Ariz., posted an 8-4 match play record and a 20-game total of 5,042 pins Sunday to win his fourth QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the FlipSide Awesome Bowling Classic at FlipSide Lanes in Gilbert, Ariz.

Butturff, who earned \$2,500, defeated **Michael Haugen Jr.** of Phoenix by 119 pins for the title. Haugen, who finished second to **PJ Haggerty** in the PBA Battle of Black Oak Casino West Open a week earlier, had a 9-3 match play record and 4,923 pins for 20 games including match play bonus pins.

- **Dick Allen** of Columbia, S.C., and **Carl Breman** of Greer, S.C., defeated the team of **John Furey** of Freehold, N.J., and **Sam Maccarone** of Blackwood, N.J., 427-403, to repeat their 2013 win in the QubicaAMF PBA South Region's AMF Fredericksburg Over/Under Doubles presented by Radical at AMF Fredericksburg (Va.) Lanes Sunday.

The title was Breman's second as a PBA member and Allen's 18th in PBA Regional competition. Each earned \$2,000. Breman had previously won a PBA South Region tournament in 1999, but didn't earn a title because he was a non-member at the time.

- Over the July 8-10 weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional events include the PBA Wine Country West/Northwest Open presented by Roto Grip at Double Decker Lanes in Rohnert Park, Calif.; the PBA50 Cecil Raymond Memorial presented by Track at 30 Strikes in Stratford, N.J.; the PBA Grand Hotel, Casino & Resort Southwest Open at Firelake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla.; the PBA Crystal Automotive Spring Hill South Open presented by Track at Spring Hill Lanes in Spring Hill, Fla., and the PBA Chuck's Boots Midwest Open presented by Krey Distributing and 590 The Fan at St Charles Lanes in St. Charles, Mo.

- On the QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule for the July 15-17 weekend are the PBA Boss Snow Plows Central Open at PinHeads Bowling Center in Fishers, Ind.; the PBA/PBA50 Sands Regency West/Northwest Doubles presented by MOTIV at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, and the PBA Glo Bowl Midwest Open in Marengo, Ill.

- July's QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the July 22-24 weekend with the PBA Angola Central/Midwest Open presented by Roto Grip at Angola Bowl in Angola, Ind., and the PBA Fort Sill Southwest Open presented by DV8 at Twin Oaks Bowling in Fort Sill, Okla.

- Closing the July schedule will be the PBA/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles, presented by Xtra Frame, at Bowl on Bellaire (formerly Palace Lanes) in Houston, Texas. The tournament affectionately called the "Luci" in honor of the late Luci Bonneau, who died of breast cancer, begins on Friday, July 28, and concludes on Sunday, July 31. All rounds will be covered live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, and both PBA and PWBA Tour titles will be awarded if the respective players are members.

Other QubicaAMF PBA Regional events scheduled for the July 29-31 weekend include the PBA Romeo Chevrolet-GMC-Buick Open presented by Ebonite at Patel's Kingston Lanes in Kingston, N.Y.; the PBA and PBA50 Boise West and Northwest Opens presented by Ebonite at 20th Century Lanes in Boise, Idaho; the PBA50 Beverly Lanes Midwest/Central Open in Arlington Heights, Ill.; the PBA50 Sparetimes Hampton South Open at Sparetimes Bowling Center in Hampton, Va., and the PBA Greater Marion Central Open at BlueFusion Fun Center in Marion, Ohio.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- **Mookie Betts'** bowling fan club can't do anything except grow after his selection to the starting outfield for the American League in next week's All-Star Games in San Diego. Betts, the Boston Red Sox right fielder who made his debut in PBA competition during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII in Reno last December, has been the American League's best leadoff hitter throughout the first half of the major league baseball season, hitting .298 with 18 home runs and 57 RBIs, which is tied for fifth best in the American League. And as an fyi, Betts is planning to return to the PBA WSOB VIII in Reno this winter.

- **Armando Martinez** of Mission, Texas, and **Lineal Floyd** of Colorado Springs, Colo., are winners of new DV8 and MOTIV high-performance bowling balls, respectively, as winners of the monthly sweepstakes open to new Xtra Frame subscribers, sponsored by MOTIV and DV8.

Everyone who enrolls as a new monthly or yearly Xtra Frame subscriber is automatically entered in the sweepstakes, and as of the end of July, the sweepstakes will expand to three winners as Brunswick is joining the Xtra Frame promotional program. In future months, new subscribers will have three opportunities to win a state-of-the-art high-performance ball from PBA's Product Registered partners.

- **Anthony DeStasio** of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., is the winner of June's \$200 HotelPlanner.com certificate, good for future lodging expenses, compliments of PBA's official travel partner. The monthly sweepstakes is open to anyone who books a hotel through the HotelPlanner.com link on pba.com.

- For the most recent additions to the PBA logoed-merchandise line and special sale items, don't forget to periodically check "The Store" on pba.com (<http://pba.firelakedesigns.com/>). New in the PBA Store: a PBA T-shirt that glows in the dark.

Virginia's Dawson Maier, South Carolina's Breanna Clemmer Take Leads into Final Day of Teen Masters Bowling Championships

TAMARAC, Fla. (July 7, 2016) – Dawson Maier of Hampton, Va., who had led since round two, and three-time Junior Team USA member Breanna Clemmer of Clover, S.C., took the boy's and girls' division leads into Friday's final two rounds of the Teen Masters High School Bowling Championships at Sawgrass Lanes.

Maier, 17, won five of his first six matches Thursday to finish the day with a five-round, 30-game total of 6,746 pins and a 126-pin lead over Adam Zimmerman, Deer Park, N.Y., in the boys' division. Zimmerman, who entered the day in seventh place, rolled games of 246, 223, 232, 247, 288 and 203 in Thursday's morning round to move up to second place and he retained his position through the first round of match play later Thursday.

Clemmer, 18, posted a 4-1-1 record for her opening round of match play, overtaking 16-year-old Madison Janack of Myrtle Beach, S.C., who won her first five matches, including rolling a 297 in game four, before losing ground in her final match with a 169 game. Clemmer finished the round with a 6,204 pinfall total and a 151-pin lead over Janack.

Among the bowlers in the U14 age division, Kirk Mowl of Ormond Beach, Fla., was the high finisher among the boys, placing 43rd overall with 4,487 pins for 24 games, while Mabel Cummins of Elburn, Ill., is the U14 girls' winner, but remains in the overall competition as the only U14 girl to advance to match play. Both U14 players are guaranteed \$2,000 scholarships.

The Teen Masters will conclude Friday after two more six-game match play rounds bowled on 30-foot short and 40-foot long oil lane conditions. The winner in each division after a total of 42 games will receive a \$6,000 scholarship.

The Teen Masters is being covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online video streaming service. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

TEEN MASTERS HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sawgrass Lanes, Tamarac, Fla., July 7

(Money listed is scholarship prize money)

BOYS' DIVISION

Round Five Standings (after 30 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Dawson Maier, Hampton, Va., 5-1, 6,746.
- 2, Adam Zimmerman, Deer Park, N.Y., 4-2, 6,620.
- 3, Andy Campbell, Fort Thomas, Ky., 1-5, 6,300.
- 4, Kennon McFalls, Gastonia, N.C., 4-2, 6,253.
- 5, Tyler Gromlovits, Junction City, Kan., 5-1, 6,250.
- 6, Igar Rodriguez, Miami, Fla., 3-3, 6,242.
- 7, Brandon Magennis, Fort Mill, S.C., 6-0, 6,220.
- 8, Andrew Hall, Westborough, Mass., 1-5, 6,209.
- 9, Hunter Kempton, Buzzards Bay, Mass., 3-3, 6,181.
- 10, Connor Egan, East Northport, N.Y., 2-4, 6,156.
- 11, Ryan Winters, Livonia, Mich., 3-3, 6,151.
- 12, Sean Wilcox, Altamonte Springs, Fla., 3-3, 6,149.
- 13, Charlie Forero, Miami, Fla., 3-3, 6,142.
- 14, Tom Hankey, Great Barrington, Mass., 3-3, 6,140.
- 15, Benjamin Hardin, Tampa, Fla., 2-4, 6,120.
- 16, Kenneth Merrick, Port St Lucie, Fla., 3-3, 6,100.
- 17, Jacob Shockley, Ocean City, Md., 2-4, 6,044.
- 18, Steven Welsh, Patchogue, N.Y., 1-5, 5,935.

Failed to Advance (after 24 games):

- 19, Jorge Rodriguez, Puerto Rico, 4,803.
- 20 (tie), Jacob Yoder, Wooster, Ohio, and Jarek Vincent, Fort Smith, Ark., 4,788.
- 22, Austin Cramer, Alachua, Fla., 4,786.
- 23, Alex Glinski, Linfield, Pa., 4,738.
- 24, Cerell Cardines, Las Vegas, Nev., 4,728.
- 25, Tyler Zogg, Chesapeake, Va., 4,723.
- 26, Alec Dudley, Anchorage, Alaska, 4,721.
- 27, Tristan Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 4,717.
- 28, James Fitzgerald, Helotes, Texas, 4,694.
- 29, Jonathan Cummins, Independence, Ky., 4,690.
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- 35, Kenneth High, Lake Mary, Fla., 4,619.
- 36, Steven Faulkner, Butner, N.C., 4,596.
- 37, Marcus McClain, Lincoln Park, Mich., 4,578.

38 (tie), Jackson Short, Brooksville, Fla., and Daniel Hartman, Commack, N.Y., 4,565.
 40 (tie), Sinjin Slater, Fond du Lac, Wis., and Michael Heath, St Peters, Mo., 4,544.
 42, Zachary Cook, Peyton, Colo., 4,491.
 43, Kirk Mowl (14u), Ormond Beach, Fla., 4,487, \$2,000.
 44, Chris Grimes, Lee's Summit, Mo., 4,477.
 45, Nicholas Huber, Amelia, Ohio, 4,452.
 46, Morgan Moore, Aurora, Colo., 4,421.
 47, Jamey Kragh (14u), Minot, N.D., 4,368, \$1,000.
 48, Tyler Michel (14u), Chesapeake, Va., 4,272, \$750.
 49, Blake Reiger (14u), Grafton, Wis., 4,244, \$500.
 50, Antonio Corea (14u), Miami, Fla., 4,243.
 51, Anthony Mastroianni (14u), Brooklyn, N.Y., 4,230.
 52, Travis Knowlton (14u), Dade City, Fla., 4,197.
 53, Irwin Jaraplasan (14u), Cocoa, Fla., 4,122.
 54, Michael Harmon Jr. (14u), Rockledge, Fla., 4,112.

GIRLS' DIVISION

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 2, Madison Janack, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 5-1, 6,053.
 3, Caitlyn Johnson, Beaumont, Texas, 3-3, 5,964.
 4, Bryanna Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 3-3, 5,918.
 5, Adrianna Stacy, Sebring, Fla., 5-1, 5,909.
 6, Crystal Elliott, Melbourne, Fla., 2-4, 5,849.
 7, Megan Eaglehouse, Cibolo, Texas, 3-3, 5,817.
 8, Emma Dockery, Ravenna, Ohio, 4-2, 5,793.
 9, Patricia Rosales, Orlando, Fla., 5-1, 5,760.
 10, Natalie Koprowitz, Girard, Ill., 1-4-1, 5,737.
 11, Mabel Cummins (14u), Elburn, Ill., 2-4, 5,693.
 12, Sarah Florence, Egg Harbor City, N.J., 4-2, 5,671.
 13 (tie), Samantha Johnson, Apopka, Fla., 1-5, and Leanne Vastbinder, Winter Park, Fla., 3-3, 5,658.
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 24, Hannah Diem (14u), Seminole, Fla., 4,087, \$300.
 25, Jordan Shipp (14u), Pensacola, Fla., 4,037.
 26, Emma Owens (14u), Owensboro, Ky., 4,005.

Wichita State's Sydney Brummett Is 2016 PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Recipient

CHICAGO – The Professional Bowlers Association has announced that Wichita State University Shocker bowling star Sydney Brummett of Fort Wayne, Ind., is the winner of the 2016 PBA Billy Welu Scholarship Award.

Brummett, entering her junior year majoring in health science/pre-nursing, was a member of the second-place 2016 Intercollegiate Team Championships women's team. Her Shockers women's team earned its berth in the ITC Championship by winning the 2016 sectional qualifier.

Named to four all-tournament teams during the 2015-16 season, the two-time Junior Team USA member was a 2015-16 National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association first team All-American after earning second team honors and rookie of the year for the 2014-15 season.

Among her other bowling accomplishments are Masters gold, team silver and trios silver medals in the 2015 PABCON Youth Championship, a 17th-place finish in the 2016 USBC Queens and a third-place finish in the 2015 Junior Gold Championships. The 20-year-old right hander also is a three-time Indiana Female Bowler of the Year.

"I'm very thankful to receive the Billy Welu Scholarship because it will heavily affect not just my academic career in nursing by helping me continue my education at Wichita State, but also help me grow myself in the sport of bowling," she said. "My experience at Wichita State has allowed me the opportunity to grow as an athlete and as a person. Going forward I hope to reach new goals in the sport by competing internationally and on the PWBA Tour."

The Fort Wayne, Ind. native has a 3.45 grade point average and has been an academic All-American since 2014. She has been an active volunteer for youth bowling serving as an Indiana State USBC youth board member and vice president, and as chairperson of the organization's food drive committee. She also is an active advocate for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and breast cancer awareness initiatives in her hometown.

The \$1,000 scholarship award was established to annually recognize a college student who combines outstanding bowling talents with academic excellence. Welu, who passed away in 1974, was best known for his expert analysis alongside legendary ABC broadcaster and PBA Hall of Famer Chris Schenkel on the "Pro Bowlers Tour" series. Welu was a two-time PBA Tour champion and a member of the PBA Hall of Fame's inaugural induction class in 1975.

BILLY WELU SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS

2016 – Sydney Brummett (Wichita State)
2015 – Ramon Hilferink (Webber International)
2014 – Melanie Hannon (Fairleigh Dickinson)
2013 – Katie Thornton (Webber International)
2012 – Danielle McEwan (Fairleigh Dickinson)
2011 – Kristina Frahm (Maryland Eastern Shore)
2010 – Kim Yioulos (Pikeville)
2009 – Elizabeth Seibel (Penn State)
2008 – Heather D'Errico (Robert Morris-Illinois)
2007 – Ricki Williams (Wichita State)
2006 – Jerrod Reece (Creighton University)
2005 – Mandy Pezzano (U of Penn)
2004 – Holly Pusok (University of Houston)
2003 – Robby Spigner (Indiana University)
2002 – N/A
2001 – Jennie Snoddy (Notre Dame College of Ohio)
2000 – Jackie Edwards (Cal State-Fresno)
1999 – Steven Svetlik (University of Illinois-Chicago)
1998 – Nicholas Hoagland (Indiana University)
1997 – Preston Brunswig (Wichita State)
1996 – Brenda Doshier (University of Southern Indiana)
1995 – Michael Lamont (University of Florida)
1994 – Joe Ciccone (Erie Community College)
1993 – N/A
1992 – Stephen Dale Jr. (Northeastern University)
1991 – Kari Murph (Morehead State)
1990 – Kimberly Berke (University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
1989 – Ronni Shehorn (San Jose State)
1988 – Julie Powell (University of Michigan)
1987 – N/A
1986 – Paul Kaib (University of Florida)
1985 – Curt Pezzano (University of Miami (Fla))
1984 – Michelle Mullen (University of Illinois)

1983 – Jeri Edwards (Penn State)

1982 – Patricia Bowie (Arizona State)

New York's Adam Zimmerman, South Carolina's Breanna Clemmer Win Teen Masters High School Bowling Championships

TAMARAC, Fla. (July 8, 2016) – Adam Zimmerman of Deer Park, N.Y., and three-time Junior Team USA member Breanna Clemmer of Clover, S.C., won the boy's and girls' division titles in the Teen Masters High School Bowling Championships at Sawgrass Lanes Friday.

Zimmerman, 17, finally overtook Dawson Maier of Hampton, Va., late in the final round of match play. Protecting a 17-pin lead going into the final game, he threw a critical string of four strikes to win that match, 220-188, and clinch the boys' title with a 42-game total of 9,475 pins. Maier, who had led since round two, finished 109 pins behind.

"After mixed pairs (round three of qualifying), I probably had the best block I've ever had and that's when I realized I had a chance to catch (Maier)," Zimmerman said of his fourth round, when he averaged 239.8 for six games to advance from seventh to second. "I just needed to make the right moves and that's what I did."

Zimmerman, a two-handed player, was bowling in the Teen Masters for the seventh consecutive year. His best previous finish was eighth place in 2015.

Clemmer, 18, moved into the lead during the first round of match play Thursday and then ran away from the field during Friday's final two rounds. Leading by 151 pins at the start of Friday's final 12 games, Clemmer expanded her final margin of victory to 392 pins over Adrianna Stacy of Sebring, Fla. Clemmer, the 2015 USBC Junior Gold champion and 2015 Junior Gold runner-up, finished her first Teen Masters tournament with a 13-4-1 match play record and 9,029 pins. She was the only girl in the field to average 200 (205.3).

"I think after game five in match play, I decided if I really wanted it, I had to go for it," Clemmer said. She also said her future collegiate coach, McKendree University's Shannon O'Keefe, an active competitor on the Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour during the summer months, "really pushed me hard to be better; she's definitely been my biggest influence."

Kirk Mowl of Ormond Beach, Fla., and Mabel Cummins of Elburn, Ill., were the boys' and girls' U14 division winners as the highest finishing players in their age group. Each was guaranteed \$2,000 scholarships.

The 20th annual Teen Masters High School Bowling Championships included 42 games of qualifying and match play on Professional Bowlers Association-caliber long- and short-oil lane conditioning patterns, plus a choice of two low-technology bowling balls which required players to focus on skill vs. technology.

The Teen Masters was conducted in cooperation with the PBA which provided live coverage of the entire event on its Xtra Frame online video streaming service. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

Gary Beck, founder of Killer B Promotions which owns and operates the Teen Masters, also announced the 2017 tournament will be conducted in Richmond, Va.

TEEN MASTERS HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sawgrass Lanes, Tamarac, Fla., July 8

(Money listed is scholarship prize money)

BOYS' DIVISION

Final Standings (after 42 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Adam Zimmerman, Deer Park, N.Y., 14-4, 9,475, \$6,000.
- 2, Dawson Maier, Hampton, Va., 11-7, 9,366, \$3,000.
- 3, Tyler Gromlovits, Junction City, Kan., 14-4, 9,102, \$2,000.
- 4, Andy Campbell, Fort Thomas, Ky., 7-11, 8,996, \$1,500.
- 5, Sean Wilcox, Altamonte Springs, Fla., 10-8, 8,932, \$1,000.
- 6, Connor Egan, East Northport, N.Y., 8-10, 8,873, \$900.
- 7, Igar Rodriguez, Miami, Fla., 10-8, 8,862, \$800.
- 8, Kennon McFalls, Gastonia, N.C., 9-9, 8,821, \$700.

- 9, Benjamin Hardin, Tampa, Fla., 11-7, 8,782, \$600.
- 10, Jacob Shockley, Ocean City, Md., 8-10, 8,744, \$500.
- 11, Tom Hankey, Great Barrington, Mass., 9-9, 8,733, \$440.
- 12, Andrew Hall, Westborough, Mass., 4-14, 8,667, \$430.
- 13, Brandon Magennis, Fort Mill, S.C., 11-7, 8,644, \$420.
- 14, Charlie Forero, Miami, Fla., 9-9, 8,637, \$410.
- 15, Hunter Kempton, Buzzards Bay, Mass., 8-10, 8,608, \$400.
- 16, Ryan Winters, Livonia, Mich., 7-11, 8,596, \$390.
- 17, Kenneth Merrick, Port St Lucie, Fla., 6-12, 8,465, \$380.
- 18, Steven Welsh, Patchogue, N.Y., 6-12, 8,453, \$370.

GIRLS' DIVISION

Final Standings (after 42 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Breanna Clemmer, Clover, S.C., 13-4-1, 9,029, \$6,000.
- 2, Adrianna Stacy, Sebring, Fla., 13-5, 8,637, \$3,000.
- 3, Caitlyn Johnson, Beaumont, Texas, 10-6-2, 8,614, \$1,750.
- 4, Crystal Elliott, Melbourne, Fla., 9-8-1, 8,562, \$1,000.
- 5, Bryanna Leyen, Perry Hall, Md., 11-7, 8,554, \$800.
- 6, Madison Janack, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 8-10, 8,482, \$750.
- 7, Natalie Koprowitz, Girard, Ill., 9-8-1, 8,334, \$600.
- 8, Jenna Williams, Homosassa, Fla., 8-9-1, 8,273, \$500.
- 9, Megan Eaglehouse, Cibolo, Texas, 7-11, 8,231, \$400.
- 10, Emma Dockery, Ravenna, Ohio, 9-9, 8,222, \$300.
- 11, Leanne Vastbinder, Winter Park, Fla., 10-8, 8,206, \$250.
- 12, Sarah Florence, Egg Harbor City, N.J., 10-8, 8,163, \$225.
- 13, Samantha Johnson, Apopka, Fla., 7-10-1, 8,148, \$200.
- 14, Cayla Hicks, Salem, Va., 9-9, 7,996, \$180.
- 15, Mabel Cummins (14u), Elburn, Ill., 3-13-2, 7,965, \$2,000.
- 16, Patricia Rosales, Orlando, Fla., 7-10-1, 7,900, \$160.
- 17, Heather Trapp, Chester, Va., 7-11, 7,864, \$140.
- 18, Mallory Liversedge, Meridian, Idaho, 7-11, 7,826, \$130.

Pete Weber Looks to Continue Record-Breaking Season In PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship July 17-23

Xtra Frame coverage begins July 18 with first round qualifying

WELCH, Minn. – Defending PBA50 Player of the Year Pete Weber, who will be trying for his third consecutive major win of the season, tops the list of PBA stars 50 and over who will compete in the inaugural PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm July 17-23 at Island Xtreme Bowl in Welch, Minn.

The Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open continues a busy month of July on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. PBA fans will be able to catch all the action beginning Monday, July 18 with first round qualifying. For subscription and schedule information visit www.xtraframe.tv.

The third major of the 2016 PBA50 Tour season will be a scaled-down version of the PBA Tour's PBA World Championship, providing a test of versatility and endurance by employing qualifying, match play and stepladder final stages on the PBA's Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion lane conditions. Each of the three stages also will award a PBA50 regional title. Combined qualifying pinfall totals for the three stages will determine the match play finalists for the PBA50 World Championship, leading up to a five-player stepladder final on Saturday, July 23.

Weber is currently in the middle of an incredible season in which he has already won a record five PBA50 Tour tournaments including a record four consecutive. Among those titles are victories in the season's first two majors, the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global and the USBC Senior Masters in June.

The fourth and final major of the season will be the PBA50 National Championship to benefit Riley Hospital for Children Aug. 14-17 at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

In the two PBA50 tournaments he has not won this season, Weber's worst finish was a fourth in the season-opening Pasco County Florida Open, which was won by Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. He also was second in the PBA50 Northern California Classic which was won by first-time PBA50 Tour titlist Noel Vazquez of Sacramento. Weber didn't bowl in the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open.

The PBA50 World Championship returns to the schedule for the first time since 2009 when three-time PBA50 Tour winner Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Township, Mich., won the event in suburban Detroit.

Other Hall of Famers competing include Amleto Monacelli, Norm Duke, Parker Bohn III, Mark Williams and Dale Eagle.

Competition begins Monday, July 18 with the first of three days of qualifying that begins at 8 a.m. After qualifying World Championship match play begins on Saturday, July 23 at 8:30 a.m. Qualifying scores from the first three days will also determine the top players who will compete in Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion match play rounds on Thursday, July 21. The top five from each of those rounds will earn berths in the stepladder finals on Friday, July 22 beginning at 12:30 p.m. which will award a PBA50 regional title to the winner.

Practice sessions will be conducted Sunday, July 17 beginning at 7:30 a.m. and pro-ams will be conducted at 3 and 5 p.m. Admission is free for all rounds including the World Championship stepladder finals.

PBA50 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

2009 Harry Sullins
2002 Mark Roth
2000 Roger Workman
1999 Dale Eagle

PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY STORM SCHEDULE Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn. (All times Central)

Sunday, July 17

7:30 – 9:30 a.m. - A Squad practice
10 – 11:30 a.m. – B squad practice
Pro-am Squads - 3, 5 p.m.

Monday, July 18

(Five games of qualifying on PBA50 Viper lane condition)

8 a.m. - A Squad

12:30 p.m. - B Squad

PBA50 Viper qualifying pins carryover to PBA50 Viper match play and World Championship match play rounds.

Tuesday, July 19

(Five games of qualifying on PBA50 Chameleon lane condition)

8 a.m. - B Squad

12:30 p.m. – A Squad

PBA50 Chameleon qualifying pins carryover to PBA50 Chameleon match play and World Championship match play rounds.

Wednesday, July 20

(Five games of qualifying on PBA50 Scorpion lane condition)

8 a.m. - A Squad

12:30 p.m. - B Squad

PBA50 Scorpion qualifying pins carryover to PBA50 Scorpion match play and World Championship match play rounds.

Thursday, July 21

8:30 a.m. - PBA50 Viper match play (five games)

Top five advance to PBA50 Viper stepladder finals
1 p.m. - PBA50 Chameleon match play (five games)
Top five advance to PBA50 Chameleon stepladder finals
5:30 p.m. - PBA50 Scorpion match play (five games)
Top five advance to PBA50 Scorpion stepladder finals

Friday, July 22

12:30 - PBA50 Viper stepladder finals
3 p.m. - PBA50 Chameleon stepladder finals
5:30 p.m. - PBA50 Scorpion stepladder finals

Saturday, July 23

9 a.m. - World Championship match play (six games)
2 p.m. - World Championship match play (six games)
Top five advance to the stepladder finals
7 p.m. - World Championship stepladder finals

Jason Belmonte Wins Back-to-Back Best Bowler ESPY Awards

Australian two-hander earns third overall award during ceremonies in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (July 13, 2016)- Jason Belmonte of Australia earned his second consecutive and third overall Best Bowler ESPY Award Wednesday evening during the 2016 ESPY Awards ceremonies at the Microsoft Theater.

Belmonte, who won his first ESPY Award in 2011, was among winners in a variety of sports and special moment categories that were determined by fan voting. The winners were announced during ABC-TV's live ESPY Awards telecast.

In 2015, Belmonte became the first international player to win three consecutive Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year awards. The two-handed star also became the first player to win the USBC Masters in three consecutive years and he won his second consecutive Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions title, becoming the first player to win both the Masters and TOC in back-to-back seasons.

"I'm absolutely thrilled to win the ESPY again this year," Belmonte said. "This award means so much to me because it's voted by the people who I believe matter most in bowling, the fans. My fans are a huge motivation in my game. I want to always give them my absolute best because it's what they deserve. I'd like to thank everyone who voted, but more importantly, thanks to all the fans for loving the sport of bowling."

Also nominated in the Best Bowler category were PBA Player of the Year contender Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y.; Swedish two-handed star Jesper Svensson and Texan Anthony Simonsen, also a two-handed player.

Ciminelli won three titles in 2015 including the U.S. Open and finished third in the PBA World Championship. Early in 2016 he won the bowlingball.com Maine Shootout for his sixth career PBA Tour title.

Svensson won two titles in 2015 on his way to earning PBA Rookie of the Year honors and in 2016 won the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions to become the tournament's youngest champion at age 21.

Simonsen became the youngest player ever to win a major when he won the 2016 USBC Masters at age 19. He won his first title with partner Connor Pickford in the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship.

HISTORY OF ESPY BEST BOWLER AWARD WINNERS

2016 – Jason Belmonte

2015 – Jason Belmonte
2014 - Pete Weber
2013 – Pete Weber
2012 – Sean Rash
2011 – Jason Belmonte
2010 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2009 – Norm Duke
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1998 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
1997 – Bob Learn Jr.
1996 – Mike Aulby
1995 – Norm Duke

PBA Spare Shots

PBA BOWLING CHALLENGE MOBILE GAME ADDS NEW VENUE, BALL, TOURNAMENTS

Already established as one of the world's most popular games for mobile devices, Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge unveiled a new bowling venue (Lane 51), a new bowling ball (UFO) and new tournaments on Thursday...with additional enhancements on the drawing board for a to-be-announced debut later in the summer.

For newcomers to the PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game, mobile device users can sign up to play the game at no cost and, as Concrete Software notes, "Rise through the ranks of the PBA as you travel from state to state facing the top bowlers in the county. Starting in a local alley with a scuffed up 12 pound ball, you'll hone your skills against bowling legends on your way to competing in the Tournament of Champions!"

PBA Bowling Challenge provides mobile device users an opportunity to choose the opponents they want to play against, including 21 PBA stars such as hall of famers Walter Ray Williams Jr. and Pete Weber, among others; track your own stats, pick your location, decide your style of play, selected from a wide variety of bowling balls, and much more. Special trick balls are optional and add to the fun.

If you are not already a PBA Bowling Challenge participant, visit Google Play (Android), the App Store (Apple), Nook or the Amazon Appstore to get started.

CHRIS PAUL NAMED ESPN'S SPORTS HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR

Los Angeles Clippers all-star point guard **Chris Paul** has been named ESPN's second annual Sports Humanitarian of the Year for using the power of sports to make a positive impact on society, ESPN announced Wednesday.

Paul and his family have dedicated themselves to helping children through the Chris Paul Family Foundation. The Chris Paul PBA Celebrity Bowling Invitational, which airs annually on ESPN, is one of the events that contributes to the foundation.

After opening a newly-refurbished Boys & Girls Club in Watts, Paul said, ""It hit me that it's not fair...that a kid on this side of town doesn't have the same opportunities as a kid on the other side of town."

For his work with the Boys & Girls Club and his dedication to helping the community, Paul received the April 2015 NBA Cares Community Assist Award in recognition of his outstanding charitable contributions and philanthropy, one of three community assist awards he received in his career. Paul and his family foundation have made a \$1 million commitment to Boys & Girls Clubs across the country, from Los Angeles to his hometown of Winston-Salem, N.C., where he established the Nathaniel Jones Scholarship Fund at Wake Forest, providing one athletic and one academic full-ride scholarship to the school.

With charitable efforts such as his annual Chris Paul PBA Celebrity Bowling Invitational and his TopSpin Celebrity Ping Pong Tournament in Las Vegas, he's also found ways to raise money in exciting and fun ways, often bringing in other celebrities to help the cause.

"As a lot of people know, we really focus on putting technology and computer labs in underprivileged schools," Paul said during his 2016 bowling event. "Events like this, while they're fun and give people the opportunity to entertain and have a good time, it's all going to a great cause. It's always a lot of fun, and it's good to have some new faces."

PBA champions Jason Belmonte, Ryan Ciminelli and Anthony Simonsen – three of the four nominees for the "Best Bowler" ESPY award – attended the event (visit the Photo Gallery on pba.com for photos: <http://www.pba.com/PhotoGalleries/Details/348>). The fourth nominee – Sweden's Jesper Svensson – was unable to attend. Belmonte won the ESPY for the second year in a row and the third time overall.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA50 PLAYERS BEGIN BID FOR THIRD MAJOR TITLE

PBA50 Tour competition returns to Xtra Frame with start-to-finish coverage of the multi-event PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm beginning next Monday in Welch, Minn. Exclusive coverage of the PBA50 Tour's third major championship of the season, which will include Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion qualifying events, continues through Saturday, July 23, when the PBA World championship stepladder finals are scheduled to air 7:30 p.m. EDT.

Following the Treasure Island event, PBA50 players will head to Olympia Lanes in Hammond, Ind., for the annual PBA50 South Shore Open July 26-28.

The PWBA Tour's next event is the St. Petersburg-Clearwater Open from Seminole Lanes in St. Petersburg, Fla., Friday and Saturday. All rounds will be covered by Xtra Frame.

Closing the month, PBA and PWBA Tour players will team up on Xtra Frame's full coverage of the PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles from Bowl on Bellaire (formerly Palace Bowl) in Houston, Texas, July 29-31. The tournament affectionately called the "Luci" honors the late Luci Bonneau, a breast cancer victim. Qualifying begins on Friday, July 29. All rounds will be covered live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, and both PBA and PWBA Tour titles will be awarded if the respective players are members.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. As a bonus, new monthly or full-year Season Ticket Xtra Frame subscribers are automatically entered into a monthly sweepstakes where they have three chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

PBA INTERNATIONAL TOUR TO VISIT THAILAND AUG. 6-12

PBA International Tour competition returns to the 2016 schedule Aug. 6-12 when Blu-O Rhythm & Bowl Paragon in Bangkok, Thailand, hosts the WBT Thailand, a PBA-World Bowling Tour event that will award a \$32,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title if the winner is a PBA member.

The tournament returns to the PBA International-WBT schedule after a year's absence. That makes the defending champion 2014 winner **Osku Palermaa** of Finland who defeated top seed **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., 227-213, 243-224, for the title. Because Ciminelli was the top qualifier, Palermaa had to beat him twice to win the event.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF REMAINS RED-HOT IN PBA WEST

Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., posted a 9-3 match play record and a 20-game total of 5,214 pins Sunday to win the PBA Wine Country West/Northwest Open at Double Decker Lanes in Rohnert Park, Calif., for his fifth QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the last 11 tournaments he has entered.

Butturff, a 22-year-old left hander, earned \$2,000 by defeating **Greg Thompson Jr.** of Dublin, Calif., by 437 pins for the title. On June 26, he also won his first PBA Tour title in the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open in Lubbock, Texas. Thompson had a 7-5 match play record and 4,777 pins for 20 games including match play bonus pins.

- **Tom Daugherty** of Riverview, Fla., put an end of **Dick Allen**'s bid for a wire-to-wire victory Sunday, defeating Allen, 246-216, to win the 28th annual PBA Crystal Automotive Spring Hill South Open presented by Track at Spring Hill Lanes in Spring Hill, Fla.

Daugherty, the no. 2 qualifier going into the stepladder finals after trailing Allen by 224 pins at the end of match play, received \$2,500 for his 10th QubicaAMF PBA Regional win while Allen earned \$1,300 for his second place finish.

In the first stepladder match, non-member **Dave Stouffer** of Ft. Myers, Fla. disposed of **Darin Hays** from Wesley Chapel, Fla., 233-214. Daugherty then eliminated Stouffer, 202-195, to advance to the championship match.

- Former PBA Southwest Region Rookies of the Year **Chris Hibbitts** of Keller and **Roger Petrin** of Arlington teamed up to win the PBA FireLake Grand Casino Hotel Resort Southwest Doubles at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., Sunday by a single pin over fellow Texans **Chris Johnson** of Garland and **Anthony Simonsen** of Princeton.

Johnson and Simonsen suffered three splits in the first five frames, but they began stringing strikes and rallied to take the lead until Johnson left a 7-10 split in his ninth frame. In the 10th frame, Simonsen struck out, forcing Petrin to convert the 2-4-5-8 spare and then get nine pins for a 441-440 victory to claim the \$4,000 winners' check. Petrin earned his third QubicaAMF PBA Regional title while Hibbitts picked up his second.

Hibbitts and Petrin led the qualifying round to earn two byes in the single-elimination match play competition, advancing to the semifinal round where they defeated future PBA Hall of Fame stars **Tommy Jones** of Simpsonville, S.C., and **Chris Barnes** of Double Oak, Texas, 2-1, in their best-of-three-game match. Johnson and Simonsen eliminated **Dino Castillo** of Highland Park, Texas, and **Marshall Kent** of Yakima, Wash., 2-0, in the other semifinal round match.

- **Jeff Zaffino** of Warren, Pa. defeated **Marty Berke** of Allentown, Pa., 279-232, to win the PBA50 Cecil Raymond Memorial presented by Track at 30 Strikes in Stratford, N.J., Sunday for his 26th overall QubicaAMF PBA Regional title.

Zaffino led qualifying on Saturday and was undefeated in Sunday's elimination rounds, averaging over 243 for 15 games to win the \$1,500 first prize. Zaffino defeated **Rob Hoffman** of Freehold, N.J., 214-204, and Berke defeated **Sammy Ventura** of Norwich, N.Y., 214-209, in the semifinal round.

The tournament, which began in 2004, was renamed in 2014 to honor its sponsor, who passed away in January 2014. Cecil Raymond was the East Region's 2013 Pat Patterson Award for outstanding contributions to the region.

- **Brad Miller** of Kansas City, Mo., defeated **Tom Hess** of Urbandale, Iowa, 204-195, to win his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA Chuck's Boots Midwest Open at St. Charles Lanes in St. Charles, Mo., Sunday.

With his first PBA Regional title, which included a \$2,200 prize, Miller also became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA FireLake Tournament of Champions.

After qualifying fourth for the stepladder finals, Miller edged **Steven Taylor** of Deer Creek, Ill., 231-193, and he then defeated amateur **Mykel Holliman** of Collierville, Tenn., 248-245, to advance to the championship match.

- On the QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule this weekend are the PBA Boss Snow Plows Central Open at PinHeads Bowling Center in Fishers, Ind.; the PBA/PBA50 Sands Regency West/Northwest Doubles presented by MOTIV at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, and the PBA Glo Bowl Midwest Open in Marengo, Ill.

- July's QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the July 22-24 weekend with the PBA Angola Central/Midwest Open presented by Roto Grip at Angola Bowl in Angola, Ind., and the PBA Fort Sill Southwest Open presented by DV8 at Twin Oaks Bowling in Fort Sill, Okla.

- Closing the July schedule over the July 29-31 weekend will be the PBA Romeo Chevrolet-GMC-Buick Open presented by Ebonite at Patel's Kingston Lanes in Kingston, N.Y.; the PBA and PBA50 Boise West and Northwest Opens presented by Ebonite at 20th Century Lanes in Boise, Idaho; the PBA50 Beverly Lanes Midwest/Central Open in Arlington Heights, Ill.; the PBA50 Sparetimes Hampton South Open at Sparetimes Bowling Center in Hampton, Va., and the PBA Greater Marion Central Open at BlueFusion Fun Center in Marion, Ohio.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

Non-Member Novak Wins PBA Boss Snow Plows/Ebonite Central Open

Fishers, Ind. (July 17, 2016) – Non-member Steve Novak of Bay City, Mich. defeated Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., 265-246, to win the Professional Bowlers Association Boss Snow Plows/Ebonite Central Open at PinHeads Sunday.

Novak downed Jeff Hatt of Oklahoma, City, Okla., 387-331, and McCune topped Anthony Kennard of Wapakoneta, Ohio, 367-362, in the two-game, total pinfall semifinal round matches to set up the championship match.

Novak earned \$2,000 for his victory. However, since he is a non-member, it is not recognized as a PBA title winner.

McCune earned \$1,000 for second place. Kennard and Hatt each earned \$800 as semifinal round losers.

The next PBA Central Region event will be the Angola/Roto Grip Central Open in Angola, Ind., July 22-24.

The Boss Snow Plows/Ebonite Central Open was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

PBA BOSS SNOW PLOWS/EBONITE CENTRAL OPEN PinHeads, Fishers, Ind., Sunday

Championship: n-Steve Novak, Bay City, Mich. (\$2,000) def. Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind. (\$1,000), 265-246.

Semifinal Round (two games total pinfall, losers earned \$800):

Novak, Bay City, Mich., def. Jeff Hatt, Oklahoma City, Okla., 387-331.

McCune, Munster, Ind., def. Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 367-362.

Round of 8 (three games total pinfall, losers eliminated and earned \$650 each):

Novak def. Chris Colella, Templeton, Mass., 632-620.

McCune def. Chris Hartung, Goshen, Ind., 592-551.

Kennard def. Eric Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 571-561.

Hatt def. Matthew Staninger, Indianapolis, 614-541.

Round of 12 (three games total pinfall, losers eliminated and earned \$500 each):

Hatt def. Dave Wodka, Beaver Creek, Ohio, 588-585.

Tackett def. n-Nick Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 671-635.

Colella def. B.J. Satkowski, Jackson, Mich., 605-580.

Hartung def. J.R. Raymond, Harrison Township, Mich., 550-536.

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Duke Hopes Small Adjustments Will Get Him Back on Winning Track at PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship

WELCH, Minn. (July 18, 2016) – Despite a PBA50 Tour winless streak that has lasted more than two years, PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke feels he’s only a few small tweaks from returning to the winner’s circle.

The two-time PBA50 Tour winner leads the first round of the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm after posting a 1,215 five-game pinfall total on games of 258, 245, 259, 195 and 258 Monday at Island Xtreme Bowl.

"It's the small things, but the small things are getting harder and harder to fix," said the 52-year-old Duke, whose last win came as a PBA50 Tour rookie in the 2014 Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open. "I'm still working through things in my game. I want to be as good as I've ever been but that's a more demanding undertaking at my age."

Duke, who ranks third all-time on the PBA Tour with 38 titles, has a best PBA50 Tour finish of second this season which came in the season opening Pasco County Florida Open.

The third major of the 2016 PBA50 Tour season provides a test of versatility and endurance by employing qualifying, match play and stepladder final stages on the PBA's Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion lane conditions.

"The biggest test here is getting all the pins you can on three different lane conditions," Duke said. "Ultimately, I'm trying to build a game that is going to withstand the grind of a tournament like this and that's where refining the small things in my game I hope will pay off."

The entire field bowled the Viper qualifying stage Monday and will return for the Chameleon qualifying round on Tuesday and the Scorpion qualifying round on Wednesday. After those three rounds, the top 24 qualifiers will advance to World Championship match play on Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Monday's qualifying also determined the top 24 players who will advance to the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Viper championship match play round Thursday morning. After Thursday's match play the top five will advance to the Viper stepladder finals on Friday at 12:30 p.m. which will award a PBA50 regional title to the winner.

Duke leads a pair of PBA60 players, 60-year-old David Axon of Bellevue, Neb., in second with a 1,204 pinfall and 61-year-old Sam Maccarone of Blackwood, N.J., in third with 1,201 which included a 300 game.

Trying for his third consecutive major title of the season, Hall of Famer and defending PBA50 Player of the Year Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., is in fourth finishing the first round with a 1,195 pinfall. The 53-year-old is looking to build on a record-breaking season in which he has won a record five titles including four consecutive. His two major wins were the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global and the USBC Senior Masters in June.

Three-time PBA50 Tour winner Bob Learn Jr. rounded out the top five with a 1,190 pinfall which also included a 300 game.

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PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

PRESENTED BY STORM

Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn.

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS

(After five games. Top 24 also advance to Thursday's Treasure Island Resort & Casino Viper Championship match play round)

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,215.
- 2, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 1,204.
- 3, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,201.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,195.
- 5, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,190.
- 6, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,180.
- 7, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1,172.
- 8, (tie) Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, and Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,163.
- 10, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,150.
- 11, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1,141.
- 12, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,133.
- 13, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,128.
- 14, (tie) John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., and Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,126.
- 16, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 1,124.
- 17, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,122.
- 18, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 1,118.
- 19, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,116.
- 20, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,115.
- 21, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,114.

22, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,097.
23, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,087.
24, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,080.
25, *Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,075, \$250.
26, *Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,070, \$250.
27, *Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,067, \$250.
28, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,059.
29, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,052.
30, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,047.
31, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1,044.
32, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 1,043.
33, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,040, \$200.
34, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,036.
35, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,034.
36, Bob Micek, Woodbury, Minn., 1,028.
37, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 1,027.
38, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,026.
39, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,024, \$200.
40, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,022, \$200.
40, ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,022, \$200.
42, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,021.
43, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,020.
43, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 1,020.
45, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 1,017.
46, (tie) Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., and Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,016.
48, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,013, \$200.
49, n-Sam Lantto, Eden Prairie, Minn., 1,011.
50, Jerry Sikora, Gibbon, Minn., 1,006.
51, Bobby Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,005.
52, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 996.
53, ss-Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 992, \$200.
54, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 990.
55, (tie) ss-Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 986, \$200, and n-David Oulman, Medford, Minn., 986.
57, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 985.
58, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 984, \$200.
59, Randy Peterson, Carrington, N.D., 983.
60, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 981.
61, Jeffrey Taylor, Madison, Wis., 975.
62, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 973.
63, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 969.
64, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 967.
65, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 960.
66, (tie) Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., and Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 958.
68, Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 956.
69, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 954.
70, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 945.
71, Dana Wright, St. Paul, Minn., 942.
72, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 941.
73, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 936.
74, n-Mike Morris, Fargo, N.D., 929.
75, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 927.
76, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 924.
77, n-Ron Cleveland, St. Paul, Minn., 917.
78, Dean Bruinsma, Clear Lake, S.D., 916.
79, (tie) Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., and John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 906.
81, Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 886.
82, Eugene Captain, Bertha, Minn., 843.
83, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 786.

300 games – Bob Learn Jr., Sam Maccarone

*indicates players cashing in Treasure Island Resort & Casino Viper Championship regional prize list

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 players ages 60 and over cashing for \$200 in Viper Championship

Duke Keeps Momentum on Chameleon Lane Condition To Retain PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship Lead

Australia's Andrew Frawley averages 253.6 to top Chameleon Championship second round

WELCH, Minn. (July 19, 2016) – In last month's Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global, PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., dominated qualifying as the tournament leader only to falter in match play eventually finishing 11th. It's something he hopes to avoid in the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm.

After Tuesday's second round bowling on PBA's 43-foot Chameleon lane condition pattern at Island Xtreme Bowl, Duke retained his qualifying lead with a 2,422 10-game pinfall total to lead two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, in second with 2,370, and PBA Tour and PBA50 Tour winner Sam Maccarone of Blackwell, N.J., in third with 2,363.

Duke, a 38-time PBA Tour and two-time PBA50 Tour titlist, bowled games of 215, 227, 279, 258 and 228 after a 1,215 pinfall total in Monday's first round on the Viper lane condition.

"The (Senior) U.S. Open is such that if you don't have a good look, you'll pay dearly," said Duke whose last win on the PBA50 Tour came in the 2014 Senior U.S. Open. "The adjustments you make here aren't nearly as bold as you would make in the U.S. Open and in the U.S. Open it can get a lot worse before it gets better if you don't make the right decisions.

"The fact is a nose dive can happen to anyone at any time and it has happened to all of us at one time or another," Duke added. "On the U.S. Open lane condition, there's a lot less room for error so you can dig a bigger hole quicker there but it can happen anywhere."

Heading into Wednesday's third round, PBA50 Suncoast Senior U.S. Open and USBC Senior Masters winner Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., is in 14th with a 2,272 pinfall.

The entire field will return for third round qualifying on the Scorpion lane condition Wednesday which will determine the top 24 qualifiers who will advance to World Championship match play on Saturday at 8:30 a.m. CT. Tuesday's qualifying also determined the top 24 players who will advance to the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Chameleon championship match play round Thursday at 1 p.m. After Thursday's match play the top five will advance to the Chameleon stepladder finals on Friday at 3 p.m. which will award a PBA50 regional title to the winner.

Australian standout Andrew Frawley topped Tuesday's Chameleon round with a 1,268 pinfall on games of 253, 266, 236, 214 and 299. Rounding out the top five were Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,266; Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,254; Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,244, and Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,233.

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**PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
PRESENTED BY STORM
Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn., Tuesday**

**SECOND ROUND STANDINGS
(After 10 games)**

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2,422.
- 2, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 2,370.
- 3, Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2,363.
- 4, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 2,358.
- 5, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 2,356.
- 6, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2,346.
- 7, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2,323.
- 8, Ron Nelson Jr., Bridgeview, Ill., 2,302.
- 9, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 2,290.
- 10, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 2,288.
- 11, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 2,286.
- 12, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 2,285.
- 13, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2,281.
- 14, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2,272.
- 15, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 2,270.
- 16, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 2,261.
- 17, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 2,248.
- 18, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 2,243.
- 19, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2,231.
- 20, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 2,225.
- 21, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 2,218.
- 22, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 2,216.
- 23, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 2,199.
- 24, (tie) Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, and Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 2,196.
- 26, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 2,191.
- 27, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 2,187.
- 28, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 2,186.
- 29, n-Sam Lantto, Eden Prairie, Minn., 2,185.
- 30, Bob Micek, Woodbury, Minn., 2,182.
- 31, (tie) Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., and Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 2,176.
- 33, (tie) Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., and James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 2,168.
- 35, (tie) Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., and Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 2,167.
- 37, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2,160.
- 38, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 2,159.
- 39, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 2,156.
- 40, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 2,155.
- 41, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 2,142.
- 42, Dana Wright, St. Paul, Minn., 2,132.
- 43, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 2,128.
- 44, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 2,116.
- 45, Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 2,115.
- 46, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 2,108.
- 47, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 2,099.
- 48, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 2,096.
- 49, Jerry Sikora, Gibbon, Minn., 2,086.
- 50, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 2,078.
- 51, Randy Peterson, Carrington, N.D., 2,076.
- 52, Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 2,073.
- 53, (tie) Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., Bobby Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., and Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 2,072.
- 56, Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 2,069.
- 57, n-David Oulman, Medford, Minn., 2,054.
- 58, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 2,049.
- 59, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 2,048.
- 60, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 2,038.
- 61, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 2,028.
- 62, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 2,026.
- 63, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 2,009.
- 64, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 1,987.

- 65, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,983.
- 66, Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 1,979.
- 67, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 1,971.
- 68, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 1,970.
- 69, (tie) Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., and Jeffrey Taylor, Madison, Wis., 1,962.
- 71, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wisc., 1,960.
- 72, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,946.
- 73, Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,944.
- 74, n-Ron Cleveland, St. Paul, Minn., 1,936.
- 75, n-Mike Morris, Fargo, ND, 1,935.
- 76, (tie) Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., and Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,931.
- 78, Eugene Captain, Bertha, Minn., 1,898.
- 79, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,884.
- 80, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 1,883.
- 81, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,866.
- 82, Dean Bruinsma, Clear Lake, S.D., 1,786.

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PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING RESULTS

(After five games. Top 24 advance to Thursday's Treasure Island Resort & Casino Chameleon Championship match play round)

- 1, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 1,268.
- 2, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,266.
- 3, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,254.
- 4, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,244.
- 5, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,233.
- 6, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,228.
- 7, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,210.
- 8, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,207.
- 9, (tie) Dana Wright, St. Paul, Minn., and Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,190.
- 11, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1,186.
- 12, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 1,184.
- 13, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,182.
- 14, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,175.
- 15, n-Sam Lantto, Eden Prairie, Minn., 1,174.
- 16, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,162.
- 17, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 1,160.
- 18, Bob Micek, Woodbury, Minn., 1,154.
- 19, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1,152.
- 20, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,148.
- 21, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,139.
- 22, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,134.
- 23, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,133.
- 24, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,132.
- 25, *Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,131, \$200.
- 26, *Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,129, \$200.
- 27, *Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,127, \$200.
- 28, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,123.
- 29, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1,120.
- 30, (tie) Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., and Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,116.
- 32, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,114.
- 33, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 1,113, \$200.
- 34, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,112.
- 35, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,101.
- 36, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,099, \$200.
- 37, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,097, \$200.
- 38, (tie) Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibilo, Texas, and Randy Peterson, Carrington, N.D., 1,093.

40, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 1,091.
 41, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,086, \$200.
 42, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,085.
 43, (tie) ss-Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., \$200, and ss-David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 1,081, \$200.
 45, (tie) Jerry Sikora, Gibbon, Minn., and Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,080.
 47, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,077.
 48, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,075, \$200.
 49, (tie) Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, \$100, and ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,072, \$100.
 52, n-David Oulman, Medford, Minn., 1,068.
 53, Bobby Nelson, Las Vegas, 1,067.
 54, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,065.
 55, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,059.
 56, Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,058.
 57, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,056.
 58, Eugene Captain, Bertha, Minn., 1,055.
 59, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,046.
 60, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,045.
 61, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 1,042.
 62, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,034.
 63, (tie) Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., and Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,032.
 65, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,029.
 66, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 1,027.
 67, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,020.
 68, n-Ron Cleveland, St. Paul, Minn., 1,019.
 69, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,010.
 70, n-Mike Morris, Fargo, N.D., 1,006.
 71, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 1,001.
 72, Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 993.
 73, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 991.
 74, Jeffrey Taylor, Madison, Wis., 987.
 75, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 981.
 76, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 977.
 77, Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., 973.
 78, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 939.
 79, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 912.
 80, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 909.
 81, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 893.
 82, Dean Bruinsma, Clear Lake, S.D., 870.

300 games – Bo Goergen

*indicates players cashing in Treasure Island Resort & Casino Chameleon Championship regional prize list

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 players ages 60 and over cashing for \$200

Nelson, Bohn Top Qualifying In PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship *Pete Weber finishes qualifying in third as 24 players advance to match play*

WELCH, Minn. (July 20, 2016) – Bowling in his first PBA50 Tour tournament, non-member Ron Nelson Jr. of Bridgeview, Ill., averaged 256.6 in Wednesday's final qualifying round to lead 24 players who advanced to match play in the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm at Island Xtreme Bowl.

After finishing 18th in Monday's first round on the Viper lane condition pattern, Nelson moved steadily up the standings to eighth after the second round Tuesday on the Chameleon pattern before bowling a 1,283 five-game pinfall with games of 222, 289, 268, 259 and 245 Wednesday on the Scorpion pattern.

For the three qualifying rounds, Nelson had a 3,585 15-game qualifying pinfall good for a 239 overall average.

“To use a golf analogy you might say I had a good day pitching and putting,” said Nelson, who owns one PBA regional tournament title and finished ninth in the 2009 U.S. Open. “I came in with a good game plan with my equipment and how I wanted to play the lanes. I got comfortable right away and started striking.”

The 24-player match play field will bowl two six-game rounds Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. CT which will determine the top five for the stepladder finals at 7 p.m.

Finishing second after qualifying was PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., who had a 3,568 15-game pinfall. The 35-time PBA Tour winner moved into second with a 1,287 pinfall in the third round bowling games of 300, 216, 255, 268 and 248.

Even though Bohn won the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open conducted last season as a standard event for his third PBA50 Tour title, he approaches the World Championship differently.

“You always have a good feeling when you come to a center where you’ve had success,” said Bohn. “In the multi-event tournaments that we bowl on completely different lane conditions you are literally walking out of the same center at the end of the day but I approach it as each day you’re walking into a different center in a new city. You have to clear your mind and prepare like it’s a brand new tournament.”

Trying for his third consecutive major title of the season, Hall of Famer and defending PBA50 Player of the Year Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., finished qualifying in third with a 3,566 pinfall. He bowled a third round leading 1,294 pinfall with games of 279, 215, 242, 258 and 300 to finish two pins behind Bohn.

The winner of the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global and USBC Senior Masters is in the midst of a milestone season in which he has already won a record five PBA50 Tour tournaments including four consecutively.

Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., who was the qualifying leader after the first two rounds, dropped to sixth finishing with a 3,500 pinfall total.

As the top qualifier in Wednesday’s third round Weber will also lead 24 finalists for the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Scorpion Championship match play round Thursday at 5:30 p.m. After Thursday’s match play the top five will advance to the Scorpion stepladder finals Friday at 5:30 p.m. which will award a PBA50 regional title to the winner.

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PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY STORM

Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn., Wednesday

THIRD ROUND STANDINGS

(After 15 games. Top 24 advance to World Championship match play Saturday)

- 1, n-Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 3,585.
- 2, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,568.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,566.
- 4, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,519.
- 5, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3,501.
- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,500.
- 7, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3,437.
- 8, Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,427.
- 9, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,423.
- 10, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,404.
- 11, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 3,400.
- 12, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 3,399.
- 13, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,394.
- 14, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 3,379.

15, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,374.
16, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,361.
17, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,342.
18, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,337.
19, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,331.
20, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,325.
21, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 3,310.
22, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,304.
23, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,296.
24, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 3,295.
25, *Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,285, \$1,250.
26, *Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 3,276, \$1,250.
27, *David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3,262, \$1,250.
28, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,259.
29, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3,258.
30, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 3,238.
31, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,234.
32, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,232.
33, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,231.
34, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, \$1,250.
35, (tie) Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., and Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,206.
37, Bob Micek, Woodbury, Minn., 3,203.
38, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3,191, \$1,250.
39, Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., 3,186.
40, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 3,184.
41, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,183.
42, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,181.
43, Bobby Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,179.
44, Jerry Sikora, Gibbon, Minn., 3,172.
45, ss-Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 3,171, \$1,250.
46, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,161, \$1,250.
47, n-David Oulman, Medford, Minn., 3,139.
48, n-Sam Lantto, Eden Prairie, Minn., 3,134.
49, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,132, \$1,250.
50, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 3,130.
51, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 3,122.
52, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 3,120.
53, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,118, \$1,250.
54, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,112, \$1,250.
55, Randy Peterson, Carrington, N.D., 3,108.
56, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 3,096, \$1,250.
56, Dana Wright, St. Paul, Minn., 3,096.
58, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,078.
59, (tie) Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, and Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,077.
61, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 3,076.
62, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,060.
63, David Taylor, Largo, Fla., 3,045.
63, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,045.
65, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 3,044.
66, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 3,006.
67, Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 2,970.
68, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 2,962.
69, n-Mike Morris, Fargo, ND, 2,959.
70, Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., 2,953.
71, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 2,945.
72, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 2,942.
73, Eugene Captain, Bertha, Minn., 2,904.
74, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 2,897.

- 75, Jeffrey Taylor, Madison, Wis., 2,886.
- 76, Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., 2,875.
- 77, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 2,861.
- 78, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 2,860.
- 79, n-Ron Cleveland, St. Paul, Minn., 2,858.
- 80, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 2,837.
- 81, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 2,794.
- 82, Dean Bruinsma, Clear Lake, S.D., 2,620.

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PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY STORM

QUALIFYING RESULTS

(After five games. Top 24 advance to Thursday's Treasure Island Resort & Casino Scorpion Championship match play rounds)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,294.
- 2, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,287.
- 3, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 1,283.
- 4, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,218.
- 5, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 1,178.
- 6, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,177.
- 7, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,173.
- 8, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,159.
- 9, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,156.
- 10, (tie) Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., and Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,149.
- 12, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,147.
- 13, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,145.
- 14, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,134.
- 15, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 1,133.
- 16, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,129.
- 17, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 1,123.
- 18, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1,118.
- 19, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,116.
- 20, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 1,113.
- 21, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 1,112.
- 22, Bobby Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,107.
- 23, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,105.
- 24, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,100.
- 25, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,099, \$200.
- 26, (tie) Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,098, \$200, and Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 1,098, \$200.
- 28, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,091.
- 29, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,088.
- 30, Jerry Sikora, Gibbon, Minn., 1,086.
- 31, n-David Oulman, Medford, Minn., 1,085.
- 32, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,078.
- 33, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,071.
- 34, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,066.
- 35, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,065.
- 36, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,064, \$200.
- 37, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1,062.
- 38, Scott Greiner, Platte City, Mo., 1,058.
- 39, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,056.
- 40, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,051.
- 41, ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,050, \$200.
- 42, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,046, \$200.

43, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 1,042.
 44, (tie) Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., and Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1,041.
 46, Kenneth Bland Jr., Cibola, Texas, 1,039.
 47, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 1,035.
 48, Randy Peterson, Carrington, N.D., 1,032.
 49, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,028, \$200.
 50, (tie) Stoney Baker, Canton, Ga., and ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 1,027, \$200.
 52, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,026, \$200.
 53, n-Mike Morris, Fargo, N.D., 1,024.
 54, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,023, \$200.
 55, ss-Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., 1,022, \$200.
 56, Bob Micek, Woodbury, Minn., 1,021.
 57, (tie) Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., and Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,016.
 59, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,012.
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 67, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 977.
 68, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 966.
 69, Dana Wright, St. Paul, Minn., 964.
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 71, n-Sam Lantto, Eden Prairie, Minn., 949.
 72, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 945.
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 74, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 929.
 75, Jeffrey Taylor, Madison, Wis., 924.
 76, n-Ron Cleveland, St. Paul, Minn., 922.
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PBA Spare Shots

WALTER RAY WILLIAMS JR. RETURNS TO CHINA TO PROMOTE THE SPORT

Walter Ray Williams Jr., PBA's all-time titles leader, recently returned from a trip to China where he helped friend **Frank Zhao**, the founder and president of Longmarch Bowling, promote the opening of a new six-lane bowling center.

The new center, located in the Bund district of Shanghai, is the fourth built by Zhao's organization in China.

Longmarch, which is involved in all aspects of the bowling industry from the manufacture of bowling equipment to construction of bowling centers, is also turning its sights to the promotion of the sport at the competitive level with the hope of growing the sport professionally, according to Williams.

“Nothing is finalized yet, but hopefully they can get a professional tournament organized sometime prior to the QubicaAMF World Cup (Oct. 14-23 in Shanghai),” Williams said.

As part of his promotional trip, Williams was featured on a 90-minute special on bowling which will be aired Aug. 1 on China’s Jiangus Sports Network.

“They are committed to growing the sport and it’s a huge market to work with,” Williams said. “They want to have me back next year for a couple weeks to expand the promotion they want to do.”

With Williams help, Zhao initiated a “PBA development league” program that has helped prepare and develop China’s top players for international competition over the past three years. For the past two years, Zhao has sent Chinese representatives to compete in the PBA World Series of Bowling.

“There are 25 million people alone in the Shanghai area, so the potential is unlimited,” Williams added.

While in Asia, Williams also competed in the Andong Korean Invitational which attracted a field of 220 players. As for how he did, all he would say is, “not very good.”

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: BIG FINISH ON TAP FOR PBA50 PLAYERS AT ISLAND XTREME

Exclusive PBA50 Tour coverage is heading toward a showcase finish in Welch, Minn., with the stepladder finals in three animal pattern preliminary events on tap for Friday followed by the final rounds of the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm on Saturday.

Friday’s coverage from Island Xtreme Bowl when the finals of the PBA50 Viper Championship will begin at 1:30 p.m., the Chameleon Championship at 3:30 p.m. and the Scorpion Championship at 6 p.m. All times are Eastern. PBA50 Regional titles will be awarded in each event.

The PBA50 World Championship wraps up on Saturday with match play round one at 9:45 a.m., match play round two at 2:45 p.m. and the five-player stepladder finals at 7:30 p.m.

Following the PBA50 World Championship, PBA50 players will head to Olympia Lanes in Hammond, Ind., for the annual PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8 July 26-28.

PBA and PWBA Tour players will team up on Xtra Frame’s full coverage of the PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles from Bowl on Bellaire (formerly Palace Bowl) in Houston, Texas, July 29-31. The tournament affectionately called the “Luci” honors the late Luci Bonneau, a breast cancer victim. Qualifying begins on Friday, July 29, and concludes on Sunday, July 31. All rounds will be covered live on PBA’s online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, and both PBA and PWBA Tour titles will be awarded if the respective players are members.

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PBA50 TOUR COMPETITOR JOHN BURKETT UNDERGOES ANKLE SURGERY

Former Major League All-Star pitcher **John Burkett**, a second-year competitor on the PBA50 Tour, has announced via Twitter that after two years of struggling with a torn ankle ligament, he underwent surgery Tuesday to repair the problem and will miss the duration of the 2016 season.

SPECIAL BENEFITS AVAILABLE TO NEW, RETURNING PBA MEMBERS THROUGH AUG. 31

As the PBA heads into the core of its 2016 season, now is the perfect time for bowlers who have dreamed of pursuing the PBA challenge – and former members who would like to return to competition – to take the step. With five Xtra Frame PBA Tour title events, a multi-event PBA Fall Swing in Detroit, the PBA Fall Classic in Las Vegas and the eighth annual PBA World Series of Bowling in Reno remaining on the schedule, the opportunities are abundant.

During its current membership drive, PBA is waiving the traditional initiation fee to join the PBA until August 31. Bowlers who are on active-duty with the U.S. military will be granted free membership for the rest of 2016; all they have to do is apply. And newly-graduating collegiate bowlers are eligible for a low-cost PBA24 membership which allows them to test the PBA waters without committing to a full membership.

PBA members are eligible to enter all PBA tournaments (including PBA's extensive schedule of QubicaAMF Regional events), receive entry priority and lower-cost entry fees for select events that are open to non-members, and receive a variety of benefits depending upon their membership level. Bowlers also are reminded the PBA Fall Swing in Detroit and WSOB VIII are members-only events.

To join, visit pba.com and click on the "join" link in the upper right corner of the home page.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: WARREN, FRANKOS WIN RENO DOUBLES EVENT

Chris Warren of Grants Pass, Ore., and **Jeff Frankos** of Daly City, Calif., teamed up to defeat **Noel Vazquez** of Sacramento, Calif., and **David Haynes** of Las Vegas, 426-391, to win the PBA Sands Regency West\Northwest Doubles presented by MOTIV at High Sierra Lanes in Reno, Nev., Sunday.

The win was the 48th overall regional title for Warren and the 19th for Frankos. The winning team earned \$4,000.

Warren and Frankos defeated the Las Vegas team of **David Allen** and **Andrew Graff**, 516-468, while Vazquez and Haynes defeated the Oregon Team of **Kevin Croucher** and **Kyle McKay** of Grants Pass, 524-426, in the semifinal round.

- Non-member **Steve Novak** of Bay City, Mich. defeated **Eugene McCune** of Munster, Ind., 265-246, to win the PBA Boss Snow Plows/Ebonite Central Open at PinHeads in Fishers, Ind., Sunday.

Novak downed **Jeff Hatt** of Oklahoma, City, Okla., 387-331, and McCune topped **Anthony Kennard** of Wapakoneta, Ohio, 367-362, in the two-game, total pinfall semifinal round matches to set up the championship match. Novak earned \$2,000 for his victory. However, since he is a non-member, it is not recognized as a PBA title.

- July's QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the July 22-24 weekend with the PBA Angola Central/Midwest Open presented by Roto Grip at Angola Bowl in Angola, Ind., and the PBA Fort Sill Southwest Open presented by DV8 at Twin Oaks Bowling in Fort Sill, Okla.

- Closing the July schedule over the July 29-31 weekend will be the PBA Romeo Chevrolet-GMC-Buick Open presented by Ebonite at Patel's Kingston Lanes in Kingston, N.Y.; the PBA and PBA50 Boise West and Northwest Opens presented by Ebonite at 20th Century Lanes in Boise, Idaho; the PBA50 Beverly Lanes Midwest/Central Open in Arlington Heights, Ill.; the PBA50 Sparetimes Hampton South Open at Sparetimes Bowling Center in Hampton, Va., and the PBA Greater Marion Central Open at BlueFusion Fun Center in Marion, Ohio.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

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- 1, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4-1, 2,510.
- 2, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 4-1, 2,462.
- 3, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 4-1, 2,455.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-2, 2,454.
- 5, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3-2, 2,424.
- 6, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4-1, 2,407, \$500.
- 7, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2-3, 2,404, \$475.
- 8, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3-2, 2,368, \$450.
- 9, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2-3, 2,355, \$425.
- 10, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3-2, 2,347, \$400.
- 11, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 3-2, 2,338, \$380.
- 12, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 3-2, 2,332, \$370.
- 13, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2-3, 2,330, \$360.
- 14, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 1-4, 2,316, \$350.
- 15, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 4-1, 2,279, \$340.
- 16, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 2-3, 2,261, \$330.
- 17, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 1-4, 2,256, \$320.
- 18, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 2-3, 2,225, \$310.

- 19, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 2-3, 2,216, \$300.
- 20, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3-2, 2,199, \$295.
- 21, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3-2, 2,150, \$290.
- 22, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1-4, 2,107, \$285.
- 23, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1-4, 2,062, \$280.
- 24, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 0-5, 2,040, \$275.

CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH PLAY RESULTS

(Top five advance to stepladder finals Friday on Xtra Frame at 4 p.m. ET)

- 1, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 4-0-1, 2,606.
- 2, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 3-2, 2,586.
- 3, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 3-1-1, 2,508.
- 4, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 4-1, 2,505.
- 5, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 2-2-1, 2,503.
- 6, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3-1-1, 2,468, \$475.
- 7, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3-2, 2,456, \$450.
- 8, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 4-1, 2,417, \$425.
- 9, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-1-1, 2,413, \$400.
- 10, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3-2, 2,381, \$380.
- 11, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3-2, 2,364, \$370.
- 12, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1-3-1, 2,320, \$360.
- 13, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3-2, 2,311, \$350.
- 14, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1-3-1, 2,299, \$340.
- 15, n-Sam Lantto, Eden Prairie, Minn., 1-3-1, 2,288, \$330.
- 16, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3-2, 2,273, \$320.
- 17, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2-2-1, 2,255, \$310.
- 18, Dana Wright, St. Paul, Minn., 2-2-1, 2,216, \$300.
- 19, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1-4, 2,212, \$295.
- 20, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1-4, 2,210, \$290.
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- 22, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 2-3, 2,154, \$280.
- 23, Bob Micek, Woodbury, Minn., 0-5, 2,123, \$275.
- 24, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1-4, 2,118, \$200.

SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH PLAY RESULTS

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- 1, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 5-0, 2,573.
- 2, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 2-2-1, 2,470.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-2, 2,460.
- 4, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 4-1, 2,425.
- 5, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-2, 2,391.
- 6, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 4-1, 2,359, \$475.
- 7, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 2-2-1, 2,336, \$450.
- 8, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 4-1, 2,332, \$425.
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- 1, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4-1, 2,510.
- 2, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 4-1, 2,462.
- 3, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 4-1, 2,455.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-2, 2,454.
- 5, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3-2, 2,424.
- 6, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4-1, 2,407, \$500.
- 7, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2-3, 2,404, \$475.
- 8, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3-2, 2,368, \$450.
- 9, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2-3, 2,355, \$425.
- 10, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3-2, 2,347, \$400.
- 11, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 3-2, 2,338, \$380.
- 12, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 3-2, 2,332, \$370.
- 13, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2-3, 2,330, \$360.
- 14, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 1-4, 2,316, \$350.
- 15, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 4-1, 2,279, \$340.
- 16, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 2-3, 2,261, \$330.
- 17, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 1-4, 2,256, \$320.
- 18, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 2-3, 2,225, \$310.
- 19, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 2-3, 2,216, \$300.
- 20, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3-2, 2,199, \$295.
- 21, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3-2, 2,150, \$290.
- 22, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1-4, 2,107, \$285.
- 23, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1-4, 2,062, \$280.
- 24, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 0-5, 2,040, \$275.

CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH PLAY RESULTS

(Top five advance to stepladder finals Friday on Xtra Frame at 4 p.m. ET)

- 1, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 4-0-1, 2,606.
- 2, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 3-2, 2,586.
- 3, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 3-1-1, 2,508.
- 4, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 4-1, 2,505.
- 5, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 2-2-1, 2,503.
- 6, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3-1-1, 2,468, \$475.
- 7, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3-2, 2,456, \$450.
- 8, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 4-1, 2,417, \$425.
- 9, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-1-1, 2,413, \$400.
- 10, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3-2, 2,381, \$380.
- 11, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3-2, 2,364, \$370.
- 12, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1-3-1, 2,320, \$360.
- 13, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3-2, 2,311, \$350.
- 14, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1-3-1, 2,299, \$340.
- 15, n-Sam Lantto, Eden Prairie, Minn., 1-3-1, 2,288, \$330.
- 16, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3-2, 2,273, \$320.
- 17, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2-2-1, 2,255, \$310.
- 18, Dana Wright, St. Paul, Minn., 2-2-1, 2,216, \$300.
- 19, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1-4, 2,212, \$295.
- 20, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1-4, 2,210, \$290.
- 21, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 2-3, 2,206, \$285.
- 22, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 2-3, 2,154, \$280.
- 23, Bob Micek, Woodbury, Minn., 0-5, 2,123, \$275.
- 24, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1-4, 2,118, \$200.

SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH PLAY RESULTS

(Top five advance to stepladder finals Friday on Xtra Frame at 6:30 p.m. ET)

- 1, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 5-0, 2,573.
- 2, Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 2-2-1, 2,470.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-2, 2,460.
- 4, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 4-1, 2,425.

- 5, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-2, 2,391.
- 6, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 4-1, 2,359, \$475.
- 7, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 2-2-1, 2,336, \$450.
- 8, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 4-1, 2,332, \$425.
- 9, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3-2, 2,318, \$400.
- 10, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3-2, 2,312, \$380.
- 11, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3-2, 2,279, \$370.
- 12, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2-3, 2,273, \$360.
- 13, Mike Keough, Stockton, Calif., 3-2, 2,247, \$350.
- 14, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 2-3, 2,234, \$340.
- 15, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 2-3, 2,233, \$330.
- 16, Bobby Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 2-3, 2,204, \$320.
- 17, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 2-3, 2,197, \$310.
- 18, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1-4, 2,190, \$300.
- 19, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 2-3, 2,161, \$295.
- 20, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3-2, 2,116, \$290.
- 21, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1-4, 2,102, \$285.
- 22, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 1-4, 2,099, \$280.
- 23, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala, 1-4, 2,089, \$275.
- 24, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1-4, 2,071, \$200.

Williams, Bohn and Kretzer Win PBA50 Regionals Heading into PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship Final Day

Williams wins Viper Championship for 99th title in PBA competition

WELCH, Minn. (July 22, 2016) – PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm match play finalists Walter Ray Williams Jr., Parker Bohn III and Brian Kretzer each won PBA50 regional titles Friday at Island Xtreme Bowl.

Williams won the 99th tournament of his PBA career by defeating two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, 268-258, in the title match of the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Viper Championship, one of three regional events conducted as a prelude to Saturday's final day of the World Championship.

"I never expected anything like this when my career started," Williams said about approaching the 100 title mark. "I still enjoy competition as much as I ever have and I'll keep doing it as long as I enjoy it."

The Hall of Famer will have some work to do as he enters the match play portion of the World Championship in 23rd position but will have two six-game match play rounds to try and advance to the stepladder finals. If he can win the World Championship it would mark his 100th PBA title. He holds the all-time lead in career PBA Tour titles with 47, 10 PBA50 Tour titles, 32 PBA regional and 10 PBA50 regional titles with his win Friday.

PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III hopes to ride the momentum of his win in the Scorpion Championship as he defeated Paul McCordic of Sugar Land, Texas, 213-191, in the title match for his second PBA50 regional title.

Bohn, who won last year's Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open which was conducted as a standard PBA50 Tour event, enters World Championship match play in second with a 3,568 15-game pinfall total 17 pins behind tournament leader Ron Nelson Jr. of Bridgeview, Ill., who leads with 3,585. Nelson finished third in the Scorpion Championship and fourth in the Chameleon Championship Friday.

"Winning this Scorpion Championship was a good test for what I'll need to do tomorrow so I'm pretty encouraged and it puts me in a good mindset," Bohn said. "I had to do a little bit of everything, especially adjust my angles to the pocket and I'm sure I'll be doing a lot of that in (World Championship) match play."

PBA50 Tour rookie Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio won the Chameleon Championship by defeating Australian senior standout Andrew Frawley in the title match 244-199. Kretzer, a one-time PBA Tour winner, won his second PBA50 regional title. Kretzer enters World Championship match play in fourth with a 3,519 pinfall.

Hall of Famer Pete Weber, who was also trying to reach the 100 PBA tournament title milestone Friday fell short finishing fourth in both the Viper and Scorpion Championships and sits at 98 just one short of Williams.

He will begin World Championship match play in third with a 3,566 pinfall. He will be trying for his third consecutive major and sixth win overall this season. His two major titles this year were the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global and the USBC Senior Masters both in June.

World Championship match play begins at 10 a.m. ET (9 a.m. CT) Saturday with the first round which will be followed by the second round at 3 p.m. ET (2 p.m. CT). After match play the top five players will advance to the stepladder finals scheduled for 8 p.m. ET (7 p.m. CT).

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**PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO VIPER CHAMPIONSHIP
PRESENTED BY STORM
Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn., Friday**

Final Standings

- 1, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., \$1,500.
- 2, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, \$900.
- 3, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, \$800.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$700.
- 5, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, \$600.

Playoff Results

Match One – Weber def. Carter, 221-198.
Match Two – Williams def. Weber, 278-255.
Semifinal – Williams def. Scroggins, 237-195.
Championship – Williams def. Mohr, 268-258.

**PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP
PRESENTED BY STORM
Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn., Friday**

Final Standings

- 1, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, \$1,500.
- 2, Andrew Frawley, Australia, \$900.
- 3, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., \$800.
- 4, Ron Nelson Jr., Bridgeview, Ill., \$700.
- 5, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., \$600.

Playoff Results

Match One – Schissler def. Goergen, 223-216.
Match two – Schissler def. Nelson, 223-216.
Semifinal – Frawley def. Schissler, 237-223.
Championship – Kretzer def. Frawley, 244-199.

**PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP
PRESENTED BY STORM
Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn., Friday**

Final Standings

- 1, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., \$1,500.
- 2, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, \$900.
- 3, Ron Nelson Jr., Bridgeview, Ill., \$800.

4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$700.

5, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$600.

Playoff Results

Match One – McCordic def. Monacelli, 194-189.

Match Two – McCordic def. Weber, 258-182.

Semifinal – McCordic def. Nelson, 232-227.

Championship – Bohn def. McCordic, 213-191.

Duke Defeats Weber in PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship for Second PBA50 Major Title

Duke beats Weber 234-215 in title match to also notch third career PBA50 Tour title

WELCH, Minn. (July 23, 2016) – When Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Norm Duke looks for motivation, he finds it in the milestone PBA50 Tour season that longtime rival and fellow hall member Pete Weber is having this year.

Duke had extra motivation in the title match of the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm Saturday beating Weber 234-215 in the title match at Island Xtreme Bowl for his second PBA50 Tour major and third title of his career on the tour for players 50 years of age and older.

“Any of us are capable of getting on a serious roll but the one Pete is on is something else,” said Duke of Weber’s season that includes a record five PBA50 Tour wins with a record run of four in a row. “I had to look at it as not only stopping the roll he’s on but starting my own.”

In the title match, Duke, who was the top seed for the finals and Weber, who qualified third, were tied in the eighth frame but Weber failed to strike in the ninth frame leaving the 3-6-10 spare which he converted. It was then that Duke saw his opportunity and struck in the ninth and the first ball in the 10th to seal the win.

“I was kind of shocked that he left that (spare) at that point but I saw it as an opportunity,” said Duke, who ranks third on the all-time PBA Tour titles list with 38 wins including seven majors. “I thought to myself let’s get this done.”

Duke ended Weber’s consecutive major titles string this season at two after Weber, the defending PBA50 Player of the Year, won the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global and USBC Senior Masters in June.

The win was Duke’s first since winning his first major, the Senior U.S. Open, in his rookie season in 2014.

“I’ve got a lot of catching up to do,” Duke added. “I want to catch up to Pete, Walter (Ray Williams Jr.) and the other guys but I’m still a work in progress and have a long way to go.”

In the opening stepladder match, Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp., Mich., the winner of the 2009 PBA Senior World Championship, beat PBA50 Tour rookie Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, 201-193, to advance to the second match where he lost to Weber 234-186.

Weber then beat PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III in the semifinal match 264-214 to advance to the championship match against Duke. Bohn, who was trying for his fourth PBA50 Tour title, won the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open last season which was conducted as a standard PBA50 Tour tournament.

Weber, who ranks fourth on the PBA Tour list with 37 wins including a record-tying 10 majors, was trying for his fifth PBA50 major and 10th title overall. In the eight PBA50 Tour tournaments he has competed in this season, he has two seconds and a fourth-place finish along with his five wins.

The PBA50 Tour travels to Olympia Lanes in Hammond, Ind., for the PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8 July 25-28.

The PBA50 Tour is covered in its entirety on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. For subscription and schedule information visit www.xtraframe.tv.

**PBA50 TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
PRESENTED BY STORM
Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn., Saturday**

Final Results

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., \$15,000.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$8,500.
- 3, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., \$5,500.
- 4, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., \$4,000.
- 5, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, \$3,500.

Playoff Results

Match One – Sullins def. Kretzer, 201-193.
Match Two – Weber def. Sullins, 234-186.
Semifinal Match – Weber def. Bohn, 264-214.
Championship Match – Duke def. Weber, 234-215.

FIFTH ROUND STANDINGS

(After 26 games. Top five advance to stepladder finals. Includes match play record and total pinfall including bonus pins)

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 8-4, 6,537.
- 2, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 8-4, 6,436.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 6-6, 6,370.
- 4, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 9-3, 6,340.
- 5, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 5-7, 6,278.
- 6, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 7-5, 6,220, \$3,000.
- 7, n-Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 5-6-1, 6,173, \$2,500.
- 8, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 6-6, 6,168, \$2,400.
- 9, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 7-5, 6,164, \$2,100.
- 10, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 4-8, 6,160, \$2,000.
- 11, Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 5-7, 6,157, \$2,050.
- 12, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 8-4, 6,127, \$1,900.
- 13, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 6-6, 6,113, \$1,850.
- 14, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 6-5-1, 6,096, \$1,800.
- 15, (tie) Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 5-7, 6,084, and Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 6-4-2, 6,084, \$1,725.
- 17, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 7-5, 6,068, \$1,675.
- 18, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 5-7, 6,055, \$1,650.
- 19, Andrew Frawley, Australia, 5-7, 6,016, \$1,625.
- 20, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 6-6, 5,977, \$1,600.
- 21, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 5-7, 5,903, \$1,575.
- 22, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 6-6, 5,898, \$1,550.
- 23, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3-9, 5,855, \$1,525.
- 24, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 4-8, 5,840, \$1,500.

FOURTH ROUND STANDINGS

(After 21 games. Includes match play record and total pinfall including bonus pins)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4-2, 5,049.
- 2, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4-2, 5,018.
- 3, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3-3, 5,010.
- 4, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-3, 4,941.
- 5, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3-3, 4,919.
- 6, n-Ron Nelson Jr, Bridgeview, Ill., 1-4-1, 4,852.
- 7, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 4-2, 4,836.
- 8, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 4-2, 4,817.

- 9, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 4-1-1, 4,797.
- 10, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3-3, 4,796.
- 11, (tie) Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., and Andrew Frawley, Australia, 3-3, 4,778.
- 13, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-3, 4,777.
- 14, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 4-2, 4,758.
- 15, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3-3, 4,747, \$200.
- 16, Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2-4, 4,732.
- 17, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3-3, 4,720.
- 18, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 2-4, 4,692.
- 19, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 3-3, 4,656.
- 20, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 2-4, 4,638.
- 21, Ricky Schissler, Brighton, Colo., 2-4, 4,618.
- 22, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 2-4, 4,586.
- 23, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 3-3, 4,568.
- 24, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1-5, 4,562.

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Russell Wins Farmer's State Bank Central/Midwest Open

Angola, Ind. (July 24, 2016) – Ronnie Russell of Marion, Ind. defeated Brad Angelo of Lockport, N.Y. by 58 pins to win the Professional Bowlers Association Farmer's Sate Bank Central/Midwest Open presented by Roto-Grip at Angola Bowl Sunday.

Russell finished with a 6-2 match play record and a total of 4,727 pins for 21 games, including match play bonus pins, to win his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title of the year and the eighth of his career. He also earned \$2,600.

The next PBA Central Region event will be the Marion Central Open, August 29-31.

The Farmer's State Bank Central/Midwest Open was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

PBA FARMER'S STATE BANK CENTRAL/MIDWEST OPEN PRESENTED BY ROTO GRIP Angola Bowl, Angola, Ind., Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 21 games, including match play bonus pins):

1, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 6-2, 4,727, \$2,600. 2, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 5-3, 4,669, \$1,400. 3, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2-6, 4,578, \$1,100. 4, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 5-3, 4,574, \$950. 5, n-Mason Brantley, Detroit, Mich., 5-3, 4,571, \$850. 6, Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 4-4, 4,514, \$800. 7, n-Nick Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 3-5, 4,489, \$775. 8, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 2-6, 4,311, \$750.

Other Cashers (after 13 games):

9, Dave Wodka, Beaver Creek, Ohio, 2,660, \$525. 10, Aaron Lorincz, Center Line, Mich., 2,658, \$525. 11, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 2,634, \$525. 12, n-Scott Myers, North Glenn, Colo., 2,627, \$500. 13, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 2,559, \$500. 14, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 2,495, \$500.

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Record Field Set for Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles

PBA, PWBA Tour stars headline 17th annual fund-raiser in Houston

HOUSTON, Texas - The largest field in the 17-year history of Donna Conners' tribute to her late friend, Luci Bonneau, will arrive in Houston this weekend to compete for Professional Bowlers Association and Professional Women's Bowlers Association Tour titles in the PBA-PWBA Xtra Frame Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles tournament, sponsored by Storm.

After raising nearly \$750,000 to help fund breast cancer research and assist those who may not be able to afford proper care, Conners continues to enhance the tournament to accommodate an increasing number of PBA and PWBA competitors who want to participate. True, there is a \$16,000 first prize at stake for the winning team, but that's not the reason bowlers from across the nation support "The Luci," as the tournament is affectionately known.

The bowlers want to support the cause in the name of a beloved former competitor.

Conners will take the event to new heights this year by adding a fourth qualifying squad, meaning there will be room for an additional 42 teams. In previous years, the tournament at Bowl on Bellaire (formerly named Palace Lanes) was limited to 126 teams. But Conners doesn't ever want to turn away players who want to participate.

So in its 17th year, the tournament will include its largest entry ever – more than 300 individuals. And for the second year in a row, bowling fans around the world will be able to follow the event from start to finish, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, live on PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service.

In addition to the world-class competition, "the Luci" includes a world-class pro-am in which amateur bowlers bowl alongside PBA and PWBA stars, winning significant merchandise prizes donated by a number of Houston area retailers, bowling industry companies and the players themselves. Throughout the event, activities are aimed at raising money that will be donated to The Rose, a Houston-based organization that helps women who can't afford breast care treatment or mammograms, and the Huntsman Group, a cancer research based in Utah.

"My mission statement is that you have to have players to bowl the tournament. If you don't have the players, you don't have a pro-am," Conners said in explaining her philosophy. "If you don't have a pro-am, you can't raise money. It's all about the players. That's the rule we live by. The players are great; they make it happen."

To follow the tournament on Xtra Frame, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. A three-day subscription (which would allow the subscriber to watch the entire event) is available for \$3.99. Fans also can purchase a 30-day subscription for \$7.99 or a full year (XF Season Ticket) for \$64.99.

For those who would like to support Conners' efforts, but can't attend the event, visit <http://www.strikingagainstbreastcancer.org/> to make a contribution online.

PBA/PWBA XTRA FRAME STRIKING AGAINST BREAST CANCER MIXED DOUBLES SCHEDULE

Palace Lanes, Houston, Texas, July 31-Aug. 2

Thursday, July 28

9 a.m. and 1 p.m. – Open practice sessions

Friday, July 29

8 a.m. – A Squad, 8 qualifying games

1:30 p.m. – B Squad, 8 qualifying games

8 p.m. – Pro-am squad

Saturday, July 30

8 a.m. – C Squad, 8 qualifying games

1:30 p.m. – D Squad, 8 qualifying games

Top 30 games after 8 games advance to cashers' round

8 p.m. – Pro-am squad

Sunday, July 31

8 a.m. - Top 38 teams, 4-game cashers' round

Top 8 teams after 12 games advance to round-robin match play

Noon - Top 8 teams, 8 games round robin match play

HISTORY OF STRIKING AGAINST BREAST CANCER (LUCI BONNEAU MEMORIAL) MIXED DOUBLES WINNERS

2000 - Donna Conners/Mark Scroggins

2001 - Amy Dillon/Chris Barnes

2002 - Diandra (Hyman) Asbaty/Dino Castillo

2003 - Genie Franklin/Wes Malott

2004 - Krystal Scott/Russ Wilson

2005 - Rachel Perez/Paul Fleming

2006 - Carolyn Dorin-Ballard/Marc Laracuente

2007 - Shannon Pluhowsky/Tommy Jones

2008 - Shannon Pluhowsky/Tommy Jones

2009 - Carolyn Dorin-Ballard/Parker Bohn III

2010 - Shannon Pluhowsky/Tommy Jones

2011 - Shannon Pluhowsky/Tommy Jones

2012 - Shannon O'Keefe/Bryan O'Keefe

2013 - Shannon O'Keefe/Bill O'Neill

2014 - Missy Parkin/Scott Norton

2015 – Shannon O'Keefe/Bill O'Neill

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Eddie Graham and Walter Ray Williams Jr. Lead PBA50 South Shore Open First Round

Graham averages 257 and shoots 300 game to dominate first round

HAMMOND, Ind. – With the help of a 300 game, PBA50 Tour rookie Eddie Graham of Centerville, Ohio, averaged 257 to lead the first round of the PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8 Tuesday at Olympia Lanes.

Graham, winner of five PBA regional titles including the 2007 Regional Players Invitational, fired a 2,058 eight-game pinfall total. He got his low game out of the way in the first game bowling 235 and then followed it up with games of 247, 269, 246, 300, 269, 248 and 244.

"This is the kind of round you want to have at least once in your life," said Graham, who has a best finish of 12th this season in the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global. "My equipment, ball roll, timing, everything just fell into place.

"I try to keep my expectations in check and try not to get too excited one way or the other," he added. "Having some of the sport's greats right behind you will keep you on your toes for sure."

Greats indeed.

Trailing Graham in second 64 pins behind with a 1,994 pinfall is PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. Williams won the Treasure Island Resort & Casino Viper Championship last week to earn a PBA50 regional title that pushed his overall PBA titles total in PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour, PBA regional and PBA50 regional tournaments to 99. A win in the South Shore Open would give Williams, who won the season-opening PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open, 11 PBA50 Tour titles in addition to hitting the century mark for all PBA titles.

Trailing Williams are hall of famers Amleto Monacelli in third with a 1,927 pinfall and Pete Weber, who has 98 career titles in PBA competition, in fourth with 1,894.

Weber is coming off a second-place finish in last week's PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm falling short of winning a record three consecutive PBA50 majors this season. He lost to winner Norm Duke 234-215 in the title match.

Duke continued his momentum after his World Championship win qualifying sixth with a 1,885 pinfall four pins behind Gary Alstott of Washington, Ill., in fifth with 1,889.

Two-time PBA Tour titlist Warren Nelson of Middleburg, Fla., who qualified 13th with 1,830, had two 300 games in his opening round.

Fans can catch Wednesday's second qualifying round and Thursday's match play rounds live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 SOUTH SHORE OPEN PRESENTED BY DV8

Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind., Tuesday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after eight games)

- 1, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 2,058.
- 2, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,994.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,927.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,894.
- 5, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 1,889.
- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,885.
- 7, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,863.
- 8, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,858.
- 9, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,857.
- 10, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,846.
- 11, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,844.
- 12, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,842.
- 13, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,830.
- 14, ss-Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 1,821.
- 15, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,816.
- 16, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,815.
- 17, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,812.
- 18, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1,810.
- 19, Robert Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,802.
- 20, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,801.
- 21, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,798.
- 22, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,795.
- 23, Gregg Zicha, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 1,793.
- 24, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,790.
- 25, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 1,787.
- 26, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,779.
- 27, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 1,775.
- 28, (tie) Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., and Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 1,774.
- 30, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 1,767.
- 31, (tie) n, ss-Ken Carcich, Sheridan, Wyo., and Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,765.
- 33, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,757.
- 34, n-Rick Thomas, Willowbrook, Ill., 1,754.
- 35, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,749.
- 36, Billy Froberg, Baroda, Mich., 1,742.
- 37, Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 1,733.
- 38, ss-Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,729.
- 39, (tie) ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., and ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,726.
- 41, ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,721.
- 42, Robert Kicmal, LaGrange, Ill., 1,717.
- 43, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 1,713.
- 44, John Chapman, Canada, 1,712.
- 45, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,709.
- 46, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,705.
- 47, (tie) Leroy Johnson, Chicago, and Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,696.

49, ss-Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 1,689.
 50, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,686.
 51, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,680.
 52, David Welch, St. Louis, Mo., 1,674.
 53, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,670.
 54, William Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1,667.
 55, Rick Woloszyn, Griffith, Ind., 1,666.
 56, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 1,664.
 57, Jeff Richgels, Madison, Wis., 1,661.
 58, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,659.
 59, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 1,653.
 60, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,649.
 61, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,643.
 62, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,640.
 63, (tie) Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, and Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,629.
 65, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,628.
 66, (tie) ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., and ss-Harv Pallas, Stevensville, Mich., 1,625.
 68, (tie) ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., and Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,624.
 70, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,623.
 71, ss-Richard Hunt, Valparaiso, Ind., 1,608.
 72, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,607.
 73, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,602.
 74, ss-Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 1,592.
 75, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 1,550.
 76, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,536.
 77, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 1,507.
 78, ss-n, Frank Tardio, Inverness, Ill., 1,504.
 79, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,482.
 80, ss-Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,461.
 81, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,437.
 82, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 1,431.
 83, ss-Allen Meskan, Addison, Ill., 1,414.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

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PBA Spare Shots

ENTRIES OPEN FOR PBA WORLD SERIES OF BOWLING VIII

Entries are now open for the PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy, which returns to the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev., Nov. 27–Dec. 11 with a number of enhancements. The multi-event competition will include four animal pattern championships, each offering a guaranteed \$20,000 first prize, and the live nationally-televised ESPN finals of PBA World Championship, offering a \$60,000 first prize.

Entries are open to PBA members only on a first-come basis by contacting PBA Membership Services Manager Mary von Krueger (email: maryvk@pba.com; phone: 206-332-9688; fax: 850-564-1717). Before entering, players must provide a confirmation number for their hotel reservations at the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino, the tournament's official sponsor. Room rates for players, support staff, industry representatives and fans attending the event are \$49.99 Sunday-Thursday and \$59.99 for Saturday-Sunday. Each room reservation (single or double) that includes a weekend stay also includes two buffet coupons.

For reservations call 800-687-8733 or visit silverlegacyreno.com and use the code WSOB16 when making reservations.

The eighth annual World Series will include modified lane conditioning patterns, adjusted competition formats and special prizes to women, PBA50 and PBA60 participants. Overall, WSOB VIII will award five PBA Tour titles and pay out an estimated \$750,000 in prize money.

COUNTDOWN ENTERS FINAL TWO MONTHS FOR PBA REGIONAL PLAYERS

As the calendar flips over to August, the countdown for PBA regional and women's regional players begins its two-month countdown in competition points races awarding paid entries into PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno along with berths in the QubicaAMF Regional Tour's Regional and PWBA/PBA Women's Regional Challenge events which will be held as part of WSOB VIII.

In each of the seven domestic PBA regions, players have until the Sept. 30 cutoff date to earn berths in the eight-player PBA and PWBA/PBA Challenge events as the points leaders in their respective regions. Each points leaders also will be awarded paid entries into WSOB VIII worth \$1,000. Qualifiers from the PBA's East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest, West and Northwest Regions will join players from the PBA Japan Region in eight-game round-robin match play and Xtra Frame stepladder final rounds on Sunday, Nov. 27 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno. The PBA Challenge finals will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel.

The PBA50 Tour Challenge, which also is part of the WSOB program, will include the top eight points leaders at the conclusion of the 2016 PBA50 Tour schedule.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA50, "LUCI" MIXED DOUBLES ON TAP THIS WEEK

PBA50 Tour coverage of the annual South Shore Open, presented by DV8, from Olympia Lanes in Hammond, Ind., today and Thursday highlights this week's exclusive Xtra Frame coverage of the PBA "senior tour."

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, attention turns to the PBA-PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles from Bowl on Bellaire (formerly Palace Bowl) in Houston, Texas, where more than 300 men and women will not only compete for PBA/PWBA Tour titles, but help raise money in the ongoing search for a cure for breast cancer. Qualifying begins on Friday and the tournament concludes Sunday afternoon.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and full year (\$64.99) Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. As a bonus, new monthly or full-year Season Ticket Xtra Frame subscribers are automatically entered into a monthly sweepstakes where they have three chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: MALDONADO DOMINATES FOR EIGHTH TITLE

Houston two-hander **Shawn Maldonado** dominated the match play finals to win his eighth PBA Southwest Region title Sunday in the seventh annual PBA Fort Sill Southwest Open, presented by DV8, at Twin Oaks Bowling Center in Fort Sill, Okla.

After dropping two of his first three games in the eight-game modified round robin finals, Maldonado won his next four matches to build a 213-pin lead over runner-up **Francois Lavoie**, a member of Team Canada who is now living in Wichita, Kan., going into the final position round match. The Houston two-handed player then put an exclamation point on his dominance, beating Lavoie, 300-221, to claim the \$2,500 winner's check by a margin of 321 pins. Maldonado finished the event with 5,398 total pins, including bonus pins. Lavoie held on to second place with 5,077 pins, and collected \$1,650.

Nathan Bohr of Austin, Texas, finished third with a 5,074 pinfall total to win \$1,100 in his return to PBA Southwest Region competition while **Jakob Butturff** from Phoenix, Ariz., rounded out the top four with 5,057 total pins for \$900.

- **Ronnie Russell** of Marion, Ind. defeated **Brad Angelo** of Lockport, N.Y., by 58 pins to win the PBA Farmer's Sate Bank Central/Midwest Open presented by Roto-Grip at Angola Bowl in Angola, Ind., Sunday.

Russell finished with a 6-2 match play record and a total of 4,727 pins for 21 games, including match play bonus pins, to win his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title of the year and the eighth of his career. He also earned \$2,600.

- Closing the July schedule over the July 29-31 weekend will be the PBA Romeo Chevrolet-GMC-Buick Open presented by Ebonite at Patel's Kingston Lanes in Kingston, N.Y.; the PBA and PBA50 Boise West and Northwest Opens presented by Ebonite at 20th Century Lanes in Boise, Idaho; the PBA50 Beverly Lanes Midwest/Central Open in Arlington Heights, Ill.; the PBA50 Sparetimes Hampton South Open at Sparetimes Bowling Center in Hampton, Va., and the PBA Greater Marion Central Open at BlueFusion Fun Center in Marion, Ohio.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition in August gets underway Aug. 4-6 with the PBA50 Progressive/Gerdman Insurance Agency/Al Smith Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep Center-Midwest Classic at Al-Mar Lanes in Bowling Green, Ohio. Events on tap for the Aug. 5-7 weekend include the PBA Bowlers Supply Storm Eastern Open at Colony Park Lanes in York, Pa.; the PBA AMF Western Branch South Open presented by Hammer in Chesapeake, Va., and the Tony Reyes Memorial Member/Non-Member Doubles at Fourth Street Bowl in San Jose, Calif.
- Sandwiched in between the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite in Fort Wayne, Ind., Aug. 6-9, and the PBA60 Dick Weber National Championship presented by Hammer, Aug. 11-13, PBA50 players are invited to compete in the PBA50 Fort Wayne Central/Midwest Shootout – a one-day reduced entry fee event, on Wednesday, Aug. 10. Pro Bowl West will host all three events.
- Over the Aug. 12-14 weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional action will include the Poplar Creek Midwest Open in Hoffman Estates, Ill.; the Killeen Southwest Open at Hallmark Lanes in Killeen, Texas; the Lefeld Implement Central Classic at Pla-Mor Lanes in Coldwater, Ohio, and the PBA Japan Region's DHC Women's Chameleon Open and Chameleon Open, both in Syama, Japan.
- The Aug. 19-21 weekend will be headlined by the PBA Gene Carter Pro Shop Classic, presented by Xtra Frame, at Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment Center in Middletown, Del. The PBA Xtra Frame Tour event is projecting a \$15,000 first prize along with a PBA Tour title. Also over the Aug. 19-21 weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule includes the Emerald Bowl Southwest Challenge for non-champions and the PWBA-PBA Emerald Bowl Open for women. Both events in Houston, Texas, will be presented by Hammer. Also on tap is the Dave Husted Northwest Open presented by 900 Global at Milwaukie Bowl in Milwaukie, Ore.
- Concluding the August schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the Aug. 26-28 weekend will be the Fayetteville South Open presented by MOTIV along with the PWBA-PBA Fayetteville South Open – a women's only event - at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the AMF Garland Lanes Southwest Open, presented by Classic Products & Ultimate Bowling Products, in Garland, Texas, and the Aquimo West Open at Mesa East Bowl in Mesa, Ariz.
- Looking ahead to Labor Day weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the PBA60 Wilson & Sons Pest Control South Open followed by the PBA50 Budweiser Open presented by Mooresville Ford and Columbia 300 at George Pappas' Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C.; the PBA50 Strike Zone Open presented by Columbia 300 in Pottsville, Pa., and the PBA Japan Region's Viper Open presented by Ebonite in Iruma, Japan.
- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Seven-time PBA Tour titlist **Bill O'Neill** of Langhorne, Pa., was the guest of Ebonite International and the Chicagoland Bowling Proprietors' Association in throwing out the ceremonial first pitch during CBPA's 15th annual "Bowlers' Night with the White Sox" game at U.S. Cellular Field on July 24.

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Walter Ray Williams Jr. in Good Position to Reach PBA Title Century Mark As Top Qualifier in PBA50 South Shore Open

HAMMOND, Ind. – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. averaged 246 to lead qualifying in the PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8 Wednesday putting him in good position to reach another record in a career that has lasted more than three decades.

Heading into Thursday's match play rounds, Williams led qualifying with a 3,941 16-game pinfall total at Olympia Lanes and if he can win his 11th PBA50 Tour title, the all-time leader on the PBA Tour titles list with 47 wins will have won a combined 100 titles in PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour, PBA regional and PBA50 regional competition.

"It would be nice to reach it out here on the PBA50 Tour but I'll take it whenever it comes, said Williams, who won the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino Viper Championship PBA50 regional title in Welch, Minn. last week for his 99th title. "I'm hopeful that I'll get it sooner than later."

In addition to his 47 PBA Tour titles and 10 PBA50 Tour titles, Williams has 32 PBA regional and 10 PBA50 regional titles.

Williams had games of 238, 224, 230, 268, 300, 217, 235 and 235 in his second round which gave him the qualifying lead for the first time this season.

“My qualifying hasn’t been very impressive this year, maybe only the second time I’ve qualified in the top eight,” said Williams, who will be trying for his second title of the season having won the Pasco County Florida Open to start the season. “I was having this feeling that I was hanging up in the ball recently and would have a tendency to pull it. I went to a new layout for my grip this week and it’s really helped.”

Amleto Monacelli, also looking for his second title of the season, finished qualifying 53 pins behind Williams in second with a 3,888 pinfall total. The Hall of Famer won the Fountain Valley Open for his sixth career PBA50 Tour title in June.

Finishing third was first round leader five-time PBA regional titlist Eddie Graham Jr. of Centerville, Ohio with a 3,867 pinfall.

Hall of Famers Pete Weber and Parker Bohn III rounded out the top five. Weber, who has won a record five PBA50 Tour titles this season including the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open and USBC Senior Masters, finished qualifying in fourth with 3,844, and Bohn, a three-time PBA50 Tour winner finished fifth with 3,808.

Weber is just one title behind Williams in the overall PBA title race with 98 wins.

Fans can catch Thursday’s match play rounds and stepladder finals live on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Monthly subscriptions are \$7.99; 3-Day Passes are \$3.99 and a yearly subscription can be purchased for the equivalent of \$1.25 per week. Visit www.xtraframe.tv for subscription and schedule information.

PBA50 SOUTH SHORE OPEN PRESENTED BY DV8 Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind., Wednesday

SECOND ROUND STANDINGS

(after 16 games. Top 16 advance to match play. Positions 17-27 plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers round to determine eight additional match play finalists)

- 1, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,941.
- 2, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,888.
- 3, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3,867.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,844.
- 5, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,808.
- 6, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3,797.
- 7, Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,691.
- 8, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,688.
- 9, Robert Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,682.
- 10, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,675.
- 11, Gregg Zicha, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 3,670.
- 12, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,666.
- 13, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,661.
- 14, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 3,648.
- 15, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,644.
- 16, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,622.
- 17, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,616.
- 18, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 3,610.
- 19, (tie) Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., and Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,608.
- 21, (tie) Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, and Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 3,607.
- 23, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,606.
- 24, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3,595.
- 25, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 3,592.
- 26, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,588.
- 27, Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 3,586.
- 28, Billy Froberg, Baroda, Mich., 3,581.
- 29, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 3,579.
- 30, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3,549.
- 31, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,548.

32, n-Rick Thomas, Willowbrook, Ill., 3,547.
 33, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,531.
 34, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 3,530.
 35, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,526.
 36, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,518.
 37, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3,500.
 38, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,497.
 39, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,482.
 40, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,469.
 41, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,467.
 42, (tie) Robert Kicmal, LaGrange, Ill., and ss-Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,458.
 44, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 3,452.
 45, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 3,447.
 46, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 3,442.
 47, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 3,430.
 48, (tie) William Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., and Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,429.
 50, Rick Woloszyn, Griffith, Ind., 3,407.
 51, John Chapman, Canada, 3,403.
 52, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,387.
 53, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 3,385.
 54, David Welch, St. Louis, Mo., 3,367.
 55, n-Ken Carcich, Sheridan, Wyo., 3,362.
 56, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 3,357.
 57, (tie) Jeff Richgels, Madison, Wis., and Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 3,339.
 59, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,334.
 60, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 3,316.
 61, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,312.
 62, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 3,310.
 63, Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,307.
 64, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 3,297.
 65, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,273.
 66, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,260.
 67, Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 3,257.
 68, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,255.
 69, Leroy Johnson, Chicago, 3,224.
 70, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,208.
 71, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 3,191.
 72, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 3,184.
 73, Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 3,135.
 74, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,132.
 75, n, Frank Tardio, Inverness, Ill., 3,067.
 76, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 3,066.
 77, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 3,015.
 78, Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,014.
 79, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 3,005.
 80, Allen Meskan, Addison, Ill., 2,941.
 81, Harv Pallas, Stevensville, Mich., 2,780.
 82, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 2,242.

300 games – Walter Ray Williams Jr., Steve Stein, Robert Nelson

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ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over advancing to cashers round

Pete Weber Wins PBA50 South Shore Open for Record Sixth 2016 Title

HAMMOND, Ind. (July 28, 2016) – The Pete Weber Show rolled through Hammond, Ind., Thursday night, adding another record performance to an unprecedented season in the PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8 at Olympia Lanes.

Weber, with a 241-203 victory over top qualifier Lennie Boresch Jr. of Kenosha, Wis., won a record sixth PBA50 Tour title in a single season and improved his all-time PBA titles total to 99, tying Walter Ray Williams Jr. in their race to become the first bowler in PBA history to win a combined total of 100 PBA Tour, PBA Regional, PBA50 Tour and PBA50 Regional titles. Weber, who now has 10 PBA50 Tour titles, also has won 37 PBA Tour titles, a PBA-record 48 Regional titles and four PBA50 Regional titles.

“Walter’s beat me in everything else,” Weber said, “so if he gets to 100 first, oh, well.”

In continuing his dominant season, winning two more titles than any previous PBA50 player in a single year, Weber said, “I don’t even know what to say about it. My dad (bowling legend Dick Weber) always said it takes breaks to win, and he’d rather be lucky than good. But when you’re good and you’re lucky, it’s pretty amazing.

“And as much fun as I’ve had this year, I honestly expect someone is going to come along and break my record. There are so many good bowlers coming along, this record won’t last.”

Weber, after qualifying third, defeated Bryan Goebel of Shawnee, Kan., 238-224, to advance to the title match. In that match, Weber left a solid 9 pin in the sixth frame, which caused a couple of fans in the crowd to laugh at the bad break.

“That might have been funny to them, but it wasn’t to me,” Weber said. “It kinda peed me off, and everyone out here knows you don’t pee-off Pete Weber. That only makes me bowl better.”

He responded with four strikes to overtake and beat Goebel.

In the title match, the worst break struck Boresch when he left a light-pocked 7-10 split in the fifth frame to stop a string of two strikes. Weber responded with five strikes in a row before suffering his own pocket 7-10, but by then he had a lead Boresch couldn’t overcome.

In the second match, Goebel started with six strikes before leaving a 4 pin. His 55-pin lead in the fifth frame was too much for Gregg Zicha of Glen Ellyn, Ill., to overcome.

In the first match, Zicha took advantage of PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli’s struggles on the left lane to eliminate the Venezuelan native, 183-170. Monacelli had three open frames and only two strikes through the first nine frames while Zicha limited his errors to one missed split conversion.

The tour’s next stop is the PBA50 Dave Small’s Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip in Anderson, Ind., beginning Sunday and concluding on Wednesday, Aug. 3. All competition rounds will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s online bowling channel. Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA50 SOUTH SHORE OPEN PRESENTED BY DV8 Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind., Thursday

Final Standings:

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$7,500.
- 2, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., \$4,000.
- 3, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., \$2,500.
- 4, Gregg Zicha, Glen Ellyn, Ill., \$2,000.
- 5, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$1,750.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Zicha def. Monacelli, 183-170.
Match Two – Goebel def. Zicha, 259-212.
Semifinal Match – Weber def. Goebel, 238-224.
Championship – Weber def. Boresch, 241-203.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins:

- 1, Boresch, 5-1, 1,662.
- 2, Weber, 4-1-1, 1,617, \$100.
- 3, Goebel, 5-1, 1,569.
- 4, Monacelli, 3-3, 1,527.
- 5, Zicha, 5-1, 1,484.
- 6, ss-Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 4-2, 1,470, \$1,500.
- 7, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 3-3, 1,443, \$1,500.
- 8, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3-3, 1,442, \$1,500.
- 9, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1-4-1, 1,430, \$1,250.
- 10, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 2-4, 1,425, \$1,250.
- 11, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3-3, 1,359, \$1,250.
- 12, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 4-2, 1,347, \$1,250.
- 13, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2-4, 1,311, \$1,250.
- 14, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1-5, 1,304, \$1,250.
- 15, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1-5, 1,302, \$1,250.
- 16, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1-5, 1,142, \$1,250.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins):

- 17, Robert Nelson, Las Vegas, 2-3, 1,179, \$1,200.
- 18, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 3-2, 1,160, \$1,100.
- 19, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 2-3, 1,149, \$1,100.
- 20, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 2-3, 1,140, \$1,100.
- 21, Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 2-3, 1,103, \$1,100.
- 22, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 2-0, 1,087, \$1,100.
- 23, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1-4, 1,023, \$1,100.
- 24, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 0-5, 996, \$1,100.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers' round):

- 25, x-Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 1,064, \$1,000.
- 26, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,062, \$1,000.
- 27, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,051, \$1,000.
- 28, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,050, \$1,000.
- 29 (tie), ss-Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, and Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,049, \$1,000.
- 31, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,025, \$1,000.
- 32, ss-Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,023, \$1,000.
- 33, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 989, \$1,000.
- 34, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 987, \$1,000.
- 35, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 963, \$1,000.

x-Bernhardt def. Segura in a one-game roll-off for the 24th berth in match play, 216-210.

ss-denotes PBA60 player; n-denotes non-member

300 Games: Pete Weber, Eddie Graham, Warren Nelson (2), Steve Stein, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Marc Lineberry.

**Belmonte and Asbaty are Top Qualifiers in
Storm PBA/PWBA Xtra Frame Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles**

38 doubles teams advance to Sunday's cashers' round

HOUSTON -- Three-time defending Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte of Australia and amateur/professional standout Diandra Asbaty of Chicago, combined to average 221.6 to lead 152 doubles teams after qualifying Saturday in the Storm PBA/PWBA Xtra Frame Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles at Bowl on Bellaire.

Belmonte and Asbaty had a 3,547 16-game pinfall total to top 38 teams that advanced to Sunday morning's cashers' round that will determine the top eight teams for the final match play round Sunday afternoon.

Belmonte bowled a 1,985 pinfall with games of 255, 247, 261, 221, 215, 228, 279 and 279. Asbaty bowled 1,562 with games of 180, 178, 198, 180, 189, 192, 232, 213.

"It was one of those days where every move I made was the right one," said Belmonte, who recently won his third best bowler ESPY. "I made some blind moves that just happened to work but could have just easily not have worked."

With a best finish of fourth in the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions this season, the two-hander with 12 career PBA Tour titles, is looking forward to the potential of winning his first title of the year.

"I'm going to keep my fingers crossed," Belmonte said. "I've been bowling well lately but really Diandra and I are just hoping we finish strong regardless of where we end up."

Asbaty, the winner of the 2012 USBC Queens and two PBA Women's series titles, won the 2003 event with partner Dino Castillo and is trying for her first PWBA title.

"I'm just really in awe of bowling with Jason," Asbaty said. "He has unbelievable power and it's really an honor to be able to bowl with him.

"Fortunately, I bowled well at the end of the block but hopefully I'll be able to contribute more tomorrow," the 15-time Team USA member added.

Despite being good friends and having shared experiences bowling internationally together it's the first time the pair have bowled together in topflight competition.

"Diandra asked me if our schedules ever enabled us to bowl this tournament would I like to bowl with her?" Belmonte said. "I said absolutely and so far we're making the best of it.

"Anytime you bowl with friends it provides a great environment where you can help each other out. That doesn't always happen in team competition where a coach may pair you up and you don't necessarily have that chemistry."

To follow the final day of the tournament on Xtra Frame, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. A three-day subscription is available for \$3.99, a 30-day for \$7.99 or a full year subscription is available for the equivalent of \$1.25 per week. For subscription and schedule information visit www.xtraframe.tv.

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STORM PBA/PWBA XTRA FRAME STRIKING AGAINST BREAST CANCER MIXED DOUBLES

Bowl on Bellaire, Houston, Saturday

FINAL QUALIFYING STANDINGS

(after 8 games, top 38 advance to Sunday's cashers' round)

1. . Diandra Asbaty, Chicago, Ill. / Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,547
- 2, Rocio Restrepo, Colombia / Joe Hostetler, Louisville, Ohio, 3,474
- 3, Jodi Woessner, Oregon, Ohio / Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 3,413
- 4, Shannon O'Keefe, O'Fallon, Ill. / Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,374
- 5, Cassandra Leuthold , Lincoln, Neb. / Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 3,374
- 6, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia / Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3,366
- 7, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard , Keller, Texas / Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 3,365
- 8, Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb. / AJ Johnson, Osneog, Ill., 3,349
- 9, Kayla Johnson, Washington, Ill. / DJ Archer, Houston, Texas, 3,337
- 10, Daria Kovalova, Wichita, Kan. / Kris Prather, Milton, Fla., 3,333
- 11, Marcia Kloempken, Pleasant View, Utah / Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3,315
- 12, Clara Guerrero, Colombia / Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3,315
- 13, Shannon Sellens, Copiague, N.Y. / Anthony Pepe, East Elmhurst, N.Y., 3,315
- 14, Anita Arnett, Richmond, Texas / Tyler Jensen, Fort Worth, Texas, 3,309
- 15, Stefanie Johnson, Grand Prairie, Texas / Chris Johnson, Grand Prairie, Texas, 3,304
- 16, Verity Crawley, England / Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,292

17, Allie Ijams, Wichita, Kan. / Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 3289
18, Heather Whitney, Euless, Texas / Tyson Branagan, Fort Worth, Texas, 3,283
19, Kristina Wendell, Kingston, N.Y. / Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,269
20, Amanda Greene, Romney, W.Va. / Kyle Sherman, O' Fallon, Mo., 3,266
21, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J. / Chris Colella, Indianapolis, Ind., 3,266
22, Catherine Rawsthorne, Lewiston, Idaho / Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 3,263
23, Brandi Calderon, Tempe, Ariz. / Mike Calderon, Tempe, Ariz., 3,256
24, Angela Chirpich, Urbandale, Iowa / Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,253
25, T'nia Falbo, Greensburg, Pa. / BJ Moore, Greensburg, Pa., 3,252
26, Karen Marcano, Venezuela / Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, 3,248
27, Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y. / Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,232
28, Liz Kuhlkin, Schenectady, N.Y. / Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,231
29, Kristina Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y. / John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,227
30, Tannya Roumimper, Indonesia / Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,226
31, Sarah Lokker, New Baltimore, Mich. / Perry Crowell, Hoquiam, Wash., 3,215
32, Lindsay Boomershine, Perry, Utah / E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,215
33, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif. / Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3,214
34, Angie Ramirez, Austin, Texas / AJ Chapman, Wichita, Kan., 3,207
35, Daria Pajak, Poland / Michael Haugen, Phoenix, Ariz., 3,203
36, Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla. / Michael Moore, Orlando, Fla., 3,197
37, Sandra Andersson, Sweden / Brett Cooper, Denver, Colo., 3,196
38, Sandra Gongora, Mexico / Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 3,194
39, Kiyoko McDonald, Allen, Texas / Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3,188
40, Jackie Carbonetto, Blauvelt, N.Y. / Shawn Naumann, Orlando, Fla., 3,186
41, Kiara Grant, Austin, Texas / Terence McQueen, Houston, Texas, 3,182
42, Kerry Smith, New Holland, Pa. / John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 3,180
43, Jasmine Coleman, Manteca, Calif. / Vernon Peterson, Winter Haven, Fla., 3,178
44, Brittni Hamilton, Victor, N.Y. / Rob Gotchall, Clarksville, Tenn., 3,169
45, Carol Norman, Houston, Texas / Andrew Anderson, Holly, Mich., 3,167
46, Shalin Zulkifli, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia / Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 3,165
47, April Ellis, Jackson, Tenn. / Shawn Maldonado, Houston, Texas, 3,160
48, Megan Kelly, Dayton, Ohio / Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,159
49, Taylor Bulthuis, Coral Springs, Fla. / Jon Trzcinski, Lake Wales, Fla., 3,159
50, Lynda Barnes, Double Oak, Texas / Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,154
51, Katie Garcia, Wichita, Kan. / Geoffrey Young, Keller, Texas, 3,153
52, Samantha Schaden, Baltimore, Md. / Alex Aguiar, Dartmouth, Mass., 3,152
53, Mariana Ayala, Puerto Rico / Johnathan Wiley, Houston, Texas, 3,147
54, Brandi Branka, Fairview Heights, Ill. / Mike Dole, Loves Park, Ill., 3,143
55, Natalie Cortese, Hoffman Estates, Ill. / Brad Miller, Raytown, Mo., 3,142
56, Catie Jensen, Fort Worth, Texas / Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y., 3,142
57, Suzana Jensen, Fort Worth, Texas / Jason Duran, Littleton, Colo., 3,139
58, Grace Hall, Oklahoma City, Okla. / Ryan Whitney, Euless, Texas, 3,134
59, Katie Thornton, Savannah, Ga. / Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 3,133
60, Brittany Smith, Des Moines, Iowa / Nick Pate, Inver Grove Heights, Minn., 3,131
61, Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio / Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,130
62, Brenda Padilla, Manfield, Texas / Xeno Garcia, Fort Worth, Texas, 3,128
63, Karen Boyd, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. / John Janawicz, Winter Haven, Fla., 3,126
64, Jovan Blankenfeld, San Antonio, Texas / Ryan Holland, Houston, Texas, 3,123
65, Leanne Hulsenberg, Pleasant View, Utah / Steve Kloempken, Pleasant View, Utah, 3,119
66, Caycee Landers, Wichita, Kan. / Andy Verbil, Wichita, Kan., 3,109
67, Kerry Moreland, Houston, Texas / David Scardaville, Houston, Texas, 3,105
68, Nicole Parkhurst, Utica, N.Y. / Steve Lemke, Nacogdoches, Texas, 3,095
69, Taylor Evans, Katy, Texas / Jay Burgess, Houston, Texas, 3,092
70, Rachel Perez, Maumelle, Ark. / Michael Shirley, North Little Rock, Ark., 3,088
71, Melanie Crawford, Plano, Texas / Connor Pickford, Plano, Texas, 3,079
72, Elise Bolton, Merritt Island, Fla. / Gary Faulkner, Orlando, Fla., 3,076
73, Maria Rodriguez, Colombia / Jaime Gonzalez, Colombia, 3,075
74, Ingellimar Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn. / Mykel Holliman, Collierville, Tenn., 3,069

75, Amanda Cortese, Hoffman Estates, Ill. / Andrew Cain, Phoenix, Ariz., 3,067
76, Stephanie Martins, Sao Paulo, Brazil / Omar Arnett, Richmond, Texas, 3,066
77, Bryanna Caldwell Cote, Red Rock, Ariz. / Stuart Williams, England, 3,058
78, Genie Franklin, Frisco, Texas / Brett Wolfe, Mesa, Ariz., 3,056
79, Jessica Hirschmann, San Antonio, Texas / Kelly Ray, Fort Worth, Texas, 3,054
80, Anneli Blomqvist, Sweden / Clint Land, Houston, Texas, 3,054
81, Holly Harris, Wichita, Kan. / Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 3,054
82, Rachael Gittings, Glen Allen, Va. / Chris Bolosan, Newport News, Va., 3,050
83, Kristin Warzinski, Muskegon, Mich. / Matt McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 3,046
84, Kaidee Sutphin, Orlando, Fla. / David O'Sullivan, Orlando, Fla., 3,045
85, Sandi Charles, Nolanville, Texas / CJ Thomas, Shreveport, La., 3,039
86, Mary Jo Cox, Houston, Texas / Lee Lorts, Katy, Texas, 3,036
87, Cindy Mattingly, Puyallup, Wash. / Tanner Spacey, Burien, Wash., 3,034
88, Elysia Current, Ephrata, Pa. / Travis Celmer, Wernersville, Pa., 3,033
89, Jessica Abel, Rose Hill, Kan. / Brent Bowers, Bel Aire, Kan., 3,024
90, Felicia Wong, Calgary, AB, Canada / Thomas Sorce, Blasdell, N.Y., 3,021
91, Elizabeth Sienicki, Sahuarita, Ariz. / Eric Traylor, Houston, Texas, 3,019
92, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y. / Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,019
93, Ashley Adams, Midlothian, Texas / Dylan Macon, Ennis, Texas, 3,007
94, Jamie Martin, Omaha, Neb. / Sean Rangel, Omaha, Neb., 3,006
95, Samantha Kelly, Milwaukee, Wis. / Anthony LaCaze, Chicago, Ill., 3,004
96, Kim Wallace, Houston, Texas / Nicholas Burgess, Houston, Texas, 3,001
97, Jaime Wells, Houston, Texas / Kendle Miles, Kennesaw, Ga., 2,973
98, Diana Jessie, Dallas, Texas / Toney Nelson, Grapevine, Texas, 2,972
99, Gabriella Mayfield, Lake Isabella, Calif. / Brian Valenta, Lake Isabella, Calif., 2,967
100, Robin Romeo, Newhall, Calif. / Bryan Alpert, Chatsworth, Calif., 2,967
101, Stacey Dault, Chandler, Ariz. / Hugh Rodman, Scottsdale, Ariz., 2,964
102, Debby Oulicky, Dallas, Texas / Robert McBride, Dallas, Texas, 2,957
103, Pam Lawrence, Pflugerville, Texas / Robert Lawrence, Del Valle, Texas, 2,949
104, Amy Rutherford, Houston, Texas / Jack Bevelhimer, Houston, Texas, 2,945
105, Kimi Davidson, Irving, Texas / Philip Wong, Houston, Texas, 2,942
106, Ashley Blakley, Houston, Texas / Derrick Woods, Houston, Texas, 2,940
107, Kayla Bandy, Salisbury, Md. / Adam Barta, Girard, Ohio, 2,938
108, Keli Callahan, Las Vegas, Nev. / Tony Thayer, Dallas, Texas, 2,929
109, Jes Lesagonicz, Atlanta, Ga. / Bob Michalajko, Pittsburgh, Pa., 2,925
110, Erica McPhail, Copperas Cove, Texas / Josh Maxson, Killeen, Texas, 2,913
111, Emily Fravel, Houston, Texas / Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 2,907
112, Beth Owen-Cipielewski, Bradenton, Fla. / Bryan Viator, Seabrook, Texas, 2,903
113, Nichole DePaul-Miller, Plano, Ill. / John Wukasch Jr., Montgomery, Texas, 2,899
114, Erin Lenahan, Meadow Vista, Calif. / Rickie Banister, Colorado Springs, Colo., 2,897
115, Jeanne Naccarato, Tacoma, Wash. / Chris Bryant, Austin, Texas, 2,894
116, Sabrina Duncan Rose, Bellaire, Texas / Frank Rose, Bellaire, Texas, 2,875
117, (tie) Britney Russell, Houston, Texas / Nick Glidden, Houston, Texas, 2,870 and Linda Walbaum, Brighton, Colo. / Mark London, Washington, Texas, 2,870
119, (tie) Brandy Silva, Fort Worth, Texas / David Tullos, Spring, Texas, and Kim Burnham, Pasadena, Texas / Clayton Colby, Pasadena, Texas, 2,869
121, Tamara Dunning, Little Rock, Ark. / Jeremy Fowler, Midland, Texas, 2,866
122, Cathy Nelson, Lakeside, Texas / Rudy Garcia, Jr., Fort Worth, Texas, 2,861
123, Correen Lieber, Phoenix, Ariz. / Eric Martinez, San Antonio, Texas, 2,857
124, Paula Vidad, Sun City, Calif. / Danny Inocencio, College Station, Texas, 2,854
125, Christi Pritts, Little Elm, Texas / Ted Pritts, Little Elm, Texas, 2,845
126, DeeDee Jeffery, Little Rock, Ark. / Shane Gillmore, Mayflower, Ark., 2,839
127, Maggie Adams, Houston, Texas / Kevin Lepler, Oklahoma City, Okla., 2,837
128, Joi Bell, Pflugerville, Texas / Will Werner, Montgomery, Texas, 2,830
129, Jennifer Nelson, Menlo Park, Calif. / Marvin Jay Hale, Henderson, Nev., 2,821
130, Stacie Hartsfield, San Antonio, Texas / Jeff Hartsfield, San Antonio, Texas, 2,820
131, Brette Joseph, Pflugerville, Texas / Colby White, Houston, Texas, 2,816
132, Gloria Wood, Corpus Christi, Texas / Darrell Wood, Corpus Christi, Texas, 2,814

133, Wanda Parker, Garland, Texas / Warren Reid, Dallas, Texas, 2,810
 134, Natalie Goodman, O'Fallon, Ill. / Nate Garcia, Port St. Lucie, Fla., 2,806
 135, Lori Swanson, Houston, Texas / Randall Blackketter, Houston, Texas, 2,781
 136, Brianna Hernandez, Floresville, Texas / Jason Miller, Plano, Ill., 2,761
 137, Krysta Carlisle, Lubbock, Texas / Zak Edgerton, Greenville, Texas, 2,760
 138, Rocky Boubel, Waco, Texas / Jimmie Rivera, San Antonio, Texas, 2,745
 139, Megan McGinley, Cinnaminson, N.J. / Matt Mitchell, Hillside, N.J., 2,720
 140, Ayano Smart, San Antonio, Texas / Carlos Gonzalez, Pearland, Texas, 2,718
 141, Stacie Marek, Katy, Texas / T.J. Thompson, Houston, Texas, 2,716
 142, Amy Gamage, Las Vegas, Nev. / Justin Spurrier, Las Vegas, Nev., 2,712
 143, Crystal Boutotte, Montgomery, Texas / Corey Atkinson, Montgomery, Texas, 2,701
 144, Norma Manns, Austin, Texas / Marvin Biagas, Houston, Texas, 2,677
 145, Stefani Bolt, Houston, Texas / Benny Ellison, Houston, Texas, 2,670
 146, Lynda Daniels, Conroe, Texas / Scott Winski, Montgomery, Texas, 2,668
 147, Courtney Bolin, Katy, Texas / Kevin Bolin, Katy, Texas, 2,661
 148, Cassandra LaLa, League City, Texas / Joseph Salaterski, Houston, Texas, 2,620
 149, Diva Gwisch, Houston, Texas / Kevin Foerster, Houston, Texas, 2612
 150, Wendy Arnold, Hockley, Texas / Lee Arnold, Hockley, Texas, 2,608
 151, Marci Lucas, Houston, Texas / Ronnie Lucas, Houston, Texas, 2,561
 152, Kristine Falcon, Conroe, Texas / Robert Richardson, Conroe, Texas, 2,520

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Shannon O'Keefe of O'Fallon, Ill. and Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., withstood a challenge from Jason Belmonte of Australia and Diandra Asbaty of Chicago, in the position round match to successfully defend their Storm PBA/PWBA Xtra Frame Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles title Sunday at Bowl on Bellaire.

O'Keefe, a 12-time Team USA member, earned her fourth PWBA Tour title while O'Neill earned his eighth PBA Tour title and first of the season.

\In the position round match, Belmonte, the three-time defending Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year, and Asbaty, a 15-time Team USA member and the winner of the 2012 USBC Queens, defeated O'Keefe/O'Neill 459-415 but it wasn't enough to overcome the 116-pin deficit. O'Keefe/O'Neill won with an 8,902 pinfall total, including bonus pins, to Belmonte/Asbaty's second-place 8,860 pinfall.

It was O'Keefe's third win with O'Neill as a partner having also won in 2013. O'Keefe also won the event with husband Brian in 2012.

"It was going to be tough to beat Diandra that game so I just shifted my focus to keep up with her," O'Keefe said of the position round match. "I was able to put together some good frames at the end of the game so she wouldn't get too far ahead of me.

"Communication is always important when you're bowling doubles," O'Keefe added. "But the ability to bounce ideas off your teammate and change your game plan quickly, if necessary, is also important in a tournament like this."

O'Neill struggled in the final match but like O'Keefe bowled well enough to keep the team out front.

"I couldn't get a strike but fortunately I didn't have any splits and I made my spares," O'Neill said. "We had a pretty big lead heading into the last match and we were able to keep them from getting too far ahead of us."

O'Neill also credited the ability to communicate and the knowledge of each other's games for their success as doubles partners.

“We know each other’s games so well both physically and mentally,” O’Neill added. “We’ve kind of gone back and forth over the years where she bowled really well and I was kind of along for the ride and this year I was having a better tournament, but the point is we’re good at being able to work through the grind that makes this tournament what it is.”

Proceeds from the tournament and accompanying pro-am raise funds are donated to The Rose, a Houston-based organization that helps women who can’t afford breast care treatment or mammograms, and the Huntsman Group.

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STORM PBA/PWBA XTRA FRAME STRIKING AGAINST BREAST CANCER MIXED DOUBLES

Bowl on Bellaire, Houston, Sunday

FINAL STANDINGS

(after 20 games, including match play bonus pins)

- 1, Shannon O’Keefe, O’Fallon, Ill. / Bill O’Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 8,902, \$16,000
- 2, Diandra Asbaty, Chicago, Ill. / Jason Belmonte, Australia, 8,860, \$8,000
- 3, Rocio Restrepo, Colombia / Joe Hostetler, Louisville, Ohio, 8,628, \$5,000
- 4, Cassandra Leuthold, Lincoln, Neb. / Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 8,619, \$4,000
- 5, Jodi Woessner, Oregon, Ohio / Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 8,575, \$3,000
- 6, Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb. / AJ Johnson, Osneog, Ill., 8,463, \$2,500
- 7, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard , Keller, Texas / Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 8,328, \$2,350
- 8, Allie Ijams, Wichita, Kan. / Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 8,267, \$2,250

Other cashers (after 12 games)

- 9, Kayla Johnson, Washington, Ill./DJ Archer, Houston, Texas 4,940, \$2,180
- 10, Daria Kovalova, Wichita, Kan./Kris Prather, Milton, Fla. 4,934, \$2,100
- 11, Shannon Sellens Copiague, N.Y./Anthony Pepe East Elmhurst, N.Y., 4,930, \$2,050
- 12, Verity Crawley, England/Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 4,903, \$2,000
- 13, T’nia Falbo, Greensburg, Pa./BJ Moore, Greensburg, Pa., 4,901, \$1,950
- 14, Angie Ramirez, Austin, Texas/AJ Chapman, Wichita, Kan., 4,896, \$1,900
- 15, Stefanie Johnson, Grand Prairie, Texas/Chris Johnson Grand Prairie, Texas, 4,895, \$1,850
- 16, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif. / Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 4,889, \$1,800
- 17, Clara Guerrero, Colombia/Andres Gomez, Colombia, 4,886, \$1,750
- 18, Karen Marcano, Venezuela/Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, 4,884, \$1,700
- 19, Angela Chirpich, Urbandale, Iowa/Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 4,881, \$1,650

- 20, Amanda Greene, Romney, W.Va./Kyle Sherman, O' Fallon, Mo., 4,868, \$1,600
- 21, Sandra Andersson, Sweden/Brett Cooper Denver, Colo., 4,864, \$1,550
- 22, Marcia Kloempken, Pleasant View, Utah/Mitch, Beasley Clarksville, Tenn., 4,856, \$1,500
- 23, Kristina Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y./John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 4,843, \$1,450
- 24, Diana Zavjalova Latvia/Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 4,827, \$1,400
- 25, Lindsay Boomershine, Perry, Utah/EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4,819, \$1,350
- 26, Kelly Kulick Union, N.J./Chris Colella, Indianapolis, Ind., 4,804, \$1,300
- 27, Heather Whitney, Euless, Texas/Tyson Branagan, Fort Worth, Texas , 4,803, \$1,250
- 28, Danielle McEwan Stony Point, N.Y./Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 4,800, \$1,200
- 29, Catherine Rawsthorne, Lewiston, Idaho/Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 4,784, \$1,150
- 30, Sarah Lokker, New Baltimore, Mich./Perry Crowell, Hoquiam, Wash., 4,781, \$1,100
- 31, Anita Arnett Richmond, Texas/Tyler Jensen, Fort Worth, Texas, 4,773, \$1,050
- 32, Liz Kuhlkin, Schenectady, N.Y. /Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y. 4,761, \$1,000
- 33, Tannya Roumimper, Indonesia/Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 4,759, \$950
- 34, Kristina Wendell, Kingston, N.Y./Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 4,744, \$900
- 35, Sandra Gongora, Mexico/Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 4,736, \$850
- 36, Brandi Calderon, Tempe, Ariz./Mike Calderon, Tempe, Ariz., 4,691, \$800
- 37, Daria Pajak, Poland/Michael Haugen, Phoenix, Ariz., 4,678, \$750
- 38, Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla./ Michael Moore, Orlando, Fla., 4,641, \$700

Fresh Look at the Lanes Helps Don Breeden Take First Round Lead In PBA50 Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic

ANDERSON, Ind. – Iowa State Bowling Association Hall of Famer Don Breeden of Clive, Iowa, often doesn't take advantage of practice sessions right before the tournaments he bowls in. He likes to have a fresh look at the lanes when competition starts.

That routine paid off for the 52-year-old Breeden Monday when he bowled a 1,860 eight-game pinfall (232.5 average) to take the first round lead in the PBA50 Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip. He had games of 236, 265, 266, 233, 198, 223, 228 and 211.

"I do most of my practice during the week," said Breeden, who has a best PBA50 Tour finish of fourth which came in the 2014 PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open. "I usually don't like to get to the lanes too early and like to have a fresh look at the lanes once competition starts. I figure if I'm not ready when I get there, I'll never be ready."

Breeden's best finish this season was seventh in the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In the Villages in April.

Breeden holds a one pin lead over two-time PBA Tour and one-time PBA50 Tour titlist Sam Maccarone of Blackwood, N.J., who finished with 1,859.

“If you don’t have the right execution it doesn’t matter how right everything else is,” said Maccarone. “Having the right ball and playing the right part of the lane is important but if the bowler can’t put it all together you’re not going to get the results.”

The 120-player field will bowl another eight-game qualifying round Tuesday which will be followed by match play on Wednesday. Fans can catch all the action on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

Finishing the round in third was two-time PBA Tour and two-time PBA50 Tour titlist Jack Jurek of Lackawanna, N.Y. with 1,854, followed by western New York native PBA Hall of Famer Tom Baker in fourth with 1,848.

Baker, who is tied with Dale Eagle for second on the all-time PBA50 Tour titles list with 12 wins, is trying to move into second all alone which would put him just one back of the all-time leader John Handegard who leads with 14 wins.

Six-time 2016 season winner Pete Weber withdrew from the tournament with a lingering hip injury.

PBA50 DAVE SMALL’S CHAMPIONSHIP LANES CLASSIC

Presented by Roto Grip

Dave Small’s Championship Lanes, Anderson, Ind., Monday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after eight games)

- 1, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,860.
- 2, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,859.
- 3, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,854.
- 4, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,848.
- 5, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 1,842.
- 6, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,813.
- 7, Jeff Zaffino, Warren, Pa., 1,811.
- 8, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,802.
- 9, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,795.
- 10, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 1,790.
- 11, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 1,788.
- 12, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,785.
- 13, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,782.
- 14, (tie) ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, and Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,779.
- 16, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,771.
- 17, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,765.
- 18, ss-David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 1,760.
- 19, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 1,758.
- 20, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,750.
- 21, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,736.
- 22, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,735.
- 23, Dave Dunphy, Canada, 1,732.
- 24, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,730.
- 25, Les Ash, Washington Ct. House, Ohio, 1,729.
- 26, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,726.
- 27, ss-Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,723.
- 28, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,722.
- 29, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,712.
- 30, ss-Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,710.
- 31, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 1,707.
- 32, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,705.
- 33, ss-Dale Csuhata, Wadsworth, Ohio, 1,701.
- 34, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,697.
- 35, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 1,696.
- 36, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1,695.

37, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,694.
38, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 1,693.
39, Ernie Segura, Taylor, Mich., 1,689.
40, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 1,688.
41, Keith Lesko, Indian Land, S.C., 1,686.
42, Randy Robertson, Evansville, Ind., 1,681.
43, Conn Casey, Canada, 1,680.
44, (tie) ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis. and Billy Froberg, St Joseph, Mich., 1,678.
46, (tie) ss-Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., and Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1,677.
48, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,676.
49, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,672.
50, ss-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, 1,663.
51, n-Doug Henry, Franklin, Ind., 1,658.
52, ss-Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 1,657.
53, ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,656.
54, Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,653.
55, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,640.
56, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 1,633.
57, (tie) ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., and ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,630.
59, (tie) Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, Brad Sipes, Bloomington, Ill., and Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 1,622.
62, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 1,618.
63, ss-John Thullen, Whiteland, Ind., 1,617.
64, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 1,615.
65, Paul LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,611.
66, (tie) ss-Darrell Adams, Flintstone, Ga., and Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,610.
68, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,608.
69, (tie) ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., and Jeff Thomas, Indianapolis, 1,606.
71, (tie) Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., and ss-Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,605.
73, n-Kevin Anderson, Mt. Juliet, Tenn., 1,600.
74, Curt Guinn, Greenwood, S.C., 1,597.
75, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,581.
76, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,578.
77, ss-Jerry Lau, St. Peters, Mo., 1,576.
78, (tie) ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, and Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,575.
80, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,573.
81, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,572.
82, ss-Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 1,571.
83, ss-Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 1,567.
84, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,564.
85, ss-Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,556.
86, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,551.
87, Dave Flemming, Fairborn, Ohio, 1,549.
88, (tie) Tim Hartley, Englewood, Ohio, and Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,546.
90, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 1,545.
91, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,537.
92, ss-Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, 1,535.
93, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,529.
94, (tie) Rick Woloszyn, Griffith, Ind., and Kurt Gengelbach, Carrollton, Texas, 1,525.
96, (tie) John Maloof, Park Hall, Md., and Terry Rohrer, Ft. Wayne, Ind., 1,521.
98, (tie) ss-Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., and n-Terry Buckner, Anderson, Ind., 1,519.
100, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,514.
101, ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,507.
102, ss-Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 1,498.
103, (tie) ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., and Kenneth Galitsky, Plainfield, Ind., 1,497.
105, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 1,478.
106, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 1,473.
107, Robert Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,467.
108, ss-Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 1,463.

109, ss-Harv Pallas, Stevensville, Mich., 1,458.
110, n-Jeff Shircel, Sheboygan Falls, Wisc., 1,453.
111, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,449.
112, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 1,446.
113, ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,427.
114, ss-Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 1,426.
115, Brian Staneff, Ontario, Canada, 1,415.
116, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,390.
117, n-Dean Reid, New Whiteland, Ind., 1,389.
118, ss-James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 1,362.
119, ss-Richard Felten, Rockville, Md., 1,280.
120, ss-Allen Meskan, Addison, Ill., 1,270.

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Jack Jurek Averages 233 to Earn Top Qualifier Honors In PBA50 Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic

ANDERSON, Ind. – Two-time PBA Tour titlist Jack Jurek of Lackawanna, N.Y., looks back on a 30-year career as a professional bowler as a little bit of a mixed bag, but has found his four seasons as a PBA50 Tour player especially rewarding.

The 53-year-old Jurek, who is trying for his third win on the tour for players 50 years of age and older, emerged as the qualifying leader of the PBA50 Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip Tuesday with a 3,728 16-game pinfall total (233 average).

"When I came out on the PBA Tour as a rookie in 1986 there were some expectations for me after college that I probably didn't live up to," said Jurek, who was the 1984 QubicaAMF World Cup men's champion and a standout at West Texas State. "Now that I'm out here on the PBA50 Tour I think I've made up for some of those missed opportunities on the young guy's tour.

"It makes me feel better to know that I've had a pretty satisfying PBA50 career especially when you see the great players that are bowling out here right now. With two wins and two runner-up finishes among some of the other top finishes I've had, it's been pretty satisfying so far."

In Tuesday's second round, Jurek had games of 201, 224, 269, 198, 257, 278, 240 and 207 after bowling a 1,854 eight-game block in the first round but thought working on improving his timing might give him even better results.

"Today I bowled a pretty solid round and yesterday I probably scored better than I should have," said Jurek, whose best finish this season is second in the PBA50 Mooresville Classic. "Today, I went from a four-step to a five-step delivery to improve my timing, improved my execution and I was able to catch a good run."

Finishing second 54 pins behind Jurek was two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr with 3,674, followed by Hall of Famers Brian Voss, 3,669; Parker Bohn III, 3,651, and Tom Baker, 3,633. PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm winner Hall of Famer Norm Duke finished the day in sixth with 3,632.

Fans can catch Wednesday's match play rounds and stepladder finals live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Monthly subscriptions are \$7.99; 3-Day Passes are \$3.99 and a yearly subscription can be purchased for the equivalent of \$1.25 per week. Visit www.xtraframe.tv for subscription and schedule information.

PBA50 DAVE SMALL'S CHAMPIONSHIP LANES CLASSIC

Presented by Roto Grip

Dave Small's Championship Lanes, Anderson, Ind., Tuesday

SECOND ROUND STANDINGS

(after 16 games. Top 24 advance to match play. Positions 25-40 plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers round to determine eight additional match play finalists)

- 1, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,728.
- 2, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,674.
- 3, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,669.
- 4, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,651.
- 5, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,633.
- 6, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,632.
- 7, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,622.
- 8, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,604.
- 9, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,602.
- 10, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 3,583.
- 11, (tie) Jeff Zaffino, Warren, Pa., and Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,574.
- 13, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 3,573.
- 14, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,562.
- 15, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 3,544.
- 16, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 3,527.
- 17, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3,514.
- 18, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,506.
- 19, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3,503.
- 20, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 3,502.
- 21, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,489.
- 22, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3,471.
- 23, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,469.
- 24, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,467.
- 25, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,463.
- 26, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 3,462.
- 27, Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 3,458.
- 28, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3,451.
- 28, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 3,451.
- 30, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 3,438.
- 31, Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,433.
- 32, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,429.
- 33, Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 3,410.
- 34, Conn Casey, Canada, 3,389.
- 35, Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3,384.
- 36, (tie) ss-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, and Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,381.
- 38, Keith Lesko, Indian Land, S.C., 3,374.
- 39, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 3,369.
- 40, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 3,351.
- 41, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 3,345.
- 42, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,341.
- 43, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,340.
- 44, Dave Dunphy, Canada, 3,338.
- 45, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 3,337.
- 46, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3,318.
- 47, n-Kevin Anderson, Mt. Juliet, Tenn., 3,312.
- 48, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,307.
- 49, Ernie Segura, Taylor, Mich., 3,303.
- 50, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 3,298.
- 51, n-Doug Henry, Franklin, Ind., 3,297.
- 52, ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 3,295.
- 53, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,289.
- 54, ss-Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,283.

55, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 3,268.
56, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,264.
57, (tie) Jeff Thomas, Indianapolis, and Randy Robertson, Evansville, Ind., 3,262.
59, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 3,261.
60, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,250.
61, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 3,249.
62, Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 3,246.
63, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 3,243.
64, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3,236.
65, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 3,232.
66, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,231.
67, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,227.
68, Brad Sipes, Bloomington, Ill., 3,223.
69, John Thullen, Whiteland, Ind., 3,212.
70, Curt Guinn, Greenwood, S.C., 3,211.
71, Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,209.
72, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 3,207.
73, Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 3,206.
74, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,202.
75, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3,197.
76, Jerry Brunette Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 3,193.
77, (tie) Billy Froberg, St Joseph, Mich., and Les Ash, Washington Ct. House, Ohio, 3,174.
79, Robert Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 3,167.
80, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,144.
81, Rick Woloszyn, Griffith, Ind., 3,142.
82, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,134.
83, (tie) Terry Rohrer, Ft. Wayne, Ind., and Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 3,129.
85, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,109.
86, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,098.
87, John Maloof, Park Hall, Md., 3,096.
88, (tie) Dave Flemming, Fairborn, Ohio, and Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,092.
90, Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 3,088.
91, Tim Hartley, Englewood, Ohio, 3,081.
92, Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 3,076.
93, Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 3,060.
94, Jerry Lau, St. Peters, Mo., 3,053.
95, (tie) Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, and Paul LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 3,051.
97, Kurt Gengelbach, Carrollton, Texas, 3,047.
98, n-Terry Buckner, Anderson, Ind., 3,039.
99, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 3,026.
100, Kenneth Galitsky, Plainfield, Ind., 3,003.
101, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 2,973.
102, Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 2,971.
103, n-Jeff Shircel, Sheboygan Falls, Wis., 2,966.
104, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 2,965.
105, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 2,960.
106, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 2,957.
107, Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., 2,928.
108, Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 2,925.
109, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 2,920.
110, Gary Alstott, Washington, Ill., 2,882.
111, Brian Staneff, Ontario, Canada, 2,876.
112, Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 2,843.
113, n-Dean Reid, New Whiteland, Ind., 2,814.
114, Allen Meskan, Addison, Ill., 2,539.
115, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 2,721.
116, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 2,608.
117, Darrell Adams, Flintstone, Ga., 2,440.

118, James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 2,424.

119, Richard Felten, Rockville, Md., 2,176.

120, Harv Pallas, Stevensville, Mich., 1,808.

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Hall of Famer Brian Voss Wins Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic For First Career PBA50 Tour Title

Voss defeats Lennie Boresch Jr. 222-206 to hand Boresch second consecutive runner-up finish

ANDERSON, Ind. (Aug. 3, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Brian Voss of Centennial, Colo., a 25-time winner on the PBA Tour, won the PBA50 Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip Wednesday for his first win on the tour for players 50 and older.

Voss defeated United States Bowling Congress Hall of Famer and top seed Lennie Boresch Jr. of Kenosha, Wis., 222-206, in the championship match to hand Boresch his second runner-up finish in a row after losing in last week's PBA50 South Shore Open title match to Pete Weber who won his record sixth title of the season.

"I get old but winning never gets old as the saying goes," said Voss, who turns 58 Thursday. "This game takes a lot to win. There's so much to think about and there's not one moment that I'm not working thinking about what I need to do on every shot."

In a relatively close match, Voss held a seven pin lead in the seventh frame but then threw a double in the eighth and ninth to prevent a comeback by Boresch, who was trying for his third career PBA50 Tour title and his first since 2013. Voss also picked up a rare 3-4-6-7-10 split in the third frame which helped him stay in front early in the match.

"I take pride in making a lot of the splits I leave," said Voss, who is also a member of the USBC Hall of Fame. "Whether it takes one shot or two you just have to believe that you can knock them all down. You have to think you can always make it."

Voss' previous best PBA50 Tour finish was second in the 2009 Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open.

"To be honest, every year that goes by you never know," Voss said. "It starts to wear on you especially this year because I've been in the top 10 pretty consistently. In a strange way, now that it's over with, it kind of seemed easy."

In the opening stepladder match, PBA50 Tour rookie Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio beat two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, 243-213, and then went on to beat Hall of Famer and four-time PBA50 Player of the Year Tom Baker of King, N.C., 279-211, in the second match. In the semifinal match Voss defeated Kretzer 240-222 to advance to the title match.

The PBA50 Tour travels to Fort Wayne, Ind. for the DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite Aug. 6-9 and the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer, Aug. 11-13, both at Pro Bowl West.

The season wraps up with the PBA50 National Championship presented by Riley Hospital for Children Aug. 14-17 at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

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PBA50 DAVE SMALL'S CHAMPIONSHIP LANES CLASSIC

Presented by Roto Grip

Dave Small's Championship Lanes, Anderson, Ind., Wednesday

Final Standings:

1, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., \$7,500.

2, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., \$4,000.

3, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, \$2,500.

4, Tom Baker, King, N.C., \$2,000.

5, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, \$1,750.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Kretzer def. Mohr, 243-213.

Match Two – Kretzer def. Baker, 279-211.

Semifinal Match – Voss def. Kretzer, 240-222.

Championship – Voss def. Boresch, 222-206.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advance to stepladder finals)

1, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 5-1, 1,554.

2, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 4-2, 1,522.

3, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 5-1, 1,468.

4, (tie) Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 5-1, and ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4-2, 1,467.

6, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 4-2, 1,458, \$1,500.

7, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3-3, 1,447, \$1,500.

8, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3-3, 1,428, \$1,500.

9, ss-Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 2-4, 1,413, \$1,300.

10, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 2-4, 1,405, \$1,300.

11, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 2-4, 1,389, \$1,300.

12, (tie) Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2-4, 1,326, and Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 2-4, 1,326, \$1,300.

14, ss-David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 2-4- 1,280, \$1,300.

15, Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 2-4, 1,277, \$1,300.

16, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1-5, 1,221, \$1,300.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins):

17, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3-2, 1,188, \$1,200.

18, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3-2, 1,184, \$1,200.

19, Jeff Zaffino, Warren, Pa., 2-2-1, 1,177, \$1,200.

20, ss-Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3-2, 1,162, \$1,200.

21, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 2-3, 1,149, \$1,200.

22, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 2-3, 1,146, \$1,200.

23, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 2-3, 1,136, \$1,200.

24, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 2-3, 1,131, \$1,200.

25, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 1-3-1, 1,122, \$1,100.

26, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1-4, 1,120, \$1,100.

27, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3-2, 1,112, \$1,100.

28, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2-3, 1,102, \$1,100.

29, Conn Casey, Canada, 2-3, 1,099, \$1,100.

30, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1-4, 1,095, \$1,100.

31, David Williams Jr., Omaha, Neb., 2-3, 1,058, \$1,100.

32, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 2-3, 1,016, \$1,100.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers' round):

33, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,090, \$1,000.

34, ss-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, 1,077, \$1,000.

35, ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,075, \$1,000.

36, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1,065, \$1,000.

37, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,042, \$1,000.

38, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1,039, \$1,000.

39, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,036, \$1,000.

40, Keith Lesko, Indian Land, S.C., 1,035, \$1,000.

41, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,031, \$1,000.

42, Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,011, \$1,000.

43, ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,005, \$1,000.

44, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 995, \$1,000.

45, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 981, \$1,000.

46, ss-Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 957, \$1,000.

47, ss-Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 934, \$1,000.
48, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 878, \$1,000.

ss-denotes PBA60 player

PBA Spare Shots

CHRIS WARREN CLOSES IN ON PETE WEBER'S PBA REGIONAL RECORD

Chris Warren of Grants Pass, Ore., posted a 6-2 match play record and a 3,510 pinfall total Sunday to win the PBA Boise Northwest/West Open presented by Columbia 300 at 20th Century Lanes in Boise, Idaho, moving to within one title of catching PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** for the all-time QubicaAMF PBA Regional titles lead.

Warren, who now owns 47 standard PBA Regional titles, earned \$2,000 when he defeated **David Haynes** of Las Vegas by 39 pins for the title. Warren, 52, also has won six PBA Tour titles and one PBA50 Regional title for 54 overall PBA titles. In addition to his record 48 standard PBA Regional titles, Weber has won 37 PBA Tour, 10 PBA50 Tour and four PBA50 Regional titles, tying fellow hall of famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. with 99 overall PBA titles.

Haynes finished with 3,471 total pins for his 16 games, including match play bonus pins.

In the companion PBA50 Open, **Tony Rodriguez** of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., went 5-1 and knocked down 2,925 total pins for 14 games to top **Wayne Manwill** of Boise, Idaho. Manwill had a 5-1 match play record and 2,839 pins.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: U.S. WOMEN'S OPEN PRELIMS, PRO BOWL WEST DOUBLEHEADER

This week on Xtra Frame features the qualifying and match play rounds of the U.S. Women's Open from Stardust Bowl in Addison, Ill., today through Saturday, leading into Sunday's live stepladder finals on CBS Sports Network.

PBA50 Tour coverage returns next week with a doubleheader from Pro Bowl West in Ft. Wayne, Ind. Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage will begin with the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Ebonite and Pro Bowl West Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. After a two-day break, Pro Bowl West will host the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer for players 60 and older Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Looking ahead, Xtra Frame will cover the PBA50 National Championship to benefit Riley Hospital for Children Aug. 15-17 at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind., and the PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic from Mid-Country Lanes in Middletown, Del., Aug. 20-21.

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QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: FACH WINS GREATER MARION CENTRALOPEN

PBA rookie **Graham Fach** of Guelph, Ontario, defeated **Josh Conner** of Columbus, Ohio, 239-211, to win the PBA Greater Marion Central Open at BlueFusion Fun Center in Marion, Ohio, Sunday.

Fach, who earlier in the year won the PBA Players Championship to become the first Canadian to win a PBA Tour title, claimed his second PBA Central Region title along with the \$2,500 first prize. He defeated **Brandon Novak** of Chillicothe, Ohio, 278-217, to advance to the championship match. In the first stepladder match, Novak downed **Patrick Dombrowski** of Parma, Ohio, 216-198.

● **Greg Ostrander** of Freehold, N.J. defeated **Andrew Suscreba** of Clifton, N.J., 222-202, to win the PBA Romeo Chevrolet/Buick/GMC Eastern Open presented by Ebonite at Patel's Kingston Lanes in Kingston, N.Y., Sunday for his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title.

Ostrander dominated the weekend scoring, leading the field by 120 pins over the 17 games leading up to the stepladder finals. He clinched the title with clutch strikes in the ninth and 10th frames to pick up the \$2,500 first prize and he became eligible to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions with his win.

In the semifinal match, Suscreba defeated **Matt O'Grady** of South Amboy, N.J., 224-195, after O'Grady won the first match, defeating **Johnathan Bower** of Middletown, Pa. 278-245.

- **Harry Sullins** of Chesterfield Twp., Mich., defeated **Brian Kretzer** of Dayton, Ohio, by 130 pins to win the PBA50 Beverly Lanes Midwest/Central Open at Beverly Lanes in Arlington Heights, Ill., on Saturday.

Sullins finished the 17-game event with a 6-4 match play record and 3,892 total pins, including match play bonus pins, to pick up his second PBA50 title of the year and the 33rd of his career. He also earned a \$1,600 prize while Kretzer finished with 3,752 total pins.

- **Jimmy Jean** of Kathleen, Ga., defeated **Charlie Toney** of Oak Hill, W.Va., 212-182, in the title match to win his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA50 SpareTimes Hampton South Open at SpareTimes Lanes in Hampton, Va., Sunday.

Jean earned \$1,600 and also qualified to enter the 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions.

In the semifinal round matches, Jean eliminated **Wayne Bolin** of Lumberton, N.C., 200-184, while Toney defeated **Ken Shealy** of Myrtle Beach, S.C., 182-158.

- The August QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule gets underway Aug. 4-6 with the PBA50 Progressive/Gerdman Insurance Agency/Al Smith Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep Central-Midwest Classic at Al-Mar Lanes in Bowling Green, Ohio. Events on tap for the Aug. 5-7 weekend include the PBA Bowlers Supply Storm Eastern Open at Colony Park Lanes in York, Pa.; the PBA AMF Western Branch South Open presented by Hammer in Chesapeake, Va., and the Tony Reyes Memorial Member/Non-Member Doubles at Fourth Street Bowl in San Jose, Calif.

- Sandwiched in between the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite in Fort Wayne, Ind., Aug. 6-9, and the PBA60 Dick Weber National Championship presented by Hammer, Aug. 11-13, PBA50 players are invited to compete in the PBA50 Fort Wayne Central/Midwest Shootout – a one-day reduced entry fee event, on Wednesday, Aug. 10. Pro Bowl West will host all three events.

- Over the Aug. 12-14 weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional action will include the Poplar Creek Midwest Open in Hoffman Estates, Ill.; the Killeen Southwest Open at Hallmark Lanes in Killeen, Texas; the Lefeld Implement Central Classic at Pla-Mor Lanes in Coldwater, Ohio, and the PBA Japan Region's DHC Women's Chameleon Open and Chameleon Open, both in Syama, Japan.

- The Aug. 19-21 weekend will be headlined by the PBA Gene Carter Pro Shop Classic, presented by Xtra Frame, at Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment Center in Middletown, Del. The PBA Xtra Frame Tour event is projecting a \$15,000 first prize along with a PBA Tour title. Also over the Aug. 19-21 weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule includes the Emerald Bowl Southwest Challenge for non-champions and the PWBA-PBA Emerald Bowl Open for women. Both events in Houston, Texas, will be presented by Hammer. Also on tap is the Dave Husted Northwest Open presented by 900 Global at Milwaukie Bowl in Milwaukie, Ore.

- Concluding the August schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the Aug. 26-28 weekend will be the Fayetteville South Open presented by MOTIV along with the PWBA-PBA Fayetteville South Open – a women's only event - at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the AMF Garland Lanes Southwest Open, presented by Classic Products & Ultimate Bowling Products, [in Garland, Texas](#), and the Aquimo West Open at Mesa East Bowl in Mesa, Ariz.

- Looking ahead to Labor Day weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the PBA60 Wilson & Sons Pest Control South Open followed by the PBA50 Budweiser Open presented by Mooresville Ford and Columbia 300 at George Pappas' Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C.; the PBA50 Strike Zone Open presented by Columbia 300 in Pottsville, Pa., and the PBA Japan Region's Viper Open presented by Ebonite in Iruma, Japan.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit [pba.com](#), open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit [www.qubicaamf.com](#) or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- A contingent of nine Chinese bowlers have survived an intense four-day competition in Shanghai, and will represent the Republic of China in PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, Longmarch Bowling president **Frank Zhao** has announced. The nine players will be make the trip courtesy of **Shi Guotai**, the vice chairman of China Bowling Association.

● PBA/USBC Hall of Famer **Brian Voss** and USBC Hall of Famer **Harry Sullins** will conduct a youth instructional clinic on Saturday, Oct. 22 at 5 Star Lanes in Sterling Heights, Mich. For more information, contact the bowling center or send Sullins at email at: harsulli@peoplepc.com.

● **Patrick King** of Yankton, S.D., is the winner of July's \$200 HotelPlanner.com certificate, good for future lodging expenses, compliments of PBA's official travel partner. The monthly sweepstakes is open to anyone who books a hotel through the HotelPlanner.com link on pba.com.

● **Craig Morris** of Victor, N.Y., is the owner of a new high-performance MOTIV bowling ball; **Barry Zins** of Chandler, Ariz., has won a new DV8 ball, and **Gianna Miles** of Loxahatchee, Fla., is the recipient of a new Brunswick ball as winners of sweepstakes sponsored by the respective PBA Product Registered partners. The monthly sweepstakes is open to new Xtra Frame subscribers, who are automatically entered when they enroll as a new monthly or yearly Xtra Frame subscriber.

First Round Leader Bob Learn Jr. Hopes Better Decisions Will Mean Better Results In PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship

FORT WAYNE, Ind. – With three top-10 finishes on the PBA50 Tour this season, including a season's best sixth-place in last week's Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic, Bob Learn Jr. of Erie, Pa., feels that if he can eliminate making bad decisions he can capture his first win of the season.

Learn, who has three career PBA50 Tour titles, took the first round lead in the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite Sunday with a 1,894 eight-game pinfall total (236.7 average) bowling games of 248, 241, 213, 235, 279, 215, 268 and 195 at Pro Bowl West.

"Overall it's been kind of a lackluster year," said Learn, whose last title came in the 2015 PBA/PBA50 South Shore Doubles with partner DJ Archer. "There have been times when I felt like I was bowling real well but made some bad decisions when it was time to make adjustments that prevented me from getting some better finishes.

"Last week, I just missed the show but I bowled well and that's given me a lot more confidence here," the five-time PBA Tour winner added. "I just have to make sure I make smart adjustments because you're not going to get away with too many mistakes out here."

Heading into Monday's second qualifying round, Learn leads 2008 USBC Senior Masters winner Kenny Parks of Hammond, Ind., who finished the day in second 27 pins behind with a 1,867 pinfall.

PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, who won the Fountain Valley Open in June for his sixth career PBA50 Tour title, is in third with a 1,867 pinfall, followed by one-time PBA50 Tour titlist Brian LeClair of Delmar, N.Y. with 1,852, and 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas with 1,834.

Six-time 2016 season winner Pete Weber did not enter the event because of his lingering hip injury.

Fans can catch Monday's second qualifying round and Tuesday's match play rounds and stepladder finals live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 DEHAYES INSURANCE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIP

Presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite

Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind., Sunday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after eight games)

- 1, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,894.
- 2, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,867.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,864.
- 4, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,852.
- 5, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,834.
- 6, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,818.

7, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,795.
8, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 1,784.
9, n-Jeff Richgels, Madison, Wis., 1,781.
10, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 1,769.
11, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 1,768.
12, ss-David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 1,762.
13, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 1,750.
14, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 1,748.
15, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1,746.
16, (tie) Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., and Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,744.
18, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1,732.
19, ss-Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,731.
20, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 1,724.
21, ss-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 1,717.
22, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,715.
23, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,714.
24, (tie) ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., and Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,710.
26, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 1,708.
27, ss-Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 1,703.
28, (tie) Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, and ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,699.
30, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 1,698.
31, (tie) ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., and ss-Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 1,697.
33, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,694.
34, (tie) Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., and Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,693.
36, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 1,683.
37, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,681.
38, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 1,680.
39, Larry Salvati, Canada, 1,677.
40, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 1,676.
41, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,674.
42, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,661.
43, (tie) ss-Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., and Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 1,660.
45, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,659.
46, ss-Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Ark., 1,657.
47, (tie) n-Mike Boogren, Bloomington, Ill., and Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,654.
49, Frank Rose Jr, Bellaire, Texas, 1,651.
50, (tie) Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, and Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 1,647.
53, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,645.
54, Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 1,642.
55, n-Frank Lorenzini, Fort Wayne, Ind., 1,638.
56, (tie) Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., and Terry Rohrer, Fort. Wayne, Ind., 1,636.
58, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,627.
59, Billy Froberg, St Joseph, Mich., 1,626.
60, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,624.
61, David Rosengarten, Gardendale, Ala., 1,623.
62, Robert Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,622.
63, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,616.
64, (tie) Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., and Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,613.
66, ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,612.
67, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,611.
68, John Chapman, Canada, 1,610.
69, ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,608.
70, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,606.
71, (tie) Mark Everette, Aliquippa, Pa., and ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,604.
73, (tie) ss-Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., ss-Dale Csuhata, Wadsworth, Ohio, and Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,602.
76, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,597.
77, (tie) ss-Mike Moore, Marietta, Ohio, and n, ss-Michael Lucente, Warren, Mich., 1,595.
79, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,594.

80, Tim Hartley, Englewood, Ohio, 1,590.
 81, ss-Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,586.
 82, ss-Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,582.
 83, (tie) ss-Phillip Moros, Lombard, Ill., and ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,577.
 85, James Blackstone, Kennesaw, Ga., 1,573.
 86, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,572.
 87, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 1,571.
 88, (tie) Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., and ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,565.
 90, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 1,560.
 91, (tie) ss-Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., and ss-Ray Johnson, Battle Creek, Mich., 1,555.
 93, ss-Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 1,547.
 94, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,546.
 95, (tie) ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, and ss-Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,530.
 97, ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,521.
 98, ss-Steven Banks, Leesburg, Va., 1,520.
 99, ss-Richard Hunt, Valparaiso, Ind., 1,515.
 100, ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,514.
 101, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 1,509.
 102, ss-Don Lane, San Francisco, 1,506.
 103, Chuck Walker, Blaine, Tenn., 1,503.
 104, Steve Easterday, Strasburg, Ohio, 1,502.
 105, ss-Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 1,497.
 106, ss-Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 1,496.
 107, Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 1,495.
 108, ss-Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 1,493.
 109, ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,485.
 110, ss-Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, 1,473.
 111, ss-Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 1,472.
 112, ss-n-Victor VanHentenryck, Fort Wayne, Ind., 1,442.
 113, Dennis Briggs, New Galilee, Pa., 1,436.
 114, ss-Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,431.
 115, ss-Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 1,418.
 116, ss-James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 1,391.
 117, n, ss-Gary Gold, Whitney Point, N.Y., 1,381.
 118, ss-George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 1,365.
 119, Les Ash, Washington Ct. House, Ohio, 1,354.

n-denotes non-member

ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

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Defending Champion Mike Scroggins Averages 237 to Top Qualifying In PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship

*2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year corrects flaw in arm swing that he hopes
 will result in successful title defense*

FORT WAYNE, Ind. – Defending champion Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, averaged 237 for 16 games to earn top qualifier honors Monday in the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite.

Scroggins, who was fifth after Sunday's first round with a 1,834 eight-game pinfall total, followed up with 1,968 Monday at Pro Bowl West to finish qualifying with a 3,802 overall pinfall.

The left-hander recently corrected a flaw in his swing that he discovered earlier in the season which he hopes will help in a successful title defense.

"I noticed that I wasn't getting the pin carry I normally do and I was leaving a lot of corner pins," said Scroggins, who also owns eight PBA Tour titles. "When I was bowling in the Senior Masters, (Storm rep) Del Ballard mentioned to me that he noticed I had developed a big loop in my back swing.

"I saw it on video and sure enough I could see that my arm swing wasn't as straight as it should be and I was looping it behind my back," Scroggins noted. "The result of that was the ball was getting to the pocket fine but it was losing energy when it got there and I was leaving a lot of seven pins."

Scroggins' win in last year's tournament made him the season's only three-time winner and solidified his 2015 PBA50 Rookie of the Year honor.

"Coming to a center where I've won before and having corrected my mechanics, I'm pretty encouraged about my chances to repeat," Scroggins added.

Scroggins edged out first round qualifying leader three-time PBA50 Tour titlist Bob Learn Jr. of Erie, Pa., who finished qualifying in second nine pins behind with 3,793.

PBA50 Tour rookie Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio finished third with 3,641, followed by Brian LeClair of Delmar, N.Y. with 3,626, and newcomer Rick Zakrajsek of Lorain, Ohio, with 3,597.

Scroggins led 24 players who advanced directly to match play. Positions 25-39 plus eight PBA60 players advanced to Tuesday morning's cashers' round to determine eight additional match play finalists.

Fans can catch Tuesday's match play rounds and stepladder finals live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Subscription and schedule information is available by clicking on www.xtraframe.tv.

PBA50 DEHAYES INSURANCE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIP

**Presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite
Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind., Monday**

SECOND ROUND STANDINGS (after 16 games. Positions 25-39 plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers' round to determine eight additional match play finalists)

- 1, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,802.
- 2, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,793.
- 3, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,641.
- 4, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,626.
- 5, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 3,597.
- 6, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,593.
- 7, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,589.
- 8, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 3,583.
- 9, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3,544.
- 10, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,529.
- 11, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3,526.
- 12, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 3,515.
- 13, n-Jeff Richgels, Madison, Wis., 3,494.
- 14, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 3,491.
- 15, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 3,461.
- 16, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3,456.
- 17, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,448.
- 18, Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 3,443.
- 19, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 3,441.
- 20, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,440.
- 21, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,438.
- 22, Terry Rohrer, Fort Wayne, Ind., 3,434.
- 23, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3,432.
- 24, Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 3,429.

25, (tie) Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., and Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,423.
27, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 3,421.
28, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,419.
29, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,418.
30, Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 3,416.
31, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 3,409.
32, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,404.
33, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,399.
34, Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 3,395.
35, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,394.
36, Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3,392.
37, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,389.
38, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,386.
39, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,370.
40, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 3,367.
41, Larry Salvati, Canada, 3,365.
42, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 3,363.
43, Dave Han, Hoover, AL, 3,353.
44, ss-Dale Csuhata, Wadsworth, Ohio, 3,349.
45, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 3,341.
46, ss-Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 3,340.
47, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,336.
48, John Chapman, Canada, 3,327.
49, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 3,321.
50, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,310.
51, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 3,307.
52, Warren Burr, Wilmington, Del., 3,305.
53, Chuck Walker, Blaine, Tenn., 3,303.
54, Frank Rose Jr, Bellaire, Texas, 3,295.
55, (tie) Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., and John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 3,293.
57, ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,291.
58, Phillip Moros, Lombard, Ill., 3,290.
59, Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3,285.
60, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,283.
61, Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., 3,278.
62, Billy Froberg, St Joseph, Mich., 3,268.
63, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,267.
64, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,254.
65, Mark Everette, Aliquippa, Pa., 3,252.
66, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 3,251.
67, Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,249.
68, (tie) Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., and Randy Scharf, Gillette, Wyo., 3,247.
70, Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Ark., 3,240.
71, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,238.
72, n-Michael Lucente, Warren, Mich., 3,231.
73, Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 3,227.
74, (tie) Robert Nelson, Las Vegas, Nev., and n-Mike Boogren, Bloomington, Ill., 3,217.
76, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,216.
77, Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,211.
78, (tie) Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, and Tim Hartley, Englewood, Ohio, 3,210.
80, Don Herrington, Ballston Lake, N.Y., 3,209.
81, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 3,208.
82, Steve Easterday, Strasburg, Ohio, 3,201.
83, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 3,198.
84, Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 3,195.
85, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 3,194.
86, James Blackstone, Kennesaw, Ga., 3,178.
87, Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 3,172.

88, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 3,166.
89, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,164.
90, (tie) Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., and Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,160.
92, Ray Johnson, Battle Creek, Mich., 3,155.
93, n-Frank Lorenzini, Fort Wayne, Ind., 3,140.
94, David Rosengarten, Gardendale, Ala., 3,134.
95, Lyle Zikes, Arlington Heights, Ill., 3,131.
96, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 3,127.
97, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 3,116.
98, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,107.
99, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 3,104.
100, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 3,099.
101, Don Lane, San Francisco, 3,087.
102, Richard Hunt, Valparaiso, Ind., 3,073.
103, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 3,058.
104, Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 3,041.
105, Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 3,021.
106, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 3,013.
107, Steven Banks, Leesburg, Va., 3,005.
108, (tie) Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, and Mike Moore, Marietta, Ohio, 2,981.
110, ss-Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 2,942.
111, Dennis Briggs, New Galilee, Pa., 2,926.
112, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 2,914.
113, n-Victor VanHentenryck, Fort Wayne, Ind., 2,912.
114, Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, 2,910.
115, Les Ash, Washington Ct. House, Ohio, 2,890.
116, James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 2,865.
117, Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 2,856.
118, George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 2,853.
119, n-Gary Gold, Whitney Point, N.Y., 2,747.

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Ohio's Eddie Graham Wins PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship For First PBA50 Tour Title

Graham outlasts Bob Learns Jr., 186-156, in grueling title match

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (Aug. 9, 2016) – Eddie Graham of Centerville, Ohio, joined the PBA50 Tour in June and immediately made an impact by qualifying for match play in eight consecutive tournaments. He parlayed that success into a win in the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite Tuesday at Pro Bowl West.

In a title match where strikes were hard to come by and spares were good enough, Graham defeated three-time PBA50 Tour and five-time PBA Tour winner Bob Learn Jr. of Erie, Pa., 186-156, for his first career PBA50 Tour title.

"It was ugly out there for both of us," said Graham, who has won five PBA regional titles including the 2007 PBA Regional Players Invitational. "I was having problems reading the front part of the lane but eventually I found a place where I could throw the ball soft, let the lane do the work, and at least get the ball to the pocket."

Graham bowled on the PBA Tour part-time from 1994 to 1998 but didn't achieve the success he was hoping for. Like many bowlers who turn 50, he saw the PBA50 Tour as an opportunity to relive the dream.

"It was the right time to give it another shot," said Graham, whose previous best finishes this season were ninth in the recent PBA50 South Shore Open and 12th in the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open. "I've been a bowler my whole life so I looked at it as another chapter in my bowling career, and here I am."

In the opening stepladder match, PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, trying for his second title of the season, defeated Fort Wayne native and two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr, 217-202, who notched his sixth top five finish of the season.

In the second match, Monacelli beat two-time PBA50 Tour winner Lennie Boresch Jr. of Kenosha, Wis., 195-179, to advance to the semifinal match against Graham. Boresch's fourth-place finish was his third consecutive finals appearance after coming off back-to-back runner-up finishes.

In the semifinal, Graham handily beat Monacelli 257-175 to advance to the title match against Learn who was the top qualifier for the finals.

Action continues at Pro Bowl West Aug. 11-13 with the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer for players 60 years of age and older.

The season wraps up with the PBA50 National Championship presented by Riley Hospital for Children Aug. 14-17 at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

Fans can catch all the action live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Monthly subscriptions are \$7.99; 3-day passes are \$3.99 and a yearly subscription is available for the equivalent of \$1.25 per week. Visit www.xtraframe.tv for additional subscription and schedule information.

PBA50 DEHAYES INSURANCE GROUP CHAMPIONSHIP

**Presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite
Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind., Tuesday**

Final Standings:

- 1, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, \$7,500.
- 2, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., \$4,000.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$2,500.
- 4, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., \$2,000.
- 5, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, \$1,750.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Monacelli def. Mohr, 217-202.
Match Two – Monacelli def. Boresch, 195-179.
Semifinal Match – Graham def. Monacelli, 257-175.
Championship – Graham def. Learn, 186-156.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advance to stepladder finals)

- 1, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 5-1, 1,580.
- 2, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 5-1, 1,518.
- 3, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 4-2, 1,513.
- 4, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-3, 1,509.
- 5, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 2-3-1, 1,505.
- 6, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3-3, 1,494, \$1,500.
- 7, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3-3, 1,482, \$1,500.
- 8, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1-4-1, 1,466, \$1,500.
- 9, Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3-3, 1,460, \$1,300.
- 10, Ralph Brunt Jr., Jensen Beach, Fla., 4-2, 1,411, \$1,300.
- 11, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 2-3-1, 1,403, \$1,300.
- 12, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3-2-1, 1,383, \$1,300.
- 13, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3-3, 1,369, \$1,300.
- 14, Don Breeden, Clive, Iowa, 2-4, 1,332, \$1,300.
- 15, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1-5, 1,298, \$1,300.
- 16, ss-Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 2-4, 1,296, \$1,300.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins)

- 17, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 4-1, 1,180, \$1,150.
- 18, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3-2, 1,176, \$1,150.
- 19, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1-3-1, 1,172, \$1,150.
- 20, Terry Rohrer, Ft. Wayne, Ind., 4-1, 1,172, \$1,150.
- 21, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3-2, 1,163, \$1,150.
- 22, ss-David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 3-2, 1,155, \$1,150.
- 23, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 2-3, 1,143, \$1,150.
- 24, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 2-3, 1,141, \$1,150.
- 25, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 2-3, 1,136, \$1,050.
- 26, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 2-3, 1,127, \$1,050.
- 27, n-Jeff Richgels, Madison, Wis., 1-4, 1,109, \$1,050.
- 28, Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 1-3-1, 1,089, \$1,050.
- 29, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1-3-1, 1,068, \$1,050.
- 30, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 0-4-1, 1,058, \$1,050.
- 31, ss-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 0-4-1, 1,039, \$1,050.
- 32, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1-4, 1,015, \$1,050.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers' round)

- 33, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,091, \$1,000.
- 34, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,080, \$1,000.
- 35, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,078, \$1,000.
- 36, ss-Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,070, \$1,000.
- 37, ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,052, \$1,000.
- 38, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,040, \$1,000.
- 39, ss-Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,030, \$1,000.
- 40, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,028, \$1,000.
- 41, ss-Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 1,008, \$1,000.
- 42, ss-Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 990, \$1,000.
- 43, ss-Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 989, \$1,000.
- 44, Doug Becker, Clermont, Fla., 987, \$1,000.
- 45, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 985, \$1,000.
- 46, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 954, \$1,000.
- 47, ss-Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 943, \$1,000.

n-denotes non-member; ss-denotes PBA60 players ages 60 and over

Hello All—

Scroggins Tops Williams to Win PBA50 Ft. Wayne Central/Midwest Shootout

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The title was Scroggins' first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA's Central Region, but the 45th overall in the Texas left-hander's career including standard and PBA50 events. He also earned \$2,000.

Scroggins downed Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, 235-215, and Williams topped Kevin Foley of Reno, Nev., 247-226, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match. Williams earned \$1,150 for second place. Foley and Mohr each earned \$850 as semifinal round losers.

The one-day, reduced entry fee event – sandwiched between the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Open and PBA60 Dick Weber Super Senior Classic – drew a field of 66 bowlers.

The next PBA Central Region tournament will be held in Coldwater, Ohio, Aug. 12-14.

The PBA50 Ft. Wayne Central/Midwest Shootout was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

PBA50 FT. WAYNE CENTRAL/MIDWEST SHOOTOUT
Pro Bowl West, Ft. Wayne, Ind., Wednesday

Championship: Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Tex. (\$2,000) def. Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla. (\$1,150), 246-186.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$850):

Scroggins def. ss-Ron Mohr, North Las Vegas, Nev., 235-215.

Williams def. Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 247-226.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$650 each):

Mohr def. ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 2-0.

Foley def. ss-Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 2-1.

Scroggins def. Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 2-0.

Williams def. Neil Kassel, Beavercreek, Ohio, 2-0.

Round of 16 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$500 each):

Mohr def. ss-George Pappas, Cornelius, N.C., 2-0.

ss-Csuhta def. Ray Textor, Kennedy, N.Y., 2-0.

Scroggins def. Billy Froberg, St Joseph, Mich., 2-1.

Richardson def. Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 2-1.

Williams def. ss-Phillip Moros, Lombard, Ill., 2-1.

Parks def. ss-Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Ark., 2-1.

Kassel def. Don Breeden, Urbandale, Iowa, 2-0.

ss-denotes PBA60 player

PBA Spare Shots

RACE FOR XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR BONUS RESUMES NEXT WEEK IN DELAWARE

The chase for a special \$10,000 winner-take-all prize in the Xtra Frame PBA Tour Series points race resumes Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 20-21, when Mid-County Lanes in Middletown, Del., hosts the PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic. **Ryan Shafer** of Horseheads, N.Y., who won the 2015 Delaware title to end a 12-year PBA Tour title drought, will be back to try to defend his title.

The Delaware tournament will be the fifth in a modified schedule of eight Xtra Frame Tour points events. Other events to come include the Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open in Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2; the Xtra Frame Reality Check Classic from Sawgrass Lanes in Tamarac, Fla., Oct. 8-9, and the Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open from South Point Bowling Plaza, Oct. 29-30. The previously-scheduled Billy Hardwick Memorial planned for Memphis, Tenn., in November has been postponed. XF Series points were not awarded for the PBA-PWBA Xtra Frame Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles event.

Heading into Delaware, the Xtra Frame Series points leaders are: **EJ Tackett** 53; **Tommy Jones** 46, **Ryan Ciminelli** and **Sean Rash** 44, **Shawn Maldonado** 36, **Anthony Simonsen** 31, **Jakob Butturff** 25, **Kyle Troup** 23, **Gary Faulkner** 21 and **Mitch Beasley** 20. In Xtra Frame Series events, the winner earns 25 points, second place earns 19 and points decline by one for each place through 20th.

PBA BOWLING CHALLENGE MOBILE GAME SEEKS HELP FROM PLAYERS

Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game is asking for help from its fans.

PBA Bowling Challenge users are asked to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game over the next two months. The wildly-popular game for mobile devices will regularly post a survey asking fans to choose one ball from a specific company's newest line of equipment. The "winning" ball based on fan input will be available in the game within the week along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will only be available on the specific companies' social media pages). In addition, each company will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

This week fans can vote on the Track ball they'd like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LP79BNP>.

SIMONSEN, PBA STARS LEAD TEAM USA INTO PABCON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Anthony Simonsen, the PBA's teenage two-handed star, will be among the PBA stars who will compete for Team USA in the upcoming Pan American Bowling Confederation Championships Sept. 12-23 in Cali, Colombia.

Simonsen, who had earned a spot on Junior Team USA, was added to the adult Team USA roster earlier in the year. In addition to winning his first PBA Tour title in the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship with partner Connor Pickford in January, the Austin, Texas resident won the USBC Masters for his first major, and made his Junior Team USA debut at the World Bowling Youth Championships in Lincoln, Neb., in early August, winning gold medals in doubles, team and masters competitions.

"If you would've told me a year ago this is how my year would've gone, I wouldn't have believed you until I saw it," Simonsen said. "Even now, I don't think it all has sunk in. A lot of amazing things have happened, and I definitely have the confidence going into PABCON. I feel mentally strong and know I can compete alongside these guys, but I'm still looking forward to new experiences and the chance to learn even more."

Joining Simonsen on the PABCON men's team will be PBA Tour champions **Marshall Kent** of Yakima, Wash.; **Ronnie Russell** of Marion, Ind., and **Sean Rash** of Montgomery, Ill., along with PBA members **John Szczerbinski** of North Tonawanda, N.Y., and collegiate star **AJ Chapman** of Manchester, Iowa.

The Team USA women will be PWBA-PBA champions **Shannon O'Keefe** of O'Fallon, Ill.; **Shannon Pluhowsky** of Dayton, Ohio; **Missy Parkin** of Laguna Hills, Calif., and **Danielle McEwan** of Stony Point, N.Y., along with **Josie Earnest** of Nashville, Tenn., and **Bryanna Cote** of Red Rock, Ariz.

Team USA has been dominant at past PABCON events, winning 258 total medals, 150 more than Mexico, which is second on the medal table with 108. The PABCON Championships will include six disciplines - singles, doubles, trios, team, all-events and Masters.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA50 TOUR SET FOR SEASON-FINALE IN ELKHART

The PBA50 Tour will conclude its 2016 season early next week with the final major of the year. Exclusive Xtra Frame coverage of the inaugural PBA50 National Championship to benefit Riley Hospital for Children is set for Monday-Wednesday, Aug. 15-17, from Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

In the meantime, PBA players ages 60 and older are wrapping up an Xtra Frame doubleheader in Ft. Wayne, Ind., today, Friday and Saturday at Pro Bowl West which is hosting the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer. On Tuesday, Xtra Frame fans got to watch PBA50 rookie **Eddie Graham** of Centerville, Ohio, win his first PBA50 title in the DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite.

Xtra Frame's coverage of the 2016 PWBA Tour also will conclude Sept. 2-3 with coverage of the preliminary rounds of the Smithfield PWBA Tour Championship from Uptown Alley in Midlothian Va. The PWBA Tour Championship finals will air live on CBS Sport Network on Sunday, Sept. 4.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are

automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: SCROGGINS DENIES WRW'S BID FOR 100TH TITLE

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- **Darren Tang** of San Francisco and his non-member partner **Zack Hattori** of Las Vegas, posted a 7-3 match play record and a combined 18-game total of 8,699 pins Sunday to win the PBA Tony Reyes Memorial Member/Non-Member Doubles at 4th Street Bowl in San Jose, Calif.

Tang and Hattori defeated **Dan Long** of Bakersfield, Calif. and non-member **Anthony Thompson** of Redding, Calif., who had a 7-3 match play record and 8,677 pins. Tang and Hattori shared the \$4,000 first prize. Long and Thompson earned \$3,000.

The Tony Reyes Memorial, which is named in honor of the late PBA Tour champion who died in 2012, was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour.

- **Brian LeClair** of Delmar, N.Y. defeated **Harry Sullins** of Chesterfield Twp. Mich., 244-188, to win the PBA50 Progressive/Gerdeman Insurance/Al Smith Jeep Central/Midwest Classic at Al-Mar Lanes in Bowling Green, Ohio, Saturday.

The title was LeClair's 22nd overall PBA Regional title. He also earned \$3,500.

LeClair defeated **Brian Kretzer** of Dayton, Ohio, 246-229, to advance to the championship match. In the first stepladder match, Kretzer downed **Sam Maccarone** of Blackwood, N.J., 214-180.

- **Jason Sterner** of Cocoa, Fla., captured the inaugural PBA AMF Western Branch South Open presented by Hammer title Sunday at AMF Western Branch Lanes in Chesapeake, Va., by defeating hometown favorite and top qualifier **Tyler Zogg**, 210-204.

Sterner, the no. 2 qualifier going into the stepladder finals, received \$2,600 for his 10th QubicaAMF PBA Regional win while the 18-year-old Zogg, who is planning to attend Webber International University in Lake Wales, Fla., earned \$1,400 in scholarship money for his SMART account.

In the first stepladder match, non-member **Trevor Roberts** of Crystal River, Fla., disposed of **Tom Daugherty** from Riverview, Fla., 204-157. Sterner then eliminated Roberts, 248-155, to advance to the championship match.

- **Thomas Coco Jr.** of Cortlandt Manor, N.Y., defeated **Brad Angelo** of Lockport, N.Y., 221-187, to win the PBA Bowlers Supply/Storm Eastern Open presented by Roto-Grip at Colony Park Lanes North in York, Pa., Sunday for his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title.

Coco, a second-year PBA member, just missed his first title in the May non-champions event held at the same center, when he lost in the title match to fellow lefty **Gary Haines** of West Babylon, N.Y. With his win, Coco became eligible to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions.

Coco qualified second, three pins behind multi-PBA Tour titlist **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y. In the match play elimination rounds, he then ousted Rusty Thomsen of Carteret, N.J., 3-1, in the best-of-five-game Round of 16 and David Knight Jr. of Glassboro, N.J., 2-1, in the best-of-three game Round of 8 before beating Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., 232-201, in his semifinal round match. Angelo eliminated Ciminelli, 233-220, in the other semifinal match.

- Over the Aug. 12-14 weekend, QubicaAMF PBA Regional action will include the Poplar Creek Midwest Open in Hoffman Estates, Ill.; the Killeen Southwest Open at Hallmark Lanes in Killeen, Texas; the Lefeld Implement Central Classic at Pla-Mor Lanes in Coldwater, Ohio, and the PBA Japan Region's DHC Women's Chameleon Open and Chameleon Open, both in Syama, Japan.

- The Aug. 19-21 weekend will be headlined by the PBA Gene Carter Pro Shop Classic, presented by Xtra Frame, at Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment Center in Middletown, Del. The PBA Xtra Frame Tour event is projecting a \$15,000 first prize along with a PBA Tour title. Also over the Aug. 19-21 weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule includes the Emerald Bowl Southwest Challenge for non-champions and the PWBA-PBA Emerald Bowl Open for women. Both events in Houston, Texas, will be presented by Hammer. Also on tap is the Dave Husted Northwest Open presented by 900 Global at Milwaukie Bowl in Milwaukie, Ore.

- Concluding the August schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the Aug. 26-28 weekend will be the Fayetteville South Open presented by MOTIV along with the PWBA-PBA Fayetteville South Open – a women’s only event - at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the AMF Garland Lanes Southwest Open, presented by Classic Products & Ultimate Bowling Products, [in Garland, Texas, and the Aquimo West Open at Mesa East Bowl in Mesa, Ariz.](#)

- Looking ahead to Labor Day weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the PBA60 Wilson & Sons Pest Control South Open followed by the PBA50 Budweiser Open presented by Mooresville Ford and Columbia 300 at George Pappas’ Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C.; the PBA50 Strike Zone Open presented by Columbia 300 in Pottsville, Pa., and the PBA Japan Region’s Viper Open presented by Ebonite in Iruma, Japan.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- The European team of England’s **Dom Barrett** and **Stu Williams**, Sweden’s **Martin Larsen** and **Jesper Svensson** defeated an American team composed of **Parker Bohn III**, **Marshall Kent**, **Kyle Troup** and **Wes Malott**, 19-11, to win its fourth consecutive Weber Cup. The invitational team event, featuring a roster of PBA stars, was held at EventCity in Manchester, England.

- **Joycelyn Jakubowski**, mother of PBA’s ESPN and Xtra Frame lead announcer **Mike Jakubowski**, died Monday at her Milwaukee area home after a lengthy struggle against cancer. She was 73.

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John Dudak Hopes PBA60 Dick Weber Championship Will be Breakthrough Tournament

Journeyman PBA50 Tour player averages 240 to lead first round

FORT WAYNE, Ind. – John Dudak of Orland Park, Ill., a journeyman player on the PBA50 Tour, averaged 240 for six games to take the first round lead in the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer Thursday at Pro Bowl West.

Dudak topped a field of 105 players, ages 60 and older, with a 1,442 pinfall total bowling games of 245, 258, 268, 234, 199 and 238. He holds a narrow two-pin lead over local player Bob Shank of Fort Wayne, Ind., who finished second with 1,440.

“Being able to bowl pretty much full time this year I’ve really learned how to make adjustments faster and with more confidence,” Dudak said. “You can never assume anything and if something’s not working you need to make a quick change.”

The 62-year-old Dudak, who has competed on the PBA50 Tour since turning 50, made the commitment to bowl full time this year and has been rewarded with eight cashes in eight tournaments.

“I don’t have a lot of big titles but we’ll see if this good start can lead to something big here,” said Dudak, who works as an automotive parts sales manager when not competing in PBA events.

Dudak’s best finish on the PBA50 Tour was 14th in the 2011 PBA Senior Lake County Open and he has several runner-up finishes in PBA regional competition.

The PBA60 Dick Weber Championship is one of two tournaments conducted during the PBA50 Tour season that is limited to players who are 60 and older. The other tournament open to 60-and-over players is the USBC Super Senior Classic.

Rounding out the top five after the first round were Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,421; Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,398, and Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 1,395.

The entire field returns to bowl another six-game qualifying round Friday morning which will determine the top 32 players who will advance to match play Friday afternoon. After the second round of match play Saturday morning, the top five will be determined for the stepladder finals scheduled Saturday afternoon at noon.

Fans can catch all the action live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Monthly subscriptions are \$7.99; 3-day passes are \$3.99 and a yearly subscription is available for the equivalent of \$1.25 per week. Visit www.xtraframe.tv for additional subscription and schedule information.

PBA60 DICK WEBER CHAMPIONSHIP

Presented by Hammer

Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind., Thursday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after six games)

- 1, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,442.
- 2, Bob Shank, Fort Wayne, Ind., 1,440.
- 3, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,421.
- 4, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,398.
- 5, Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 1,395.
- 6, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,387.
- 7, Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 1,370.
- 8, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,357.
- 9, n-John Weltzien, Wellington, Fla., 1,341.
- 10, Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 1,340.
- 11, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,326.
- 12, Edward Szklarski, Lockport, Ill, 1,323.
- 13, n-Robert Reeder Jr., Bellefonte, Pa., 1,321.
- 14, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,320.
- 15, (tie) Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., and Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,305.
- 17, Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,304.
- 18, n-Gary Kinyon, Lockport, N.Y., 1,297.
- 19, (tie) n-Michael Lucente, Warren, Mich., and n-Charlie Gadd, Lake Worth, Fla., 1,296.
- 21, Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 1,293.
- 22, n-Gene Vincent, Decatur, Ill., 1,292.
- 23, (tie) Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., and George Miller III, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1,288.
- 25, n-Fred McClain, Allen Park, Mich., 1,286.
- 26, (tie) George Pappas, Charlotte, N.C., Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., and n-George Hall, Genoa, Ill., 1,284.
- 29, (tie) Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, and Larry Zacharias, Naperville, Ill., 1,281.
- 31, Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 1,278.
- 32, n-Frank Cascio, Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,274.
- 33, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 1,271.
- 34, (tie) Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., and Mitchell Vernon, Olympia, Wash., 1,268.
- 36, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,263.
- 37, Michael Truitt, New Port Richey, Fla., 1,261.
- 38, n-John Henry Jr., Ft Wayne, Ind, 1,259.
- 39, n-David Clark, Clinton, Okla., 1,257.
- 40, (tie) Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., and Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,255.
- 42, (tie) Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, and Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 1,253.
- 44, (tie) Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., and Bob Caruso, Dayton, N.J., 1,250.
- 46, (tie) n-Steve Kiss, Clackamas, Ore., and Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, 1,249.
- 48, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,245.
- 49, Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 1,242.
- 50, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,236.

51, Richard Hunt, Valparaiso, Ind., 1,235.
 52, Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 1,228.
 53, Bob Heath Sr., Grand Junction, Iowa, 1,225.
 54, John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 1,223.
 55, Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,222.
 56, Robert Flaws, Chicago Ridge, Ill., 1,221.
 57, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,220.
 58, (tie) Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, and n-Dick Selgo, Archbold, Ohio, 1,218.
 60, Phillip Moros, Lombard, Ill., 1,215.
 61, Harv Pallas, Stevensville, Mich., 1,214.
 62, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,207.
 63, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,206.
 64, Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 1,205.
 65, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,203.
 66, n-Peter Minaudo, Chesterfield, Mich., 1,202.
 67, Tommy Kress, Rochester, N.Y., 1,200.
 68, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,198.
 69, Daniel Seppa, Madison, Wis., 1,195.
 70, (tie) Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, and Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,194.
 72, Don Lane, San Francisco, 1,193.
 73, Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 1,192.
 74, (tie) Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, and Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 1,188.
 76, n-Dennis Illig, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,184.
 77, n-Robert Davis, Annapolis, Md., 1,179.
 78, n-Ed Austreng, Wterford, Mich., 1,173.
 79, (tie) Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., and Dave Kangas, Gwinn, Mich., 1,170.
 81, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,169.
 82, n-Michael Chapman, Garden City, Mich., 1,164.
 83, Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 1,162.
 84, (tie) Pete Gurskis, Orland Park, Ill., and Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., 1,157.
 86, Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 1,152.
 87, Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,150.
 88, James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., 1,149.
 89, Dale Diamond, Chatham, Ill., 1,147.
 89, n-Victor VanHentenryck, Fort Wayne, Ind., 1,147.
 91, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,140.
 92, Larry Graybeal, Elizabethton, Tenn., 1,134.
 93, n-Richard Logan, Indianapolis, Ind., 1,119.
 94, Allen Meskan, Addison, Ill., 1,090.
 95, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,081.
 96, Bill Idzior, Crown Point, Ind., 1,080.
 97, Ronald Reitzel, Perrysburg, Ohio, 1,076.
 98, Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 1,075.
 99, Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, 1,068.
 100, Mike Moore, Marietta, Ohio, 1,067.
 101, Dale Holgate, Peninsula, Ohio, 1,058.
 102, George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 1,053.
 103, n-Jon McKeever, Marshalltown, Iowa, 1,013.
 104, Robert Teeters, Lapel, Ind., 996.
 105, Steven Banks, Leesburg, Va., 630.

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Sweden's Jesper Svensson Wins WBT Thailand Title

21-year-old two-hander claims fifth PBA Tour title, third of 2016 season

BANGKOK, Thailand (Aug. 12, 2016) – Sweden's Jesper Svensson, a 21-year-old left-handed two-handed player, became the first three-time Professional Bowlers Association Tour titlist of 2016 Friday when he defeated Australia's Sam Cooley, 237-213, to win the WBT Thailand title at Blu-O Rhythm and Bowl Siam Paragon.

Svensson, who became the youngest player to win the PBA FireLake Tournament of Champions earlier in the year, also won the WBT Brunswick Euro Challenge in Munich, Germany, in March. The Thailand victory was his fifth PBA Tour title and his third World Bowling Tour title in two years. Svensson also won the 2015 WBT Kingdom of Bahrain Open and the PBA Chameleon Open on his way to being selected as PBA's 2015 Rookie of the Year.

Svensson, who clinched the top qualifying berth for the eight-player modified stepladder finals with a 300 game in his final qualifying game, locked up the victory with three strikes in the 10th frame to counter Cooley's ninth-10th frame double. Along with his title, Svensson earned one 1 million Thai baht, or roughly \$32,260 U.S. dollars. Cooley, a second-year PBA Tour player, also threw a 300 in his final qualifying game to clinch the no. 2 berth for the finals.

PBA Tour players will return to the U.S. next week to resume the chase for the \$10,000 winner-take-all prize in the Xtra Frame PBA Tour Series. The PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic at Mid-County Lanes in Middletown, Del., is set for Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 20-21, offering a projected \$15,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title to the winner if he/she is a PBA member. The tournament will be covered live from start to finish by PBA's Xtra Frame online video streaming service. To enroll as an Xtra Frame subscriber, visit pba.com.

WBT THAILAND

Blu-O Rhythm and Bowl Siam Paragon, Bangkok, Thailand, Friday

Final Standings: 1, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$32,260. 2, Sam Cooley, Australia, \$16,130. 3, Yannaphon Larpapharat, Thailand, \$9,675. 4, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, \$6,450. 5, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$3,225. 6, Martin Larsen, Sweden, \$2,905. 7, Peerawich Rungcharoen, Thailand, \$2,740. 8, Annop Arromsaranon, \$2,580.

Stepladder Results: Match One – Belmonte (195) def. Rungcharoen (188) and Arromsaranon (188). Match Two – Simonson (210) def. Belmonte (202) and Larsen (195). Match Three – Larpapharat def. Simonsen, 199-170. Semifinal Match – Cooley def. Larpapharat, 222-205. Championship – Svensson def. Cooley, 237-213.

Round 4 Results (after six games, top seven plus top Thai bowler advanced to stepladder finals):

- 1, Svensson, 1,468.
- 2, Cooley, 1,428.
- 3, Larpapharat, 1,323.
- 4, Larsen, 1,311.
- 5, Simonsen, 1,308.
- 6, Arromsaranon, 1,306.
- 7, Belmonte, 1,303.
- 15, Rungcharoen, 1,251.

Eliminated, each earned \$2,560.

- 8, Wu Su Hong, Hong Kong, 1,299.
- 9, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,291.
- 10, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,290.
- 11, f-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,288.
- 12, Cameron Weier, Federal Way, Wash., 1,286.
- 13, Remy Ong, Singapore, 1,271.
- 14, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 1,254.
- 16, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 1,247.
- 17, Phumin Klanbida, Thailand, 1,189.
- 18, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 1,186.
- 19, Francis Tan Wu Jen, Malaysia, 1,184.
- 20, Dom Barrett, England, 1,154.

Round 3 Results (after six games; top 12 advanced):

- 1, Tan Wu Jen, 1,460.
- 2, Klanbida, 1,398.
- 3, Svensson, 1,376.

- 4, Belmonte, 1,349.
- 5, Hong, 1,329.
- 6, Arromsaranon, 1,328.
- 7, Cooley, 1,325.
- 8, Larsen, 1,321.
- 9, Kawazoe, 1,318.
- 10, Sparks, 1,295.
- 11, f-McEwan, 1,294.
- 12, Weier, 1,253.

Eliminated, each earned \$1,613

- 21, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,251.
- 22, Kamron Doyle, Nashville, Tenn., 1,242.
- 23, Jimmy Cheung, Hong Kong, 1,241.
- 24, Atchariya Cheng, Thailand, 1,239.
- 25, f-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, 1,214.
- 26, Sithiphol Kunaksorn, Thailand, 1,210.
- 27, Pawat Ungtrakul, Thailand, 1,208.
- 28, Michael Mak, Hong Kong, 1,205.
- 29, Surasak Manuwong, Thailand, 1,177.
- 30, Greg Young, Viera, Fla., 1,169.
- 31, Teerachata Rachatahiranyakan, Thailand, 1,140.
- 32, Badin Lerdpiriyasakulkit, Thailand, 1,122.
- 33, Wicky Yeung, Hong Kong, 1,044.
- 34, Hiroki Takada, Japan, 991.

Round 2 Results (after six games; top 10 advanced):

- 1, Tan Wu Jen, 1,318.
- 2, Ungtrakul, 1,288.
- 3, Doyle, 1,282.
- 4, Kunaksorn, 1,274.
- 5, Hong, 1,249.
- 6, Klanbida, 1,235.
- 7, Rachatahiranyakan, 1,232.
- 8, Sparks, 1,230.
- 9, Weier, 1,222.
- 10, Yeung, 1,218.

Eliminated, each earned \$1,290

- 35, Somjed Kusonpithak, Thailand, 1,193.
- 36, Napat Buspanikonkul, Thailand, 1,165.
- 37 (tie), f-Kritsanakorn Sangaroon, Thailand, and Isaac Russell, Malaysia, 1,163
- 39, Akirhro Miura, Japan, 1,140.
- 40, f-Yanee Saebae, Thailand, 1,137.
- 41, Rashid Fayil Al-Safmi, Oman, 970.
- 41, Ghalib Al Busaidi, Oman, 945.

f-denotes female (women received 8 handicap pins per game)

Mohr and Richardson Tied For Lead After First Match Play Round In PBA60 Dick Weber Championship

32 players return Saturday morning for final match play round to determine stepladder finalists

FORT WAYNE, Ind. – Fort Wayne native Ron Mohr, and qualifying leader Chuck Richardson of The Villages, Fla., both finished with 4,215 18-game pinfall totals to tie for the lead after the first round of match play in the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer Friday at Pro Bowl West.

Mohr, a two-time PBA50 Player of the Year, who now makes his home in Las Vegas, compiled a 5-1 match play record in the tournament for players 60 and over, and Richardson put together a 4-2 record, to lead the 32-player field which will return for another six-game round Saturday morning that will determine the top five for the stepladder finals scheduled for noon.

With each win awarding 30 bonus pins, Mohr earned 150 in bonus and Richardson 120 pins. Mohr is averaging 225.8 overall for the tournament and Richardson 227.5.

"I was 10th after qualifying but then I shot a 299 in my first game of match play and that vaulted me into the top five so I just rode that momentum the rest of the way," said the 60-year-old Mohr, who is an eight-time PBA50 Tour titlist. "It's great to be back here in Fort Wayne. I want to make the hometown fans proud."

Mohr finished fifth in the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite that concluded Tuesday.

The 62-year-old Richardson, who has competed part-time on the PBA50 Tour the past two years, has a best finish of 12th which came in the PBA50 Northern California Classic in June.

"I didn't bowl that well on the western swing so I'm pretty excited with the way things are going right now," said Richardson. "My main objective is to keep my emotions in check. This is way above where I've ever been in a PBA event."

Mohr and Richardson lead PBA Hall of Famer Johnny Petraglia of Jackson, N.J., in third with a 4,162 pinfall that was aided by a 5-1 match play record. The 14-time PBA Tour and eight-time PBA50 Tour winner has finished second the past two years in the Dick Weber Championship.

Rounding out the top five were Don Sylvia of Daytona Beach, Fla. with 4,139 and James Knoblauch of Waukesha, Wis. with 4,084.

Fans can catch final day action live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Monthly subscriptions are \$7.99; 3-day passes are \$3.99 and a yearly subscription is available for the equivalent of \$1.25 per week. Visit www.xtraframe.tv for additional subscription and schedule information.

PBA60 DICK WEBER CHAMPIONSHIP

Presented by Hammer

Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind., Friday

THIRD ROUND STANDINGS (after 18 games. Includes match play results and total pinfall including bonus pins. Players return Saturday morning for second six-game match play round)

- 1, (tie) Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 5-1, and Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 4-2, 4,215.
- 3, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 5-1, 4,162.
- 4, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 3-3, 4,139.
- 5, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 5-1, 4,084.
- 6, n-George Hall, Genoa, Ill., 4-2, 4,073.
- 7, Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 3-3, 4,070.
- 8, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 4-2, 4,040.
- 9, n-Bob Shank, Fort Wayne, Ind., 4-2, 4,031.
- 10, n-Charlie Gadd, Lake Worth, Fla., 4-2, 4,017.
- 11, Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 2-4, 4,015.
- 12, n-Michael Lucente, Warren, Mich., 2-4, 3,980.
- 13, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 3-3, 3,976.
- 14, Bob Caruso, Dayton, N.J., 3-3, 3,975.
- 15, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 2-4, 3,974.
- 16, n-Gary Kinyon, Lockport, N.Y., 4-2, 3,960.
- 17, (tie) Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 4-2, and n-David Clark, Clinton, Okla., 3-3-0, 3,959.
- 19, n-Frank Cascio, Tonawanda, N.Y., 3-3, 3,942.
- 20, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 3-3, 3,938.
- 21, George Pappas, Charlotte, N.C., 3-3, 3,921.
- 22, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 3-3, 3,907.
- 23, Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 2-4, 3,883.

- 24, n-Fred McClain, Allen Park, Mich., 2-4, 3,879.
- 25, Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 3-3, 3,861.
- 26, Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 1-5, 3,858.
- 27, Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., 2-4, 3,843.
- 28, Larry Zacharias, Naperville, Ill., 2-4, 3,828.
- 29, n-John Weltzien, Wellington, Fla., 3-3, 3,808.
- 30, Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 2-4, 3,793.
- 31, Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 1-5, 3,723.
- 32, Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 2-4, 3,671.

SECOND ROUND RESULTS (after 12 games. Top 32 players advanced to match play)

- 1, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 2,752.
- 2, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 2,737.
- 3, Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 2,724.
- 4, Bob Shank, Fort Wayne, Ind., 2,708.
- 5, Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 2,675.
- 6, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 2,672.
- 7, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 2,668.
- 8, Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 2,665.
- 9, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 2,654.
- 10, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 2,652.
- 11, Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 2,644.
- 12, n-Charlie Gadd, Lake Worth, Fla., 2,632.
- 13, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 2,630.
- 14, George Pappas, Charlotte, N.C., 2,629.
- 15, n-David Clark, Clinton, Okla., 2,619.
- 16, n-Michael Lucente, Warren, Mich., 2,617.
- 17, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 2,613.
- 18, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 2,592.
- 19, Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 2,588.
- 20, Bob Caruso, Dayton, N.J., 2,579.
- 21, n-George Hall, Genoa, Ill., 2,576.
- 22, Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., 2,573.
- 23, Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 2,570.
- 24, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 2,566.
- 25, (tie) Larry Zacharias, Naperville, Ill., and Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 2,560.
- 27, n-Gary Kinyon, Lockport, N.Y., 2,556.
- 28, n-Fred McClain, Allen Park, Mich., 2,555.
- 29, n-John Weltzien, Wellington, Fla., 2,548.
- 30, Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 2,541.
- 31, Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 2,540.
- 32, n-Frank Cascio, Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,536.

Did not advance

- 33, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 2,535, \$1,000.
- 34, Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 2,531, \$1,000.
- 35, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 2,529, \$1,000.
- 36, Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 2,523.
- 37, Mitchell Vernon, Olympia, Wash., 2,520.
- 38, (tie) Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis and n-Gene Vincent, Decatur, Ill., 2,519.
- 40, (tie) n-Dick Selgo, Archbold, Ohio, and Robert Flaws, Chicago Ridge, Ill., 2,518.
- 42, Richard Hunt, Valparaiso, Ind., 2,517.
- 43, Tommy Kress, Rochester, N.Y., 2,514.
- 44, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 2,510.
- 45, George Miller III, Grand Rapids, Mich., 2,508.
- 46, David Axon, Bellevue, Neb., 2,507.
- 47, Don Lane, San Francisco, 2,503.
- 48, Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 2,496.

49, Edward Silva, Manteca, Calif., 2,489.
50, Bill Nichols, Bella Vista, Calif., 2,485.
51, n-Michael Chapman, Garden City, Mich., 2,484.
52, (tie) n-Steve Kiss, Clackamas, Ore., and Edward Szklarski, Lockport, Ill, 2,483.
54, Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 2,480.
55, Pete Gurskis, Orland Park, Ill., 2,476.
56, Bob Heath Sr., Grand Junction, Iowa, 2,467.
57, (tie) Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., and Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 2,463.
59, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 2,460.
60, Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 2,457.
61, Phillip Moros, Lombard, Ill., 2,455.
62, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 2,448.
63, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 2,444.
64, Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., 2,439.
65, (tie) Michael Truitt, New Port Richey, Fla., and n-Robert Reeder Jr., Bellefonte, Pa., 2,435.
67, Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, 2,425.
68, John Younger, Winston-Salem, N.C., 2,422.
69, n-Robert Davis, Annapolis, Md., 2,417.
70, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 2,407.
71, n-Peter Minaudo, Chesterfield, Mich., 2,405.
72, Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 2,401.
73, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 2,397.
74, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 2,388.
75, n-Dennis Illig, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,385.
76, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 2,375.
77, Dave Kangas, Gwinn, Mich., 2,373.
78, n-John Henry Jr., Ft Wayne, Ind., 2,372.
79, n-Victor VanHentenryck, Fort Wayne, Ind., 2,368.
80, Larry Graybeal, Elizabethton, Tenn., 2,367.
81, Harv Pallas, Stevensville, Mich., 2,353.
82, (tie) James Souder, Greeneville, Tenn., and Daniel Seppa, Madison, Wis., 2,352.
84, Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 2,344.
85, Ross McDonald, Clarksville, Md., 2,341.
86, Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 2,337.
87, Mike Moore, Marietta, Ohio, 2,334.
88, (tie) Mike Schmid, St. Paul, Minn., and Sam Perrotta, Newark, Del., 2,324.
90, Dale Diamond, Chatham, Ill., 2,322.
91, Lee Rautenberg, Boynton Beach, Fla., 2,317.
92, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 2,310.
93, n-Ed Austreng, Waterford, Mich., 2,309.
94, Peter Brainard, Tampa, Fla., 2,306.
95, n-Jon McKeever, Marshalltown, Iowa, 2,290.
96, Roy Buckley, Westerville, Ohio, 2,264.
97, n-Richard Logan, Indianapolis, Ind., 2,240.
98, Bill Idzior, Crown Point, Ind., 2,192.
99, George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., 2,173.
100, Robert Donovan, Prattsville, N.Y., 2,164.
101, Allen Meskan, Addison, Ill., 2,157.
102, Ronald Reitzel, Perrysburg, Ohio, 2,143.
103, Dale Holgate, Peninsula, Ohio, 2,137.
104, Robert Teeters, Lapel, Ind., 2,120.

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**After Considering Retirement,
Don Sylvia Wins PBA60 Dick Weber Championship**
Sylvia beats Ron Mohr 236-196 in title match for first PBA60 win

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (Aug. 13, 2016) – Three-time PBA50 Tour winner Don Sylvia of Daytona, Beach, Fla., considered retiring from professional competition earlier this season, but entered the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer to give it one more shot.

It turned out to be the right decision as he beat two-time PBA50 Player of the Year and eight-time PBA50 Tour titlist Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, 236-196, in the title match at Pro Bowl West Saturday for his first PBA60 title.

“Up until five weeks ago I thought about retiring,” said a tearful Sylvia after winning. “It was an unbelievable tournament for me and it was a dream come true. It’s amazing to win a tournament with Dick Weber’s name on it.

“I’m still undecided on what I should do, but I don’t think you can ever really give up this game entirely,” he continued. “I spent the last month or so getting in shape and changing all of my equipment to get ready specifically for this tournament. The hard work paid off.”

The tournament, named in honor of the late PBA legend, is for players who are ages 60 and over.

“It’s just an honor to be able to bowl with these guys and to bowl in a final with a hall of famer like Johnny Petraglia and a future hall of famer like Ron Mohr, that’s what really makes it special,” the 63-year-old Sylvia added.

In the opening stepladder match the 69-year-old Petraglia, who had finished second in the tournament the past two seasons, beat Ron Boroff of Mansfield, Texas, 242-223. Sylvia, who was the No. 3 seed, then beat Petraglia 224-194, before defeating Jim Knoblauch of Waukesha, Wis., in the semifinal match 211-209 to advance to the title match against No. 1 seed Mohr who is a native of Fort Wayne.

Knoblauch bowled a 300 game in the position round match to vault into the No. 2 seed for the finals.

The 2016 PBA50 Tour season wraps up with the PBA50 National Championship presented by Riley Hospital for Children Aug. 14-17 at Signature Lanes in Elkhart, Ind.

Fans can catch all the action for the final tournament and major of the season live on PBA’s online bowling channel Xtra Frame. Monthly subscriptions are \$7.99; 3-day passes are \$3.99 and a yearly subscription is available for the equivalent of \$1.25 per week. Visit www.xtraframe.tv for additional subscription and schedule information.

PBA60 DICK WEBER CHAMPIONSHIP
Presented by Hammer
Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind., Saturday

Final Standings:

- 1, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., \$7,500.
- 2, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, \$4,000.
- 3, Jim Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., \$2,500.
- 4, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J. \$2,000.
- 5, Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, \$1,750.

Stepladder Results:

- Match One – Petraglia def. Boroff, 242-223.
Match Two – Sylvia def. Petraglia, 224-194.
Semifinal Match – Sylvia def. Knoblauch, 211-209.

Championship – Sylvia def. Mohr, 236-196.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after 12 games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advance to stepladder finals)

- 1, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 8-4, 5,712.
- 2, Jim Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 8-4, 5,669.
- 3, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 7-5, 5,667.
- 4, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 7-4-1, 5,574.
- 5, Ron Boroff, Mansfield, Texas, 7-5, 5,547.
- 6, Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 7-5, 5,544, \$1,600.
- 7, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 7-5, 5,519, \$1,550.
- 8, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 8-4, 5,511, \$1,500.
- 9, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 6-6, 5,509, \$1,450.
- 10, n-Bob Shank, Fort Wayne, Ind., 8-4, 5,473, \$1,425.
- 11, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 7-5- 5,466, \$1,400.
- 12, n-George Hall, Genoa, Ill., 8-4, 5,441, \$1,375.
- 13, Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 5-7, 5,420, \$1,338.
- 13, n-Michael Lucente, Warren, Mich., 5-7, 5,420, \$1,338.
- 15, Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 7-5, 5,400, \$1,300.
- 16, Bob Caruso, Dayton, N.J., 5-7, 5,376, \$1,275.
- 17, n-Charlie Gadd, Lake Worth, Fla., 6-5-1, 5,366, \$1,250.
- 18, (tie) n-John Weltzien, Wellington, Fla., 8-4, 5,362, and Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 5-7, 5,362, \$1,235.
- 20, n-Frank Cascio, Tonawanda, N.Y., 6-6, 5,340, \$1,220.
- 21, n-Gary Kinyon, Lockport, N.Y., 8-4, 5,318, \$1,210.
- 22, Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., 5-7, 5,290, \$1,200.
- 23, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3-9, 5,286, \$1,190.
- 24, (tie) Larry Zacharias, Naperville, Ill., 7-5, 5,268, and Bill Hewlett, Las Vegas, Nev., 6-6, 5,268, \$1,175.
- 26, Chris Fedden, Albany, N.Y., 4-8, 5,235, \$1,160.
- 27, Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 4-8, 5,218, \$1,150.
- 28, n-Fred McClain, Allen Park, Mich., 4-8, 5,171, \$1,140.
- 29, n-David Clark, Clinton, Okla., 4-8, 5,157, \$1,130.
- 30, George Pappas, Charlotte, N.C., 4-8, 5,146, \$1,120.
- 31, Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 4-8, 5,138, \$1,110.
- 32, Brendan Bierch, Grafton, Mass., 3-9, 4,919, \$1,100.

300 game – Jim Knoblauch

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**Veteran Ryan Shafer Faces Youthful Challenge in Defense
of PBA Tour Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic Title**

Stars of PBA Tour return to Delaware's Mid-County Bowling & Entertainment Aug. 19-21

MIDDLETOWN, Del. (Aug. 15, 2016) – A year ago, the PBA Tour Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop East Classic was billed as a match between some of the Professional Bowlers Association's most successful veterans vs. the next generation of stars. In 2015, victory went to the older-and-wiser portion of the field when 30-year PBA veteran Ryan Shafer of Horseheads, N.Y., ended a 12-year title slump, winning his fifth career PBA Tour title with a 254-144 romp past 22-year-old Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash.

The story remains pretty much the same in 2016 when Shafer – who turns 50 on Thursday, the day before activity gets underway at Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment – and a strong field of PBA veterans will again take on a potent field of rising stars Saturday and Sunday, including 19-year-old PBA Player of the Year contender Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas, and 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind.

All of Saturday and Sunday's action will be covered live, exclusively by PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel. Xtra Frame is a subscription-based video-streaming service, available on a three-day plan for only \$3.99, month-long plan for \$7.99 and full year XF Season Ticket plan for equivalent of about \$1.25 a week. Visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link for details.

At stake in the PBA East Region's largest and most prestigious tournament of the year will be a \$15,000 first prize and, for PBA members, a PBA Tour title. In addition, the tournament is part of an eight-event Xtra Frame PBA Tour Series which will reward the overall points leader with a \$10,000 bonus at the conclusion of the series. Tackett is the points leader heading into Middletown with 53 points. Other points contenders who are entered include Tommy Jones, 46; Cheektowaga's Ryan Ciminelli, 44; Simonsen, 31; Kyle Troup, 23, and Gary Faulkner Jr., 21. In Xtra Frame Series events, the winner earns 25 points, second place earns 19 and points decline by one for each place through 20th.

Veteran PBA Tour champions among the capacity-field of 180 entries include Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C.; Patrick Allen of Mount Kisco, N.Y.; Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J.; Ciminelli; 2014 champion Jason Couch of Clermont, Fla.; Tom Daugherty of Tampa, Fla.; Mike Fagan of Benicia, Calif.; Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix, Ariz.; Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C.; Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa.; Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y.; Ronnie Russell of Marion, Ind.; Jason Sterner of Cocoa, Fla.; two-hander Kyle Troup of Taylorsville, N.C.; Danny Wiseman of Baltimore, and Dave Wodka of Beavercreek, Ohio.

Challenging the established PBA stars will be a number of next-generation stars including Tackett, Simonsen, BJ Moore of Greensburg, Pa.; John Szczerbinski of N. Tonawanda, N.Y., and AJ Johnson of Oswego, Ill., among others.

The tournament also is a PBA-PWBA Women's Regional points event, and will include a handful of women including recently-crowned PWBA Tour champions Rocio Restropo of Louisville, Ohio.

The Gene Carter Pro Shop East Classic gets underway on Friday with a practice session for tournament players from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., followed by pro-am squads at 3, 5:15 and 8 p.m. when grassroots league bowlers – men, women, kids, seniors – can bowl with PBA stars for their own prizes.

Competition begins with three seven-game qualifying squads on Saturday at 8 a.m., 1:30 and 7 p.m., with the top 24 players advancing to the modified 16-game round-robin match play finals on Sunday starting at 9 a.m. Based upon combined 23-game pinfall totals (including 30 bonus pins for matches won), the top four will compete in a stepladder finale at approximately 6:45 p.m..

For pro-am information, call Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment at (302) 378-0677.

PBA XTRA FRAME GENE CARTER'S PRO SHOP CLASSIC
Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment, Middletown, Del., Aug. 19-21 (all times Eastern)

Friday, Aug. 19

11 a.m. - Practice Session

3 p.m. – AB Sports Junior Scholarship pro-am

5:15, 8 p.m. – Williams Family Auto Mall adult pro-am squads

Saturday, Aug. 20

8 a.m. - A Squad, 7 qualifying games

1:30 p.m. – B Squad, 7 qualifying games

7 p.m. – C Squad, 7 qualifying games

Top 24 after 7 games advance to match play

Sunday, Aug. 21

9 a.m. - Top 24, 16 games modified round robin match play

6:45 p.m. - Top four based on 23-game composite pinfall advance to a stepladder finals

**Eddie Graham Overcomes 188 Game to
Take PBA50 National Championship First Round Lead**

ELKHART, Ind. – Trying to close out the season with a second consecutive win, Eddie Graham of Centerville, Ohio, fired a 1,925 eight-game pinfall total Monday to take the first round lead in the PBA50 National Championship to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children.

Graham, the winner of the PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group Championship in Fort Wayne, Ind., last week for his first PBA50 Tour title, bowled games of 238, 235, 244, 188, 247, 279, 238 and 256 at Signature Lanes for a 240 average.

"I'm getting into a good routine out here but other than that I don't know what's going on," Graham said. "I think I'm just having a lot of fun and you always bowl better when you have a lot of fun."

After a good start to the round, Graham ran into trouble in the fourth game but decided not to make any drastic changes.

"That pair of lanes caught me off guard and I couldn't make a good adjustment until late in the game," Graham said. "I didn't want to give up on it, so I stayed with the same ball. I thought why not stay with it for the first few frames of the next game and see what happens and I was able to get back on track."

In addition to his PBA50 Tour win, Graham owns five PBA regional titles including the 2007 PBA Regional Invitational.

Finishing the first round in second was five-time PBA Tour and three-time PBA50 Tour winner Bob Learn Jr. of Erie, Pa., with a 1,870 pinfall. PBA50 Tour veteran Tom Carter of Columbus, Ohio overcame a 173 first game and averaged 240 for the next seven to finish third with 1,850.

Mark Sullivan of Indianapolis finished fourth with 1,845 followed by PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke in fifth with 1,834. Duke is trying to win his second consecutive PBA50 major after winning the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship in July.

Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr., hoping to reach 100 combined titles in PBA competition, finished the round in 11th with a 1,783 pinfall. In addition to his all-time record 47 wins on the PBA Tour, he has won 10 PBA50 Tour titles, 32 regional titles and 10 PBA50 regional titles for 99 wins in his more than three-decade career.

Coverage continues for the final tournament of the PBA50 Tour season on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. The 80-player field returns Tuesday for the second eight-game qualifying round with match play getting underway Wednesday to determine the top five players for the stepladder finals at 7 p.m. ET.

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PBA50 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
To Benefit Riley Hospital for Children
Signature Lanes, Elkhart, Ind., Monday

FIRST ROUND RESULTS (after eight games)

- 1, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 1,925.
- 2, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,870.
- 3, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 1,850.
- 4, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 1,845.
- 5, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,834.
- 6, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,820.
- 7, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 1,816.
- 8, ss-Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,807.
- 9, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 1,806.
- 10, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 1,792.
- 11, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,783.
- 12, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 1,777.
- 13, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,774.
- 14, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 1,770.
- 15, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 1,765.
- 16, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,764.
- 17, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,759.
- 18, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1,753.
- 19, n,ss-John Weltzien, Wellington, Fla., 1,751.
- 20, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,747.
- 21, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,744.
- 22, Terry Rohrer, Fort Wayne, Ind., 1,743.

23, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,742.
 24, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 1,721.
 25, ss-John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1,706.
 26, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,698.
 27, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,697.
 28, ss-Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,680.
 29, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 1,679.
 30, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 1,671.
 31, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,667.
 32, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,661.
 33, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 1,659.
 34, (tie) ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, and ss-John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,657.
 36, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 1,649.
 37, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,647.
 38, (tie) n-George Phillips, Centreville, Mich., and ss-Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 1,645.
 40, ss-Tommy Kress, Rochester, N.Y., 1,636.
 41, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,633.
 42, ss-Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,631.
 43, Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 1,625.
 44, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 1,617.
 45, Billy Froberg, St Joseph, Mich., 1,616.
 46, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 1,614.
 47, (tie) ss-Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., and ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,613.
 49, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 1,611.
 50, ss-Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,594.
 51, ss-Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 1,593.
 52, ss-Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 1,592.
 53, ss-Richard Hunt, Valparaiso, Ind., 1,583.
 54, Gregg Zicha, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 1,579.
 55, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,578.
 56, Anthony Moses, Southfield, Mich., 1,577.
 57, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,570.
 58, Curt Guinn, Greenwood, S.C., 1,565.
 59, Steve Easterday, Strasburg, Ohio, 1,558.
 60, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,556.
 61, (tie) Scott Baker, Titusville, Pa., and ss-Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 1,555.
 63, ss-Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 1,552.
 64, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,548.
 65, ss-Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 1,546.
 66, ss-Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,531.
 67, ss-Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., 1,519.
 68, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 1,518.
 69, ss-Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 1,514.
 70, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 1,513.
 71, ss-William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,507.
 72, John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., 1,501.
 73, ss-William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 1,489.
 74, Randy Leszczynski, Kronenwetter, Wis., 1,483.
 75, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 1,465.
 76, ss-Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 1,449.
 77, ss-Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,432.
 78, n-Robert Davis, Annapolis, Md., 1,396.
 79, ss-Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,392.
 80, Jim Dilyard, Burbank, Ohio, 1,336.

300 games – Brian Voss, Johnny Petraglia

n-denotes non-member, ss-denotes PBA60 player ages 60 and over

Kyle Troup Wins PBA Lefeld Implement Central Classic

Coldwater, Ohio (Aug. 14, 2016) – Kyle Troup of Taylorsville, N.C. defeated non-member Chris Via of Springfield, Ohio, 234-212, to win the ninth annual Professional Bowlers Association Lefeld Implement Central Classic at Pla-Mor Lanes Sunday.

The title was Troup's first of the year in the PBA Central Region and his 10th career QubicaAMF PBA Regional title. He earned \$4,000 along with his title.

Troup defeated PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., 213-191, to advance to the championship match. In the first stepladder match, Bohn downed J.R. Raymond of Bay City, Mich., 201-171. Via earned \$2,200 for second place, Bohn won \$1,800 for third and Raymond \$1,500 for fourth.

The next PBA Central Region event will take place in Wapakoneta, Ohio, Sept. 9-11.

The PBA Lefeld Implement Central Classic was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

PBA LEFELD IMPLEMENT CENTRAL CLASSIC Pla-Mor Lanes, Coldwater, Ohio, Sunday

Final Standings: 1, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., \$4,000. 2, n-Chris Via, Springfield, Ohio, \$2,200. 3, Parker Bohn, Jackson, N.J., \$1,800. 4, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., \$1,500.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Bohn def. Raymond, 201-171

Semifinal Match – Troup def. Bohn, 213-191

Championship – Troup def. Via, 234-212

Final Qualifying Standings (after 17 games):

1. n-Via, 3,766.
2. Troup, 3,751.
3. Bohn, 3,485.
4. Raymond, 3,482.
5. Jason Lundquist, Columbus, Ohio, 3,465, \$1,200.
6. Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 3,464, \$1,100.
7. Aaron Lorincz, Center Line, Mich., 3,451, \$1,000.
8. Brian Kretzer, Kettering, Ohio, 3,429, \$900.

n-denotes non-member

Graham Wins Battle With Duke for Top Qualifier In PBA50 National Championship to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children

Graham edges Duke by two pins heading into Wednesday's match play

ELKHART, Ind. – Trying to become only the second multiple winner on the PBA50 Tour this season, first round leader Eddie Graham of Centerville, Ohio, averaged 234 to lead qualifying Tuesday in the PBA50 National Championship to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children.

Graham finished with a 3,745 pinfall total for 16 games bowling games 215, 246, 217, 227, 245, 215, 216 and 239 in the second eight-game round at Signature Lanes to edge out PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke finishing just two pins behind with a 3,743 pinfall.

"It was a lot of fun," Graham said. "I enjoyed going back and forth with Norm. He's one of the greatest and that's going to make you bear down even more."

Graham is trying to close out the season with back-to-back titles having won the DeHayes Insurance Group Championship last week in Fort Wayne, Ind., for his first career PBA50 Tour title.

"I'm not taking anything for granted," Graham added. "I still have a job to do in match play to get to the show. If there's anything different than when I won in Fort Wayne, it's maybe that I'm a little more eager."

Duke, who ranks third all-time on the PBA Tour titles list with 38 wins, is trying to win his second major of the season after winning the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship in July for his second career PBA50 major and third career PBA50 Tour title. He won the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open in 2014 for his first major.

Three other players trying for a second PBA50 Tour win this season who advanced to match play are Hall of Famers Amleto Monacelli in third with 3,663; Walter Ray Williams Jr., in fifth with 3,565, and Brian Voss in eighth with 3,557.

Hall of Famer Pete Weber is the only multiple winner this year winning a record six tournaments that included a record four in a row which included two majors – the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open and USBC Senior Masters. Weber has not bowled the last three tournaments this season while nursing a lingering hip injury.

With a win, Williams will reach 100 combined titles in PBA competition. In addition to his all-time record 47 wins on the PBA Tour, Williams has won 10 PBA50 Tour titles, 32 regional titles and 10 PBA50 regional titles for 99 wins in his more than three-decade career.

Five-time PBA Tour and three-time PBA50 Tour titlist Bob Learn Jr. finished qualifying in fourth with a 3,628 pinfall.

The top 16 players from qualifying advance directly into Wednesday's match play with another 18 players returning for a cashers' round to determine eight additional match play finalists.

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PBA50 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
To Benefit Riley Hospital for Children
Signature Lanes, Elkhart, Ind., Tuesday

SECOND ROUND RESULTS (after 16 games. Positions 1-16 advance to Wednesday's match play rounds. Positions 17-26 plus eight PBA60 players advance to cashers' round to determine eight additional match play finalists.)

- 1, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3,745.
- 2, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,743.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,663.
- 4, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,628.
- 5, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,565.
- 6, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,563.
- 7, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3,558.
- 8, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 3,557.
- 9, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 3,546.
- 10, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3,527.
- 11, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 3,519.
- 12, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,505.
- 13, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 3,503.
- 14, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,502.
- 15, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3,494.
- 16, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3,482.
- 17, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3,477.
- 18, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,467.
- 19, (tie) Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, and Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 3,460.
- 21, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,449.

22, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 3,443.
23, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 3,436.
24, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 3,434.
25, n-John Weltzien, Wellington, Fla., 3,432.
26, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 3,414.
27, ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3,411.
28, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 3,408.
29, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,404.
30, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 3,381.
31, ss-Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,371.
32, ss-Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 3,353.
33, ss-Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,342.
34, Tommy Martin, Olive Branch, Miss., 3,334.
35, Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., 3,319.
36, ss-Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3,317.
37, ss-Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3,314.
38, Brad Snell, Mount Prospect, Ill., 3,306.
39, Terry Rohrer, Ft. Wayne, Ind., 3,305.
40, ss-Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 3,304.
41, ss-Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,286.
42, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,281.
43, Tim Pierce, Portland, Ore., 3,279.
44, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 3,274.
45, Dennis Lane, Kingsport, Tenn., 3,272.
46, Billy Froberg, St Joseph, Mich., 3,253.
47, Rick Francis, Linden, Calif., 3,252.
48, Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., 3,250.
49, Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 3,248.
50, Don Sylvia, Daytona Beach, Fla., 3,247.
51, Curt Guinn, Greenwood, S.C., 3,241.
52, Anthony Moses, Southfield, Mich., 3,240.
53, n-George Phillips, Centreville, Mich., 3,236.
54, Chuck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 3,235.
55, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 3,233.
56, Tommy Kress, Rochester, N.Y., 3,204.
57, Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., 3,195.
58, Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, 3,177.
59, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3,172.
60, Paul Mielens, Menomonie, Wis., 3,171.
61, Tracy Teeters, Eugene, Ore., 3,153.
62, Warren Nelson, Middleburg, Fla., 3,132.
63, Steve Easterday, Strasburg, Ohio, 3,125.
64, Dale Eagle, Twin Falls, Idaho, 3,122.
65, Gregg Zicha, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 3,119.
66, Richard Hunt, Valparaiso, Ind., 3,118.
67, Al Danz Jr., Escanaba, Mich., 3,101.
68, Randy Leszczynski, Kronenwetter, Wis., 3,079.
69, Scott Baker, Titusville, Pa., 3,057.
70, (tie) John Kidwell, Indianapolis, Ind., Gary Kammes, Winfield, Ill., and Fred Cole, Visalia, Calif., 3,056.
73, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,002.
74, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 2,980.
75, William Banks, Laurel Hill, N.C., 2,965.
76, n-Robert Davis, Annapolis, Md., 2,935.
77, Danny Clark, New Palestine, Ind., 2,915.
78, Galen Keas, Alda, Neb., 2,834.
79, Jim Dilyard, Burbank, Ohio, 2,774.
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300 games – Norm Duke

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PBA Spare Shots

INDIANA YOUTH HAS PERSONAL "PRO-AM" WITH NORM DUKE

Due to circumstances beyond his control, eight-year-old **Eric Perkins** of Elkhart, Ind., arrived late for his scheduled pro-am at the PBA50 National Championship at Signature Lanes. But it turned out to become the experience of a lifetime because his bowling hero, PBA Hall of Famer **Norm Duke**, took the time to give Perkins a full game of personal instruction.

"The (PBA League) Dallas Strikers team is my favorite team and Norm is my favorite bowler," Eric said. "He's funny and I just like the way he bowls."

During the game, Duke demonstrated a couple of his patented trick shots including his ball-in-towel strike shot and two-ball 7-10 split spare, both crowd pleasers.

The PBA50 National Championship pro-ams included a youth/Riley Hospital for Children squad, corporate squad and open squad for the general public.

Duke is competing for his second major of the season in Elkhart after winning the Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm in July. PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame is providing wire-to-wire coverage of the final tournament of the 2016 PBA50 Tour season.

SIX WEEKS LEFT IN RACE FOR REGIONAL, WOMEN'S REGIONAL CHALLENGE BERTHS

Competition to earn berths in the QubicaAMF Regional Tour's Regional and PWBA/PBA Women's Regional Challenge events to be held during PBA's GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno is heading toward a Sept. 30 deadline.

The points leader in each of the seven domestic PBA regions plus the PBA Japan Region will earn berths in the eight-player PBA Challenge events as well as paid entries into WSOB VIII worth \$1,000. Eight qualifying players in each division will compete in eight-game round-robin match play events on Sunday, Nov. 27 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno. The PBA Challenge, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional Challenge and PBA50 Tour finals will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel.

In the event a player is points leader in more than one region, the determining factor(s) for awarding the PBA Challenge berth and WSOB entry involve, in order: first, the player's home region; secondly, the region in which the player bowled the most events and third, if necessary, to the next highest player in points within the region in question.

The PBA50 Tour Challenge will include the 2016 season's eight leading points earners.

As of Sunday, Aug. 14, the following players ranked one-two in points in their respective regions. For schedules and entry information for all QubicaAMF PBA Regionals, visit pba.com/tours/regional:

PBA East Region: 1, Matt O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 89,188. 2, Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 59,388. Women: 1, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 17,332. 2, Nicole Trudell, Bridgeport, Conn., 4,705.

PBA South Region: 1, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 94,632. 2, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 72,761. Women: 1, Elise Bolton, Merritt Island, Fla. 11,736. 2, Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 6,145.

PBA Central Region: 1, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 137,240. 2, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 110,092. Women: 1, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 50,179. 2, Rocio Restrepo, Colombia, 12,212.

PBA Midwest Region: 1, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 120,237. 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 68,961. Women: 1, Nichole DePaul-Miller, Baytown, Texas, 10,074. 2, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 6,395.

PBA Southwest Region: 1, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 129,679. 2, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 96,917. Women: 1, Clara Guerrero, Pflugerville, Texas/Colombia, 33,295. 2, Maria Rodriguez, Pflugerville, Texas/Colombia, 17,169.

PBA West Region: 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 195,768. 2, Greg Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 173,470. Women: 1, Jill Cramer, Folsom, Calif., 12,965. 2, Catherine Rawsthorne, Federal Way, Wash., 11,904.

PBA Northwest Region: 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 153,436. 2, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 123,287. Women: 1, Catherine Rawsthorne, Federal Way, Wash., 29,236. 2, April Lord Wittig, Steilacoom, Wash., 24,038.

TICKETS NOW ON SALE FOR FALL SWING'S MULTI-EVENT TELEVISION WEEKEND

Tickets are now on sale for the multi-event PBA Fall Swing television weekend Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10-11, when the PBA will conduct the championship finals for the Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Opens along with the Fall King of the Swing finale – all for delayed broadcast on CBS Sports Network.

The five stepladder finals will be conducted in the historic Thunderbowl Lanes arena in suburban Allen Park, Mich. The Wolf Open finals will be contested at 11 a.m. on Saturday followed by the Bear Open finals at 2:30 p.m. and the Badger Open finals at 5:15 p.m. Sunday's telecasts will include the Detroit Open finals at noon and the Fall King of the Swing finale – featuring the previous four event winners plus the next highest player in Fall Swing competition points – will conclude the weekend at 3:30 p.m. All times are Eastern.

To order tickets, visit pba.com/tickets. Tickets are \$30 for each full day, or \$20 for each individual event.

CBS Sports Network telecasts of the PBA's Fall Swing events will begin on Wed., Sept. 21, at 9 p.m. ET and continue over five consecutive Wednesdays, concluding on Oct. 19.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME:

The chase for a special \$10,000 winner-take-all prize in the Xtra Frame PBA Tour Series points race resumes Saturday and Sunday when Mid-County Lanes in Middletown, Del., hosts the PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic. **Ryan Shafer** of Horseheads, N.Y., who won the 2015 Delaware title to end a 12-year PBA Tour title drought, will be back to try to defend his title against a sold-out field of 180 competitors.

The Delaware tournament is the fifth in a schedule of eight Xtra Frame Tour points events. Yet to come are the Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open in Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2; the Xtra Frame Reality Check Classic from Sawgrass Lanes in Tamarac, Fla., Oct. 8-9, and the Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open from South Point Bowling Plaza, Oct. 29-30.

Xtra Frame's coverage of the 2016 PWBA Tour results Sept. 2-3 with coverage of the preliminary rounds of the Smithfield PWBA Tour Championship from Uptown Alley in Midlothian Va. The PWBA Tour Championship, the final event of PWBA's 2016 season, concludes with live stepladder finals on CBS Sport Network on Sunday, Sept. 4.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BOHN WINS 22ND TITLE IN KILLEEN

PBA Southwest Region Hall of Famer **Nathan Bohr** from Austin, Texas, defeated **Andy Patterson** of Tyler, Texas, 247-195, to win his 22nd PBA Regional title in the 20th annual PBA Killeen Southwest Open at Hallmark Lanes in Killeen, Texas, Sunday.

Bohr opened the title match with a 7-10 split, but then strung seven strikes to coast to his fourth Killeen Open PBA victory and a \$2,700 first prize.

Bohr started his road to victory by topping hometown favorite **Josh Maxson** of Killeen, Texas, 2-0 in their best-of-three-game Round of 16 match. He then eliminated two-time Southwest Region Player of the Year **Shawn Maldonado** of Houston, Texas, in the Round of 12, 2-0, followed by another 2-0 victory over Fort Worth's **Tyler Jensen**. **Anthony Lavery-Spahr** could not keep up with Bohr in the semifinal match, succumbing to Bohr, 259-183.

Patterson received byes to the Round of 8 by finishing third in the 13-game qualifying portion of the event. He then eliminated **Lee White** of Odessa, Texas, 2-1, and he ousted active Army serviceman **Allan Smith**, serving at Fort Hood, 200-191, to reach the final match.

- **Kyle Troup** of Taylorsville, N.C. defeated non-member **Chris Via** of Springfield, Ohio, 234-212, to win \$4,000 and his 10th QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the ninth annual PBA Lefeld Implement Central Classic at Pla-Mor Lanes in Coldwater, Ohio, Sunday.

Troup defeated PBA Hall of Famer **Parker Bohn III** of Jackson, N.J., 213-191, to advance to the championship match. In the first stepladder match, Bohn downed **J.R. Raymond** of Bay City, Mich., 201-171.

- **Dave Beres** of Waukesha, Wis., defeated **Travis Anderson** of Peoria, Ill., in a two-frame roll-off, 20-16, after they tied at 227-227 to win the PBA Poplar Creek Midwest Open at Poplar Creek Bowl in Hoffman Estates, Ill., Sunday.

Beres collected his seventh career regional title along with a \$2,000 prize.

Anderson defeated **Gerald Marrs** of Huntley, Ill., 214-189, in the semifinal match after Marrs eliminated **Jesse Buss** of Belvidere, Ill., 221-172, in the first stepladder finals match.

- The Aug. 19-21 weekend will be headlined by the PBA Gene Carter Pro Shop Classic, presented by Xtra Frame, at Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment Center in Middletown, Del. The PBA Xtra Frame Tour event is projecting a \$15,000 first prize along with a PBA Tour title. Also over the Aug. 19-21 weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule includes the Emerald Bowl Southwest Challenge for non-champions and the PWBA-PBA Emerald Bowl Open for women. Both events in Houston, Texas, will be presented by Hammer. Also on tap is the Dave Husted Northwest Open presented by 900 Global at Milwaukie Bowl in Milwaukie, Ore.

- Concluding the August schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the Aug. 26-28 weekend will be the Fayetteville South Open presented by MOTIV along with the PWBA-PBA Fayetteville South Open – a women’s only event - at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the AMF Garland Lanes Southwest Open, presented by Classic Products & Ultimate Bowling Products, in Garland, Texas, and the Aquimo West Open at Mesa East Bowl in Mesa, Ariz.

- Looking ahead to Labor Day weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the PBA60 Wilson & Sons Pest Control South Open followed by the PBA50 Budweiser Open presented by Mooresville Ford and Columbia 300 at George Pappas’ Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C.; the PBA50 Strike Zone Open presented by Columbia 300 in Pottsville, Pa., and the PBA Japan Region’s Viper Open presented by Ebonite in Iruma, Japan.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Concrete Software’s PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game is asking fans to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game. This week fans can vote on the Columbia 300 ball they’d like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: <http://bit.ly/ColumbiaBallVote>. When the “winning” ball based on fan input is selected, it will be available along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will only be available on the specific companies’ social media pages). Each company also will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

Monacelli Wins PBA50 National Championship to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children for Fourth Career PBA50 Major Title *Venezuelan defeats Sam Maccarone 224-212 in title match to win seventh career PBA50 title*

ELKHART, Ind. (Aug. 17, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli concluded the 2016 PBA50 Tour season by winning the PBA50 National Championship to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children Wednesday for his fourth PBA50 major title on the tour for players 50 years and older.

The Venezuelan defeated two-time PBA Tour and one-time PBA50 Tour titlist Sam Maccarone of Blackwood, N.J., 224-212, in the title match at Signature Lanes to also win his second title of the season and the seventh of his career.

As the No. 3 qualifier for the stepladder finals, the 54-year-old Monacelli had to win two come-from-behind matches to get to the title match.

In the second match, he left splits in the first two frames that he failed to convert before roaring back with six consecutive strikes to beat fellow hall of famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., 235-233.

In the semifinal match against two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, Monacelli was down by 30 pins in the fourth frame before stringing seven strikes together to win the match 256-244 to advance to the title match against Maccarone.

"I hope I can perform mentally and physically the way I did the last two days in every tournament I bowl," said Monacelli, who is also a 20-time PBA Tour winner. "Those two matches were the best example of how I was able to stay calm and focus after making mistakes.

"It would have been easy for me to lose my composure and let that get the best of me," he continued. "I wasn't thinking, oh, I'm going to lose the match. I was thinking about what I needed to do to throw a better shot. It helped that in both cases it was early in the match because that gave me time to make the corrections."

Monacelli's other PBA50 major titles were the USBC Senior Masters in 2015 and back-to-back PBA Senior U.S. Open titles in 2012 and 2013.

In winning his second title of the season, Monacelli became only the second player to win multiple titles this season. PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber, who won a record six PBA50 Tour titles, was the other.

"I'm just trying to concentrate on learning as I go and don't over analyze," said Monacelli, who won the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open in June. "The way my game is now it takes me back to my best years on the tour in the '90s. I just need to do my thing."

In the opening stepladder match Bohn, a three-time PBA50 Tour winner, beat Hall of Famer Brian Voss of Centennial, Colo., who was trying for his second win of the season, 216-180.

The other 2016 PBA50 major winners were Weber, who won the Senior U.S. Open and Senior Masters titles and Hall of Famer Norm Duke who won the Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship.

**PBA50 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children
Signature Lanes, Elkhart, Ind., Wednesday**

Final Standings:

- 1, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, \$10,000.
- 2, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., \$6,000.
- 3, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, \$3,500.
- 4, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., \$2,500.
- 5, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., \$2,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Bohn def. Voss, 216-180.
Match Two – Monacelli def. Bohn, 235-233
Semifinal Match – Monacelli def. Mohr, 256-244.
Championship – Monacelli def. Maccarone, 224-212.

Modified Match Play Round 2 (after six games, including match play bonus pins. Top five advance to stepladder finals)

- 1, Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 4-2, 1,583.
- 2, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4-2, 1,548.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 4-2, 1,530.
- 4, Brian Voss, Centennial, Colo., 4-2, 1,516.
- 5, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4-2, 1,504.
- 6, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3-3, 1,485, \$1,750.
- 7, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 4-2, 1,461, \$1,750.
- 8, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-3, 1,459, \$1,850.
- 9, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 4-2, 1,440, \$1,500.
- 10, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3-3, 1,433, \$1,500.

- 11, Brian LeClair, Delmar, N.Y., 3-3, 1,410, \$1,500.
- 12, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2-4, 1,370, \$1,500.
- 13, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 3-3, 1,325, \$1,500.
- 14, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1-5, 1,309, \$1,500.
- 15, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 0-6, 1,289, \$1,500.
- 16, Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 2-4, 1,287, \$1,500.

Modified Match Play Round 1 (after five games, including match play bonus pins)

- 17, Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 2-3, 1,146, \$1,300.
- 18, Robert Brown, Cody, Wyo., 1-4, 1,144, \$1,300.
- 19, James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 3-2, 1,128, \$1,300.
- 20, Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio, 3-2, 1,120, \$1,300.
- 21, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 2-3, 1,117, \$1,300.
- 22, Kerry Fulford, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1-4, 1,072, \$1,400.
- 23, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1-4, 988, \$1,300.
- 24, John Dudak, Orland Park, Ill., 1-4, 975, \$1,300.

Other Cashers (after five-game cashers' round)

- 25, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,055, \$1,150.
- 26, Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 1,040, \$1,150.
- 27, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,033, \$1,100.
- 28, n-John Weltzien, Wellington, Fla., 1,032, \$1,000.
- 29, Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,024, \$1,000.
- 30, Ernie Segura Jr., Taylor, Mich., 1,023, \$1,000.
- 31, Dave Sill, Titusville, Fla., 986, \$1,000.
- 32, Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 978, \$1,000.
- 33, Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 941, \$1,000.
- 34, Steven Jansson, Barnes, Wis., 929, \$1,000.

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Grand Casino Renews PBA FireLake TOC Partnership, Adds Second Event

PBA's signature event returns to Shawnee, Oklahoma, in February; summer event to be announced

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Aug. 19, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association's successful relationship with the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Grand Casino Hotel & Resort, and FireLake Bowling Center and Arena will expand in 2017 when the Shawnee-based organizations will again host the PBA's signature event, the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, and add a second to-be-announced summer event.

The premier event for PBA champions will conclude on Sunday, Feb. 19, with live ESPN coverage of the five-player stepladder finals staged in a special installation inside FireLake Arena. All preliminary rounds will be conducted next door at 24-lane FireLake Bowling Center.

In addition to the Tournament of Champions, Grand Casino will host the annual PBA Hall of Fame dinner and the sponsoring organizations will partner with the PBA in creating a new tentatively-titled FireLake Oklahoma Open tournament during the summer months. Dates have not yet been determined.

"Since 2014, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Grand Casino Hotel & Resort, and FireLake Bowling Center have been outstanding partners," said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark, "and our relationship continues to grow. The 2016 championship finals in FireLake Arena were spectacular, one of the best venues we've ever had the pleasure to work with. It's great for the PBA and its players to not only have an opportunity to return to Shawnee for the Tournament of Champions, but also for a second event we're working on right now."

Last year's pre-Super Bowl timeslot for the Tournament of Champions drew nearly one million viewers to the ESPN live broadcast. At the time, the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions finale was the highest-rated PBA telecast of the 2016 season, a 17 percent viewer increase over the previous year's TOC telecast.

“Our tribal leadership is a firm supporter of the PBA, and the growing numbers of spectators at events inside our facilities and on television show that support is well founded,” said FireLake Bowling Center Director Chris Skillings. “This community loves hosting the PBA, and we’re proud to bring a professional sporting event to FireLake and the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort.”

New York’s Darren Andretta Tops Qualifying in Delaware’s PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter’s Pro Shop Classic

Six-year PBA member seeks first title as top 24 advance to Sunday’s 16-game match play round

MIDDLETOWN, Del. (Aug. 20, 2016) – Darren Andretta of New Hyde Park, N.Y., who has never finished higher than seventh place in a Professional Bowlers Association regional event and has cashed only once in 20 PBA Tour events, averaged 233 for seven games Saturday to lead the field of 24 finalists into Sunday’s match play finals in the PBA Tour Xtra Frame Gene Carter Pro Shop East Classic at Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment

Andretta, a 25-year-old left-hander, rolled games of 245, 233, 223, 236, 209 259 and 226 for a 1,631 pinfall total Saturday to lead the sold-out field of 180 bowlers. The six-year PBA member has finished seventh in two PBA Regional tournaments, including the 2011 event at Mid-County Entertainment.

He finished qualifying five pins ahead of Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix and 10 pins ahead of E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., who is trying for his third Xtra Frame PBA Tour title. Tackett, the 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year, is the leader in the \$10,000 winner-take-all Xtra Frame PBA Tour points race. He won his previous PBA Tour titles in Xtra Frame events in Lubbock, Texas, in 2015 and Carpentersville, Ill., earlier this year.

The top 24 will begin the modified 16-game round-robin match play finals Sunday at 9 a.m. ET. Based upon combined 23-game pinfall totals, including 30 bonus pins for matches won, the top four will compete in a stepladder finale at the conclusion of match play.

All of Sunday’s competition will be video-streamed live, exclusively on PBA’s Xtra Frame online bowling channel. To subscribe, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA XTRA FRAME GENE CARTER PRO SHOP EAST CLASSIC

Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment, Middletown, Del., Saturday

Final Qualifying Standings (after 7 games; top 24 advance to modified round-robin match play Sunday): 1. Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 1,631. 2. Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, Ariz., 1,626. 3. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,621. 4. Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y., 1,616. 5. John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,611. 6. Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,601.

7. Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,588. 8. Paul Brion, Mansfield, Pa., 1,584. 9. A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,582. 10. David Stouffer, Lehigh Acres, Fla., 1,572. 11. Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,572. 12. Mike Fagan, Benicia, Calif., 1,566.

13. Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,562. 14. Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,558. 15. Gary Faulkner, Norfolk, Va., 1,557. 16. Sam Maccarone, Blackwood, N.J., 1,556. 17. Chris Polizzi, Spring Hill, Fla., 1,555. 18. B.J. Moore, Greensburg, Pa., 1,554.

19. Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 1,549. 20. Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,537. 21. Billy Asbury, Odenton, Md., 1,533. 22. Rick Graham, Lancaster, Pa., 1,525. 23. Bill O’Neill, Langhorne, Pa, 1,520. 24. Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,517.

Other Cashers (after 7 games): 25. Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, Md., 1,503, \$550. 26. Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 1,502, \$550. 27. Noel Vega, Kew Gardens, N.Y., 1,502, \$550. 28. Bob Caruso, Dayton, N.J., 1,497, \$550. 29. Tommy Dakouvanos, Belford, N.J., 1,493, \$550. 30. J.R. Raymond, Harrison township, Mich., 1,491, \$550.

31. Chris Blackmore, Springfield, Va., 1,491, \$550. 32. Rocio Restrepo, Louisville, Ohio, 1,488, \$550. 33. Patrick Allen, Mount Kisco, N.Y., 1,484, \$550. 34. Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 1,483, \$550. 35. Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla., 1,482, \$550. 36. Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,481, \$550.

37. Josh Schmehl, Millsboro, Del., 1,479, \$525. 38. Dave Wodka, Beaver Creek, Ohio, 1,477, \$525. 39. Jason Stadtler, Lafayette, N.J., 1,474, \$525. 40. Ervin Raines, New Cumberland, Pa., 1,472, \$525. 41. Stephen Dieter, Palmerton, Pa., 1,471, \$525. 42. Bryan Lindecamp, North East, Md., 1,470, \$525.

43. Frank H. Gray, Elkton, Md., 1,469, \$525. 44. Tim Beaver, Kingston, N.Y., 1,469, \$525. 45. Victor Florie, Richmond, Va., 1,468, \$525. 46. Mike Williams, Montgomery, Ala., 1,465, \$525. 47. Jason Pavlinko, Sewell, N.J., 1,460, \$525. 48. Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,460, \$525.

49. Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,459, \$500. 50. Ken Yokobosky, Rockaway, N.J., 1,457, \$500. 51. Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,456, \$500. 52. Daniel Mitchell, Elkton, Md., 1,453, \$500. 53. Ryan Graywacz, Chicopee, Mass., 1,449, \$500. 54. Rob Hoffman, Freehold, N.J., 1,449, \$500.

55. Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,445, \$500. 56. Jeff Voght, Canajoharie, N.Y., 1,445, \$500. 57. Andrew Lazarchick, Brick, N.J., 1,441, \$500. 58. Jimmy Johnson III, Wilmington, Del., 1,441, \$500. 59. Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,440, \$500. 60. Joseph Hostetler, Louisville, Ohio, 1,436, \$500.

300 Game: Ervin Raines

Haugen Wins Delaware's PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic

Near-perfect effort topples O'Neill, locks up fifth career title

MIDDLETOWN, Del. (Aug. 21, 2016) – Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix, Ariz., a noted “old school” bowler who defies contemporary power-game standards, was nearly perfect in defeating Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., 289-255, Sunday to win the PBA Tour Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic at Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment.

Haugen, in winning his fifth career PBA Tour title, started with 10 strikes before leaving a 4 pin to end his bid for a perfect game. Playing straight up the lanes with minimal hook by today's standards, Haugen picked up his first title since winning the 2014 PBA Scorpion Championship.

“Like they say in movies, I'm old but not obsolete,” Haugen said. “Today straight was great. I got to play my ‘A’ game and it was good.”

Haugen tripped a couple of high-pocket shots, but, “You need to catch a few breaks out here to win and today I was lucky enough to get them,” he said. “I really wanted to win again.”

Haugen, who turns 50 in December, noted his fifth win means he's halfway to PBA Hall of Fame eligibility, but he hasn't given up hope.

“Number five is halfway. It's a long way to go when you're almost 50, but you never know,” he said. “Maybe someday I'll make it to the ‘hall.’ That's what drives me.”

In the semifinal match, O'Neill broke up a 7-10 split in the ninth frame to keep a string of five strikes intact in a 244-235 win over John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, N.Y., ending Szczerbinski's bid for his first PBA title.

In the first stepladder match, O'Neill struck on eight of his first nine shots to send two-hander Kyle Troup of Taylorsville, N.C., to the sidelines, 255-220.

The PBA Tour now heads to Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 5-11, for the PBA Fall Swing. The a multi-event competition that will award four PBA Tour titles (Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Open titles) along with a Fall King of the Swing special event. All preliminary rounds will be video-streamed live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, and all five stepladder finals will air on CBS Sports Network on consecutive Wednesdays at 9 p.m. ET, beginning Sept. 21.

To subscribe to Xtra Frame, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. For PBA Fall Swing entry information, PBA members should call Mary von Krueger at 206-332-9688 or send an email to her at maryvk@pba.com.

The sixth of eight events in the PBA Tour Extra Frame tournament series will be the PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open in Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2.

PBA XTRA FRAME GENE CARTER PRO SHOP EAST CLASSIC

Mid-County Bowling and Entertainment, Middletown, Del., Sunday

Final Standings:

- 1, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, \$15,000.
- 2, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., \$7,800.
- 3, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., \$4,000.
- 4, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., \$2,500.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – O'Neill def. Troup, 255-220.

Semifinal Match – O'Neill def. Szczerbinski, 244-235.

Championship – Haugen def. O'Neill, 289-255.

Final Match Play Standings (after 23 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Haugen, 10-5-1, 5,537.
- 2, Szczerbinski, 11-5, 5,486.
- 3, Troup, 10-6, 5,412.
- 4, O'Neill, 10-6, 5,407.
- 5, Gary Faulkner, Norfolk, Va., 12-3-1, 5,400, \$1,700.
- 6, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 7-9, 5,390, \$1,300.
- 7, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 8-7-1, 5,359, \$1,100.
- 8, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 9-7, 5,320, \$1,000.
- 9, David Stouffer, Lehigh Acres, Fla., 9-7, 5,286, \$950.
- 10, Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 8-8, 5,274, \$925.
- 11, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 8-7-1, 5,232, \$900.
- 12, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 8-8, 5,212, \$880.
- 13, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 6-8-2, 5,210, \$860.
- 14, Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y., 5-11, 5,175, \$850.
- 15, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 7-9, 5,168, \$840.
- 16, Chris Polizzi, Spring Hill, Fla., 7-9, 5,145, \$830.
- 17, Mike Fagan, Benicia, Calif., 6-9-1, 5,140, \$820.
- 18, Billy Asbury, Odenton, Md., 8-8, 5,087, \$810.
- 19, Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 8-8, 5,066, \$800.
- 20, B.J. Moore, Greensburg, Pa., 8-8, 5,048, \$790.
- 21, Paul Brion, Mansfield, Pa., 8-8, 5,013, \$780.
- 22, Sam MacCarone, Blackwood, N.J., 8-8, 4,846, \$770.
- 23, Rick Graham, Lancaster, Pa., 3-12-1, 4,792, \$760.
- 24, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 4-12, 4,760, \$750.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**PBA Fall Swing Returns to Detroit's Historic Thunderbowl Lanes**

Multi-event Wolf, Bear, Badger, Detroit Opens and King of Swing to air on CBS Sports Network

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Aug. 23, 2016) – Detroit's Thunderbowl Lanes has seen enough bowling history to fill a half dozen books on bowling lore, and it isn't finished making an impact of the sport's history.

The next chapter will be written when Professional Bowlers Association players from around the world return to suburban Allen Park Sept. 4-11 for the multi-event PBA Fall Swing, featuring the Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Opens plus a Fall King of the Swing special event. All five events will conclude with stepladder finals televised by CBS Sports Network on five consecutive Wednesday nights beginning Sept. 21 at 9 p.m. ET.

There is a lot on the line for PBA Tour players during this event, including berths in the lucrative DHC PBA Japan Invitational next January in Tokyo and four PBA Tour titles that could have a significant impact on the 2016 PBA Player and Rookie of the Year races.

In addition to Wolf, Badger, Bear and Detroit Open titles, PBA members will be competing for invitations to participate in the 2017 Japan Invitational. The top 10 based on total earnings for the Fall Swing will be invited to participate in Japan along with defending champion Amleto Monacelli, one PWBA-PBA Women's member, three players selected by tournament sponsor DHC, one Korea PBA member, and 16 Japan PBA representatives. The 32-game head-to-head match play event in Japan will offer a \$189,000 prize fund with \$40,000 and a PBA Tour title to the winner (if he/she is a PBA member).

Thunderbowl Lanes was the birthplace of the multi-event PBA tournament concept, originating with the inaugural PBA World Series of Bowling in 2009. The PBA Fall Swing, previously called the PBA Summer Swing when it was held previously in Milwaukee (2013) and Shawnee, Okla. (2014 and '15), is a modified version of the WSOB. The Fall Swing will include competition on three diverse lane conditions – the 32-foot Wolf pattern, the shortest lane oiling pattern in PBA competition; the 52-foot Badger pattern, the longest application of oil in PBA competition, and the 40-foot, flat, U.S. Open-style Bear pattern, one of the most difficult lane conditions in the sport. Cumulative qualifying pinfall totals for all three diverse animal pattern events will determine the 24 match play finalists for the Detroit Open.

The King of the Swing special event is unique to the Fall Swing, featuring a made-for-TV showdown including the winners of the four Fall Swing tournaments plus the player with the highest points total in the four events without a title.

Something else that will be new to Detroit bowling fans will be a showcase for the newest generation of high-rev young players, led by Sweden's two-handed lefty, Jesper Svensson, PBA's 2015 Rookie of the Year and the only player in PBA history to win five PBA Tour titles by the time he turned 21, and Texas two-handed teenager Anthony Simonsen, a two-time winner in 2016, including becoming the youngest player ever to win the USBC Masters. Detroit fans also will get a chance to watch Gary Faulkner Jr., who became the second African-American to win a PBA Tour title when he won the PBA World Championship during the 2015 PBA World Series of Bowling VII in Reno.

These talented young players, plus several others, will do battle against a group of established PBA stars, including Hall of Famers Pete Weber, Norm Duke, Parker Bohn III, Amleto Monacelli, Walter Ray Williams Jr., and the most successful Summer/Fall Swing player, Bill O'Neill, who has made nine television appearances and won two titles plus two King of the Swing special events in the first three years of the "swing."

The Fall Swing also could play a significant role in Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte's bid to win a fourth consecutive PBA Player of the Year award. Belmonte has yet to win a title in 2016, trailing the new generation of two-handed players he helped influence, but he has an excellent record in Summer/Fall Swing competition, second only to O'Neill with seven TV finals and two titles in previous three events.

All preliminary rounds of the PBA Fall Swing will be covered live, exclusively by PBA's online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link. Three-day, 30-day and full year subscriptions are available.

The five CBS Sports Network stepladder finals will be conducted on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10-11, in the famous Thunderbowl Arena. Admission tickets for the television shows are available on pba.com/tickets for \$30 for a full-day pass, or \$20 for each individual show. Admission for the preliminary qualifying and match play rounds will be \$10 for individual squads and \$15 for all-day passes.

PBA FALL SWING SCHEDULE

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Sunday, Sept. 4

11 a.m. – A Squad practice session.

2:30 p.m. – B squad practice session.

6 p.m. – Pro-am.

Monday, Sept. 5, Wolf Open

8 a.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games.

2 p.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games.

Top 18 after 6 games advance

7:30 p.m. – Top 18 qualifiers, 6 qualifying games.

Top 5 after 12 games advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.

Tuesday, Sept. 6, Bear Open

8 a.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games.

2 p.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games.

Top 18 after 6 games advance

7:30 p.m. – Top 18 qualifiers, 6 qualifying games.

Top 5 after 12 games advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.

Wednesday, Sept. 7, Badger Open

8 a.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games.

2 p.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games.

Top 18 after 6 games advance

7:30 p.m. – Top 18 qualifiers, 6 qualifying games.

Top 5 after 12 games advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.

Top 18 based on 18-game qualifying totals for Wolf, Bear and Badger Opens advance to Detroit Open match play finals.

Thursday, Sept. 8, Detroit Open

10 a.m. – 6 games round-robin match play, Wolf pattern.

2 p.m. – 6 games round-robin match play, Bear pattern.

6 p.m. – 6 games round-robin match play, Badger pattern.

Top 5 after 36 games of qualifying and match play advance to CBS Sports Network stepladder finals.

Friday, Sept. 9

Television setup and PBA practice day.

Saturday, Sept. 10 (Thunderbowl Arena)

10 a.m. – PBA Wolf Championship stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network, to air Wednesday, Sept. 21, 9 p.m. ET).

2 p.m. – PBA Bear Championship stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network, to air Wednesday, Sept. 28, 9 p.m. ET).

4:30 p.m. – PBA Badger Championship stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network, to air Wednesday, Oct. 5, 9 p.m. ET).

Sunday, Sept. 11 (Thunderbowl Arena)

11 a.m. – PBA Detroit Open stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network, to air Wednesday, Oct. 12, 9 p.m. ET).

1:30 p.m. – PBA Fall King of the Swing stepladder finals (CBS Sports Network, to air Wednesday, Oct. 19, 9 p.m. ET).

**Pete Weber Puts Together Historic 2016 Season
to Earn Second Consecutive PBA50 Player of the Year Crown**

Ohio's Eddie Graham wins Rookie of the Year, Ron Mohr earns PBA60 Player of the Year honors

CHICAGO – Despite missing four of 13 tournaments, Pete Weber put together the most dominant season since the Professional Bowlers Association started its division for players 50 years of age and older in 1981.

Weber, who turned 54 on Aug. 21, earned his second consecutive PBA50 Player of the Year crown thanks to winning a record six tournaments in 2016, including a record string of four in a row. Among his six wins were two majors – his second consecutive Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by 900 Global and his second USBC Senior Masters title, his first coming in his rookie season of 2013.

Bowling in nine tournaments, his string of four consecutive wins included the PBA50 UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical, PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life, and the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick leading up to his Senior U.S. Open win. His sixth win came in the PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8.

Weber also had second-place finishes in the PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV and the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship presented by Storm, and a fourth-place in the season-opening Pasco County Florida Open, which was his lowest finish of the season.

“Don’t get me wrong, I threw the ball well this year but I have to admit I got a lot of breaks this year and it seemed like my opponents got the bad breaks,” said Weber. “It was just one of those years. I hated to miss those last three tournaments because there was probably another title there somewhere.”

Weber’s season ended prematurely because of a nagging hip injury that he hopes won’t be a factor as he gets ready for the upcoming PBA Fall Swing that starts over the Labor Day weekend in suburban Detroit.

“It’s in good shape now after going to the doctor and not bowling for a while,” Weber said. “I’ll probably take another week off and have my brother Rich do a little analysis of how I’m throwing the ball and just go from there.”

With his six wins, Weber ran his career PBA50 Tour win total to 10 which puts him in a tie with Walter Ray Williams Jr. for fourth place on the all-time PBA50 Tour titles list. John Handegard is the leader with 14 titles.

Winning POY with 457,200 points, nearly twice Amleto Monacelli's 241,680 second-place total, Weber also led two other statistical categories by whopping margins. He averaged a record 237.03 for 265 games and took home \$73,200 in earnings.

"I had some pretty good years on the PBA Tour where I won multiple titles and made a lot of shows but winning (PBA50) Player of the Year two years in a row ranks right up there with what I was able to accomplish on the 'kids' tour," said Weber, who never won player of the year on the regular tour. "The atmosphere is a little different on the PBA50 Tour than it is on the regular tour but I can tell you, nobody's intimidated."

Weber's closest competitor in earnings was Monacelli with \$38,775. Monacelli was the only other multiple winner in 2016, capturing two titles, the PBA50 Fountain Valley Open presented by Track and the PBA50 National Championship to Benefit Riley Hospital for Children for his seventh PBA50 title and fourth major.

Norm Duke, the winner of the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino World Championship for his third PBA50 Tour title and second major, finished second in average, nine pins behind Weber with 228.31.

Other players winning titles in 2016 were hall of famers Williams (Pasco County Florida Open), Brian Voss (Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip) and newcomers Noel Vazquez (Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV) and Eddie Graham Jr. (DeHayes Insurance Group Championship presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite). Voss, Vazquez and Graham were all first-time PBA50 Tour winners.

With their wins on the PBA50 Tour, Weber and Williams also edged closer to the 100 overall PBA titles mark with both players currently sitting at 99, including PBA Tour, PBA Regional, PBA50 Tour and PBA50 Regional titles.

As the top rookie in points, Graham, a five-time PBA Regional titlist including the 2007 Regional Players Invitational, earned Rookie of the Year honors.

Graham cashed in the last nine consecutive tournaments of the season and won his first PBA50 Tour title in the DeHayes Insurance Group Championship.

With his big finish, Graham also moved into eighth place on the season-long competition points list to qualify for the PBA50 Challenge which will be contested on Nov. 27 and aired live on Xtra Frame as part of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno. Graham will join Weber, Monacelli, Duke, Williams, Voss, Parker Bohn III and Mohr in the eight-game round robin match play event. All eight also earned paid entries to compete in WSOB VIII.

Mohr, in earning PBA60 Player of the Year honors, had six PBA50 top-five finishes and eight top five's, including the ITRC Super Senior Classic and PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer, which were limited to players 60 years and older.

Among Mohr's top finishes were second-place finishes in the UnitedHealthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages and the Dick Weber Championship.

Winning the "super senior" events were Don Sylvia, capturing the Dick Weber Championship title, and Junichi Yajima winning the ITRC Super Senior Classic.

In addition to Weber, Monacelli, Duke, Williams and Bohn will return to action against the younger generation in the PBA Fall Swing at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich. Sept. 4-11.

PBA Spare Shots

PBA FALL SWING QUALIFIER SET FOR SATURDAY IN ALLEN PARK

Non-members and PBA members who live within 50 miles will have a one-time opportunity to compete for 10 entries into the PBA Fall Swing by entering the Fall Swing Pre-Tournament Qualifier on Saturday, Aug. 27, at Thunderbowl in Allen Park, Mich.

Entry into the Fall Swing PTQ is \$120. All-inclusive entry fees for the Fall Swing are \$750. The Fall Swing, set for Sept. 4-11, will include the Wolf, Bear, Badger and Detroit Open title events plus a King of the Swing special event to conclude the program.

The PTQ begins at 11 a.m. ET and will involve six games on the Wolf pattern. All bowlers must comply with PBA's product rules. The PTQ will be the only opportunity for non-members to enter the Fall Swing which is otherwise a members-only competition.

For more information about the PBA Fall Swing Qualifier (PTQ), visit [pba.com](http://www.pba.com) to download an entry form (http://www.pba.com/Content/files/Pro-Ams/FallSwing_Pro-Am_FNL.pdf).

TACKETT HOLDS 10-POINT LEAD IN XTRA FRAME PBA TOUR POINTS RACE

By picking up 13 points for his eighth place finish in the PBA Tour Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic Sunday in Middletown, Del., **E.J. Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., improved his lead in the Xtra Frame PBA Tour competition points race to 10 points over **Tommy Jones** of Simpsonville, S.C., who earned 10 points for finishing 11th.

After five of eight events in the race for the \$10,000 winner-take-all points competition, Tackett has 66 points followed by Jones' 56, **Ryan Ciminelli** and **Sean Rash** (44 each), **Anthony Simonsen** (42), **Kyle Troup** (40), **Shawn Maldonado** (36), **Jason Sterner** (34), **Dick Allen** (33) and **Bill O'Neill** (31).

The remaining events in the series are the Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open in Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2; the Xtra Frame Reality Check Classic from Sawgrass Lanes in Tamarac, Fla., Oct. 8-9, and the Xtra Frame Las Vegas Open from South Point Bowling Plaza, Oct. 29-30. In each event, the winner earns 25 points, second place 19, third place 18, etc., declining by one point through 20th place.

ENTRIES STILL AVAILABLE FOR PARKER BOHN III JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP TOURNAMENT

PBA Hall of Famer and 35-time PBA Tour titlist **Parker Bohn III** hosts his 17th Annual Parker Bohn III Junior Scholarship Tournament on Saturday, Sept. 3, at Howell Lanes in Howell, N.J. In the 16 years to date the tournament has raised \$88,000 including \$10,000 last year.

On Friday, Sept. 2, a doubles tournament and eliminator will be held as a warmup. The field is limited to 64 teams, and last year the event sold out. To obtain entry forms click on <http://www.parkerbohn.com/pdf/doublesEntry2016.pdf> and/or <http://www.parkerbohn.com/pdf/scholarshipEntry2016.pdf>. The forms can be filled out and sent in, or emailed with a PayPal payment.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: COVERAGE OF PWBA'S SEASON-FINALE SET FOR SEPT. 2-3

Xtra Frame's coverage of the 2016 PWBA Tour concludes Sept. 2-3 with coverage of the preliminary rounds of the Smithfield PWBA Tour Championship from Uptown Alley in Midlothian Va. The PWBA Tour Championship, the final event of PWBA's 2016 season, features a field of 16 PWBA champions and points leaders, concluding with live stepladder finals on CBS Sport Network on Sunday, Sept. 4.

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QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: KENT WINS LONGEST-RUNNING PBA REGIONAL

Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., posted an 10-5-1 match play record and a 24-game total of 5,810 pins Sunday to win his fourth QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA Dave Husted Northwest Open presented by 900 Global at Husted's Milwaukee Bowl.

Kent, who earned \$2,000, defeated **Craig Tuholski** of Troutdale, Ore., by 61 pins for the win. Tuholski had an 11-5 match play record and 5,749 pins for his 24 games, including match play bonus pins.

The tournament was the 37th annual regional hosted by the Husted family at the family-owned Milwaukee Bowl. It's the longest running regional in the PBA.

- Collegiate bowler **Justin Bui** from Terrytown, La., dominated the non-champion field to win the PBA Bowling Dynamix Houston Emerald Bowl Challenge, presented by Hammer, Sunday in Houston, Texas, after Latvia's **Diana Zavjalova** topped the PWBA/PBA Houston Emerald Southwest Women's Open field on Saturday.

Bui, who finished the 21-game tournament with a 6-2 match play record and 4,990 total pins, started the modified eight-game round-robin finals with a 232-pin lead over fellow non-member **Adam Martinez** of San Antonio, Texas, and continued his supremacy to win by 316 pins over **Jacob Heger** of Spring, Texas, to claim the \$2,400 first place check. Because Bui also is a non-member, he doesn't receive credit for a PBA title.

On Saturday, Zavjalova, who is now living in Austin, Texas, survived a late rush by Colombia national team bowlers **Anggie Ramirez** and **Clara Guerrero** who also live in Austin. After Zavjalova finished the eight-game event with 1,681 total pins, she had to wait and watch as both challengers had a chance to pass her with two strikes in their 10th frames. Neither managed to strike, however, leaving Zavjalova with the \$1,200 winner's check. Ramirez earned \$800 for second, while Guerrero collected \$460.

- Concluding the August schedule of QubicaAMF PBA Regional events over the Aug. 26-28 weekend will be the Fayetteville South Open presented by MOTIV along with the PWBA-PBA Fayetteville South Open – a women's only event - at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C.; the AMF Garland Lanes Southwest Open, presented by Classic Products & Ultimate Bowling Products, [in Garland, Texas, and the Aquimo West Open at Mesa East Bowl in Mesa, Ariz.](#)

- Looking ahead to Labor Day weekend, the QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the PBA60 Wilson & Sons Pest Control South Open followed by the PBA50 Budweiser Open presented by Mooresville Ford and Columbia 300 at George Pappas' Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C.; the PBA50 Strike Zone Open presented by Columbia 300 in Pottsville, Pa., and the PBA Japan Region's Viper Open presented by Ebonite in Iruma, Japan.

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Barbasol, PBA Sign Two-Year Barbasol PBA Players Championship Agreement

PBA major championship returns to Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in February

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Aug. 29, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association and Barbasol have agreed to a two-year partnership agreement that will return the Barbasol PBA Players Championship to Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in 2017 and 2018, PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark announced today.

The 2017 Barbasol PBA Players Championship, a major championship on the 2017 PBA Tour schedule, will conclude with live ESPN television coverage on Sunday, Feb. 12, at 1 p.m. ET.

Barbasol's continuing role as the Official Shaving Cream of the PBA will also include jersey sponsorship of the PBA League's Motown Muscle team, which will be part of the 2017 PBA League Elias Cup competition in Portland, Maine, in April.

Under Barbasol's sponsorship, the PBA Players Championship returned to PBA major title status in 2016 when PBA rookie Graham Fach of Guelph, Ontario, won the \$40,000 first prize and became the first Canadian ever to win a PBA Tour title.

Barbasol has been a key PBA partner since 2013 when the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions was held at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis, the city where Barbasol was invented in 1919. The PBA Players Championship in Columbus now brings the event closer to the company's headquarters and manufacturing facilities, which are based in Ohio.

"We are very proud to continue our long-standing partnership with the PBA," said John Price, President of Perio, Inc. "Barbasol's rich legacy of sports sponsorships and strong American heritage are a great fit with the PBA and its loyal fan base, and we're excited to keep the Barbasol Players Championship in Columbus, Ohio."

The two-year agreement, PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark said, will help all parties associated with the event.

"The PBA is extremely excited to not only renew our relationship with Barbasol, but to expand it to 2018 which gives all parties, including our players, a chance to build upon a great event," said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark. "It's a great opportunity for our host center, the Columbus bowling community and for PBA fans around the world, and we thank Barbasol for helping make that happen."

PBA Spare Shots

ANDERSON LEADS FIELD OF 10 PBA FALL SWING PRE-TOURNAMENT QUALIFIERS

Non-member **Andrew Anderson** of Holly, Mich., led a field of 10 bowlers, including nine non-members and member **Aaron Lorincz** of Belleville, Mich., who earned berths in the PBA Fall Swing that will take place Sept. 5-11 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich.

The other players who earned berths in the pre-tournament qualifying event held Saturday at Thunderbowl were **Charles Zelechowski**, Warren, Mich.; **Christopher Lemmon**, Canada; **Carl Boldt**, Pontiac, Mich.; **Steve Jacobs**, Belleville, Mich.; **Mason Brantley**, Detroit; **Ronnie Sparks Jr.**, Ecorse, Mich.; **Matthew Sanders**, Evansville, Ind., and **Kurry Crayton**, Birmingham, Ala.

Anderson rolled games of 279, 225, 190, 231, 215 and 235 for a six-game total of 1,375 pins, leading the qualifying event by 35 pins over Zelechowski. Sanders and Crayton tied with 1,179 totals to claim the ninth and 10th berths in the Fall Swing.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PWBA'S SEASON-FINALE, PBA FALL SWING

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Immediately following the PWBA finale, PBA Tour action resumes with the qualifying and match play rounds of the PBA Wolf, Badger, Bear and Detroit Open tournaments. The PBA Fall Swing events will be covered beginning Monday, Sept. 5, and continuing through Thursday, Sept. 8.

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PBA50 TOUR'S TOM CARTER SERVES AS "GUEST AUCTIONEER"

In addition to being a PBA50 Tour competitor and pro shop operator in Columbus, Ohio, **Tom Carter** has a hidden talent: he grew up as the son of a well-known auctioneer in Peoria, Ill., and acquired some of his father's skills in the process.

On Saturday, Carter served as "guest auctioneer" at a fund-raising auction during the annual meeting of the Mail Pouch Barnstormers, a small group of dedicated volunteers who are trying to preserve and restore historic Mail Pouch Tobacco signs and barns across the east-central United States. Carter's efforts helped the Barnstormers raise nearly \$700, which helped pay for the restoration of an historic Mail Pouch sign on a barn located in Barkcamp State Park near Belmont, Ohio.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: SIMONSEN WINS IN GARLAND

Reigning USBC Masters champion **Anthony Simonsen** from Austin, Texas, defeated **Dino Castillo** of Highland Village, Texas, 213-210, to win his fourth PBA Regional title Sunday in the inaugural PBA AMF Garland Southwest Open presented by Classic Products and Ultimate Bowling Products in Garland, Texas.

Simonsen and Castillo were error-free until both strung three strikes going into the 10th frame. When Castillo failed to strike in his last frame, Simonsen claimed the \$2,700 first place check.

Simonsen, who qualified in fourth place, received byes into the Round of 8. In his first best-of-three-game match, he defeated amateur **Clint Johnson** of Fort Worth, 2-0, and then edged **Mike Bailey** of Irving, Texas, 205-202, in the one-game semifinal round. After qualifying in 10th place, Castillo got by **Adam Pogge** of Austin, Texas, 2-1, in the Round of 16; PBA Tour champion **D.J. Archer**, 2-0 in the Round of 12; PBA Southwest Region Hall of Famer **Chris Barnes** from Double Oak, Texas, 2-0, in the Round of 8, and he completed his climb to the championship match by defeating Latvia's **Diana Zavjalova**, now living in Austin, Texas, 193-170, in the semifinal round.

- **Ashly Galante** of Palm Harbor, Fla., won the PWBA-PBA Fayetteville Open and non-member **James Matthews** of Prattville, Ala., won the PBA Fayetteville South Open presented by MOTIV in a doubleheader for women and men at LaFayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C., over the weekend.

Galante had a 4-0 match play record and 2,667 total pins for 12 games to win the PWBA-PBA women's event, topping non-member **Tiffany Novy** of Wake Forest, N.C., by 86 pins. Galante earned \$1,260 for the win and Novy received \$800 for her second place finish.

Matthews, the top qualifier, defeated **Jeff Evans** of Supply, N.C. in the title match, 241-190. In the first stepladder match, **Nathan Bohr** of Austin, Texas, defeated **Tom Daugherty** of Riverview, Fla., 246-238. In the semifinal match, Evans eliminated Bohr, 233-191. Matthews, bowling in his first event as an adult, completed his wire-to-wire victory to earn \$3,000. He doesn't receive a PBA title, however, because he isn't a member.

- **Josh Blanchard** of Mesa, Ariz., defeated **Michael Haugen Jr.** of Phoenix, Ariz., 257-196, to win the PBA Aquimo West Open presented by Columbia 300 at Mesa East Bowl in Mesa, Ariz., on Sunday, collecting his 10th QubicaAMF PBA Regional title along with a \$3,000 prize.

In the semifinal round, Blanchard defeated non-member **Chris Klerk** of Chandler, Ariz., 204-150, while Haugen defeated **Tommy Jones** of Simpsonville, S.C., 200-188, to set up the championship match. Haugen earned \$1,500 for second place. Klerk and Jones each earned \$1,100 as semifinal round loser.

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ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 5, 2016) – Eighteen-time Professional Bowlers Association Tour champion Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, fired a 300 game and averaged 244.67 Monday to take the early qualifying lead in the PBA Wolf Open as the PBA Fall Swing got underway at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Barnes, seeking his first title on U.S. soil since winning the 2013 PBA Viper Open in Las Vegas, rolled games of 255, 300, 206, 247, 244 and 214 to lead the field of 12 top qualifiers who advanced to the second six-game round of Wolf Open qualifying later Monday. Since 2013, Barnes has won titles in Qatar (2014) and Japan (2015).

Also advancing were Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,460 pins; rookie Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 1,445; Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,403; Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,401; Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,400; Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,397; Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,388; Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,384; Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,382; Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,372, and Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,370.

In addition to Barnes, Lavoie, Sterner and Belmonte also had first-round 300 games.

Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., missed the cut by five pins.

The top 12 will bowl their second six-game qualifying round at 7:30 p.m. ET. Round two, which will decide the top five players for the stepladder finals of the Wolf Open, will be conducted in the historic arena section of Thunderbowl Lanes.

The Wolf Open stepladder finals will be conducted on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 11 a.m. for telecast on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 9 p.m. ET.

The first round of Wolf Open qualifying also counts as the first of three qualifying legs that will advance 18 players to the Detroit Open qualifying finals set for Thursday. Qualifying continues Tuesday with two rounds in the Bear Open followed by two rounds of Badger Open qualifying on Wednesday. All preliminary rounds of the Fall Swing are being covered live, exclusively on PBA's online video streaming channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

Rookie Francois Lavoie Tops PBA Wolf Open Qualifying

Native Canadian to bowl for first PBA Tour title in opening event of PBA Fall Swing

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 5, 2016) – Canadian native Francois Lavoie, now living in Wichita, Kan., earned the top berth for the stepladder finals of the PBA Wolf Open Monday as the Professional Bowlers Association Fall Swing got underway at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Lavoie, who starred with the Wichita State University bowling program, averaged ??? for his 12 qualifying games to claim the lead with a total of 2,878 pins, 76 ahead Australia's two-handed star Jason Belmonte. The 24-year-old rookie, bowling in only his fourth PBA Tour event, will make his national television debut on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 9 p.m.

"It should be exciting. I'm looking forward to it," Lavoie said. "I'm just drinking up all the experiences."

After ranking third in the first eight games bowled earlier Monday in the main section of Thunderbowl Lanes, Lavoie dominated competition Monday night when the second six-game round was bowled in Thunderbowl's historic arena bay, built in 1961 as a showcase for premier bowling competition.

"I think the surface on the lanes in the bay was a little different, so it played different than the main center," Lavoie said, "but it was still fairly understandable if you were able to do the right thing with ball motion. And I was able to do that pretty well."

Lavoie, who grew up in Quebec City, is living in Wichita on a temporary visa, but plans to apply for a athlete visa to stay here full-time.

“As long as I want to be a competitive bowler, I think I need to be in the U.S. and Wichita is pretty centrally located to a lot of competitive bowling. Plus it’s a great city,” he said.

Belmonte, the three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year, is trying for his 13th PBA Tour title, but first of the 2016 season. He qualified for his eight career PBA Summer/Fall Swing television final, one shy of Bill O’Neill’s record in the fourth annual multi-event program.

Eighteen-time PBA Tour champion Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, fired a 300 game earlier Monday to take the early lead but slipped to third place in the evening session. Barnes, 46, is seeking his first title on U.S. soil since winning the 2013 PBA Viper Open in Las Vegas. Barnes’ most recent titles were won in Qatar (2014) and Japan (2015).

Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla., qualified fourth and 19-year-old Texas two-hander Anthony Simonsen, a leading contender in the 2016 PBA Player of the Year race, slipped past Kris Prather of Milton, Fla., by six pins in the final game to clinch the fifth stepladder berth.

The Wolf Open stepladder finals will be conducted on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 11 a.m. for telecast on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 9 p.m. ET.

The first six games in the Wolf, Bear and Badger Opens count as the qualifying legs to determine the 18 players who will advance to the Detroit Open qualifying finals on Thursday. The PBA Fall Swing continues Tuesday with two rounds of Bear Open qualifying at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. ET, followed by two rounds of Badger Open qualifying at the same times on Wednesday. All preliminary rounds of the Fall Swing are being covered live, exclusively on PBA’s online video streaming channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA WOLF OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich. Sept. 5

Final Qualifying Standings (after 12 games; top five advance to stepladder finals Saturday at 11 a.m. ET; finals air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Sept. 21, 9 p.m. ET)

- 1, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 2,878.
- 2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 2,802.
- 3, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,783.
- 4, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 2,773.
- 5, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 2,739.
- 6, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 2,733, \$1,500.
- 7, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2,697, \$1,300.
- 8, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 2,685, \$1,100.
- 9, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 2,677, \$900.
- 10, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 2,655, \$800.
- 11, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2,591, \$700.
- 12, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 2,549, \$600.

Qualifying Round One (after 6 games):

- 1, Barnes, 1,468.
- 2, Pepe, 1,460.
- 3, Lavoie, 1,445.
- 4, Troup, 1,403.
- 5, Sterner, 1,401.
- 6, Belmonte, 1,400.
- 7, Daugherty, 1,397.
- 8, Buss, 1,388.
- 9, Malott, 1,384.
- 10, Simonsen, 1,382.
- 11, Prather, 1,372.
- 12, Duke, 1,370.

Failed to advance:

- 13 (tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 1,365.
- 15, n-Carl Boldt, Pontiac, Mich., 1,364.
- 16, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,362.
- 17 (tie), Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., and Dylan Macon, Lubbock, Texas, 1,359.
- 19 (tie), Jordan Klassen, Ontario, Canada, and J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,358.
- 21 (tie), Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., and Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,356.
- 23, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 1,355.
- 24, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,354.
- 25, Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,352.
- 26, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,344.
- 27, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,342.
- 28, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,337.
- 29, n-Matthew Sanders, Evansville, Ind., 1,336.
- 30 (tie), John Furey, Freehold, N.J.; Osku Palermmaa, Finland, and Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,332.
- 33, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 1,330.
- 34, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,327.
- 35, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,325.
- 36, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,319.
- 37, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 1,318.
- 38, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,317.
- 39, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,314.
- 40, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,312.
- 41 (tie), n-Mason Brantley, Detroit; Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., and Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,311.
- 44, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 1,310.
- 45, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,308.
- 46, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 1,307.
- 47, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 1,305.
- 48 (tie), D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, and Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,304.
- 50, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 1,299.
- 51, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,292.
- 52, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,290.
- 53, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,289.
- 54 (tie), Dom Barrett, England, and Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,288.
- 56, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,276.
- 57, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 1,275.
- 58, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,273.
- 59, n-Andrew Anderson, Holly, Mich., 1,271.
- 60, Patrick Allen, Mt. Kisco, N.Y., 1,268.
- 61, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,266.
- 62, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,265.
- 63, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 1,262.
- 64, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,260.
- 65, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,253.
- 66, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,252.
- 67, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,250.
- 68 (tie), Rocio Restrepo, Colombia, and Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,247.
- 70 (tie), Carleton Chambers, Detroit; Jason Miller, Houston, and Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,245.
- 73, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,238.
- 74 (tie), E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., and Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,224.
- 76 (tie), Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla.; Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., and Maria Rodriguez, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,219.
- 79, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,215.
- 80, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,213.
- 81, n-Christopher Lemmon, Canada, 1,212.
- 82, Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,210.
- 83, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,205.
- 84 (tie), n-Charles Zelechowski, Warren, Mich., and Lonnie Jones, Ypsilanti, Mich., 1,203.

86, Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,198.
87 (tie), Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., and Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,194.
89, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 1,192.
90, Carey Bock, Canada, 1,182.
91, Matt Bollhalter, Niceville, Fla., 1,165.
92, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,164.
93, Zachary Dwyer, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., 1,159.
94, Ben Zakrocki, Philadelphia, 1,139.
95, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,125.
96 (tie), Zachary Seals, Kingsland, Ga.; Perry Crowell IV, Hoquiam, Wash., and n-Steve Jacobs, Belleville, Mich., 1,119.
99, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,112.
100, Ward Rauch, Cheboygan, Mich, 1,097.
101, n-Kurry Crayton, Birmingham, Ala., 1,082.
102, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,077.
103, Monty Wonnacott, Livonia, Mich., 1,067.
104 (tie), Ervin Raines, New Cumberland, Pa., and D.J. Rose, Ypsilanti, Mich., 1,065.
106, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 1,030.
107, Jeremiah Bryant, Taylor, Mich., 1,029.
108, Daniel Hochstein, Farmington Hills, Mich., 1,021.
109, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,016.

300 Games: Jason Belmonte, Jason Sterner, Bill O'Neill, Francois Lavoie, Chris Barnes, Martin Larsen.

Media Advisory: Indiana's Tackett Takes Early PBA Bear Open Lead

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 6, 2016) – E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., rolled a 290 in his fifth qualifying game Tuesday afternoon to take the early qualifying lead in the PBA Bear Open, the second of four PBA Tour titles events in the PBA Fall Swing, at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Tackett, the 24-year-old 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year, rolled games of 184, 246, 234, 258, 290 and 234 for a six-game total of 1,446 pins (a 241 average) and a 35-pin lead over Jon Van Hees of Charlestown, R.I. Tackett, a two-time PBA Tour titlist, is trying for his third title and second win of the year.

After bowling their first six games on the flat 40-foot Bear oil pattern in the main section of the 54-lane bowling center, the top 12 moved into the historic Thunderbowl arena bay for their second six-game qualifying round at 7:30 p.m. ET. Round two will decide the top five players for the stepladder finals of the Bear Open, which will be contested Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in the arena bay for telecast on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Sept. 28, at 8 p.m. ET.

Also advancing with Tackett and Van Hees were Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 1,355; Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,352; Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,346; Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,344; Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,337; John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,332; Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,331; Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,328; Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,326, and Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,321

The first round of Wolf and Bear Open qualifying also are the first of two of three qualifying legs that will advance 18 players to the Detroit Open qualifying finals set for Thursday. Detroit Open qualifying continues Wednesday with Badger Open qualifying. Combined pinfall for 18 games on the three animal patterns will determine the 18 Detroit Open finalists.

Leading Detroit Open qualifying heading into the Badger qualifying stage were Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y.; Francois Lavoie, Canada, 2,745; Sterner, Svensson and Tackett.

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Sweden's Jesper Svensson Tops PBA Bear Open Qualifying

New York's Anthony Pepe holds second round lead in Detroit Open qualifying

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 6, 2016) – Sweden's Jesper Svensson, already the only player in Professional Bowlers Association history to win five titles by the age of 21, will try to make it six in the PBA Bear Open Saturday at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Svensson, a two-handed player who bowls from the left side, was top qualifier in the Bear Open Tuesday with a 12-game total of 2,706 pins, overtaking E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., in the final game to earn the top run in the Bear Open stepladder finals.

The Bear Open is the second of four PBA Tour title events that are part of the PBA Fall Swing. The Bear Open finals will be contested Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in Thunderbowl Lanes' historic arena bay, and will air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Sept. 28, at 9 p.m. ET.

Svensson, a leading contender for PBA Player of the Year honors after winning the PBA Rookie of the Year title in 2015, is trying to become the PBA's first four-time winner of 2016. He knows he's leading the race, but he doesn't want to think about it quite this early.

"To be honest, I'm trying to not think about it much," Svensson said. "I'll just try to bowl as good as I can. It's nice to be in the lead, but I just hope I can stay there for the rest of the season."

Svensson said bowling six games on the demanding Bear oiling pattern in the main section of Thunderbowl and another six in the historic arena bay "was hard, but it was hard for everyone. It was close at the end and I'm glad I could finish it up.

"I think I had a pretty good look in the arena," he added. "I hope I can find the same kind of ball reaction during the TV show" which will be contested in the arena.

Also qualifying for the Bear Open finals were Tackett with 2,668 pins; Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., with a 2,660 total; John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,622, and Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 2,597.

After six qualifying games each on the short 32-foot Wolf lane oiling pattern and the flat, 40-foot U.S. Open-style Bear pattern, left-hander Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, N.Y., held the qualifying lead for the Detroit Open qualifying rounds which will be held Thursday in Thunderbowl's arena bay. The field of 18 Detroit Open qualifiers will be decided after Wednesday's six qualifying games on the long, 52-foot Badger Open pattern.

The Detroit Open stepladder finals field will be determined Thursday by combining the pinfall totals for the first 18 qualifying games with scores from three additional six-game rounds on the Wolf, Bear and Badger patterns. Those rounds are scheduled for Thursday at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Also at stake as the PBA Fall Swing progresses will be berths in the King of the Swing special event that will conclude the Fall Swing. The King of the Swing will include the winners of each of the three animal pattern events and the Detroit Open plus the highest-ranking player in competition points for the Fall Swing who doesn't win a title.

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PBA BEAR OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich. Sept. 6

Final Qualifying Standings (after 12 games; top five advance to stepladder finals Saturday at 2:30 p.m. ET; finals air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Sept. 28, 9 p.m. ET):

- 1, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 2,706.
- 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2,668.
- 3, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 2,660.
- 4, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,622.
- 5, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 2,597.
- 6, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2,582, \$1,500.
- 7, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 2,579, \$1,300.
- 8, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 2,536, \$1,100.

- 9, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 2,533, \$900.
- 10, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 2,520, \$800.
- 11, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 2,506, \$700.
- 12, Rhino Page, Orlando, 2,469, \$600.

Qualifying Round One (after 6 games):

- 1, Tackett, 1,446.
- 2, Van Hees, 1,411.
- 3, Page, 1,355.
- 4, Blanchard, 1,352.
- 5, Novak, 1,346.
- 6, Graff, 1,344.
- 7, Svensson, 1,337.
- 8, Szczerbinski, 1,332.
- 9, Bidwell, 1,331.
- 10, Rash, 1,328.
- 11, Sterner, 1,326.
- 12, Maldonado, 1,321.

Failed to advance:

- 13, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,319.
- 14, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,318.
- 15, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,312.
- 16 (tie), n-Andrew Anderson, Holly, Mich., and Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,302.
- 18, n-Mason Brantley, Detroit, 1,301.
- 19, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 1,300.
- 20, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 1,295.
- 21, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,292.
- 22 (tie), Dom Barrett, England, and Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,291.
- 24, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,288.
- 25, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,286.
- 26, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,283.
- 27, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,281.
- 28, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,276.
- 29, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,274.
- 30, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,270.
- 31, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,268.
- 32 (tie), Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., and A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,265.
- 34, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,264.
- 35, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,259.
- 36, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,258.
- 37, Perry Crowell IV, Hoquiam, WA, 1,256.
- 38, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,255.
- 39, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,254.
- 40 (tie), Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., and Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 1,252.
- 42, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,250.
- 43, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,249.
- 44, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,246.
- 45, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,243.
- 46, Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 1,240.
- 47, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,233.
- 48, Rocio Restrepo, Colombia, 1,225.
- 49 (tie), Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., and Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,224.
- 51 (tie), Zachary Seals, Kingsland, Ga., and Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,220.
- 53, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,219.
- 54, Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,214.
- 55, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,203.
- 56, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,199.

57, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,198.
 58, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 1,194.
 59, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,191.
 59, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,191.
 61, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 1,190.
 62, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 1,189.
 63, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,185.
 64, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,183.
 65 (tie), Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,177.
 67, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,175.
 68 (tie), Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., and Jason Miller, Houston, 1,170.
 70, Jordan Klassen, Ontario, Canada, 1,164.
 71, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 1,162.
 72, Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla., 1,159.
 73, n-Carl Boldt, Pontiac, Mich., 1,155.
 74, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 1,144.
 75, n-Charles Zelechowski, Warren, Mich., 1,142.
 75, n-Kurry Crayton, Birmingham, Ala., 1,142.
 77, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,140.
 78, n-Matthew Sanders, Evansville, Ind., 1,139.
 79 (tie), DJ Rose, Ypsilanti, Mich., and Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,126.
 81, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,125.
 82, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,123.
 83 (tie), Thomas Larsen, Denmark, and D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,119.
 85, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,116.
 86, Ward Rauch, Cheboygan, Mich, 1,111.
 87, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 1,107.
 88 (tie), Monty Wonnacott, Livonia, Mich., and Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,106.
 90, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,102.
 91 (tie), Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., and Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,097.
 93 (tie), Carey Bock, Canada, and Lonnie Jones, Ypsilanti, Mich., 1,095.
 95, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 1,091.
 96, Ben Zakrocki, Philadelphia, 1,089.
 97, fp-Maria Rodriguez, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,080.
 98, Daniel Hochstein, Farmington Hills, Mich., 1,077.
 99, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,076.
 99, n-Steve Jacobs, Belleville, Mich., 1,076.
 101, Matt Bollhalter, Niceville, Fla., 1,072.
 102, Jeremiah Bryant, Taylor, Mich., 1,055.
 103, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,049.
 104, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,035.
 105, Dylan Macon, Lubbock, Texas, 1,016.
 106, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 1,006.
 107, n-Christopher Lemmon, Canada, 998.
 108, Zachary Dwyer, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., 990.
 109, Ervin Raines, New Cumberland, Pa., 988.

300 Games: none.

PBA DETROIT OPEN

Round Two Qualifying Standings (after 12 of 18 games; top five after Badger Open qualifying round advance to stepladder finals Sunday at noon ET; finals air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Oct. 12, 9 p.m. ET)

1, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 2,772.
 2, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 2,745.
 3, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 2,727.
 4, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 2,681.
 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2,680.
 6, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 2,679.

7, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2,672.
8, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 2,664.
9, Rhino Page, Orlando, 2,662.
10, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 2,656.
11 (tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden; Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., and Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,651.
14, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 2,647.
15, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2,645.
16, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 2,644.
17, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 2,642, \$100.
18 (tie), Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., and Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2,637.
20, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 2,634.
21, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 2,632.
22, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 2,628.
23, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 2,626.
24, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 2,623.
25, n-Mason Brantley, Detroit, 2,612.
26, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 2,607.
27 (tie), Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., and Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 2,594.
29, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 2,591.
30, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 2,581.
31, Dom Barrett, England, 2,579.
32, n-Andrew Anderson, Holly, Mich., 2,573.
33 (tie), Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., and John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,570.
35 (tie), Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., and Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 2,565.
37, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 2,562.
38, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 2,560.
39, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 2,558.
40, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 2,549.
41, Sam Cooley, Australia, 2,547.
42, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 2,545.
43, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 2,536.
44 (tie), Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., and Osku Palermmaa, Finland, 2,535.
46, Jordan Klassen, Ontario, Canada, 2,522.
47, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 2,520.
48, n-Carl Boldt, Pontiac, Mich., 2,519.
48, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 2,519.
50, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 2,517.
51, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 2,510.
52, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 2,499.
53, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 2,497.
54, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 2,493.
55, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2,488.
56, Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 2,485.
57, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 2,481.
58 (tie), n-Matthew Sanders, Evansville, Ind., and Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 2,475.
60 (tie), Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.; Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C.; Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., and Rocio Restrepo, Colombia, 2,472.
64, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 2,462.
65, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 2,457.
66, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 2,456.
67, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 2,453.
68, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 2,452.
69, Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 2,449.
70, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 2,434.
71, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 2,423.
72, Jason Miller, Houston, 2,415.
73, Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 2,412.
74 (tie), Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., and Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 2,410.

76, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 2,399.
 77, Graham Fach, Ontario, Canada, 2,396.
 78, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 2,384.
 79, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 2,379.
 80, Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla., 2,378.
 81 (tie), Dylan Macon, Lubbock, Texas, and Perry Crowell IV, Hoquiam, WA, 2,375.
 83 (tie), Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., and Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 2,370.
 85, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 2,354.
 86, n-Charles Zelechowski, Warren, Mich., 2,345.
 87, Zachary Seals, Kingsland, Ga., 2,339.
 88, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 2,325.
 89, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2,324.
 90, Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 2,316.
 91, Maria Rodriguez, Pflugerville, Texas, 2,299.
 92, Lonnie Jones, Ypsilanti, Mich., 2,298.
 93, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 2,291.
 94, Carey Bock, Canada, 2,277.
 95, Matt Bollhalter, Niceville, Fla., 2,237.
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 98, n-Christopher Lemmon, Canada, 2,210.
 99, Ward Rauch, Cheboygan, Mich., 2,208.
 100, n-Steve Jacobs, Belleville, Mich., 2,195.
 101, DJ Rose, Ypsilanti, Mich., 2,191.
 102, Monty Wonnacott, Livonia, Mich., 2,173.
 103, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 2,156.
 104, Zachary Dwyer, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., 2,149.
 105, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 2,112.
 106, Daniel Hochstein, Farmington Hills, Mich., 2,098.
 107, Jeremiah Bryant, Taylor, Mich., 2,084.
 108, Ervin Raines, New Cumberland, Pa., 2,053.
 109, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 2,036.

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PBA Media Advisory: Texan Wes Malott Takes Early PBA Badger Open Lead

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 7, 2016) – Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, averaged 244 to take the early qualifying lead in the PBA Badger Open, the third and final animal pattern tournament in the PBA Fall Swing, at Thunderbowl Lanes Wednesday.

Malott, 39, fired games of 251, 248, 215, 248, 286 and 236 on the long 52-foot Badger lane condition to finish the opening round with ,averaged ??? for his first six games Wednesday, rolling games of 1,464 pins, 12 ahead of Wolf Open qualifying leader Francois Lavoie of Canada and 15 pins ahead of Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.

After bowling six games in the main section of the 54-lane suburban Detroit center, the top 12 moved into the historic Thunderbowl arena bay for their second six-game qualifying round at 7:30 p.m. ET. Round two will decide the top five players for the stepladder finals of the Badger Open, which will be contested Saturday at 5:15 p.m. in the arena bay. The CBS Sports Network telecast is set for Wednesday, Oct. 5, at 9 p.m. ET.

Also advancing to the Badger Open second round were 2016 Barbasol PBA Players Championship winner Graham Fach, Canada; Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla.; Australia's Jason Belmonte; Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla.; Andres Gomez, Colombia; Thomas Larsen, Denmark; Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa.; Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., and Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,327.

The first six games bowled in the Wolf, Bear and Badger Opens also were the qualifying stages in determining the 18 players who will advance to three Detroit Open qualifying rounds Thursday. The 18 qualifiers will bowl another six games on each of the Wolf, Bear and Badger patterns Thursday with 36-game combined pinfall totals determining the Detroit Open stepladder finalists.

The top five in Detroit Open qualifying after 18 games were Lavoie with 4,197 pins; Malott (4,136); Rash (4,094); Belmonte (4,059) and Page (4,054).

Wednesday night's final round of Badger Open qualifying and Thursday's three rounds of Detroit Open qualifying will be video-streamed live, exclusively on PBA's online video streaming channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

Texan Wes Malott Wins No. 1 Berth for PBA Badger Open Finals

Rookie Francois Lavoie leads Detroit Open qualifiers into Thursday's final three rounds

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 7, 2016) – Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, outlasted Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., to earn the top qualifying berth for the Professional Bowlers Association Badger Open stepladder finals Wednesday night at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Malott, a 39-year-old 10-time PBA Tour champion, went head-to-head with Rash for the lead over the final six games, winning the duel with a 226 final game to Rash's 162. Malott finished the Badger qualifying round with a 2,854 pinfall total and a 36-pin lead over Rash.

"The last six games, Sean was bowling well, and I was just kinda staying on the show," Malott said. "But when (Rash) got into trouble, I kinda kicked it into gear and was able to take over."

In leading the Badger field, Malott qualified for his first PBA Summer/Fall Swing television appearance.

"As far as these (Wolf, Bear and Badger) patterns are concerned, this is only the second time I've bowled on them," Malott said. "I didn't have any success at all in Oklahoma (last year's tournament host), but I've had some success at Thunderbowl in the past, so it kinda shows some centers favor certain styles, and everything came together for me here. I hope it continues during the TV show."

Also qualifying for the CBS Sports Network telecast were Canadians Graham Fach of Guelph, Ontario, and Quebec City native Francois Lavoie, who now lives in Wichita, Kan. Australia's Jason Belmonte claimed the fifth spot in the finals when Denmark's Thomas Larsen missed a spare in the 10th frame.

Fach, who won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship for his first title earlier in the year, and Lavoie, the top qualifier in the Wolf Open on Monday, are the leading candidates for PBA Rookie of the Year honors. Belmonte is trying for a record fourth consecutive PBA Player of the Year award, but the Australian two-handed star has yet to win a title in 2016.

The Badger Open is the third and final animal pattern event, all three of which played roles in determining the finalists for the PBA Detroit Open, which is the fourth PBA Tour title event included in the PBA Fall Swing. The Badger Open finals will be contested Saturday at 5:15 p.m. in Thunderbowl Lanes' historic arena bay, and will air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Oct. 5, at 9 p.m. ET.

The PBA Fall Swing (formerly called the Summer Swing) is one of the PBA Tour's most challenging events, requiring players to perform at a high level on three distinctly different lane conditioning patterns (the short 32-foot Wolf pattern, flat 40-foot Bear pattern and the long 52-foot Badger pattern). Overall performances on all three lane conditions determined the Detroit Open finalists.

Earlier Wednesday, Lavoie led the field of 18 players who advanced to Thursday's final rounds of the Detroit Open. Based on combined pinfall totals in the Wolf, Bear and Badger preliminary rounds, the top 18 advance another 18 games – six each on the three different patterns – to determine the five Detroit Open stepladder finalists. Thursday's Wolf, Bear and Badger rounds begin at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Also at stake during the Fall Swing will be 10 invitations to compete in the 2017 DHC PBA Japan Invitational. The invitations, based on total prize money earned during the Fall Swing, will be announced on Oct. 20.

Thursday's final three rounds of Detroit Open qualifying will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online video streaming channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA BADGER OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich. Sept. 7

Final Qualifying Standings (after 12 games; top five advance to stepladder finals Saturday at 5:15 p.m. ET; finals air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 9 p.m. ET)

- 1, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2,854.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2,818.
- 3, Graham Fach, Canada, 2,812.
- 4, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 2,790.
- 5, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 2,772.
- 6, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 2,763, \$1,500.
- 7, Rhino Page, Orlando, 2,742, \$1,300.
- 8, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 2,675, \$1,100.
- 9, Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla., 2,660, \$900.
- 10, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 2,646, \$800.
- 11, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 2,609, \$700.
- 12, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 2,545, \$600.

Qualifying Round One (after 6 games):

- 1, Malott, 1,464.
- 2, Lavoie, 1,452.
- 3, Rash, 1,449.
- 4, Fach, 1,411.
- 5, Colosimo, 1,409.
- 6, Belmonte, 1,395.
- 7, Page, 1,392.
- 8, Gomez, 1,364.
- 9, T. Larsen, 1,339.
- 10, Paluszek, 1,338.
- 11, Angelo, 1,329.
- 12, M. Larsen, 1,327.

Failed to advance:

- 13 (tie), Shawn Maldonado, Houston; Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, and J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,326.
- 16 (tie), Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C.; Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., and Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 1,316.
- 19, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,313.
- 20, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,311.
- 21, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,306.
- 22, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,302.
- 23 (tie), Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., and Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,300.
- 25, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,297.
- 26, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,296.
- 27, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 1,295.
- 28 (tie), Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., and Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,292.
- 30, n-Andrew Anderson, Holly, Mich., 1,291.
- 31, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,287.
- 32, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,286.
- 33, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,285.
- 34, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,282.
- 35, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,280.
- 36, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,278.
- 37, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,275.
- 38, Dom Barrett, England, 1,274.
- 39, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,270.
- 40 (tie), Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., and Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,268.
- 42, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,265.

43, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,264.
44, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,261.
45, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,260.
46 (tie), Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., and A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,259.
48, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,258.
49 (tie), D.J. Rose, Ypsilanti, Mich., and Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,256.
51, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,254.
52, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,252.
53, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,250.
54, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 1,247.
55, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,244.
56, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,243.
57, n-Carl Boldt, Pontiac, Mich., 1,242.
58 (tie), w-Rocio Restrepo, Colombia; Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., and Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,241.
61, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 1,240.
62, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,237.
63, n-Matthew Sanders, Evansville, Ind., 1,232.
64, Monty Wonnacott, Livonia, Mich., 1,231.
65, n-Mason Brantley, Detroit, 1,229.
66, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,225.
67, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,223.
68, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,220.
69, Jason Miller, Houston, 1,217.
70, Lonnie Jones, Ypsilanti, Mich., 1,214.
71, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 1,213.
72, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,208.
73, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,206.
74, Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 1,205.
75, Perry Crowell IV, Hoquiam, WA, 1,203.
76, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 1,201.
77 (tie), Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., and Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,200.
79, Jeremiah Bryant, Taylor, Mich., 1,199.
80, Dylan Macon, Lubbock, Texas, 1,195.
81, Daniel Hochstein, Farmington Hills, Mich., 1,192.
82, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,189.
83, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 1,188.
84, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,184.
85, n-Christopher Lemmon, Canada, 1,183.
86, w-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,176.
87 (tie), Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, and n-Steve Jacobs, Belleville, Mich., 1,174.
89, Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,172.
90, Ward Rauch, Cheboygan, Mich, 1,169.
91, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,168.
92, w-Maria Rodriguez, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,167.
93 (tie), Osku Palermaa, Finland, and Matt Bollhalter, Niceville, Fla., 1,165.
95, Zachary Dwyer, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., 1,154.
96, Ben Zakrocki, Philadelphia, 1,150.
97, n-Charles Zelechowski, Warren, Mich., 1,141.
98, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,139.
99, Jordan Klassen, Ontario, Canada, 1,138.
100, Zachary Seals, Kingsland, Ga., 1,131.
101, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 1,130.
102, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,083.
103, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,072.
104, Ervin Raines, New Cumberland, Pa., 1,061.
105, n-Kurry Crayton, Birmingham, Ala., 1,055.
106, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,037.
107, w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,023.

108, Carey Bock, Canada, 985.
109, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 945.

300 Games: none.

PBA DETROIT OPEN

Final Qualifying Standings (after 18 games; top five after Badger Open qualifying round advance to stepladder finals Sunday at noon ET; finals air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Oct. 12, 9 p.m. ET)

1, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 4,197.
2, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 4,136.
3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 4,094.
4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 4,059.
5, Rhino Page, Orlando, 4,054.
6, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 4,040.
7, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 4,022.
8, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3,978.
9, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 3,977.
9, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,977.
11, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 3,976.
12, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 3,954.
13, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 3,952.
14, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3,951.
15, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,944.
16, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 3,937.
17, (tie) Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., and Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,929.

Other Cashers (after 18 games):

19, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 3,924, \$1,000.
20, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 3,923, \$900.
21, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 3,914, \$850.
22, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,901, \$800.
23, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 3,886, \$790.
24, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 3,876, \$780.
25, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,871, \$770.
26, n-Andrew Anderson, Holly, Mich., 3,864, \$760.
27, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3,863, \$750.

Failed to Cash:

28, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,862.
29, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3,858.
30, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,856.
31, Dom Barrett, England, 3,853.
32, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,849.
33, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,846.
34, n-Mason Brantley, Detroit, 3,841.
35, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 3,837.
36, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 3,826.
37, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,825.
38, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 3,814.
39, Graham Fach, Canada, 3,807.
40, Sam Cooley, Australia, 3,803.
41, (tie) Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., and Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,795.
43, Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla., 3,787.
44, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 3,778.
45, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3,776.
46, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 3,775.
47, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,773.
48, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,771.

49, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 3,767.
50, (tie) Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., and n-Carl Boldt, Pontiac, Mich., 3,761.
52, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 3,736.
53, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,731.
54, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3,722.
55, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 3,717.
56, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 3,716.
57, (tie) w-Rocio Restrepo, Colombia, and Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,713.
59, n-Matthew Sanders, Evansville, Ind., 3,707.
60, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 3,702.
61, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,700.
62, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 3,699.
63, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 3,693.
64, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 3,692.
65, (tie) Carleton Chambers, Detroit, and Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 3,690.
67, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 3,682.
68, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,677.
69, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,664.
70, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 3,663.
71, (tie) Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., and Jordan Klassen, Canada, 3,660.
73, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 3,641.
74, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 3,640.
75, Jason Miller, Houston, 3,632.
76, w-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 3,625.
77, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3,624.
78, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3,604.
79, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 3,593.
80, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 3,586.
81, (tie) Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., and Perry Crowell IV, Hoquiam, Wash., 3,578.
83, Dylan Macon, Lubbock, Texas, 3,570.
84, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,550.
85, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 3,525.
86, Lonnie Jones, Ypsilanti, Mich., 3,512.
87, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,508.
88, Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 3,488.
89, n-Charles Zelechowski, Warren, Mich., 3,486.
90, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 3,484.
91, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,482.
92, Zachary Seals, Kingsland, Ga., 3,470.
93, w-Maria Rodriguez, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,466.
94, D.J. Rose, Ypsilanti, Mich., 3,447.
95, w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 3,435.
96, Monty Wonnacott, Livonia, Mich., 3,404.
97, Matt Bollhalter, Niceville, Fla., 3,402.
98, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 3,397.
99, n-Christopher Lemmon, Canada, 3,393.
100, Ben Zakrocki, Philadelphia, 3,378.
101, Ward Rauch, Cheboygan, Mich, 3,377.
102, n-Steve Jacobs, Belleville, Mich., 3,369.
103, Zachary Dwyer, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., 3,303.
104, Daniel Hochstein, Farmington Hills, Mich., 3,290.
105, Jeremiah Bryant, Taylor, Mich., 3,283.
106, n-Kurry Crayton, Birmingham, Ala., 3,279.
107, Carey Bock, Canada, 3,262.
108, Ervin Raines, New Cumberland, Pa., 3,114.
109, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 2,981.

n-denotes non-member, w-denotes woman

PBA Spare Shots

SVENSSON, SIMONSEN ARE CONTENDERS TO DETHRONE BELMONTE AS PBA PLAYER OF YEAR

As the PBA Fall Swing unfolds inside Detroit's historic Thunderbowl Lanes, PBA fans are getting a close-up view of how the multi-event tournament program will impact the 2016 PBA Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year races as the PBA Tour enters its home stretch.

When the Fall Swing got underway on Monday at Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Detroit, Australia's **Jason Belmonte** renewed his bid to win a fourth consecutive PBA Player of the Year award – a feat never before accomplished in PBA competition. But he was on the outside looking in as a pair of young two-handed players, influenced by his innovative technique – appeared ready to de-throne him.

To put the POY race into perspective, the PBA Fall Swing involves four PBA Tour title events. The winners will be revealed as the CBS Sports Network telecasts air Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12 and 19. The Fall King of the Swing special event that will conclude the series on Oct. 19 is not a PBA Tour title event.

In addition to the Fall Swing, there are three Xtra Frame PBA Tour events remaining on the 2016 calendar along with the PBA Team Challenge and the U.S. Open. Closing out the year will be the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno, Nov. 27-Dec. 11, which will include the PBA World Championship plus the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championships.

Heading into Detroit, Sweden's 21-year-old **Jesper Svensson** was not only the Tour's only three-time winner in 2016 (including the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions), but led the PBA in earnings (\$111,93) and average (228.09 for 117 games). He was followed in earnings by 19-year-old Texan **Anthony Simonsen**, the only other multiple winner in 2016 (including the USBC Masters), with \$99,150.

Belmonte has not yet won a title in 2016. He ranks second in average, scoring at a 226.16 pace, but came into Detroit 20th in earnings, a key stat among POY voters. Simonsen was 13th in average (220.98).

Prior to the Fall Swing, seven other players had won PBA Tour titles and there was plenty of room to shake up both the earnings and average standings, not to mention taking a shot at the PBA Player of the Year title. With three months of activity remaining in 2016, the Player of the Year race promises to be intense all the way to the end.

Also of interest is the 2016 Rookie of the Year race which is being dominated – for the first time in PBA history – by a pair of Canadians. **Graham Fach** of Guelph, Ontario, established himself as an early favorite when he won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship in February in the second PBA Tour event he ever entered. While Fach limited his activity since then, Quebec City native **Francois Lavoie**, a former collegiate All-American at Wichita State University, has yet to win a PBA Tour title, but he has become a regular contender including qualifying No. 1 for the PBA Wolf Open finals, No. 4 for the Badger Open finals and he was in the hunt for Detroit Open finals.

PBA CHAMPIONS TO SHARE CBS SPORTS NETWORK TV BOOTH FOR FALL SWING TELECASTS

During each telecast of the PBA Fall Swing, PBA Tour champions will provide their insights about the various animal pattern events that compose the Fall Swing, along with other reflections about their experiences in PBA Tour competition, as guest analysts along with CBS Sports Network lead announcer **Dave Ryan** and veteran color analyst **Randy Pedersen**.

The players who will join the telecasts – not necessarily in the order of appearances – are 18-time PBA Tour titlist **Chris Barnes**, 2012 PBA World Champion **Dom Barrett** of England; three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year **Jason Belmonte** of Australia, nine-time PBA Fall/Summer Swing TV finalist **Bill O'Neill** and 2008 PBA Rookie of the Year **Rhino Page**.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: DETROIT OPEN TO WRAP UP XF'S FALL SWING COVERAGE

With the PBA Wolf, Badger and Bear Open qualifying rounds wrapped up as of Wednesday, Xtra Frame's attention turns to the Detroit Open Thursday when three six-game qualifying stages on the Wolf, Bear and Badger patterns will be covered live at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. ET. The final 18 games, combined with 18 games on the three animal patterns earlier in the week, will determine the five Detroit Open stepladder finalists.

Xtra Frame's next event will be the Xtra Frame PBA Parkside Lanes Open from Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

MALOTT, LAWRENCE, SKILLINGS TO JOIN PBA SOUTHWEST REGION HALL OF FAME

The PBA Southwest Region has announced that **Wes Malott**, **Rick Lawrence** and **Chris Skillings** will be inducted into the PBA Southwest Region Hall of Fame at the Grand Casino Hotel and Resort in Shawnee, Okla., on Saturday, Sept. 17.

Malott, from Pflugerville, Texas, is a 10-time PBA Tour winner (including the 2013 U.S. Open), 17-time PBA Regional champion and former PBA Player of the Year. Lawrence, from Waxahachie, Texas, has won two PBA Tour titles and 12 PBA Southwest Region events. Skillings, from Shawnee, Okla., has been a great friend of the PBA since hosting his first PBA event more than 30 years ago. Now the manager of FireLake Bowling Center, he is an integral reason why the Grand Casino Hotel and Resort is a major sponsor of the PBA Tour, the PBA Southwest Region and home of the Region's Hall of Fame.

The induction ceremony will be at the Grand Hotel on Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. For tickets, contact FireLake Bowling Center, or email Samantha.mulligan@pba.com. Tickets are \$45.

The Southwest Region's Hall of Fame dinner at the Grand Casino Hotel and Resort will be part of a weekend that will include the PBA Southwest Region Invitational for 32 of the top PBA Southwest Region players.

DEADLINES EXTENDED FOR WOMEN'S PBA-PWBA REGIONALS

Because of the Professional Women's Bowling Association's heavy schedule of events over the summer months, some PBA-PWBA Regional tournaments open exclusively to women bowlers (including PBA and PWBA members as well as non-members) have been extended beyond the previously-announced Sept. 30 points qualifying deadline for the PBA-PWBA Regional Challenge that will be held as part of GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno on Sunday, Nov. 27.

PBA-PWBA Regionals remaining include the Diamond Jo Midwest Open at Cherry Lanes inside Diamond Jo Casino in Dubuque, Iowa, Sept. 18; the Maple City Dodge East Open powered by Ram at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y., on Oct. 1; the Parkin's Bowling Supply West Open at Bowlum Lanes in Montclair, Calif., on Oct. 2, and the Northwest Lanes Central Open in Muskegon, Mich., on Oct. 8.

PBA-PWBA Regional winners already decided include non-member **Lori Eskew** of Hillsboro, Ore., in the Secoma Lanes Northwest Open in late June in Federal Way, Wash.; Latvia's **Diana Zavjalova** in the Houston Emerald Bowl Southwest Open in Houston, Texas, Aug. 20, and **Ashly Galante** of Palm Harbor, Fla., in the Fayetteville South Open in Fayetteville, N.C., Aug. 28.

For entry information, women bowlers should visit pba.com and look for specific events under the "Schedules" tab.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: SEGURA WINS FIRST TITLE IN POTTSVILLE

Ernie Segura Jr. of Taylor, Mich. defeated **Michael Klosin** of Windham, N.H., 210-199, to win the PBA50 Track Cyborg Open at Strike Zone Alleys in Pottsville, Pa., Sunday for his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title.

Segura, a five-year PBA member, had four career runner-up finishes prior to his win. He earned \$1,500 and with his title, became eligible to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions. Klosin earned \$950 for his runner-up finish.

Segura defeated **Jay Boyle** of Garnet Valley, Pa., 255-226, and Klosin defeated **Patric Donaghue** of Honeoye Falls, N.Y., 219-199, in the semifinal round.

- With the Sept. 30 deadline looming for GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII Challenge event qualifying, the following events will be important to QubicaAMF PBA Regional players. Women bowlers should keep in mind that in all standard PBA Regional events, PBA-PWBA points are awarded to women according to how they finish against other women in the field.

- On the QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar for the Sept. 9-11 weekend is the Moon City Central Classic at Astro Lanes in Wapakoneta, Ohio. Also on tap is the PBA50 Howell Lanes Open presented by Radical in Howell, N.J.

- The Sept. 16-18 QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule features the Rex & Griffin Bigelow Memorial/Nance Construction/BW3 Central Open presented by MOTIV at Troy Bowl in Troy, Ohio; the Grand Hotel, Casino & Resort Southwest Invitational at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla.; the Sands Regency West/Northwest Fall Classic (plus a Fall Challenge for non-titlists and a PBA50 event for senior players), and the Diamond Jo Midwest Open and PBA-PWBA Diamond Jo Midwest Opens at Cherry Lanes in Dubuque, Iowa. Also on tap is the PBA/PBA50 Cordova Lanes Over/Under Doubles in Cordova, Tenn.

- Sept. 23-25, the final weekend of qualifying for PBA Regional Challenge and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional Challenge, will include the Florence Bowling Center Central Open in Florence, Ky.; the Thunderbowl Midwest Open (and PBA50 Midwest Open) in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the TSI On-Site Express Northwest Open (and PBA50 TSI On-site Express Open) at Narrows Plaza Bowl in Tacoma, Wash. Also scheduled for the Sept. 23-25 weekend is the PBA/PBA50 Millsboro Lanes Eastern Doubles in Millsboro, Del.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Sudden illness sidelined PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** from competing in the PBA Fall Swing in Allen Park, Mich. Weber was on his way to Detroit when he became ill, and returned home.

- Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game is asking fans to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game. This week fans can vote on the MOTIV ball they'd like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: <http://bit.ly/MotivPoll>. When the "winning" ball based on fan input is selected, it will be available along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will only be available on the specific companies' social media pages). Each company also will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

- **Judith Ramos** is the August winner of the \$200 HotelPlanner.com certificate, good for future lodging expenses, compliments of PBA's official travel partner. The monthly sweepstakes is open to anyone who books a hotel through the HotelPlanner.com link on pba.com.

- **Bill Morrison** of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, is the owner of a new high-performance DV8 bowling ball; **Frank Cornicelli** of Schenectady, N.Y., won a new Brunswick ball, and **Loren Goude** of Satellite Beach, Fla., is the recipient of a new MOTIV ball as winners of August sweepstakes sponsored by the respective PBA Product Registered partners. The monthly sweepstakes is open to new Xtra Frame subscribers, who are automatically entered when they enroll as a new monthly or yearly Xtra Frame subscriber.

- **Reminder:** Tickets are on sale for all five PBA Fall Swing television finals which will be contested Sept. 10-11 in the historic Thunderbowl Lanes arena in Allen Park, Mich. To order tickets, visit pba.com/tickets. Tickets are \$30 for each full day, or \$20 for each individual event. CBS Sports Network telecasts of the PBA's Fall Swing events will begin on Wed., Sept. 21, at 9 p.m. ET and continue over five consecutive Wednesdays, concluding on Oct. 19.

PBA Media Advisory: Australia's Jason Belmonte Takes Lead into Final Round of PBA Detroit Open Qualifying

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – Australia's Jason Belmonte, trying to energize his bid for an unprecedented fourth consecutive PBA Player of the Year title, moved into first place head into Thursday evening's final qualifying round in the PBA Detroit Open at historic Thunderbowl Lanes.

Belmonte, who failed to qualify among the top 12 in the Bear Open on Tuesday, had a solid six-game round on the flat 41-foot pattern Thursday afternoon to take the lead away from Canada's Francois Lavoie. The top five after Thursday morning's round on the short Wolf pattern remained in the top five after the Bear round, but in a slightly different order heading into Thursday evening's final qualifying round on the long 52-foot Badger pattern, which is being video-streamed live on PBA's Xtra Frame bowling channel.

Heading into the final round, Belmonte – who is trying for his first title in 2016 – had a 110-pin lead over Wes Malott. Sean Rash was 17 pins behind Malott. Lavoie had slipped to fourth, 37 pins behind Rash, and lefty Anthony Pepe was fifth, 30 pins behind Pepe and 51 pins ahead of E.J. Tackett, who advanced from 10th to sixth.

Lavoie, a 24-year-old rookie, is already assured of making his first two PBA Tour television finals in the PBA Fall Swing's Wolf and Badger Opens. He is trying for his first PBA Tour title. Belmonte also has advance to the stepladder finals in the same two events.

The Detroit Open stepladder finals will be contested at noon ET Sunday at Thunderbowl for broadcast on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 9 p.m. ET.

Australia's Jason Belmonte Tops PBA Detroit Open Field

Three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year qualifies for three title shots in Detroit

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 8, 2016) –Australia's Jason Belmonte, trying to energize his bid for an unprecedented fourth consecutive PBA Player of the Year title, qualified No. 1 for the PBA Detroit Open finals at historic Thunderbowl Lanes Thursday to cap a four-event qualifying series with his third chance to win his first 2016 title.

Belmonte, who failed to qualify among the top 12 in the Bear Open on Tuesday, had a solid six-game round on the flat 41-foot Bear pattern Thursday afternoon to take the lead and he maintained his pace throughout the Badger qualifying round Thursday night to lock up his 10th television appearance in the four-year history of the PBA Fall/Summer Swing. The 33-year-old two-handed star qualified earlier in the week for the PBA Wolf and Badger Open finals.

Belmonte finished the 36-game Detroit Open qualifying phase, bowled in three 12-game blocks on the PBA's Wolf, Bear and Badger oiling patterns, with a 229.9 average for an 8,277 pinfall total. Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., qualified second with 8,100 pins followed by Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, at 8,078; E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., at 7,953 and Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla., with 7,927 pins.

Daugherty, who entered the day in 14th place, completed his charge to the stepladder finals with a **268** final game to win a battle with Brad Angelo of Lockport, N.Y.; Rhino Page of Orlando, Fla., and Canada's Francois Lavoie for the final berth in the stepladder finals.

"It's always fun when more pins fall for you than anyone else," Belmonte said. "I always set a very high standard for myself and the beginning of this year was good, but I'm here to win. That's the goal I set, and when you're not at your best, that's the frustrating part. So for the past few months, I've worked very hard to lose a few kilos, become extremely focused on my spare game and it's paying off.

"I don't want to be second, ever, so I'm going to work harder than anyone else to get to the top again."

With his high-revolution game, Belmonte has historically struggled on the shorter lane oiling patterns, including the 32-foot Wolf pattern, the shortest application of oil in PBA Tour competition. So when he qualified for the CBS Sports Network finals in the Wolf Open on Monday, he had a good feeling.

"I was happy with my short oil game. I wanted to make good shots on it, and that's exactly what I did," the 12-time PBA Tour titlist said. "I decided to be very aggressive and if I threw the ball in the gutter, it fell in, and it didn't bother me. That helped my confidence.

"I always feel if I have enough games, I can make it to the TV show," he added. "The more games I have, the better the chance I have to catch the leaders. Or, in this case, to stay in front."

The CBS Sports Network stepladder finals of the PBA Wolf Open will be conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. for airing on Sept. 21; the Bear Open finals will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. for airing on Sept. 28; the Badger Open finals will be contested at 5:15 p.m. for airing on Oct. 5; the Detroit Open finals will be bowled at noon Sunday for airing on Oct. 12, and the King of the Swing – featuring the four previous title winners plus the leading player in Fall Swing points without a title – will be held at 3:30 p.m. for airing on Oct. 19. All CBS Sports Network shows air at 9 p.m. All times are Eastern.

PBA DETROIT OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich. Sept.

Final Qualifying Standings (after 36 games; 12 each on PBA Wolf, Bear and Badger oiling patterns; top five advance to stepladder finals Sunday at noon ET; finals air on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Oct. 12, 9 p.m. ET)

- 1, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 8,277.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 8,096.
- 3, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 8,083.
- 4, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 7,967.
- 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 7,945.
- 6, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 7,926, \$3,500.
- 7, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 7,908, \$3,200.
- 8, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 7,897, \$3,000.
- 9, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 7,874, \$2,800.
- 10, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 7,835, \$2,600.
- 11, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 7,818, \$2,400.
- 12, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 7,745, \$2,200.
- 13, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 7,720, \$2,100.
- 14, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 7,711, \$1,900.
- 15, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 7,705, \$1,800.
- 16, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 7,697, \$1,700.
- 17, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 7,673, \$1,600.
- 18, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 7,630, \$1,500.

Ciminelli Wins PBA Moon City Central Classic

Wapakoneta, Ohio (September 11, 2016) – Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., defeated Sam Cooley of Australia by 264 pins to win the Professional Bowlers Association Moon City Central Classic at Astro Lanes Sunday.

Ciminelli finished with a 10-1-1 match play record and a total of 5,084 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to win the \$3,300 first place prize. This was Ciminelli's 1st title in the Central this year and the 10th of his career.

The Moon City Central Classic was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region event will be in Troy, Ohio, September 16-18.

PBA MOON CITY CENTRAL CLASSIC

Astro Lanes, Wapakoneta, Ohio, Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 10-1-1, 5,084, \$3,300.
- 2, Sam Cooley, Mount Warrigal, Australia, 6-5-1, 4,820, \$1,800.
- 3, Kelly Jordon, Marion, Ohio, 7-5, 4,790, \$1,400.
- 4, Dave Wodka, Beaver Creek, Ohio, 8-3-1, 4,777, \$1,000.
- 5, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 6-6, 4,703, \$850.
- 6, Brandon Koczykowski, East Amherst, N.Y., 7-5, 4,651, \$800.
- 7, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 6-6, 4,485, \$750.
- 8, Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 3-9, 4,453, \$700.
- 9, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 5-7, 4,406, \$675.
- 10, n-Mason Brantley, Detroit, Mich., 3-8-1, 4,363, \$650.
- 11, Thomas Larsen, Assens, Denmark, 3-9, 4,349, \$625.
- 12, Michael Schlabach, Goshen, Ind., 6-6, 4,306, \$600.

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PBA Spare Shots

RASH MAKES “GOLDEN” DASH TO COLOMBIA, WINS PABCON SINGLES IN RECORD STYLE

After qualifying for two PBA Fall Swing television finals over the weekend in Allen Park, Mich., **Sean Rash** was forced to make a mad dash to arrive in Cali, Colombia, late Monday where he joined his Team USA teammates for the opening event of the Pan American Bowling Championships.

It proved to be a “golden” trip for Rash.

It began on Sunday morning at Thunderbowl Lanes where the PBA, at the request of Team USA, provided a practice session on the PABCON lane condition for the players who were going to miss the official PABCON practice session. Most of the U.S. players then left for Colombia, but Rash still had TV finals to take care of.

After his final TV appearance Sunday, Rash rushed to the Detroit airport and flew to Houston. From Houston he flew to Panama. From Panama he flew to Cali. After arriving in Colombia on Monday, he had an hour-long drive directly to the bowling center in Cali, arriving just in time to bowl his PABCON singles event.

Rash started his six-game singles event with a 289, closed with another 289, and in between compiled a PABCON-record 1,482 pins to win the gold medal by seven pins over teammate and fellow PBA competitor **John Szczerbinski**. Colombia’s **Manuel Otalora** (also a PBA member) won bronze with 1,466 pins.

Szczerbinski, **Marshall Kent** and **Ronnie Russell** were among the PBA members who competed in the PBA Fall Swing before heading to Colombia. On Tuesday, Szczerbinski and amateur partner **AJ Chapman** combined for 2,786 pins to win the men’s doubles gold medal by 20 pins over teammates Kent and Russell.

Canada’s Francois Lavoie, a leading contender for PBA Rookie of the Year honors after qualifying for two PBA Fall Swing telecasts on CBS Sports Network, and teammate **Mitch Hupe** won the doubles bronze medal for Canada with 2,755 pins, and on Wednesday, Lavoie, Hupe and Zach Wilkins won the trios gold medal with 4,255 pins, 335 pins ahead of the Team USA trio of Russell, Chapman and Kent.

The PABCON Championships continue into the weekend with five-player team, all-events and Masters events yet to be contested. Women’s competition in the same events will be held next week.

FOURTH ANNUAL PBA FALL/SUMMER SWING TIDBITS

The PBA Fall Swing began in Milwaukee in 2013 as the PBA Summer Swing, and through its four-year history, already has compiled a portfolio of interesting tidbits:

- The “Swing” has had three hosts in four years: AMF Bowlero in suburban West Allis, Wis., in 2013 (where a different entry system was used, allowing players to enter individual events); FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., in 2014 and ‘15, and Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., in 2016.
- Like its big brother, the World Series of Bowling, the “Swing” has been based on three distinct animal pattern lane conditions serving as independent tournaments while also serving as qualifying stages leading to the main event, similar in concept to bicycle racing’s Tour de France which includes sprint, mountain climbing and flat-land stages leading to the podium at the end. Since its beginning, the “Swing” has challenged bowlers to perform well on the Wolf (short 32-foot), Bear (flat 40-foot) and Badger (long 52-foot) patterns in order to advance to the Milwaukee/Oklahoma/Detroit Open finals.
- The Fall/Summer Swing has consistently rewarded players with one of the highest cashing ratios in the sport. Example: the Fall Swing in Detroit paid just over \$200,000 in prize money (including \$125,000 in added money) for a cashing ratio of 2.7:1. The added prize money and better-than-average cashing ratio was very similar to the previous two Summer Swings in Shawnee, each of which also included roughly \$125,000 in added prize money.
- Detroit’s Fall Swing introduced **Dennis McCamery Jr.** as “PBA Emcee,” a role he also serves with the NBA’s Orlando Magic. A lifelong PBA fan, McCamery helped entertain the standing room-only crowds with a variety of free giveaways and other interactive fan experiences.

- With five nationally-televised events in each of the four “Swing” events, players have had opportunities to make a grand total of 20 CBS Sports Network appearances. Forty different players have appeared in at least one “Swing” telecast, but the overall leader in CBS Sports Network TV finals is Australia’s **Jason Belmonte** with 11 shows, two more than **Bill O’Neill**. **Tommy Jones** is third with six.
- Since its inception, the PBA Fall/Summer Swing has aired exclusively on CBS Sports Network. The 2016 PBA Fall Swing series will air on five consecutive Wednesdays at 9 p.m. ET beginning on Sept. 21 with the Wolf Open finals, Sept. 28 with the Bear Open finals, Oct. 4 with the Badger Open finals, Oct. 12 with the Detroit Open finals and Oct. 19 with the King of the Swing, featuring the previous four title-winners plus the leading points winner from the Fall Swing who didn’t win a title. In the event a player wins more than one title event, the next-highest player in points will earn a King of the Swing berth.
- A significant bonus for Fall Swing players was 10 invitations to participate in the lucrative 2017 DHC PBA Japan Invitational next January. The 10 invitees – along with the highest woman qualifier – based on total money won in Detroit will be announced after the King of the Swing telecast on Oct. 19.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA MIDWEST FINALS FROM DIAMOND JO CASINO IN DUBUQUE

A new addition to the Xtra Frame schedule will be tape-delayed coverage the men’s and women’s stepladder finals of the QubicaAMF PBA Midwest Region’s Diamond Jo Midwest Open and PBA-PWBA Diamond Jo Women’s Midwest Open from Cherry Lanes inside Diamond Jo Casino in Dubuque, Iowa.

The Midwest Open stepladder finals will air on Xtra Frame on Thursday, Sept. 22, at 5 p.m. ET and the Women’s Midwest Open finals will air on Thursday, Sept. 29, also at 5 p.m. ET. Both shows also will be available in the Xtra Frame archives, and both shows will air on the Time-Warner Cable system in the Milwaukee area at times to be determined.

Xtra Frame’s coverage of PBA Tour competition resumes with the two-day Xtra Frame PBA Parkside Lanes Open from Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2. A week later, PBA players will head to Florida for the PBA Reality Check Tamarack Open presented by Xtra Frame at Sawgrass Lanes in suburban Fort Lauderdale.

The Illinois and Florida events are the sixth and seventh events in an eight-tournament Xtra Frame PBA Tour points competition that will reward the overall winner with a \$10,000 bonus. Each event winner receives 25 points with the next 19 players earning points in descending value, starting with 19 points for second place, 18 for third, etc. The top 10 in Xtra Frame PBA Tour points heading into Aurora are: **E.J. Tackett** (66), **Tommy Jones** (56), **Ryan Ciminelli** and **Sean Rash** (44 each), **Anthony Simonsen** (42), **Kyle Troup** (40), **Shawn Maldonado** (36), **Jason Sterner** (34), **Dick Allen** (33) and **Bill O’Neill** (31).

The Xtra Frame PBA Tour points competition ends with the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open which will be part of the PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas Oct. 28-Nov. 1.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year’s coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR PBA, WOMEN’S PBA-PWBA REGIONAL QUALIFYING

Competition points qualifying dates for both the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Challenge and PBA-PWBA Women’s Regional Challenge events that will be held as part of GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno on Sunday, Nov. 27, have been extended to Sunday, Oct. 16.

That means PBA members still have nearly a month to try to become their home region’s points champion – man or woman – to earn a berth in the Challenge finals in Reno along with a paid entry to bowl in the GEICO WSOB VIII. During that time frame, four PBA Regions (Midwest, East, West and Central) also will host exclusive women only PBA-PWBA Regional events.

For entry information for all PBA events, visit pba.com and look for specific events under the “Schedules” tab.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: RYAN SHAFER WINS IN PBA50 DEBUT

Ryan Shafer, who turned 50 on Aug. 18, defeated **Jay Boyle** of Garnet Valley, Pa., 259-237, to win the PBA50 Howell Lanes Open presented by Radical Sunday in Howell, N.J., in his debut as a PBA “senior” player. The five-time PBA Tour titlist from Horseheads, N.Y., earned \$1,600 along with his 28th overall QubicaAMF PBA Regional title.

For Boyle, the runner-up finish moved him to the top of the PBA50 East Region points and earnings lists.

Shafer defeated **Sam Maccarone** of Blackwood, N.J., 225-209, and Boyle defeated **Ken Yokobosky** of Fredon, N.J., 216-190, in the semifinal round.

- **Ryan Ciminelli** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., defeated **Sam Cooley** of Australia by 264 pins to win the PBA Moon City Central Classic at Astro Lanes in Wapakoneta, Ohio, Sunday.

Ciminelli finished with a 10-1-1 match play record and a total of 5,084 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to win the \$3,300 first place prize along with his 10th career QubicaAMF PBA Regional title.

- PBA Hall of Famer **Tom Baker** of King, N.C., won back-to-back PBA60 and PBA50 PBA South Region titles in Mooresville, N.C., and newly-eligible PBA60 competitor **Tom Carter** of Columbus, Ohio, completed the QubicaAMF PBA South Region's annual extended Labor Day "tripleheader" with his first "super senior" win at Warpath Lanes in Kingsport, Tenn.

Baker kicked off the series by defeating **Jeff Bellinger** of Columbia, S.C., 2-1, in the best-of-three-game final of the PBA60 Wilson & Sons Termite and Pest Control Southern Open at Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C., on Sept. 3. Two days later, Baker again rallied from a first-game loss to defeat **Tommy Martin** of Millington, Miss., 2-1, in the PBA50 Budweiser South Open presented by Mooresville Ford and Columbia 300, also at Victory Lanes.

Along with his 33rd and 34th overall regional titles, Baker earned \$2,400 for winning the PBA60 event and another \$2,600 in the PBA50 event.

The South Region players then traveled to Tennessee where Carter, who turned 60 on Aug. 24, won the PBA60 Kingsport Southern Open win a 213-172 decision over top qualifier **Dennis Lane** of Kingsport. Carter earned \$1,800 along with his title.

- With the Oct. 16 deadline looming for GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII Regional Challenge qualifying, only a handful of tournaments remain for QubicaAMF PBA Regional players to earn points toward berths in the WSOB. Women bowlers should keep in mind that in all standard PBA Regional events, PBA-PWBA points are awarded to women according to how they finish against other women in the field.

The Sept. 16-18 QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedule features the Rex & Griffin Bigelow Memorial/Nance Construction/BW3 Central Open presented by MOTIV at Troy Bowl in Troy, Ohio; the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Invitational at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla.; the Sands Regency West/Northwest Fall Classic (plus a Fall Challenge for non-titlists and a PBA50 event for senior players), and the Diamond Jo Midwest Open and PBA-PWBA Diamond Jo Midwest Opens at Cherry Lanes in Dubuque, Iowa. Also on tap is the PBA/PBA50 Cordova Lanes Over/Under Doubles in Cordova, Tenn.

- Sept. 23-25 will include the Florence Bowling Center Central Open in Florence, Ky.; the Thunderbowl Midwest Open (and PBA50 Midwest Open) in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the TSI On-Site Express Northwest Open (and PBA50 TSI On-site Express Open) at Narrows Plaza Bowl in Tacoma, Wash. Also scheduled for the Sept. 23-25 weekend is the PBA/PBA50 Millsboro Lanes Eastern Doubles in Millsboro, Del.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game is asking fans to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game. This week fans can vote on the Radical ball they'd like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: <http://bit.ly/RadicalVote>. When the "winning" ball based on fan input is selected, it will be available along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will be available on PBA's and the specific companies' social media pages). Each company also will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

PBA Fall Swing Begins Wednesday with Wolf Open Finals at 9 p.m. ET on CBS Sports Network

Rookie top seed Francois Lavoie tries for first title in first of five Fall Swing events

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 16, 2016) – Nationally-televvised coverage of the 2016 PBA Fall Swing begins Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 9 p.m. ET on the CBS Sports Network with the PBA Wolf Open finals from historic Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Detroit.

Making his PBA television debut Canadian native Francois Lavoie, a 24-year-old rookie who starred with the Wichita State University bowling program, earned the top berth for the finals and will wait in the wings as four PBA Tour champions make their bids to bowl against him in the championship match.

The finals, which will be conducted on the 32-foot PBA Wolf lane condition, will open with No. 4 qualifier one-time PBA Tour winner Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla., bowling against No. 5 qualifier 19-year-old Texas two-hander Anthony Simonsen, a two-time Tour winner.

For a video preview of the Wolf Open click on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eexyvWBen3M>

The Fall Swing will again implement lane oil with a blue dye so that fans and players can better see how the oil is applied to the lane as well as how the ball travels down the lane, and how lane play affects the oil as the finals continue.

A leading contender in the 2016 PBA Player of the Year race, Simonsen won the USBC Masters at age 19 in February to become the youngest ever to win a PBA major title after winning his first PBA Tour title with partner Connor Pickford in the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship to kick off the 2016 season. Daugherty will be trying to win his first win since capturing the Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship title in 2012.

The winner of the opening match will meet 18-time PBA Tour champion Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas. The 2007-08 Player of the Year is seeking his first title on U.S. soil since winning the 2013 PBA Viper Open in Las Vegas. Barnes' most recent titles were won in Qatar (2014) and Japan (2015).

The winner of the second match will take on three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte in the semifinal match. Belmonte will be trying for his 13th PBA Tour title and first since winning the USBC Masters in 2015. He qualified for his eighth career PBA Summer/Fall Swing television final, one shy of Bill O'Neill's record, in the fourth annual multi-event program.

The semifinal winner will then meet Lavoie, whose previous best finish this season was third in the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Xtra Frame Open.

Fall Swing telecasts on CBSSN continue with the Bear Open on Sept. 28; Badger Open on Oct. 5, Detroit Open on Oct. 12 and the King of the Swing special event on Oct. 19. All shows air at 9 p.m. ET.

Smallwood wins PBA Rex & Griffin Bigelow Memorial Central Open

Troy, Ohio (Sept. 18, 2016) – Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., defeated E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 235-223, to win the Professional Bowlers Association Rex & Griffin Bigelow Memorial/Nance Construction/BW3'S Central Open presented by MOTIV at Troy Bowl Sunday.

The title was Smallwood's first of the year in the PBA Central Region and his fifth career QubicaAMF PBA Regional title. He also earned \$5,000.

Smallwood edged Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., 215-209, to advance to the championship match. In the first stepladder match, Smallwood eliminated A.J. Johnson of Oswego, Ill., 208-192.

Tackett earned \$2,500 for second place; McCune won \$1,300 for third, and Johnson \$1,000 for fourth place.

The next PBA Central Region event will take place in Florence, Ky., Sept. 23-25.

The Rex & Griffin Bigelow Memorial/Nance Construction/BW3'S Central Open presented by MOTIV was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

**PBA REX & GRIFFIN BIGELOW MEMORIAL/NANCE CONSTRUCTION/BW3'S CENTRAL OPEN
PRESENTED BY MOTIV
Troy Bowl, Troy, Ohio, Sunday**

Final Standings:

1, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich. \$5,000. 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind. \$2,500 3, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind. \$1,300. 4, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill. \$1,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Smallwood def. Johnson, 208-192. Semifinal Match – Smallwood def. McCune, 215-209. Championship – Smallwood def. Tackett, 235-223.

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play records; top four advance to stepladder finals):

1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6-6, 4,712. 2, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 8-4, 4,580. 3, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 9-3, 4,537. 4, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 7-5-0, 4,414. 5, Graham Fach, Guelph, Ontario, 5-7, 4,357, \$900. 6, Anthony Kennard, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 7-5, 4,353, \$800.

7, Tom Sorce, Richmond, Va., 7-5, 4,313, \$750. 8, T.J. Schmidt, Mishawaka, Ind., 5-7, 4,241, \$700. 9, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp, Mich., 6-6, 4,212, \$675. 10, Ryan Lakota, Shorewood, Ill., 3-9, 4,145, \$650. 11, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 5-7, 4,143, \$625. 12, Kevin Kachele, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 4-8, 4,126, \$600.

PBA Spare Shots

DAVE, RANDY AND PBA STARS READY FOR CBS SPORT NETWORK'S FALL SWING SERIES

The PBA Tour returns to network television tonight with the first of five CBS Sports Network telecasts of PBA Fall Swing finals from the historic arena bay inside Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Detroit.

Returning to the broadcast booth will be veteran PBA announcer **Dave Ryan** along with PBA Hall of Famer and color analyst **Randy Pedersen**. They will be joined by current PBA champions who will provide insights based on actually bowling on the challenging PBA Fall Swing lane conditioning patterns.

Sharing the booth for tonight's PBA Wolf Open finals will be seven-time PBA Tour champion **Bill O'Neill** of Langhorne, Pa., who qualified for nine different telecasts in three previous PBA Summer Swing telecasts. The guest analyst for the Bear Open finals on Sept. 28 will be England's **Dom Barrett**, a four-time PBA Tour titlist. Eighteen-time Tour winner **Chris Barnes** will join the broadcast team for the PBA Badger Open finals on Oct. 5 and three-time titlist **Rhino Page** will join the announcing team for the PBA Detroit Open finals on Oct. 12.

All five PBA Fall Swing telecasts on CBS Sports Network, including the Fall King of the Swing special event on Oct. 19, will air at 9 p.m. ET.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA MIDWEST FINALS TO AIR THURSDAY

Coverage of the men's and women's finals of the QubicaAMF PBA Midwest Region's Diamond Jo Midwest Open and PBA-PWBA Diamond Jo Women's Midwest Open from Dubuque, Iowa, will air on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel beginning Thursday at 5 p.m. ET. The Women's Midwest Open finals will air the following Thursday, Sept. 29, also at 5 p.m. ET. Both shows also will be available in the Xtra Frame archives shortly after they air.

Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage of PBA Tour competition resumes with the two-day Xtra Frame PBA Parkside Lanes Open from Aurora, Ill., Oct. 1-2, followed by live start-to-finish coverage of the PBA Reality Check Tamarac Open presented by Xtra Frame from Sawgrass Lanes in suburban Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Oct. 8-9. Both events will offer projected \$10,000 first prize checks plus PBA Tour titles to the winners.

The Illinois and Florida events are the sixth and seventh events in an eight-tournament Xtra Frame PBA Tour points competition that will reward the overall winner with a \$10,000 bonus. Each event winner receives 25 points with the next 19 players earning points in descending value, starting with 19 points for second place, 18 for third, etc. The top 10 in Xtra Frame PBA Tour points heading into Aurora are: **E.J. Tackett** (66), **Tommy Jones** (56), **Ryan Ciminelli** and **Sean Rash** (44 each), **Anthony Simonsen** (42), **Kyle Troup** (40), **Shawn Maldonado** (36), **Jason Sterner** (34), **Dick Allen** (33) and **Bill O'Neill** (31).

The Xtra Frame PBA Tour points competition ends with the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open which will be part of the PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas Oct. 28-Nov. 1.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

PBA STARS HELP TEAM USA WIN FOUR PABCON GOLD MEDALS

Team USA, led by four PBA stars, collected four gold medals and four silver medals as the 2016 Pan American Bowling Confederation Championships ended Saturday in Cali, Colombia. Gold medalists included **Sean Rash** in singles; **John Szczerbinski** and amateur **AJ Chapman** in doubles; Rash, Szczerbinski, Chapman, **Ronnie Russell**, **Marshall Kent** and amateur **Rob Gotchall** in five-man team, and Kent in the men's Masters finale.

Silver medals were won by Szczerbinski in singles; Kent and Russell in doubles; Russell, Kent and Chapman in trios, and Russell in all-events.

PBA Rookie of the Year contender **Francois Lavoie** and Canadian teammates Zach Wilkins and Mitch Hupé won the gold in men's trios. Lavoie and Hupé won bronze in doubles and they helped Canada to the team silver medal. PBA members **Manuel Otalora** won bronze in singles, and **Arturo Quintero** helped Mexico capture the bronze medal in trios. Colombia, including PBA members **Jaime Gonzalez**, **Andres Gomez** and Otalora won the team bronze medal.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: HIBBITTS WINS PBA SOUTHWEST INVITATIONAL

Former PBA Southwest Region Player of the Year **Chris Hibbitts II** of Keller, Texas, defeated newly-inducted PBA Southwest Region Hall of Famer **Wes Malott** of Pflugerville, Texas, 212-199, to win the third annual PBA Grand Casino Resort & Hotel Southwest Invitational at FireLake Bowling Center Sunday in Shawnee, Okla.

Hibbitts followed a string of three strikes with spares in the final two frames to defeat Malott, the 2014 Grand Invitational winner, and claim the \$4,000 winner's check.

After qualifying third to advance to the Round of 8, Hibbitts eliminated **Nathan Bohr** of Austin, Texas, 2-0, and edged **Anthony Lavery-Spahr** of Pasadena, Texas, 227-226, to advance to the championship match. Malott, who qualified ninth, defeated **Joe Findling** of Mesquite, Texas, 2-1, in the Round of 16; **Sean Lavery-Spahr** of Pasadena, 2-1, in the Round of 12; defending champion **Shawn Maldonado** of Houston, Texas, 2-0, in the Round of 8, and **Anthony Simonsen** of Austin, Texas, 233-196, in the semifinal round.

As part of the tournament weekend, Malott, **Rick Lawrence** and FireLake Bowling Center general manager **Chris Skillings** were inducted into the PBA Southwest Region Hall of Fame.

- Second-year PBA member **Matt McNeil** of Minneapolis and **Summer Jasmin** of Beckley, W.Va., won titles Sunday in a QubicaAMF PBA Midwest Region doubleheader at Cherry Lanes inside Diamond Jo Casino in Dubuque, Iowa.

McNeil, a 31-year-old left-hander bowling in only his third PBA regional event, won his first PBA Regional title and \$2,000 when he defeated **Brad Miller** of Maryland Heights, Mo., 257-189, in the title match. McNeil started the four-man stepladder finals with a 29-28 roll-off win over **William Goodman** of O'Fallon, Ill., after they tied at 237. In the semifinal match, McNeil eliminated PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** of St. Ann, Mo., 276-186, denying Weber a chance to win his 100th overall PBA title.

In the PBA-PWBA Diamond Jo Midwest Open for women, Jasmin upset **Liz Johnson** of Cheektowaga, N.Y., who just won her second straight time PWBA Player of the Year title, 594-533, in a three-game total pinfall final match. Along with her first PBA-PWBA Regional title she earned a \$900 first prize.

McNeil and Jasmin both became eligible to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions with their first PBA titles.

- **Tom Smallwood** of Saginaw, Mich., defeated **E.J. Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., 235-223, to win the PBA Rex & Griffin Bigelow Memorial/Nance Construction/BW3'S Central Open presented by MOTIV at Troy Bowl in Troy, Ohio, Sunday for his fifth QubicaAMF PBA Regional title and a \$5,000 first prize.

Smallwood edged **Eugene McCune** of Munster, Ind., 215-209, to advance to the championship match. In the first stepladder match, Smallwood eliminated **A.J. Johnson** of Oswego, Ill., 208-192.

- **Doug Becker** of Clermont, Fla., and **Tom Daugherty** of Riverview, Fla., won seven straight matches to claim the PBA Serra Bartlett Chevrolet Cordova Over/Under Doubles title and \$4,200 first prize Sunday at Cordova Bowling Center in Cordova, Tenn.

Becker and Daugherty defeated **Dave White** of Collierville, Tenn., and **Tommy Berish** of Cordova, 3-0, in the best-of-five-game title match, 421-305, 465-299, and 482-359. The winning team advanced to the title match by sweeping PBA Hall of Famer **Tom Baker** of King, N.C., and **Kyle Troup** of Taylorsville, N.C., 4-0 in the best-of-seven-game semifinal round while White and Berish also were perfect in eliminating **Stoney Baker** of Canton, Ga., and **Jason Sterner** of Cocoa, Fla., in the other semifinal match.

- **Jakob Butturff** of Chandler, Ariz., posted a 7-5 match play record and a 24-game total of 5,752 pins Sunday to win the PBA Sands Regency West/Northwest Fall Classic Open presented by Storm, concluding the PBA Northwest and West Regions' traditional tripleheader weekend at the National Bowling Stadium.

Butturff, who earned \$2,000, defeated **Darren Tang** of San Francisco by 166 pins for his sixth 2016 and career title to go along with his first PBA Tour title, won in the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open earlier in the year. Tang had an 8-4 match play record and 5,586 pins.

In the companion PBA50 Sands Regency Open, **Ron Mohr** of Las Vegas went 8-2 and knocked down 5,272 total pins for 22 games to top **Derek Gregory** of Chowchilla, Calif., for his 17th PBA50 regional title and a \$1,500 prize. Gregory had 4,803 pins.

Leading into the weekend, Chris Arcaro of Wilmington, N.C., became FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions-eligible when he defeated non-member Matthew Anderson of Las Vegas, 236-197, to win Friday's PBA Sands Regency Fall Challenge presented by Radical. The Challenge was open to players who had never won a PBA title.

- Closing out the month, the Sept. 23-25 QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the Florence Bowling Center Central Open in Florence, Ky.; the Thunderbowl Midwest Open (and PBA50 Midwest Open) in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the TSI On-Site Express Northwest Open (and PBA50 TSI On-site Express Open) at Narrows Plaza Bowl in Tacoma, Wash. Also scheduled for the Sept. 23-25 weekend is the PBA/PBA50 Millsboro Lanes Eastern Doubles in Millsboro, Del.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game is asking fans to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game. This week fans can vote on the Brunswick ball they'd like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: <http://bit.ly/BrunswickVote>. When the "winning" ball based on fan input is selected, it will be available along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will be available on PBA's and the specific companies' social media pages). Each company also will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

- The fifth annual **Danny Wiseman** Youth Scholarship Tournament is once again sold out. The largest bowling scholarship event in Maryland will be held Oct. 8-9 at AMF Country Club Lanes in Baltimore. For additional information about the event, visit Wiseman's website: dannywisemanbowling.com.

- PBA Tour competitor **B.J. Moore**, formerly of Apex, N.C., and PWBA competitor **T'Nia Falbo**, a former Maryland Eastern Shore collegiate star, were married on Sept. 10 and are now residing in Falbo's hometown, Greensburg, Pa.

- Also exchanging wedding vows: PBA Tour competitor **J.R. Raymond** of Gaylord, Mich., and **Alisha Kovach** on Sept. 17 in Saginaw, Mich.

- PBA Tour champion **Stuart Williams**, a native of England now living in Phoenix, and wife Tina became first-time parents when **Brady Stephen Williams** arrived on Sept. 18, weighing in at 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

Tom Daugherty Ends Four-Year Title Drought, Wins PBA Wolf Open

Floridian climbs stepladder, beats Canadian rookie Francois Lavoie in championship

match for second career title

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 21, 2016) - With four matches ahead of him to win the PBA Wolf Open title in Wednesday's CBS Sports Network stepladder telecast, Tom Daugherty's strategy was to use a ball that would limit the chances for mistakes and give him the best chance to succeed on the 32-foot Wolf Open lane condition to kick off the five-event PBA Fall Swing television series.

Using a less-aggressive urethane ball throughout the finals, the No. 4 qualifier ended a four-year drought since his first PBA Tour win by defeating top qualifier Francois Lavoie, 212-192, in the title match at Thunderbowl Lanes.

In a match that was basically even through six frames, Lavoie, a 24-year-old rookie, ran into trouble in the seventh frame when he failed to convert a 2-4-8 spare. Despite the mistake, the native Canadian still had a chance to win by striking on the first ball in the 10th, but he left the 2-8-10 split.

Making a change to a urethane ball to reduce over-reaction was part of an equipment overhaul Daugherty made earlier this season.

"I've always felt my execution was fine but that it was time to go in a different direction with the equipment I was using," Daugherty said.

"As far as bowling on the shorter lane conditioning pattern and potentially bowling four matches, going with the urethane works best for me because it gives me better control," he added. "I thought if I could win the first match, I would get more confident. I could deal with the (lane condition) transitions by just keeping the ball swing down and make the adjustments with my release."

The Riverview, Fla., player started his climb up the stepladder finals with a 198-183 win over 2016 USBC Masters winner Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, before beating 2007-08 Player of the Year and 18-time Tour winner Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, in match two, 193-169.

The win over Barnes set up the semifinal against three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte where Daugherty fired a barrage of strikes to easily defeat the Australian two-hander, 255-225. Belmonte was trying for his 13th career title and first title of the 2016 season.

"I've wanted that second title for a long time," said Daugherty, whose first win came in the 2012 PBA Scorpion Championship. "It seems more real when you win more than one (title). I didn't want to be a one-hit wonder."

Lavoie's runner-up finish was his best of the season. The former Wichita State University collegiate star topped his third-place in the PBA Downums Waste Services Jonesboro Xtra Frame Open.

Fall Swing telecasts on CBSSN continue with the Bear Open on Sept. 28; Badger Open on Oct. 5, Detroit Open on Oct. 12 and the King of the Swing special event on Oct. 19. All shows air at 9 p.m. ET.

PBA WOLF OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Wednesday

Final Standings:

- 1, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., \$10,000.
- 2, Francois Lavoie, Canada, \$5,000.
- 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$4,000.
- 4, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, \$3,500.
- 5, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, \$3,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Daugherty def. Simonsen, 198-183.

Match Two – Daugherty def. Barnes, 193-169.

Semifinal Match – Daugherty def. Belmonte, 255-225.

Championship – Daugherty def. Lavoie, 212-192.

**Sweden's Jesper Svensson Eyes Another Milestone Win
in PBA Bear Open Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET on CBS Sports Network**

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 23, 2016) - Sweden's Jesper Svensson will try to add to his record total of five PBA Tour titles by age of 21 as the top qualifier for the PBA Bear Open, the second event of the PBA Fall Swing, which airs on Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 9 p.m. ET on the CBS Sports Network.

Svensson, a leading contender for PBA Player of the Year honors after winning the PBA Rookie of the Year title in 2015, is also trying to become the PBA's first four-time winner of 2016. Earlier in the year, he became the youngest player ever to win the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions followed by wins in the Brunswick Euro Challenge in Munich, Germany and the WBT Thailand in Bangkok. He won his first two titles in 2015.

The Bear Open finals will be contested on the flat, 40-foot U.S. Open-style Bear lane conditioning pattern in Thunderbowl Lanes' historic arena in suburban Detroit.

The finals will open with No. 5 qualifier Jon Van Hees of Charlestown, R.I. meeting John Szczerbinski of N. Tonawanda, N.Y. Van Hees will be trying for his second PBA Tour title after winning the Scorpion Championship in January of this year. With a career-best finish of second in the Kingdom of Bahrain Open in 2015 and a season's best of third place in the PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic, Szczerbinski will be trying for his first Tour title.

The winner of the Van Hees-Szczerbinski match will take on No. 3 qualifier Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz. Blanchard will be trying for his third Tour win and first of the season.

The winner of the second match will then advance to the semifinal against No. 2 qualifier EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind. Tackett, the 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year, has won two PBA Tour Xtra Frame events, most recently the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open earlier this season, but he will be trying for his first title on national television.

Fall Swing telecasts on CBSSN continue with the Badger Open on Oct. 5, Detroit Open on Oct. 12 and the King of the Swing special event on Oct. 19. All shows air at 9 p.m. ET.

Rookie Graham Fach Wins Florence Bowling Center Central Open

Florence, Ky. (September 25, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Rookie of the Year contender Graham Fach of Ontario, Canada, defeated Aaron Lorincz of Center Line, Mich. by 58 pins to win the PBA Florence Bowling Center Central Open Sunday for his third PBA Central Region title of the year.

Fach finished with a 7-3 match play record and a total of 4,299 pins for 18 games, including match play bonus pins, to win the \$2,000 first place prize. Fach became the first Canadian ever to win a PBA Tour title when he won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship in Columbus, Ohio, in February.

The PBA Florence Bowling Center Central Open was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region event will be in Delphos, Ohio, Sept. 30-Oct 2.

PBA FLORENCE BOWLING CENTER CENTRAL OPEN Florence Bowling Center, Florence, Ky., Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 18 games, including match play bonus pins):

1, Graham Fach, Guelph, Ontario, 7-3, 4,299, \$2,000. 2, Aaron Lorincz, Center Line, Mich., 7-3, 4,241, \$1,200. 3, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 5-5, 4,155, \$1,000. 4, n-Brock Finch, Stirling, Ontario, 5-5, 4,100, \$850. 5, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 7-3, 4,075, \$750.

6, Brian Himmler, Cincinnati, Ohio, 5-5, 3,995, \$700. 7, n-Andy Campbell, Ft. Thomas, Ky., 6-4, 3,973, \$675. 8, Adam West, Prestonsburg, Ky., 3-7, 3,800, \$650. 9, Kirby Allen, Ironton, Ohio, 4-6, 3,790, \$625. 10, Daniel Hochstein, Westland, Mich., 1-9, 3,653, \$600.

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PBA Champion Sean Rash to Serve as Host, Competitor For PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open

Current, future stars of PBA Tour to visit Aurora area Oct. 1-2

AURORA, Ill. (Sept. 26, 2016) – As if competing against the best bowlers in the world isn't enough, Montgomery resident and nine-time Professional Bowlers Association titlist Sean Rash will assume the role of tournament host next weekend at Parkside Lanes.

It's kind of ironic, but Rash – who grew up in Anchorage, Alaska and starred as a collegiate bowler at Wichita State University before moving to the Aurora area – will invite the world's best bowlers into his "home center" and then do his best to beat them.

Actually, it's part of Rash's nature as a professional bowler to do more than his fair share to promote his sport by organizing a tournament – the PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open – that will bring many of the world's proven stars into the Chicagoland area, where they will face off against the next generation of PBA stars in an intensive two-day competition.

To get the weekend started, he'll introduce the players to Chicago area bowling fans during a pro-am and "meet & greet" sessions Friday night.

On Saturday, Rash and friends will begin competition with an eight-game qualifying round for all players at 10 a.m. That session will be followed by a BBQ party featuring a live band for all players beginning at 3 p.m.

Sunday, the top 25 percent of Saturday's qualifiers will advance to two more six-game qualifying rounds at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., with total pinfall for 20 games determining the top five who will advance to the 3 p.m. stepladder finals.

All competition rounds of the event will be covered live by the PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, a subscription-based video streaming service which is available on three-day, monthly and annual subscription plans (visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo for more information).

Among the early entrants into the event are PBA Hall of Famers Pete Weber and Walter Ray Williams Jr., PBA Tour champions Dick Allen, Ryan Ciminelli, Tommy Jones, Eugene McCune, Bill O'Neill, Ronnie Russell, Ryan Shafer, Anthony Simonsen, E.J. Tackett, Kyle Troup, Cameron Weier and Rash; and a handful of Professional Women's Bowling Association stars including three-time PWBA Player of the Year Liz Johnson and Oswego native Kristina Szczerbinski.

Chicagoland bowling fans will get a chance to watch a potent field of rising PBA stars, including 19-year-old Simonsen, a leading PBA Player of the Year contender; Tackett, the 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year; USBC Open Championships record-holder Matt McNiel of Minneapolis, and some of the Chicago area's top players.

At stake will be a \$10,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title. In addition, the tournament is the sixth tournament in an eight-event Xtra Frame PBA Tour Series which will reward the overall points leader with a \$10,000 bonus. Tackett is the points leader heading into Aurora tournament followed closely by Jones, Ciminelli, Rash and Simonsen.

XTRA FRAME PARKSIDE LANES OPEN SCHEDULE
Parkside Lanes, Montgomery, Ill., Sept. 30-Oct. 2

Friday, Sept. 30

2 p.m. - Practice Session
4 p.m. - Non-member meeting
5 p.m. - Meet and Greet the PBA players
7 p.m. - Pro-am

Saturday, Oct. 1

10 a.m. – Qualifying round, eight games
One in four advance
3-8 p.m. - BBQ Party

Sunday, Oct. 2

9 a.m. – Cashers round one, six games
1 p.m. – Cashers round two, six games
Top five after 20 games advance to stepladder finals at the conclusion of cashers round two

GEICO Returns as Title Sponsor of PBA World Series of Bowling VIII

14th anniversary partnership with leading auto insurer includes five ESPN telecasts

CHICAGO (Sept. 28, 2016) – GEICO, one of America's premier auto insurers, will return to its entitlement partnership position for the GEICO Professional Bowlers Association World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno, Nev., Nov. 27-Dec. 11, continuing its relationship with the PBA for the 14th consecutive year, including four years in a row as headline sponsor of the PBA WSOB.

GEICO's partnership will conclude with five national telecasts on ESPN along with hundreds of hours of digital coverage through PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. ESPN telecasts will include the live finals of the PBA World Championship on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET plus the finals of the PBA Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Shark Championships. All 2016-17 PBA Tour telecasts on ESPN also will feature a GEICO Championship Recap segment.

GEICO, which serves more than 14 million private passenger customers and insures more than 24 million vehicles (auto & cycle), has been a PBA Tour partner since the 2003 GEICO Open in West Babylon, N.Y. In addition to its PBA entitlement sponsorships, it has been one of the leading advertisers in support of PBA's telecasts.

"We really like being a part of the PBA World Series of Bowling," said Ted Ward, GEICO's vice president of marketing. "It's such a popular sporting event and it brings out such great fans. We're happy we can support them."

The GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII will award more than \$750,000 in prize money, making it the richest event in professional bowling. A field of more than bowlers representing an estimated 20 different countries is expected. Since its inception, the WSOB has welcomed bowlers representing 36 different countries.

"GEICO's continuing partnership with the PBA is valuable not only to our programs at all levels, but to the bowling community around the world," said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark. "We are extremely happy to welcome GEICO back for the 14th year in a row."

GEICO not only will have a significant presence on PBA's ESPN telecasts, but also through the PBA Network which includes the online bowling channel Xtra Frame, social media, pba.com website, PBA YouTube channel and much more. The partnership package also will include visibility for GEICO on masking units and pin sweeps, and GEICO will be recognized as the "Official Auto Insurance Agency of the PBA World Series of Bowling."

"Dead Money" Needs New Name in Defense of PBA Team Challenge Title

Underdog team of friends to return to South Point in Las Vegas for second annual PBA team event

LAS VEGAS (Sept. 28, 2016) – A year ago, an underdog team of friends calling themselves "Dead Money," pulled off a stunning upset when they won the inaugural Professional Bowlers Association Team Challenge at South Point Bowling Plaza.

The team, consisting of five players with a combined total of one PBA Tour title, was named after a poker term related to money left in the pot by players who have folded their hands. But after winning the 2015 PBA Team Challenge, teammates Danielle McEwan, Alex Cavagnaro, Matt O'Grady, Matt McNiell and Anthony Pepe (the winner of the 2014 PBA Cheetah Open) will no longer be considered "dead money" when they return to the PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point, Oct. 29-Nov. 2.

The Fall Classic will get underway when Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., opens defense of his PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open title, Oct. 29-30. The PBA Tour title event will include two eight-game qualifying rounds at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday, followed by two eight-game match play rounds for the top 16 qualifiers on Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. The top five stepladder finals will follow at approximately 5:30 p.m. All times are Pacific.

Team competition begins on Monday, Oct. 31, with team qualifying rounds at 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., followed by a 10-game round of Baker format match play Tuesday at 9 a.m. The top four teams will bowl in the Baker format stepladder finals at approximately 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Both the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open and the PBA Team Challenge are open to non-members as well as members. The entry fee for the Las Vegas Open is \$300 for members and \$350 for non-members; the entry fees for the PBA Team Challenge are \$500 for each member and \$600 for each non-member.

In 2015, Dead Money proved chemistry among teammates is vital to success when it upset "4 Majors and 100 at 1," a team representing 46 PBA Tour titles (PBA Tour champions Bill O'Neill, Tommy Jones, Wes Malott, Jason Belmonte and Tom Daugherty), but the underdogs upset the favored "4 Majors," 497-452.

Both teams will return to the PBA Team Challenge as contenders for the projected \$30,000 top prize along with – new this year – PBA Tour titles for each winning team member. Dead Money returns with its lineup intact. "4 Majors" will be the unofficially-named "5 Majors" with Chris Barnes back in the lineup (Daugherty filled in for Barnes who was recovering from surgery in 2015). With Barnes joining Malott, Belmonte, Jones and O'Neill, the "5 Majors" now represent a combined 64 PBA Tour titles including 13 majors.

Also in the 2016 field is a potent team of Brunswick staff members (PBA Hall of Famers Parker Bohn III and Walter Ray Williams Jr. plus Tour champions Ciminelli, Sean Rash and Tom Smallwood); a star-studded international team (England's Dom Barrett and Stuart Williams, Sweden's Martin Larsen and Jesper Svensson, and Finland's Osku Palermaa), and a number of mixed-identity teams hoping to capture Dead Money's magical chemistry.

The entire Fall Classic will be video-streamed live, exclusively on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel. Subscription packages include three-day (\$3.99), monthly (\$7.99) and full year Season Ticket (\$64.99). To sign up, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

Immediately following the Fall Classic, the PBA will conduct its 2017 PBA League Draft in the Bowling Plaza on Wednesday, Nov. 2. Thursday is practice day for Bowling's U.S. Open, which will be contested in the South Point Bowling Plaza beginning on Friday, Nov. 4 and concluding on Wednesday, Nov. 9, with live coverage of the finals on CBS Sports Network. The U.S. Open is the fourth of five major championships on the 2016 PBA Tour schedule. Ciminelli is also defending U.S. Open champion. Both the PBAL draft and preliminary rounds of the U.S. Open also will be video-streamed live on Xtra Frame.

2016 PBA FALL CLASSIC PRESENTED BY SOUTH POINT BOWLING PLAZA

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Oct. 28-Nov. 1

PBA XTRA FRAME SOUTH POINT LAS VEGAS OPEN

Friday, Oct. 28

1 p.m. - PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open practice session

Saturday, Oct. 29

9 a.m. – 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – 8 qualifying games

Top 16 after 16 games advance to match play

Sunday, Oct. 30

8:30 a.m. – Top 16, 8 games round-robin match play

1 p.m. – Top 16, 8 games round-robin match play
Top 5 after 32 games advance to stepladder finals
5:30 p.m. – Top 5 stepladder finals
7 p.m. - PBA Team Challenge practice session

PBA TEAM CHALLENGE

Monday, Oct. 31

9 a.m. – 6 qualifying games (full team scoring)
5 p.m. – 12 qualifying games (Baker format scoring)
Top 10 teams after 6 full team games, 12 Baker format games advance to Baker match play round, based on 30 teams entered

Tuesday, Nov. 1

9 a.m. – 10 games round-robin Baker format match play
Top 4 teams advance to stepladder finals
3 p.m. – Top 4 teams, Baker format stepladder finals

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Indiana's EJ Tackett Overcomes Slow Start to Win PBA Bear Open For Third Career Title

Late strikes after early open frames secure victory over Sweden's Jesper Svensson

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 28, 2016) – EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., threw critical back-to-back strikes in the 10th frame to overcome back-to-back open frames early in the title match to defeat Sweden's Jesper Svensson, 212-199, and win the PBA Bear Open, the second event of the PBA Fall Swing at Thunderbowl Lanes.

The tournament finals aired Wednesday on CBS Sports Network.

Tackett, the 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year, prevented the 21-year-old Swedish left-handed two-hander from winning his fourth title of the year, instead claiming his third career PBA Tour title. In winning his second title of the year, Tackett joined Svensson and Texas teenager Anthony Simonsen, a two-time title winner, as the only three players to win more than once on the PBA Tour in 2016.

Tackett, who qualified second for the stepladder final, recovered in the match after leaving a 4-6 split in the second frame and 7-10 split in the third frame. Svensson held a four-pin lead in the ninth frame with both bowlers working on a strike.

"I didn't panic but it was do or die at that point," Tackett said after the two splits. "I had to do something so I went with a small adjustment with my hand position and fortunately it worked."

When Svensson bowled a nine count on his first shot in the 10th frame, Tackett extended his string of strikes with a double in the 10th to take the win.

"I knew sitting there I had a good chance because after the fourth frame I made the adjustment I needed to make to get to the pocket," Tackett said. "It was just a matter of did I have enough time to catch him."

"I've been in that position before where you needed a strike to win the match, and those always seem to be more satisfying when you win that way," he continued.

It was Tackett's first win on national television. He won his previous titles in the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open earlier this season and the 2015 Lubbock Sports Open. Both events were streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame.

Svensson, a leading contender for PBA Player of the Year honors after winning the PBA Rookie of the Year in 2015, is the first player to win five PBA Tour titles by age 21. Earlier in the year, he became the youngest player ever to win the FireLake PBA Tournament of

Champions followed by wins in the Brunswick Euro Challenge in Munich, Germany and the WBT Thailand in Bangkok. He won his first two titles in 2015.

The stepladder final began with No. 4 qualifier John Szczerbinski of N. Tonawanda, N.Y., defeating No. 5 qualifier and one-time Tour winner Jon Van Hees of Charlestown, R.I., 207-183. In match two, Szczerbinski defeated two-time Tour winner Josh Blanchard of Mesa, Ariz., 232-184, to advance to the semifinal match against Tackett. Tackett then ended Szczerbinski's bid for his first title in the semifinal match, 193-183.

Fall Swing telecasts on CBSSN continue with the Badger Open on Oct. 5, followed by the Detroit Open on Oct. 12 and the King of the Swing special event on Oct. 19. All shows air at 9 p.m. ET. With his victory, Tackett joined Wolf Open titlist Tom Daugherty as the first two players to earn berths in the King of the Swing telecast, which will feature the four PBA Fall Swing title winners plus the player who finishes highest in overall points without winning a title.

PBA BEAR OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Wednesday

Final Standings:

- 1, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$10,000.
- 2, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$5,000.
- 3, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., \$4,000.
- 4, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz. \$3,500.
- 5, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., \$3,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Szczerbinski def. Van Hees, 207-183.
Match Two – Szczerbinski def. Blanchard, 232-184.
Semifinal Match – Tackett def. Szczerbinski, 193-183.
Championship – Tackett def. Svensson, 212-199.

PBA Spare Shots

BOWLERS JOURNAL PAYS TRIBUTE TO PBA'S "SUPER SEVEN"

Bowlers Journal International publisher **Keith Hamilton** broke with his magazine's decades-old tradition in the October issue, noted for its annual listing of bowling's most influential power players, by recognizing a group of individuals he called the "PBA's Super Seven."

Hamilton paid tribute to the seven men who have been responsible for bringing professional bowling to the grassroots level for years – the QubicaAMF PBA Regional managers – along with their "leader," PBA Director of Regional and PBA50 Tournaments, **John Weber**. The other members of the "Super Seven" are PBA East Region manager **Russ Mills**, PBA South Region manager **Sam Zurich**, PBA Central Region manager **Bobby Jakel**, PBA Midwest Region manager **Rich Weber**, PBA Southwest Region manager **Pete McCordic** and PBA West and Northwest Region manager **Gary Mage**.

The seven men combine to produce more than 170 tournaments for men, women and "senior" bowlers each year, giving the future stars of professional bowling an opportunity to develop their skills against proven stars in close-to-home, affordable events while bringing high-level PBA competition to the grassroots public across America (and, now, in Japan as well).

For those who don't subscribe to *Bowlers Journal*, click here to view Hamilton's "Leading Off" column:

<http://www.bowlersjournal.com/breaking-the-old-power-poll-rules/>

CHRIS BARNES MOVES INTO TOP 10 IN CAREER PBA TV APPEARANCES

With his appearance in the CBS Sports Network stepladder finals of the PBA Wolf Open during the PBA Fall Swing, **Chris Barnes** slipped into 10th place on the all-time PBA television appearances list, making his 84th TV appearance in singles competition to break a tie with PBA Hall of Famer **Brian Voss**.

The runaway leader in career TV shows is **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** with 176 TV shows. A distant second – but comfortably alone in the runner-up position – is **Pete Weber** with 136 shows. Rounding out the top 10 are **Parker Bohn III** with 115, the late **Earl Anthony**

and **Norm Duke** in a tie for fourth with 114, **Marshall Holman** (105), **Amleto Monacelli** (96), **Mark Roth** (93) and **Mike Aulby** in ninth with 88.

HALLOWEEN-THEMED BALLS PLANNED FOR PBA BOWLING CHALLENGE MOBILE GAME

Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game is planning a special Halloween-themed bowling ball promotion during the weeks leading up to the Halloween weekend.

Beginning Sept. 29, new Halloween balls will be released each week for limited use (one week) – and then all of the balls will be available for the Halloween weekend. One ball per company will be released each week beginning Sept. 29 with 900 Global, Roto Grip and Storm. Oct. 6 releases will involve Hammer, Ebonite and Columbia 300. Oct. 13 brands will be Track, DV8 and MOTIV. Oct. 20 releases will be Brunswick and Radical. And on Oct. 27, all of the special balls will be available to PBA Bowling Challenge players thru Oct. 31.

Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game also is asking fans to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game. This week fans can vote on the Storm ball they'd like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: <http://bit.ly/StormBallVote>. When the "winning" ball based on fan input is selected, it will be available along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will be available on PBA's and the specific companies' social media pages). Each company also will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

BRONCOS' CJ ANDERSON TALKS ABOUT BOWLING'S INFLUENCE ON HIS LIFE

Check out the new NFL 360 feature titled 'How I Roll' on Denver Broncos running back **CJ Anderson** who talks about his life growing up in Vallejo, Calif., football and bowling. The interview by **Mike Silver** takes place in a bowling center. An accomplished bowler despite his unorthodox "wrong foot" style, Anderson owns three 300 games and competed in the PBA Planet Bowl Southwest Open in Oklahoma City in May. He also bowled in the Chris Paul Family Foundation PBA Celebrity Invitational earlier in the year. To view the feature, click here: <http://bit.ly/2d59x6q>.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA XTRA FRAME PARKSIDE LANES OPEN BEGINS SATURDAY

Xtra Frame's exclusive live coverage of PBA Tour competition resumes with the two-day PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open from Aurora, Ill., Saturday and Sunday, followed by live start-to-finish coverage of the PBA Reality Check Tamarac Open presented by Xtra Frame from Sawgrass Lanes in suburban Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Oct. 8-9. Both events will offer projected \$10,000 first prize checks plus PBA Tour titles to the winners.

The Illinois and Florida events are the sixth and seventh events in an eight-tournament Xtra Frame PBA Tour points competition that will reward the overall winner with a \$10,000 bonus. Each event winner receives 25 points with the next 19 players earning points in descending value, starting with 19 points for second place, 18 for third, etc. The top 10 in Xtra Frame PBA Tour points heading into Aurora are: **E.J. Tackett** (66), **Tommy Jones** (56), **Ryan Ciminelli** and **Sean Rash** (44 each), **Anthony Simonsen** (42), **Kyle Troup** (40), **Shawn Maldonado** (36), **Jason Sterner** (34), **Dick Allen** (33) and **Bill O'Neill** (31).

The Xtra Frame PBA Tour points competition ends with the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open which will be part of the PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas Oct. 28-Nov. 1.

Also airing on Xtra Frame will be coverage of the finals of the QubicaAMF PBA Midwest Region's PBA-PWBA Diamond Jo Women's Midwest Open which were held on Sept. 18 at Cherry Lanes in Dubuque, Iowa, on Thursday at 5 p.m. ET. The women's finals, along with the men's finals that aired the previous week, will be available in the Xtra Frame archives.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by clicking on the Xtra Frame link on pba.com. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF WINS AGAIN IN PBA NORTHWEST

Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., continued his dominance in the QubicaAMF PBA Northwest Region Sunday, winning his seventh regional title of the year (and his career) with a 318-pin victory over **Michael Haugen Jr.** of Phoenix in the PBA TSI/On Site Express Northwest Open hosted at Narrows Plaza Lanes in Tacoma, Wash.

Butturff, a 22-year-old left-hander, posted a 7-3 match play record and total 4,517 pins for 18 games to earn the \$2,000 first prize. Haugen, a five-time PBA Tour title winner, had a 7-3 match play record and 4,199 pins for 18 games including match play bonus pins.

In his second year as a PBA member, Butturff also has won his first PBA Tour title (in the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open in Texas in July) and he has earned more than \$20,000 in regional competition alone.

In the companion PBA50 event for senior players, **Mitch Vernon** of Olympia, Wash., went 4-2 and knocked down 3,008 total pins to top non-member **Randy Macomber** of Kennewick, Wash., for his first PBA Northwest Region title. Macomber had a 3-3 match play record and 2,930 pins for 14 games. Along with his \$1,000 first prize, Vernon became eligible to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions.

- PBA Rookie of the Year contender **Graham Fach** of Guelph, Ontario, defeated **Aaron Lorincz** of Center Line, Mich. by 58 pins to win the PBA Florence Bowling Center Central Open Sunday in Florence, Ky., for his third PBA Central Region title of the year.

Fach finished with a 7-3 match play record and a total of 4,299 pins for 18 games, including match play bonus pins, to win the \$2,000 first place prize. Fach became the first Canadian ever to win a PBA Tour title when he won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship in Columbus, Ohio, in February.

- **Sean Rash** of Montgomery, Ill., defeated **Tom Hess** of Urbandale, Iowa, by 113 pins to win his ninth QubicaAMF PBA Midwest Region title in the PBA Thunderbowl Midwest Open at Thunderbowl in Council Bluffs, Iowa, on Sunday.

Rash won seven of his eight matches and posted a 15-game total of 3,686 pins to collect the \$2,000 first prize. Hess had a 6-2 match play record and 3,573 total pins, including match play bonus pins.

In the companion PBA50 event, **Greg Shields** of Independence, Mo., defeated **Joel Carlson** of Omaha, Neb., by 90 pins to win \$1,600 along with his first PBA50 title of the year.

- **Bob Caruso** of Dayton, N.J. and **Rusty Thomsen** of Carteret, N.J., teamed up to defeat **Don Herrington** of Ballston Lake, N.Y. and **Jeff Voght** of Canajoharie, N.Y., 2-1, in the best-of-three-game final of the PBA/PBA50 Millsboro Lanes Doubles Sunday at Millsboro Lanes in Millsboro, Del.

Caruso earned his third career title, all coming after the age of 56, and Thomsen picked up his fourth title. Caruso and Thomsen shared the \$4,000 first prize.

Caruso and Thomsen defeated the team of **Sam Maccarone** of Blackwood, N.J. and **John Furey** of Freehold, N.J., 2-1, while Herrington and Voght eliminated **Andy Neuer** of Milton, Pa. and partner **Rick Graham** of Lancaster, Pa., 2-0, in the semifinal round.

- The final three weekends of qualifying for QubicaAMF PBA Regional and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional berths in the PBA Challenge events as well as the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno gets underway with a "tripleheader" in the PBA West Region – the PBA, PBA50 and PBA-PWBA Parkin's Bowling Supply Open events at Bowlum Lanes in Montclair, Calif., over the Oct. 1-2 weekend. Also on tap for that weekend are the PBA50 Junction City Bowl Southwest/Midwest Open in Junction City, Kan., and the PBA50 Mel Westrich Memorial Central/Midwest Open at Delphos Recreation Center in Delphos, Ohio. The PBA East Region will host the PBA-PWBA Maple City Dodge East Open powered by Ram at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y., on Oct. 1.

- The Oct. 7-9 QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the PBA50 True Rival Fitness Open from First State Lanes in Wilmington, Del.; the PBA Greater Muskegon Men's USBC/Northway Lanes Central Open and PBA-PWBA Northway Lanes Central Open in Muskegon, Mich., and the PBA50 Superbowl Midwest Open in Atlantic, Iowa.

- The Oct. 14-16 weekend, the final weekend of PBA Regional and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional qualifying for GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII "challenge" berths and paid entries, includes the PBA Wichita Southwest Open at Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan.; the PBA Illinois Valley Midwest Open at IV Super Bowl in Peru, Ill.; and a doubleheader including the PBA and PBA50 Northwest/West Twin Falls Bowladrome Opens in Twin Falls, Idaho. The PBA Central Region also will conduct the PBA50/PBA60 Park Centre Lanes Central Doubles event in North Canton, Ohio.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the Oct. 21-23 weekend with the PBA Century Lanes South Open in Hampton, Va.; the PBA Greenville Southwest Open at Shenaniganz in Greenville, Texas; the Maple City Dodge East Open presented by 900 Global at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y.; the PBA/PBA50 Ken Fowler Auto Centers West/Northwest Doubles presented by 900 Global at Yokayo Bowling Center in Ukiah, Calif.; the PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic presented by Security Federal Savings at Heritage Lanes in Kokomo, Ind., and the DHC Cheetah Open Doubles at Nagoya Grandbowl in Japan.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- PBA Tour champion **Rhino Page** and the Tyler Cacioppo family have announced the eighth annual Rhino Page & Friends “Lace Up” to Strike Out Crohn’s and Colitis fundraiser is scheduled for 7-10 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, at South Levittown Lanes in Levittown, N.Y. For information on how to get involved, visit www.strikeoutcrohns.com. Since Page befriended Cacioppo, a Crohn’s victim, in 2009, the family’s fundraiser has raised more than \$160,000 to combat Crohn’s and colitis.

Wes Malott Leads Field Heading into PBA Badger Open Finals On CBS Sports Network Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 30, 2016) – Ten-time PBA Tour champion Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, makes his first PBA Summer/Fall Swing television appearance as top qualifier in the PBA Badger Open finals Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET on the CBS Sports Network.

Malott, the 2008-09 Player of the Year, earned top qualifier honors by beating 2011-12 Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 226-162, in the final position round match at Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Detroit.

Malott will be trying for his first Tour win since winning the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman Doubles Championship with Norm Duke in 2015. Rash, as No. 2 qualifier, will be trying for his first Tour title since winning the 2015 Council Bluffs Xtra Frame Open.

For a video preview of the Badger Open click on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ETohCQ0Zcrk>

Also qualifying for the CBS Sports Network telecast were Canadians Graham Fach of Guelph, Ontario, and Quebec City native Francois Lavoie, who now lives in Wichita, Kan. Both are contenders for 2016 PBA Rookie of the Year honors.

Lavoie will meet three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year and 12-time Tour winner Jason Belmonte of Australia in the opening stepladder match. Belmonte, who finished third in the Wolf Open, will be trying for his first win in 2016. Belmonte claimed the fifth spot in the Badger finals when Denmark’s Thomas Larsen missed a spare in the 10th frame of his position round match.

The winner of the opening match will meet Fach, who won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship for his first title earlier in the year to become the first Canadian to win a PBA Tour title.

The winner of the second match will meet Rash in the semifinal. Rash will be trying for his 10th PBA Tour win, which would make him eligible for future PBA Hall of Fame consideration.

The Badger Open is the third and final animal pattern event, all three of which served as qualifying stages in determining the finalists for the PBA Detroit Open, which is the fourth PBA Tour title event included in the PBA Fall Swing. The Badger Open winner also earns an automatic berth in the King of the Swing finale to the Fall Swing television series.

The PBA Fall Swing is one of the PBA Tour’s most challenging events, requiring players to perform at a high level on three distinctly different lane conditioning patterns (the short 32-foot Wolf pattern, flat 40-foot Bear pattern and the long 52-foot Badger pattern). Overall performances on all three lane conditions determined the Detroit Open finalists.

The Fall Swing on CBSSN continues with the Detroit Open on Oct. 12 and concludes with the King of the Swing special event on Oct. 19 at 9 p.m. ET.

Ogle and Rash Lead PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open After first Round

AURORA, Ill. (Oct. 1, 2016) – Matt Ogle of Shepherdsville, Ky., primarily a product of league and local tournament bowling, averaged 232.6 to become the surprise leader after the first round of the PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open Saturday.

Ogle, who uses a two-handed delivery and is bowling the event as a non-member, bowled a 1,861 eight-game pinfall total at Parkside Lanes with games of 190, 289, 245, 223, 268, 236, 193 and 217 on the 43-foot PBA Chameleon lane condition to lead 2011-12 PBA Player of the Year and tournament host Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., in second with 1,856.

"I came in here wanting to make the cut or maybe finish in the top 10 but to be leading has exceeded my expectations," said Ogle, who counts a 33rd-place finish in the 2016 USBC Masters and a 2014 Bowlers Journal singles title as his best national accomplishments. "After the 289 in the second game I felt more relaxed and it took a load off my shoulders. After that, I was able to make the right adjustments and just executed."

Ogle and Rash lead a group of 24 players who advanced to Sunday's cashers' rounds that will get underway at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. CT. The four-player stepladder finals are scheduled to begin immediately after the second cashers round at approximately 4 p.m.

Fans can catch all the action on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame. For subscription and schedule information visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

Sunday's rounds will be conducted on a 37-foot U.S. Open lane condition pattern used in 2015 and a throwback 40-foot PBA 'strips' pattern.

"I wanted to put together a lane condition lineup that would be challenging for shot-makers and put a premium on spare shooting and hopeful we'll accomplish that when all is said and done, said Rash, who started the round with a 166 game. "For me, everything went wrong in that first game so I went to a different ball at the end of that first game. It was a good example of how you need to continually make the adjustments to get back on track.

"I've organized tournaments before and enjoy doing it," Rash continued. "I'd like to make this an annual thing here if everything falls together."

Rounding out the top four were five-time Tour winner Ryan Shafer of Horseheads, N.Y. in third with a 1,850 pinfall and Aaron Lorincz of Belleville, Mich. with 1,808.

The Parkside Lanes Open is the seventh of nine Xtra Frame PBA Tour tournaments which will reward the overall points leader with a \$10,000 bonus.

PBA XTRA FRAME PARKSIDE LANES OPEN

Parkside Lanes, Aurora, Ill., Saturday

First Round Qualifying Results (after 8 games. Top 24 players advance to Sunday's cashers' rounds)

- 1, n-Matt Ogle, Shepherdsville, Ky., 1,861.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,856.
- 3, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,850.
- 4, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,808.
- 5, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 1,793.
- 6, Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., 1,770.
- 7, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,762.
- 8, (tie) n-Brian Waliczek, Birch Run, Mich., and Walter Ray Williams, Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,754.
- 10, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,739.
- 11, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,729.
- 12, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,722.
- 13, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,721.
- 14, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,717.
- 15, Kris Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,714.
- 16, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,709.
- 17, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,707.
- 18, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,704.
- 19, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,698.
- 20, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose, Park, Ill., 1,693.
- 21, Chris Hill, Franklin, Wis., 1,691.

22, Matt McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 1,689.

23, Angie Ramirez, Chicago, 1,688.

24, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash, 1,683.

Did not advance:

25, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,681.

26, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,678.

27, (tie) Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., and Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,673.

29, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,671.

30, Dean Mueller, Vernon Hills, Ill., 1,644.

31, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 1,640.

32, Matt Zasowski, Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,632.

33, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,631.

34, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,625.

35, (tie) Brian Gunn, Chicago, and Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,615.

37, Andrew Soukup, Naperville, Ill., 1,610.

38, Ingelimar Beasley, Venezuela, 1,609.

39, Ryan Lakota, Shorewood, Ill., 1,608.

40, Kevin Kachele, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 1,607.

41, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,606.

42, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,601.

43, n-Mike Kicmal, LaGrange, Ill., Chicago, Ill., 1,597.

44, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 1,594.

45, n-Jack Sullivan, Arlington Heights, Ill., 1,590.

46, Chris Colella, Templeton, Mass., 1,583.

47, John Slavich, Schaumburg, Ill., 1,581.

48, Dave Krol, Nixa, Mo., 1,576.

49, David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., 1,572.

50, Matt Taylor, Youngsville, N.C., 1,569.

51, n-Fidel Marchena, Carol Stream, Ill, and Brian Valenta, Valparaiso, Ind., 1,564.

53, n-Chris Johnson, Belleville, Ill., 1,564.

54, Jason Miller, Houston, 1,547.

55, Mike Schlabach, Goshen, Ind., 1,545.

56, Zach Friedman, St. Louis, Mo., 1,542.

57, n-James Rogers, Waukegan, Ill., 1,538.

58, (tie) n-Sean Mason, Brookings, S.D. and Chad Hankins, Macomb, Ill., 1,537.

60, Mike Steil, Wheeling, Ill., 1,524.

61, n-Justin Ihnen, Harrisburg, S.D., 1,523.

62, Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W. Va., 1,519.

63, n-Terry Crafton, Geneva, Ill., 1,515.

64, Daniell McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,511.

65, Mike Zarcone, Tonawanda, N.Y., and A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,508.

67, Shane Nash, St. Louis, Mo., 1,499.

68, n-Andrew Henrichs, Elgin, Ill., 1,496.

69, n-Joe Lichner, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 1,494.

70, Matt Kuba, Chicago, 1,492.

71, n-Kevin Sickler, Minooka, Ill., 1,482.

72, n-Carl Boldt, Pontiac, Mich., 1,472.

73, Paul Kaminski, Yorkville, Ill., 1,465.

74, Nathan Michalowski, Burlington, Wis., 1,459.

75, n-Bill Guszczo, Orland Park, Ill, 1,439.

76, Ben de St. Jean, Hobart, Ind., 1,432

77, n-Bill Thompson, Romeoville, Ill., 1,416

78, Crystall Hall, St. Pauls, N.C., 1,415

79, n-Zeke Bayt, Columbus, Ohio, 1,415.

80, n-John Undesser, Bristol, Ill., 1,413.

81, Nicole, DePaul Miller, Baytown, Texas, 1,409.

82, n-Elliott Smith, South Holland, Ill., 1,407.

83, Steven Taylor, Deer Creek, Ill., 1,403.
84, n-James Miller, Oswego, Ill., 1,399.
85, Erick Walker, Newburgh, Ind., 1,384.
86, n-James Lewis, Aurora, Ill., 1,371.
87, Chris Ruffino, Minooka, Ill., 1,369.
88, Jacob Clark, Chandler, Ind., 1,360.
89, n-Tiffan Novy, Wake Forest, N.C., 1,351.
90, Ryan Kabara, Oswego, Ill., 1,338.
91, Austin Valentine, Marion, Ky., and Larry Helton, Bolingbrook, Ill., 1,337.
93 n-Rob Saucedo, San Diego, Calif., 1,303.
94 Chris Boye, South Elgin, Ill., 1,296.

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Ryan Ciminelli Wins PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open

Final qualifying game leads to second 2016 PBA Tour title, seventh career win

AURORA, Ill. (Oct. 2, 2016) – Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., converted a 244 game in his final qualifying game into his second PBA Tour title of the season, and the seventh of his career, in the PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open Sunday.

Ciminelli, who sat one spot out of the stepladder finals heading into the final game of qualifying, advanced from fifth to first in his 20th game, and then survived a late charge by J.R. Raymond of Bay City, Mich., to win the title match, 232-221, to claim the \$10,000 first prize.

“I was never on the show the entire tournament,” Ciminelli said, “but I’ve been working on my perseverance and it worked. I kind of felt like I was on a slide coming into the tournament after a couple of recent second-place finishes, so this one is pretty special.”

Ciminelli, who had the choice of lane conditions based on his qualifying position, selected the unusual 40-foot “strips” pattern – one of three used in the tournament, which was organized by fellow PBA Tour competitor Sean Rash. The “strips” pattern involved what PBA Xtra Frame announce Randy Pedersen called “moguls” – alternating three-board peaks of heavy oil next to four-board valleys of very little oil across the lanes.

After finding the condition wasn’t playing the way he had hoped, Ciminelli moved inside and struck on five of his first six shots to build a big enough lead to hold on. Raymond, a sixth-year PBA member who was trying for his first PBA Tour title, was behind by 43 pins in the fifth frame, but made a ball change and threw five strikes in a row to get back into the match. Needing three strikes in the 10th to tie Ciminelli and force a roll-off, he left the 6-10 on his second try in the final frame.

Raymond advanced to the title match with a come-from-behind 207-193 win over Kristopher Prather of Milton, Fla., ending Prather’s bid for his first PBA Tour title. Prather led into the final frame as Raymond struggled to find the pocket on the PBA “strips” lane condition, which he had selected for the match. But after rolling only one strike in the first seven frames, Raymond put together a late string of four strikes to take the lead and he won the match when Prather, needing a strike, left a solid 7 pin on his first shot in the 10th frame.

Prather spoiled PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr.’s bid for his first PBA Tour title since winning the 2010 USBC Masters, 224-191, in the first match of the four-player stepladder finals. Prather, as the higher qualifier, selected the flat U.S. Open lane condition for the match and threw an early turkey to take a 23-pin lead after five frames that Williams was unable to overcome.

The Xtra Frame PBA Tour Series continues next weekend when Sawgrass Lanes in Tamarac, Fla., hosts the PBA Reality Check Tamarac Open presented by Xtra Frame. The series, which will reward the overall points leader with a \$10,000 bonus, concludes with the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open Oct. 31-Nov. 1.

PBA XTRA FRAME PARKSIDE LANES OPEN
Parkside Lanes, Montgomery, Ill., Oct. 2

Final Standings:

- 1, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$10,000.
- 2, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., \$6,000.
- 3, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., \$4,000.
- 4, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., \$3,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Prather def. Williams, 224-191.
Semifinal Match – Raymond def. Prather, 207-193.
Championship – Ciminelli def. Raymond, 232-221.

Final Qualifying Standings (after 20 games):

- 1, Ciminelli, 4,363.
 - 2, x-Raymond, 4,358.
 - 3, Prather, 4,358.
 - 4, Williams, 4,356.
 - 5, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 4,337, \$2,000.
 - 6, Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., 4,316, \$1,600.
 - 7, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 4,272, \$1,400.
 - 8, n-Matt Ogle, Shephersville, Ky., 4,262, \$1,375.
 - 9, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 4,247, \$1,350.
 - 10, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 4,223, \$1,325.
 - 11, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 4,220, \$1,300.
 - 12, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4,215, \$1,275.
 - 13, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 4,208, \$1,250.
 - 14, n-Brian Waliczek, Birch Run, Mich., 4,187, \$1,225.
 - 15, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 4,180, \$1,200.
 - 16, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 4,150, \$1,175.
 - 17, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 4,132, \$1,150.
 - 18, Matt McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 4,119, \$1,125.
 - 19, Anthony LaCaze, Hoffman Estates, Ill., 4,094, \$1,100.
 - 20, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 4,066, \$1,075.
 - 21, Chris Hill, Franklin, Wis., 4,042, \$1,050.
 - 22, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 3,973, \$1,025.
 - 23, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 3,949, \$1,000.
 - 24, Angie Ramirez, Austin, Texas, 3,916, \$1,000.
- x-Raymond won one-game roll-off over Prather for second position, 200-193.
n-denotes non-member.

Kretzer Wins PBA50 Mel Westrich Memorial/Ebonite Central/Midwest Open

Delphos, Ohio (Oct. 2, 2016) – Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, defeated Jeff Zaffino of Warren, Pa. by 202 pins to win the PBA50 Mel Westrich Memorial/Ebonite Central/Midwest Open at Delphos Recreation Center Sunday.

Kretzer finished with a 10-2 match play record and a total of 4,889 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins. The title was Kretzer's first of the year in the PBA Central Region and his third overall PBA50 Regional title. He also earned \$1,500. Zaffino finished with a 4,687 pinfall total.

The PBA50 Mel Westrich Memorial/Ebonite Central/Midwest was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region events will be the Greater Muskegon Men's USBC/Northway Lanes Central Open and the PWBA Northway Lanes Central Open, presented by the PBA, in Muskegon, Mich., Oct. 8-9. Both events will be one-day/reduced entry fees.

PBA50 MEL WESTRICH MEMORIAL/EBONITE CENTRAL/MIDWEST OPEN
Delphos Recreation Center, Delphos, Ohio, Sunday

Final Match Play Standings (after 20 games, including match play bonus pins):

1, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 10-2, 4,889, \$1,500. 2, Jeff Zaffino, Warren, Pa., 6-6, 4,687, \$1,025. 3, n-Les Ash, Washington Courthouse, Ohio, 10-2, 4,671, \$900. 4, Sammy Ventura, Norwich, N.Y., 8-4, 4,632, \$800. 5, Rick Woloszyn, Griffith, Ind., 8-4, 4,619, \$750. 6, Richie Brown, Marion, Ohio, 5-7, 4,592, \$725. 7, Michael Tryniski, Fulton, N.Y., 6-6, 4,558, \$700. 8, ss-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio, 6-6, 4,541, \$675. 9, Larry Verble, Mason, Mich., 5-7, 4,501, \$650. 10, ss-Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 7-5, 4,499 \$625. 11, Patric Donaghue, Honeoye Falls, N.Y., 9-3, 4,477, \$600. 12, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, Ind., 3-9, 4,255, \$580. 13, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 5-7, 4,124, \$560. 14, Gregory Cronic, Oak Park, Mich., 4-8, 4,117, \$540. 15, n-Bob Edwards, Lima, Ohio, 2-10, 4,055, \$520. 16, Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 2-10, 4,052, \$500.

ss-denotes PBA60 player

n-denotes non-member

Hurricane Matthew Forces Cancellation of PBA Xtra Frame Tour Event in Florida

PBA's Xtra Frame Reality Check Tamarac Classic to be re-scheduled in 2017

TAMARAC, Fla. (Oct. 4, 2016) – With Hurricane Matthew bearing down on south Florida, the Professional Bowlers Association, in cooperation with its host center, Sawgrass Lanes, has canceled the inaugural PBA Xtra Frame Reality Check Tamarac Classic scheduled for this weekend.

The tournament will be re-scheduled as part of the PBA Xtra Frame Tour's 2017 series.

Cancellation of the Tamarac Classic means the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open, scheduled for Oct. 29-30 at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas, will be the final event in the race for the winner-take-all \$10,000 bonus in the 2016 PBA Xtra Frame Series points race.

The leaders in the Xtra Frame series points race are E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., who has won a pair of 2016 PBA Tour titles in the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open and the PBA Bear Open; future PBA Hall of Famer Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., who won his 17th career title in the Downums Waste Services PBA Jonesboro Open earlier in the year, and Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., who won the bowlingball.com Maine Shootout in April and Sunday's Parkside Lanes Open.

Tackett, Jones and Ciminelli rank 1-2-3 in Xtra Frame Series points with 75, 72 and 69 points, respectively. In the Xtra Frame series, tournament winners earn 25 points, runnersup receive 19 and all others earn points which diminish by one point through 20 place.

Still within mathematical reach of first place are Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., and Texas teenager Anthony Simonsen, the 2016 USBC Masters winner, with 52 points each.

The Xtra Frame Series, which includes exclusive live coverage of the entire tournament on PBA's online bowling channel, gives up-and-coming young bowlers an opportunity to test their skills against some of the PBA's greatest stars.

2017 PBA League Draft Set for November 2 in Las Vegas

Fifth season of PBA team competition returns to "new" Bayside Bowl in Maine in April

CHICAGO (Oct. 5, 2016) – The Dallas Strikers will begin defense of their PBA League Elias Cup championship knowing the core of its team is intact, as player/manager Norm Duke made sure reigning League Mark Roth MVP Tommy Jones, Bill O'Neill and himself will be back when the fifth annual PBAL season returns to the newly-reconstructed Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, in April.

All eight teams named the three players they were allowed to protect from their 2016 five-player rosters on Tuesday.

The two Strikers who also played critical roles in the team's success last year left unprotected were Shawn Maldonado and B.J. Moore. Those two plus the other unprotected players from 2016 rosters will be placed into the PBAL Draft pool, and will be joined by other PBA members who declare themselves eligible for the Draft by Oct. 11. The Draft will be covered live on Xtra Frame from South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas on Wednesday, Nov. 2, where the teams will be filled out after two rounds of selections.

Players protected by their respective team managers include:

- Dallas Strikers (player-manager Norm Duke): Norm Duke, Tommy Jones, Bill O'Neill.
- NYC WTT KingPins (manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard): Pete Weber, Marshall Kent, John Szczerbinski.
- Motown Muscle (manager Del Ballard Jr.): EJ Tackett, Anthony Simonsen, Josh Blanchard.
- Portland Lumberjacks (manager Tim Mack): Wes Malott, Ryan Ciminelli, Liz Johnson.
- Silver Lake Atom Splitters (manager Mark Baker): Chris Barnes, Tom Daugherty, Jesper Svensson.
- Brooklyn Styles (manager Johnny Petraglia): Sean Rash, Parker Bohn III, Walter Ray Williams Jr.
- L.A. X (manager Andrew Cain): Jason Belmonte, Stuart Williams, Martin Larsen.
- Philadelphia Hitmen (manager Jason Couch): Dom Barrett; Tom Smallwood; Chris Loschetter.

Like Maldonado and Moore, other players who were members of 2016 teams, but not protected, will be eligible to re-apply for the 2017 draft. Those players include Jason Sterner, Jon Van Hees, Matt McNiell, Dick Allen, Rhino Page, Dave Wodka, Osku Palermaa, Bryon Smith, Scott Norton, Mike Fagan, Andres Gomez, Patrick Allen, Ronnie Russell, and Danielle McEwan.

The PBA League draft, which will be covered live by PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service, will be conducted at the conclusion of the PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas. Team managers will draft in reverse order of where they finished in 2016, meaning the defending champion Dallas Strikers will draft last and the eighth-place Philadelphia Hitmen will have the first pick. The draft order, following Philadelphia, will be L.A. X, the Brooklyn Styles, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, Portland Lumberjacks, Motown Muscle, the 2016 runner-up New York City WTT KingPins and Dallas.

PBA League competition will begin with a new seven-game round-robin team competition on April 13 to determine the seeding for the ESPN television finals, which will be contested April 15-16. ESPN will air the two quarterfinal rounds of PBA League competition on April 23 and 30, the semifinals on May 7, and the Elias Cup finals on May 14.

The PBA also will stage a PBA League exhibition during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno on Dec. 3. That event also will be covered by Xtra Frame, providing fans with an early preview of the competition to come.

A special highlight of the 2017 PBA League program will be the introduction of the new Bayside Bowl "stadium" center in Portland, including a major expansion of the facility's previous 12 bowling lanes to 20 for the new season.

Additional information about the PBA League will be announced soon through the entire family of PBA Network media outlets. For Xtra Frame subscription information, visit: xtraframe.tv and click on the "subscribe now" screen.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Sean Rash Wins PBA Badger Open for Milestone 10th Career Title

Rash defeats fellow 10-time winner Wes Malott, 259-195, for first title of the season

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Oct. 5, 2016) - With two major titles and more than five Professional Bowlers Association Tour titles to his credit, 2011-12 PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash established his PBA Hall of Fame eligibility three years ago. But there's something undeniably satisfying about reaching the 10-title milestone.

Rash, at age 34, became the 51st player to enter the 10-win club by beating another 10-time winner Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, 259-195, in the championship match of the PBA Badger Open at Thunderbowl Lanes. The finals for the third tournament of the PBA Fall Swing aired Wednesday on the CBS Sports Network.

Rash took an early lead that he never relinquished, striking in the first four frames and failing to strike in only the fifth and seventh frames. Malott, who was trying for his first title since winning the 2015 Roth/Holman Doubles with partner Norm Duke in March 2015, struggled to find the pocket until throwing a strike in the fourth frame.

"It seemed like a long time ago that I got my first win (West Virginia Championship in 2005-06), but I'm hoping I can get the next 10 a little quicker," said Rash. "I knew it would be just a matter of time. You just have to keep knocking on the door until it opens and it opened today."

Rash also had to deal with the effects of a hand injury that has bothered him for nearly a year but through various therapies plus changing the grip layout on his ball, he has been able to minimize the pain.

"I've tried everything – doctor, chiropractor, massage therapy, ice, you name it. I've got it to where it's manageable and doesn't have an obvious effect on my bowling. Overall, I'm working out to get in better shape, but as far as my hand is concerned, the key is to reduce the pressure on my hand. As you get older I guess things are going to happen."

Rash, the No. 2 qualifier, advance to the title championship by beating young Canadian Graham Fach, 224-205, in the semifinal. Fach, a rookie of the year candidate, won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship earlier this season.

The finals started with No. 5 qualifier and three-time reigning Player of the Year Jason Belmonte squeaking out a one-pin victory over No. 4 qualifier Francois Lavoie, 226-225. In the second match, Fach dominated beating Belmonte, 249-161.

With his victory, Rash joined Bear Open winner EJ Tackett and Wolf Open titlist Tom Daugherty as the first three players to earn berths in the King of the Swing telecast, which will feature the four PBA Fall Swing title winners plus the player who finishes highest in overall points without winning a title.

PBA Fall Swing telecasts on CBSSN continue with the Detroit Open on Oct. 12 and the King of the Swing special event on Oct. 19. All Fall Swing shows air at 9 p.m. ET.

PBA BADGER OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Wednesday

Final Standings:

- 1, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$10,000.
- 2, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, \$5,000.
- 3, Graham Fach, Canada, \$4,000.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia \$3,500.
- 5, Francois Lavoie, Canada, \$3,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Belmonte def. Lavoie, 226-225
Match Two – Fach def. Belmonte, 249-161.
Semifinal Match – Rash def. Fach, 224-205.
Championship Match– Rash def. Malott, 259-195.

PBA Spare Shots

INTERNATIONAL FIELD SET FOR 2017 DHC PBA JAPAN INVITATIONAL

The field of 16 international players for the 2017 DHC PBA Japan Invitational has been confirmed, based on qualifying during the PBA Fall Swing in Allen Park, Mich., and other criteria.

Earning berths based on their performances in the Fall Swing were **Sean Rash, Jason Belmonte, E.J. Tackett, Tom Daugherty, Wes Malott, Jesper Svensson, Josh Blanchard, Rhino Page** and **Kristopher Prather**. **Jason Sterner**, as first alternate, will travel to Japan in place of qualifier **Francois Lavoie**, who will be unable to participate. Likewise, **Danielle McEwan** will replace top women's qualifier **Rocio Restrepo**, who has a scheduling conflict.

PBA Hall of Famer **Amleto Monacelli** will return as defending champion. DHC, as titled sponsor, has selected **Dom Barrett, Tommy Jones** and **Chris Barnes** as its special invitees. Six-time Korea PBA titlist **Choi Won Young** will represent Korea. If any of the male players above can't make the trip, **John Szczerbinski** is now first alternate.

The 2017 special event in Japan also will include a field of 16 top Japanese players in a 32-player, round-robin tournament scheduled for January 11-14. The tournament will be held in Osaka – four hours south of Tokyo – at Bentencho Grandbowl. The winner will earn a projected \$40,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title (if he/she is a member).

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA XTRA FRAME TURNS ATTENTION TO LAS VEGAS

With the cancellation of the PBA Xtra Frame Reality Check Tamarac Open due to Hurricane Matthew, Xtra Frame will now turn its attention to extensive coverage of the PBA Fall Classic and related events scheduled for South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas beginning Oct. 28 and ending Nov. 8.

Leading off the exclusive live coverage will be the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas Oct. 29-30, the final event in the 2016 Xtra Frame PBA Tour points competition that will reward the overall winner with a \$10,000 bonus.

The Las Vegas Open winner will receive 25 points with the next 19 players earning points in descending value, starting with 19 points for second place, 18 for third, etc. The remaining contenders for the Xtra Frame Tour bonus are: **E.J. Tackett** (76), **Tommy Jones** (72), **Ryan Ciminelli** (69) while **Sean Rash** and **Anthony Simonsen** (52 each) still have slim mathematical chances to win the bonus.

Following the Las Vegas Open will be live coverage of the second PBA Team Challenge, a five-player team competition that will award PBA Tour titles to all five winning teammates (if they are PBA members) for the first time. Team Challenge coverage is set for Oct. 31-Nov. 1.

Nov. 2 will feature live coverage of the PBA League Draft, with eight team managers selecting the final two players to round out their 2017 rosters.

PBA's Xtra Frame team will then provide exclusive live coverage of the qualifying and match play rounds of Bowling's U.S. Open, Nov. 4-8. The stepladder finals will air live on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 8 p.m. ET.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by visiting "xtraframe.tv" and clicking on the "subscribe now" screen. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: HAUGEN, GREGORY, PARKIN WIN IN THE WEST

Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix, Ariz.; **Derek Gregory** of Chowchilla, Calif., and **Missy Parkin** of Laguna Hills, Calif., were victorious in a PBA West Region "tripleheader" sponsored by Parkin's Bowling Supply at Bowlmum Lanes in Montclair, Calif., Sunday.

Haugen posted a 9-3 match play record and a 20-game total of 4,762 pins, including match play bonus pins, to win the PBA Parkin's Bowling Supply Open, a standard PBA West Regional event, by 56 pins over non-member **Kevin Gagnon** of Moreno Valley, Calif.

Gregory won the PBA50 portion of the tripleheader with a 7-2-1 match play record and 4,118 total pins, beating **Darron Peters** of Temecula, Calif., by 75 pins for the \$1,500 first prize.

Parkin, the first woman to join the PBA and the only woman to win three standard PBA Regional titles, won the PBA-PWBA Women's Regional event for the second year in a row. She had a 3-3 match play record and knocked down 3,146 total pins for her 14 games to top non-member **Laura Lee Daniel** of Corona, Calif., for the win and a \$1,000 prize. Daniel had 3,108 pins.

- **Brian Kretzer** of Dayton, Ohio, defeated **Jeff Zaffino** of Warren, Pa. by 202 pins to win the PBA50 Mel Westrich Memorial/Ebonite Central/Midwest Open at Delphos Recreation Center in Delphos, Ohio, Sunday.

Kretzer finished with a 10-2 match play record and a total of 4,889 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, for his first Central Region title of the year and his third overall PBA50 Regional title. He also earned \$1,500. Zaffino finished with a 4,687 pinfall total.

- **Mark Scroggins** of Canyon, Texas, and **Bryan Goebel** of Shawnee, Kan., won joint PBA Southwest/Midwest PBA50 Regional events in a doubleheader weekend at Junction City Bowl in Junction City, Kan.

On Saturday, Scroggins, bowling in his first PBA50 regional event, defeated Goebel 189-173, to win his first PBA50 title. Goebel opened in the ninth frame of the championship match, allowing Scroggins to clinch the victory.

On Sunday, Goebel held off hard-charging **Kerry Fulford** of Ft. Worth, Texas, to win the 15-game event with 3,324 total pins, 98 ahead of the newly-named PBA50 Tour Dick Weber Sportsmanship Award winner.

- **Liz Kuhlkin** of Rotterdam, N.Y. outscored **Nicole Parkhurst** of Utica, N.Y., by 15 pins over eight games to win the PBA-PWBA Maple City Dodge East Open Saturday at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y.

Kuhlkin, the winner of one PWBA event, rolled games of 168, 217, 213, 189, 215, 145, 226 and 190 for an eight-game total of 1,563 pins to claim the \$1,000 first prize.

Kuhlkin also learned the East Region's women's points leader, **Kerry Smith** of New Holland, Pa., has declined her spot in the PBA-PWBA Women's Regional Challenge that will be held Nov. 27 as part of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling in Reno, which means Kuhlkin as No. 2 in points will take her place and also receive a paid entry into the WSOB.

- The final two weekends of qualifying for QubicaAMF PBA Regional and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional berths in the PBA Challenge events as well as the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno get started over the Oct. 7-9 weekend. The QubicaAMF PBA Regional calendar includes the PBA50 True Rival Fitness Open from First State Lanes in Wilmington, Del.; the PBA Greater Muskegon Men's USBC/Northway Lanes Central Open and PBA-PWBA Northway Lanes Central Open in Muskegon, Mich., and the PBA50 Superbowl Midwest Open in Atlantic, Iowa.

- The Oct. 14-16 weekend, the final weekend of PBA Regional and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional qualifying for GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII "challenge" berths and paid entries, includes the PBA Wichita Southwest Open at Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan.; the PBA Illinois Valley Midwest Open at IV Super Bowl in Peru, Ill.; and a doubleheader including the PBA and PBA50 Northwest/West Twin Falls Bowladrome Opens in Twin Falls, Idaho. The PBA Central Region also will conduct the PBA50/PBA60 Park Centre Lanes Central Doubles event in North Canton, Ohio.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the Oct. 21-23 weekend with the PBA Century Lanes South Open in Hampton, Va.; the PBA Greenville Southwest Open at Shenaniganz in Greenville, Texas; the Maple City Dodge East Open presented by 900 Global at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y.; the PBA/PBA50 Ken Fowler Auto Centers West/Northwest Doubles presented by 900 Global at Yokayo Bowling Center in Ukiah, Calif.; the PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic presented by Security Federal Savings at Heritage Lanes in Kokomo, Ind., and the DHC Cheetah Open Doubles at Nagoya Grandbowl in Japan.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game continues, with fans invited to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game. This week fans can vote on the Roto Grip ball they'd like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: <http://bit.ly/RotoGripVote>. When the "winning" ball based on fan input is selected, it will be available along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will be available on PBA's and the specific companies' social media pages). Each company also will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

- Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game also is running a special Halloween-themed bowling ball promotion during the weeks leading up to the Halloween weekend. Currently underway, new Halloween balls are being released each week for limited use (one week) – and then all of the balls will be available for the Halloween weekend. One ball per company will be released each week beginning Sept. 29 with 900 Global, Roto Grip and Storm. Oct. 6 releases will involve Hammer, Ebonite and Columbia 300. Oct. 13 brands will be Track, DV8 and MOTIV. Oct. 20 releases will be Brunswick and Radical. And on Oct. 27, all of the special balls will be available to PBA Bowling Challenge players thru Oct. 31.

- **Steve Banks** is the September winner of the \$200 HotelPlanner.com certificate, good for future lodging expenses, compliments of PBA's official travel partner. The monthly sweepstakes is open to anyone who books a hotel through the HotelPlanner.com link on pba.com.

- **Sandra Williams** of Laurinburg, N.C., is the owner of a new high-performance DV8 bowling ball; **Jeffery Hess** of Reading, Pa., won a new Brunswick ball, and **Charles DelPlato** of Brick, N.J., is the recipient of a new MOTIV ball thanks to the September sweepstakes sponsored by the respective PBA Product Registered partners. The monthly sweepstakes is open to new Xtra Frame subscribers, who are automatically entered when they enroll as a new monthly or yearly Xtra Frame subscriber.

**Top Qualifier Jason Belmonte Bids for First 2016 Title
in PBA Detroit Open Finals on CBS Sports Network Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET**

No. 2 qualifier Sean Rash tries for second consecutive Fall Swing Win

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Oct. 7, 2016) – Making his third PBA Fall Swing appearance, three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte will again try to win his first PBA Tour title of the 2016 season from the No. 1 qualifying position in the PBA Detroit Open finals Wednesday on the CBS Sports Network at 9 p.m. ET.

The Australian two-handed star, who also will be trying for his 13th career title, finished the 36-game Detroit Open qualifying phase by averaging a combined 229.9 for 12 games each on the PBA's Wolf, Bear and Badger lane conditions at Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Detroit.

In his two previous Fall Swing television appearances, he finished third in the Wolf Open and fourth in the Badger Open.

Just one match away from facing Belmonte in the title match will be No. 2 qualifier and Badger Open winner Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., who will be trying for his second consecutive Fall Swing win and the 11th of his career.

For a video preview of the Detroit Open click on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=StsuTj2--jY>

Three other players who made Fall Swing telecasts will battle to meet Belmonte in the title match. In the opening match, Bear Open winner and No. 5 qualifier EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., will take on Wolf Open winner and No. 4 qualifier Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla. Tackett will be trying for his third title of the season and the fourth of his career. Daugherty will be trying for his second in 2016 and third career title.

The Tackett-Daugherty winner will bowl Badger Open runner-up 10-time Tour winner No. 3 qualifier Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, in the second match. That winner advances to the semifinal match against Rash.

The Fall Swing will wrap up on CBSSN with the King of the Swing special event Oct. 19 at 9 p.m. ET. Competing in the King of the Swing will be Fall Swing winners Daugherty, Tackett and Rash plus the Detroit Open winner and the top player in points from the Fall Swing.

PBA Unveils Special World Series of Bowling Fan Experience Packages

Lodging at Silver Legacy, VIP tickets for ESPN telecasts, other benefits included

RENO, Nev. – The Professional Bowlers Association has announced a pair of special packages to provide GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII fans with unique experiences when the world's greatest bowlers return to Reno Nov. 28-Dec. 11.

The new "Strike" and "300 Game" World Series Fan Experience packages can be booked online by visiting <http://www.pba.com/Tickets>. Either package will insure fans have confirmed rooms at Silver Legacy over the Dec. 10-11 weekend, when rooms are expected to be hard-to-find in Reno. Fan Experience packages should be made by no later than Nov. 14.

The "Strike" package includes two nights' lodging at Silver Legacy Resort, two VIP tickets for all ESPN finals on Saturday, Dec. 10, and the live PBA World Championship finals on Sunday, Dec. 11; and round-trip transportation from Reno-Tahoe International Airport (for those flying to Reno). Price options per person depend upon the type of room selected. For the "Strike" package, options are: deluxe (\$200), luxury (\$220), superior (\$245) and deluxe spa suite (\$420).

The “300 Game” package includes three nights’ lodging at Silver Legacy Resort, two VIP tickets to all ESPN finals on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 10-11, a behind-the-scenes tour of the PBA Players Services truck and ESPN production truck; an official autographed PBA Tour bowling pan; an official WSOB t-shirt, and transportation to-and-from Reno Tahoe International Airport for those flying to Reno. Optional prices per person for the “300 Game” package, depending upon type of room selected, are: deluxe (\$340), luxury (\$370), superior (\$410) and deluxe spa suite (\$670).

The ESPN television schedule for the World Series includes the finals of the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Opens on Saturday, and the PBA World Championship plus a new USA vs. the World special event on Sunday.

Sean Rash Wins PBA Detroit Open for Back-to-Back Fall Swing Titles

Open frames costly to top qualifier Jason Belmonte

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Oct. 12, 2016) – After winning his 10th career PBA Tour title in the PBA Badger Open last week, former PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash didn’t waste any time starting on his next 10 titles by winning the PBA Detroit Open for his second consecutive win in the final championship event of the 2016 PBA Fall Swing at Thunderbowl Lanes.

In a low scoring match on the demanding 40-foot PBA Bear lane condition, Rash beat rival and top qualifier Jason Belmonte, 178-161, in the title match of the fourth event of the PBA Fall Swing. The finals aired Wednesday on CBS Sports Network.

As the tournament leader, Belmonte had his choice of selecting the Wolf, Bear or Badger Fall Swing lane oil patterns and chose the Bear pattern.

While neither player could get into a rhythm, Rash was helped by strikes in the first three of four frames. A missed single pin spare by three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Belmonte was a portent of things to come as he left a 3-4-6-7 split in the fourth frame and a 3-4-6-7-10 split in the ninth frame, failing to convert either one.

“This (lane conditioning) pattern will eat you up,” said Rash, who was the No. 2 qualifier for the finals. “It’s probably the toughest condition we bowl on. It can be like an obstacle course.

“You take a tough condition like this and then you throw in the changing environment of bowling on TV where there are so many variables, from the changing lane conditions frame-to-frame to the different styles of the players in the earlier matches,” Rash continued. “It’s not like bowling on league night, believe me.”

Belmonte notched his third top-five finish in four Fall Swing events after finishing third in the Wolf Open and fourth in the Badger Open, but his bid for his first title of 2016 escape him once again.

In the semifinal match, Rash beat 10-time Tour winner and 2009 Player of the Year Wes Malott, 202-198, striking out in the 10th frame to take the four-pin victory. Rash also had defeated Malott, 259-195, in the title match of the Badger Open.

“I didn’t get off to a great start in the match (against Malott), so I was grateful to be in a position where I could win,” said Rash, who won PBA Player of the Year honors for the 2011-12 season. “I just stayed with the game plan of playing straighter, keep the ball in play and fill the frames. I could have probably done better but I did good enough to win.”

Rash was the first player to win back-to-back in 2016, joining Jesper Svensson (three titles) and fellow two-time winners E.J. Tackett and Ryan Ciminelli as the year’s only multiple title winners.

The Detroit Open finalists earned their berths in the stepladder finals by finishing in the top five after a combined total of 36 games in the Wolf, Bear and Badger Open qualifying rounds. Belmonte led finalists with a combined 229.9 average on the three vastly different lane conditions.

In the first match of the finals, Tackett, the Bear Open winner and No. 5 qualifier, defeated Wolf Open winner and No. 4 qualifier Tom Daugherty, 231-159. In the second match, No. 3 qualifier Malott eliminated Tackett, 201-195, to advance to the semifinal against Rash.

All five Detroit Open finalists also qualified for the finals of the King of the Swing special event which will air Oct. 19 at 9 p.m. ET on the CBS Sports Network. Daugherty, Tackett and Rash earned their spots in the final event as Wolf, Bear and Badger Open titlists, respectively. Because Rash won two events, Malott and Belmonte also earned spots as the top players in Fall Swing points.

PBA DETROIT OPEN

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Wednesday

Final Standings:

- 1, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$18,000.
- 2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$9,000.
- 3, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, \$5,000.
- 4, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$4,500.
- 5, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., \$4,000.

Stepladder results:

Match One – Tackett def. Daugherty, 231-159.
Match Two – Malott def. Tackett, 201-195.
Semifinal Match – Rash def. Malott, 202-198.
Championship match – Rash def. Belmonte, 178-161.

PBA Spare Shots

SEAN RASH JOINS PBA'S EXCLUSIVE DOUBLE-DIGIT TITLES CLUB

Back-to-back victories in the PBA Fall Swing Badger Open and Detroit Open for his 10th and 11th career titles made **Sean Rash** the 51st player in PBA history to win at least 10 PBA Tour titles.

Of the 51, 42 are already members of the PBA Hall of Fame. The others who are title-eligible for PBA Hall of Fame consideration are **Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones, Mika Koivuniemi, Patrick Allen, Jason Belmonte, Bryan Goebel, Steve Hoskins, Wes Malott** and Rash.

Of those with at least 10 titles, only Goebel and Hoskins are currently eligible based on the second criteria, which is a minimum 20 years of PBA membership. Assuming the following players maintain their memberships, Barnes (18 titles) will become eligible for PBA Hall of Fame consideration in 2018, Allen (13) and Koivuniemi (15) in 2019, Jones (17) in 2020, Malott (10) in 2021, Rash (11) in 2025, and Belmonte (12) in 2028.

If a player doesn't meet the 10 title minimum requirement for eligibility, the alternative is five standard PBA Tour titles plus two majors. **Mike Scroggins** (eight titles including two majors) is membership-eligible and title-eligible under the alternate criteria (for the record, Rash, Barnes, Jones, Koivuniemi, Allen and Belmonte also have won at least two majors among their total titles).

When a player achieves both title and years of membership requirements, he is automatically put on the PBA Hall of Fame ballot. Scroggins, Goebel and Hoskins are currently on the PBA Hall of Fame ballot, which requires a candidate to receive votes on at least two-thirds of ballots cast for election to the hall of fame. Voters include existing PBA Hall of Famers and a panel of veteran bowling writers and industry leaders.

SENIOR STARS TO TEAM UP FOR PBA'S SECOND TEAM CHALLENGE

The latest entry into the second annual PBA Team Challenge, set for Oct. 31-Nov. 1 at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas, is a team of "senior stars" who have been taking on all-comers for years. The "PBA50 Tour" team including PBA Hall of Famers **Pete Weber** and **Amleto Monacelli** will be joined by 2016 PBA50 Rookie of the Year **Eddie Graham**, five-time PBA Tour/three-time PBA50 Tour titlist **Bob Learn Jr.** and former PBA50 Player of the Year **Ron Mohr**, an eight-time PBA50 Tour winner.

The 2016 PBA Team Challenge, which will award PBA Tour titles to each member of the winning team (if he/she is a PBA member) for the first time, will be covered from start-to-finish on Xtra Frame. All teams will bowl qualifying rounds on Monday, Oct. 31, with the top qualifiers (number of teams will be based on entries) advancing to round-robin Baker format match play followed by a four-team Baker format stepladder final on Tuesday.

Entries for the Team Challenge, along with the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open singles event that will kick off the PBA Fall Classic Oct. 29-30, are still being accepted. Both events are open to non-members as well as members. To enter, contact **Mary von Krueger** (phone: (206) 654-6025; email: maryvk@pba.com).

PLAYERS, INDUSTRY LEADERS, FANS URGED TO BOOK ROOMS IN RENO ASAP

PBA members, industry leaders, bowling writers and PBA fans who plan to attend the GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno Nov. 28-Dec. 11 are urged to book their rooms at the Silver Legacy Resort as soon as possible, due in part to an anticipated room shortage over the Dec. 10-11 weekend.

The PBA has a special room rate and reservation block of rooms on hold until Monday, Nov. 14. Reservations can be made online at [https://reservations.silverlegacy.com/cgi-bin/lansaweb?procfun+rn+resnet+res+funcparms+UP\(A2560\)::wsob16:?:](https://reservations.silverlegacy.com/cgi-bin/lansaweb?procfun+rn+resnet+res+funcparms+UP(A2560)::wsob16:?:) or by calling Silver Legacy reservations at 800-687-8733 and using the code "WSOB16." Players planning to bowl in WSOB VIII are reminded they must have a reservation at Silver Legacy, a major sponsor of the World Series, before entering the event.

KENT, McEWAN TO REPRESENT U.S. IN QUBICA AMF WORLD CUP

PBA members **Marshall Kent** of Yakima, Wash., and **Danielle McEwan** of Stony Point, N.Y., will represent the United States in the 52nd QubicaAMF World Cup Oct. 17-22 in Shanghai, China. Kent, PBA's 2014 Rookie of the Year and a one-time PBA Tour title winner, was runner-up in the 2012 World Cup. McEwan finished fourth in 2012 and 2013.

The defending women's champion is PBA Regional title winner **Clara Guerrero**, who will represent Colombia. Guerrero, a two-time World Cup winner, is one of three women ever to qualify for a PBA national television final. Hong Kong's **Wu Siu Hong** won the 2015 men's title, but isn't in the 2016 field.

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Entered in the Kokomo regional tournament are PBA Hall of Famers **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** and **Pete Weber**, who are tied for the all-time PBA titles record with 99 each. Pending the outcome of this weekend's PBA Central Region PBA50/PBA60 doubles event in Canton, Ohio, where Williams is entered with partner **Tom Carter** win, if Williams or Weber wins in Kokomo, he'll be the first to win 100 combined PBA Tour, PBA Regional, PBA50 Tour and PBA50 Regional titles.

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Nov. 2 will feature live coverage of the PBA League Draft, with eight team managers selecting the final two players to round out their 2017 rosters.

PBA's Xtra Frame team will then provide exclusive live coverage of the qualifying and match play rounds of Bowling's U.S. Open, Nov. 4-8. The stepladder finals will air live on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 8 p.m. ET.

Three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by visiting "xtraframe.tv" and clicking on the "subscribe now" link. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: KELLY, McCUNE WIN IN MUSKEGON

Megan Kelly of Dayton, Ohio, and **Eugene McCune** of Munster, Ind. won titles in the PBA-PWBA Northway Lanes Central Open and PBA Greater Muskegon Men's USBC/Northway Lanes Central Open doubleheader at Northway Lanes in Muskegon, Mich., on Sunday.

Kelly defeated **Kristin Warzinski** of Muskegon by 49 pins to win the PBA-PWBA Central Region women's title. Kelly, who finished with an eight-game total of 1,752 pins, earned \$1,000.

McCune won his 23rd career regional title and \$2,400 with a 213-206 decision over **Ronnie Russell** of Marion, Ind. McCune eliminated **E.J. Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., 246-227, and Russell topped **Dave Wodka** of Beavercreek, Ohio, 229-195, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match in the standard regional event.

- **Brian LeClair** of Delmar, N.Y. defeated **Sam Maccarone** of Blackwood, N.J., 181-169, to win the PBA50 True Rival Fitness Open Sunday at First State Lanes in Wilmington, Del. LeClair, the qualifying leader, earned his fourth PBA50 QubicaAMF Regional title and the 22nd overall of his career. He also earned \$1,500.

LeClair defeated **Ray Edwards** of Middle Island, N.Y., 191-161, and Maccarone defeated Mike Hastings of Millsboro, Del., 193-158, in the semifinal round.

- **Mark Porter** of Lincoln, Neb., defeated **Jim Knoblauch** of Waukesha, Wis., by 101 pins to win the PBA50 Superbowl Midwest Open at Superbowl in Atlantic, Iowa, Sunday. Porter, a non-member, out-scored Knoblauch, 3,057-2,956, over 13 games to claim the \$1,600 first prize, but he doesn't earn credit for a title because he is an amateur.

- This weekend is the final weekend of PBA Regional and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional qualifying for GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII "challenge" berths and paid entries. The schedule includes the PBA Wichita Southwest Open at Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan.; the PBA Illinois Valley Midwest Open at IV Super Bowl in Peru, Ill.; and a doubleheader including the PBA and PBA50 Northwest/West Twin Falls Bowladrome Opens in Twin Falls, Idaho. The PBA Central Region also will conduct the PBA50/PBA60 Park Centre Lanes Central Doubles event in North Canton, Ohio.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the Oct. 21-23 weekend with the PBA Century Lanes South Open in Hampton, Va.; the PBA Greenville Southwest Open at Shenaniganz in Greenville, Texas; the Maple City Dodge East Open presented by 900 Global at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y.; the PBA/PBA50 Ken Fowler Auto Centers West/Northwest Doubles presented by 900 Global at Yokayo Bowling Center in Ukiah, Calif.; the PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic presented by Security Federal Savings at Heritage Lanes in Kokomo, Ind., and the DHC Cheetah Open Doubles at Nagoya Grandbowl in Japan.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Concrete Software's PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game continues, with fans invited to vote on what new Product Registered balls they would like to see introduced into the game. This week fans can vote on the 900 Global ball they'd like to see added to the PBA Bowling Challenge. To take the survey, click here: Poll <http://bit.ly/900GlobalVote>. When the "winning" ball based on fan input is selected, it will be available along with a code to purchase the ball for 50% off (the code will be available on PBA's and the specific companies' social media pages). Each company also will have a flashback weekend where all its previous balls will be available for that weekend only.

- The PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game's special Halloween-themed bowling ball promotion continues leading up to the Halloween weekend. Currently underway, new Halloween balls are being released by Concrete Software each week for limited use (one week) – and then all of the balls will be available for the Halloween weekend. One ball per company will be released each week. Oct. 13 brands will be Track, DV8 and MOTIV. Oct. 20 releases will be Brunswick and Radical. And on Oct. 27, all of the special balls will be available to PBA Bowling Challenge players thru Oct. 31.

**Double Winner Sean Rash Tops Field for PBA Fall Swing's
King of the Swing Finals on CBS Sports Network Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET**

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Oct. 14, 2016) - In what can be considered the all-star event of the 2016 PBA Fall Swing, PBA Tour stars Jason Belmonte, Tom Daugherty, Wes Malott, EJ Tackett and Sean Rash distinguished themselves as the top players overall in the multi-event series and as a result will battle for the King of the Swing crown Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET on the CBS Sports Network.

Rash, Tackett and Daugherty punched their tickets to the finals by winning Fall Swing titles. Belmonte and Malott earned spots as the top non-winners in Fall Swing points.

The King of the Swing, a special event that does not award a PBA Tour title, will be contested at historic Thunderbowl Lanes on a dual lane condition – the long 52-foot Badger oiling pattern on the left lane and the short 32-foot Wolf pattern on the right lane.

Competition gets underway with a matchup featuring two PBA Players of the Year. Three-time reigning Player of the Year Belmonte will face off against Malott, the 2009 Player of the Year, in the opening stepladder match.

Belmonte secured his spot in the finals thanks to a third-place finish in the Wolf Open, fourth in the Badger Open and second in the Detroit Open. Malott got a boost from his second-place finish in the Badger Open and third-place finish in the Detroit Open.

The winner of the opening match will face Daugherty, the Wolf Open winner, in the second match with the winner meeting Bear Open winner EJ Tackett in the semifinal match.

The semifinal winner will take on top qualifier Rash, the 2012 Player of the Year, who won back-to-back titles in the Badger and Detroit Opens.

For a video preview of the King of the Swing finals click on https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u_23JCX2tvI

Chapman, Johnson Win PBA Park Centre Lanes PBA50/PBA60 Doubles Event

NORTH CANTON, Ohio (Oct. 16, 2016) – PBA60 competitor Michael Chapman of Garden City, Mich. and his PBA50 partner Gerald Johnson of Taylor, Mich., defeated Dave Patchen of Oregon, Ohio and Dean Billings of Rootstown, Ohio, 2-1, in the best-of-three-game championship match to win the Professional Bowlers Association's PBA50/PBA60 Doubles Park Centre Lanes Central Open at Park Centre Lanes Sunday.

Teams in the event included one bowler between the ages of 50 and 59 and one bowler over the age of 60. Both players are non-members who had never won PBA events before and will split a \$2,800 first prize, but neither will receive credit for a title.

In the best-of-three-game semifinal round, Chapman and Johnson defeated Tom Carter of Columbus, Ohio, and Walter Ray Williams of Oxford, Fla., 2-0, ending Williams' hopes of winning his 100th overall PBA title, while Patchen and Billings downed Dick Gran of Hartville, Ohio and Brian Kretzer of Kettering, Ohio, 2-1, to set up the championship match.

Patchen and Billings shared the \$1,800 prize for second place while the teams of Gran/Kretzer and Carter/Williams earned \$1,300 as semifinal round losers.

The PBA50/PBA60 Park Centre Lanes Central Open was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region tournament will be the Kokomo Central/Midwest Shootout presented by Security Federal Savings Bank from Heritage Lanes in Kokomo, Ind., on Sunday, Oct. 23. The one-day reduced entry fee tournament will be covered live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

PBA50/PBA60 DOUBLES PARK CENTRE LANES CENTRAL OPEN Park Centre Lanes, North Canton, Ohio, Sunday

Championship (best of three games):

ss-n-Michael Chapman, Garden City, Mich./n-Gerald Johnson, Taylor, Mich. (\$2,800) def. ss-Dave Patchen, Oregon, Ohio/Dean Billings, Rootstown, Ohio (\$1,800), 488-430, 429-507, 509-422.

Semifinal Round (best of three games, losing teams eliminated and earned \$1,300 each):

Chapman/Johnson def. ss-Tom Carter, Columbus, Ohio/Walter Ray Williams, Oxford, Fla., 2-0.

Patchen/Billings def. ss-Dick Gran, Hartville, Ohio/Brian Kretzer, Kettering, Ohio, 2-1.

Round of 8 (best of five games, losing teams eliminated earned \$900 each):

Chapman/Johnson def. ss-n-Jeff DiMarzio, Canton, Ohio/Mark Boron, Massillon, Ohio, 3-1.

Gran/Kretzer def. ss-Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa./Michael Tryniski, Fulton, N.Y., 3-0.

Patchen/Billings def. ss-James Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis./Tony Johnson, Canton, Ohio, 3-0.

Carter/Williams def. ss-Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio/Larry Verble, Mason, Mich., 3-2.

n-denotes non-member; ss-denotes PBA60 player.

PBA World Championship Kicks Off ESPN's 37th Year of PBA Coverage

New 19-telecast schedule includes nine live shows, four major championships

CHICAGO (Oct. 18, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association returns to ESPN for the 37th consecutive year, beginning on Sunday, Dec. 11, with live coverage of the PBA World Championship from the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev. – the first of nine live telecasts and the first of four major championships on the new schedule.

The ESPN schedule includes a total of 19 telecasts – two more than aired on last year's schedule – and the most live shows to air since the 2008-09 season.

"We're proud of our nearly 40-year relationship with the PBA," said ESPN Senior Vice President-Programming and Global X Scott Guglielmino. "With premier championships and unique events like the annual Chris Paul PBA Invitational, bowling fans can look forward to another season of compelling and action-packed competition on the lanes."

The new ESPN schedule begins with six telecasts from the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII at Reno's National Bowling Stadium. The live PBA World Championship at 1 p.m. Eastern (10 a.m. Pacific) on Sunday, Dec. 11, will be followed by the finals of the PBA Cheetah (Dec. 18) and the Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championships (on Christmas Eve day and Christmas day), a re-air of the World Championship on New Year's Day, and a special "USA vs. The World" team showdown on Jan. 8 featuring the top five American players vs. the top five international players based on WSOB qualifying. The Shark Championship will be the concluding event of the PBA's 2016 season.

PBA's "Big February" returns to ESPN with three consecutive majors: the Barbasol PBA Players Championship on Feb. 12, the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions on Feb. 19 and the USBC Masters on Feb. 26. The USBC Masters will be part of a live doubleheader on Feb. 26. The Masters will be immediately followed by the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals, presented by the PBA, marking the first time in PBA history that two separate events will air back-to-back as live telecasts.

Other highlights of the new ESPN schedule include:

- The annual Chris Paul Family Foundation PBA Celebrity Invitational is set to air in a new prime-time time slot on Friday, Feb. 17, at 9 p.m. Eastern.
- The Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship finals will air live from Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, on April 16, leading into four consecutive Sundays of PBA League telecasts that will follow.
- New to ESPN will be the PBA Main Event, a live special telecast on Super Bowl Sunday (Feb. 5) from Katy, Texas, just outside Houston (the site of Super Bowl 51), and live telecasts of the semifinal and final rounds of the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort PBA Oklahoma Open on Saturday and Sunday, July 1 and 2. Details on both of these events will be announced soon.

In addition to PBA's coverage on ESPN, qualifying and match play rounds of all PBA Tour events will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. Xtra Frame coverage also will include start-to-finish coverage of January's DHC PBA Japan Invitational from Osaka, Japan, and a schedule of to-be-announced PBA Xtra Frame Tour events.

PBA ESPN TELEVISION SCHEDULE

(all times Eastern; subject to change)

Sunday, Dec. 11 – PBA World Championship, 1 p.m. (major, live)

Sunday, Dec. 18 – PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game, 1 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 24 – PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 25 – PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA, 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 25 – PBA Shark Championship, 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 1 – PBA World Championship re-air, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 8 – USA vs. The World, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 5 – PBA Main Event (live), 2 p.m.

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Sunday, Feb. 26 – USBC Masters, 1 p.m. (major, live)

Sunday, Feb. 26 – World Bowling Tour finals, 3 p.m. (live)

Sunday, April 16 – Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship, 1 p.m. (live)

Sunday, April 23 – PBA League quarterfinals #1, 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 30 – PBA League quarterfinals #2, 1 p.m.

Sunday, May 7 – PBA League semifinals, 1 p.m.

Sunday, May 14 – PBA League Elias Cup finals, 1 p.m.

Saturday, July 1 – Grand Casino Hotel & Resort PBA Oklahoma Open semifinals (live)

Sunday, July 2 – Grand Casino Hotel & Resort PBA Oklahoma Open finals (live)

PBA Spare Shots

FIELDS SET FOR PBA REGIONAL, WOMEN'S REGIONAL CHALLENGE EVENTS

With the exception of players-to-be-named-later from the PBA Japan Region, the fields for the QubicaAMF PBA Regional and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional Challenge events on Nov. 27 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno have been set. Qualifying concluded Sunday in all seven domestic PBA regions.

The season-long competition points leaders for the PBA Regional Challenge are **Matt O'Grady**, Matawan, N.J., East Region; **Dick Allen**, Columbia, S.C., South Region; **Eugene McCune**, Munster, Ind., Central Region; **Tom Hess**, Urbandale, Iowa, Midwest Region; **Sean Maldonado**, Houston, Southwest Region; **Jakob Butturff**, Chandler, Ariz., West Region, and **David Haynes**, Las Vegas, Northwest Region.

PBA-PWBA Women's Regional qualifiers are **Liz Kuhlkin**, Rotterdam, N.Y., East Region; **Ashly Galante**, Palm Harbor, Fla., South Region; **Diana Zavjalova**, Latvia, Central Region; **Summer Jasmin**, Beckley, W.Va., Midwest Region; **Clara Guerrero**, Pflugerville, Texas, Southwest Region; **Missy Parkin**, Laguna Hills, Calif., West Region, and **April Lord Wittig**, Steilacoom, Wash., Northwest Region.

Both Regional Challenge events, and the PBA50 Tour Challenge, will be eight-game round-robin match play events held at 3 p.m. PT on Sunday, Nov. 27. The top two players in each event will advance to a championship match later Sunday. All of the competition will be covered live on Xtra Frame, PBA's subscription-based online video-streaming service. Subscriptions are available by visiting "xtraframe.tv" and clicking on the "subscribe now" link.

The PBA50 Tour field will include the top eight players in competition points for the recently-completed PBA50 Tour season. Qualifiers are **Pete Weber**, St. Ann, Mo.; **Amleto Monacelli**, Venezuela; **Norm Duke**, Clermont, Fla.; **Ron Mohr**, Las Vegas; **Parker Bohn III**, Jackson, N.J.; **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**, Oxford, Fla.; **Brian Voss**, Centennial, Colo., and **Lennie Boresch Jr.**, Kenosha, Wis. (replacing **Eddie Graham** of Centerville, Ohio).

Each of the players who qualified for the Challenge events also earned a paid entry into the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, which will be held Nov. 28-Dec. 11 at the National Bowling Stadium.

TWO EVENTS REMAIN ON 2016 WORLD BOWLING TOUR SCHEDULE

International bowlers have two events remaining on the 2016 PBA International-World Bowling Tour schedule to qualify for the 2017 World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals, presented by the PBA, which will be held in conjunction with the 2017 USBC Masters at The Orleans in Las Vegas.

Heading into the home stretch of the 2016 season, the events remaining to earn points toward the WBT finals are the PBA World Championship in Reno, Nev., Nov. 29-Dec. 11, and the Qatar Open in Doha, Qatar, Dec. 10-16. The previously-scheduled UAE Open in Abu Dhabi, the Kuwait International Open and the 10th Kingdom International Open in Saudi Arabia have been cancelled.

The top five men in WBT points, compiled during the two-year rolling points schedule, are **Martin Larsen**, Sweden, 458 points; **Dom Barrett**, England, 413; **Osku Palermaa**, Finland, 399; **Jason Belmonte**, Australia, 340, and **Sean Rash**, Montgomery, Ill., 316. Barrett won the 2016 WBT Men's championship.

The top five women are **Danielle McEwan**, Stony Point, N.Y., 663 points; **Liz Johnson**, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 421; **Kelly Kulick**, Union, N.J., 354; **Cherie Tan**, Singapore, 307, and **Diana Zavjalova**, Latvia, 304. McEwan won the 2016 WBT Women's event, held in Indianapolis.

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WORLD SERIES TV FINALS TICKETS, PRO-AM ENTRIES AVAILABLE

Tickets for all six GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII ESPN television finals are now available, along with pro-am entries.

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The Saturday schedule of events will include the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game at 10 a.m.; the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by Hotelplanner.com at 2:30 p.m.; the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA at 4:15 p.m., and the PBA Shark Championship at 6 p.m. TV tickets can be purchased at pba.com/tickets.

Amateur bowlers who would like to bowl with the stars of the PBA are invited to enter the pro-am on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 6 p.m. by calling the National Bowling Stadium (800-304-2695). The adult entry package is \$99, youth entry package is \$50, and both include a ticket to the live PBA World Championship television finals along with other giveaways.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF CONTINUES TO DOMINATE THE WEST

Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., continues to dominate the QubicaAMF PBA West Region, winning his eighth 2016 title in 18 events entered by posting a 7-1 match play record and a 3,909 pinfall total to dominate the PBA Meadow Gold Dairy West/Northwest Open hosted at Bowladrome Lanes in Twin Falls, Idaho, Sunday.

Butturff, a 22-year-old second-year PBA member, earned \$2,000. He defeated **Jake Peters** of Henderson, Nev., by 151 pins for the title. Peters had a 6-2 match play record and 3,758 pins for his 16 games, including match play bonus pins.

In the companion PBA50 event, **Rob Rice** of Sunnyside, Wash., went 5-1 and knocked down 3,042 total pins to top **Kevin Foley** of Reno, Nev., for his ninth career regional title. Foley had a 3-3 match play record and 3,011 pins for 14 games including match play bonus pins.

- PBA60 competitor **Michael Chapman** of Garden City, Mich. and his PBA50 partner **Gerald Johnson** of Taylor, Mich., both non-members, defeated **Dave Patchen** of Oregon, Ohio and **Dean Billings** of Rootstown, Ohio, 2-1, in the best-of-three-game championship match to win the PBA50/PBA60 Park Centre Lanes Central Doubles Open at Park Centre Lanes in North Canton, Ohio, Sunday.

Teams in the event included one bowler between the ages of 50 and 59 and one bowler over the age of 60. Neither player on the winning team had previously won a PBA event. They split a \$2,800 first prize, but neither will receive credit for a title because they are non-members.

In the best-of-three-game semifinal round, Chapman and Johnson defeated **Tom Carter** of Columbus, Ohio, and **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** of Oxford, Fla., 2-0, ending Williams' hopes of winning his 100th overall PBA title, while Patchen and Billings downed **Dick Gran** of Hartville, Ohio and **Brian Kretzer** of Kettering, Ohio, 2-1, to set up the championship match.

- Amateur **Mike Dole** of Loves Park, Ill., defeated **Eugene McCune** of Munster, Ind., 248-211, to win the PBA Illinois Valley Midwest/Central Open at Illinois Valley Super Bowl in Peru, Ill., Sunday.

The win was Dole's second in QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition. He earned \$2,100 but doesn't get credit for a title because he is not a PBA member.

McCune defeated **Aaron Lorincz** of Center Line, Mich., 253-238, in the first match and then eliminated **Andrew Klingler** of Grand Rapids, Mich., 215-182, to advance to the title match.

- **Anthony Lavery-Spahr** of Pasadena, Texas, defeated **Mitch Hupe** of Wichita, Kan., 254-203, to win the \$2,500 first prize and his third PBA title in the PBA Wichita Southwest Open at Northrock Lanes in Wichita Sunday.

In the title match, Lavery-Spahr opened in the second frame, but struck his next eight shots to overwhelm the Wichita State University competitor from Winnipeg, Manitoba, for his first title in a standard PBA Regional event.

Lavery-Spahr, who earned a first round bye in the match play elimination finals, defeated amateur **Brandon Biondo** of Carpentersville, Ill., 2-0, in the Round of 12; PBA Tour champion **Lonnie Waliczek** of Wichita, in the Round of 8, 2-0, and **Devin Bidwell**, also from Wichita, 225-161, in the semifinal round.

Lavery-Spahr's two previous regional titles came in non-champions and doubles events.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition continues over the Oct. 21-23 weekend with the PBA Century Lanes South Open in Hampton, Va.; the PBA Greenville Southwest Open at Shenaniganz in Greenville, Texas; the Maple City Dodge East Open presented by 900 Global at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y.; the PBA/PBA50 Ken Fowler Auto Centers West/Northwest Doubles presented by

900 Global at Yokayo Bowling Center in Ukiah, Calif.; the PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic presented by Security Federal Savings at Heritage Lanes in Kokomo, Ind., and the DHC Cheetah Open Doubles at Nagoya Grandbowl in Japan.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- **Liz Kuhlkin** of Rotterdam, N.Y., who will be the QubicaAMF East Region’s representative in the PBA-PWBA Women’s Regional Challenge during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, broke the USBC women’s three-game series record by bowling an 890 series during league play in the Reis Group Kim Brown Memorial League at Towne Bowling Academy in Schenectady, N.Y., Monday. The former University of Nebraska star rolled back-to-back 300s, left an 8 pin in the first frame of her third game which she converted before striking out to top the previous-record 889 series by **Erica Cutler** of Fort Wayne, Ind., bowled on Feb. 14, 2016.
- The PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile game’s special Halloween-themed bowling ball promotion continues leading up to the Halloween weekend. Currently underway, new Halloween balls are being released by Concrete Software each week for limited use (one week) – and then all of the balls will be available for the Halloween weekend. One ball per company will be released each week. The final releases on Oct. 20 will be Brunswick and Radical. On Oct. 27, all of the special balls will be available to PBA Bowling Challenge players thru Oct. 31.

EJ Tackett Defeats Sean Rash to Win PBA Fall King of the Swing Finale

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Oct. 19, 2016) – PBA Fall Swing Bear Open winner EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., earned the title of King of the Swing by winning the PBA Fall Swing finale which aired on the CBS Sports Network Wednesday.

Tackett, the winner of the Fall Swing’s Bear Open for his second title of the season and third of his career, defeated Badger and Detroit Open winner Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 192-189, in the title match at Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Detroit.

The King of the Swing, a special showcase event, did not award a PBA Tour title, but it provided a unique challenge and a \$10,000 bonus to the winner. The competition required the finalists to compete on a dramatically different lane condition on each lane – the 32-foot Wolf lane condition on the right lane and the 52-foot Badger lane condition on the left lane – putting a premium on adjustments, shot-making and equipment selections for the players.

Tackett, Rash and Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla. (Wolf Open winner) earned their spots in the special event by winning Fall Swing titles. Australian Jason Belmonte and Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas earned spots as the top non-winners in Fall Swing points.

In a close title match, Rash held the edge until the seventh frame when he left the 3-4-6-7 split and was not able to convert, handing the lead to Tackett. With Tackett holding a three-pin lead in the ninth frame and both players striking on their first ball in the 10th, Tackett earned the win when Rash was unable to double.

“It’s a unique challenge that you don’t see all year,” Tackett said about bowling on two very different lane conditions. “You know coming in the biggest challenge is getting the ball to do the right thing and whoever is the first to get into a good rhythm is going to have the edge.”

Tackett, who was the No. 2 qualifier for the stepladder finals, anticipated that using a different ball on each lane to match up with the contrasting conditions was the first step in putting together an effective strategy.

“Nothing seemed definitive as far as an advantage on either lane,” Tackett said. “On the long pattern (Badger), I used a ball with more surface and played an outside lane which seemed to work pretty well.”

In the semifinal, Tackett employed a similar strategy in defeating Belmonte, the three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year, 226-194.

“I had the feeling that if I had to bowl one more match I was going to have to do something totally different,” Tackett added. “I was just trying to get into some type of rhythm where I didn’t have to give the pocket away.”

In the opening match, Belmonte who had three top-five PBA Fall Swing finishes, beat Malott who had two Fall Swing top-five finishes, 199-185. Belmonte then defeated Daugherty, 219-208, to advance to the semifinal against Tackett.

PBA FALL KING OF THE SWING

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Wednesday

Final Standings:

- 1, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$10,000.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$5,000.
- 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$4,000.
- 4, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., \$3,000.
- 5, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, \$2,000.

Stepladder Results:

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Match Two – Belmonte def. Daugherty, 219-208.
Semifinal Match – Tackett def. Belmonte, 226-194.
Championship Match – Tackett def. Rash, 192-189.

Ryan Ciminelli Ready to Defend PBA South Point Las Vegas Open, U.S. Open Titles

PBA Player of the Year race heats up as PBA Tour heads to Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 21, 2016) – Seven-time Professional Bowlers Association Tour champion Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., is preparing for another late-season run at PBA Player of the Year honors, but unlike 2015 when he fell short, he's in a unique situation this year.

Not only will the 30-year-old left-hander head to Las Vegas later this month to defend two of his 2015 titles, but unlike last year, he'll head to South Point Bowling Plaza with a pair of 2016 titles already in hand.

Ciminelli, who won the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout in April and the PBA Xtra Frame Parkside Lanes Open in September, will try to repeat as PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open champion kicking off the PBA Fall Classic and then try to repeat as U.S. Open champion in the season's fourth major, which also will be held at the South Point Bowling Plaza.

"I like my chances and I feel tournament-ready," Ciminelli said of the opportunity to successfully defend his titles. "I like being in the role of defending champion. I have a little bit of a chip on my shoulder and I just need to channel that mindset into believing I can win and good things will happen.

"If I can get out of the gate strong I have a good record of sustaining the momentum." Ciminelli added. "Another thing in my favor is that I love that facility (Bowling Plaza) and that just adds to the confidence level."

The PBA Fall Classic presented by South Point Bowling Plaza will include two events that will be covered from start-to-finish by PBA's Xtra Frame online video-streaming service. In addition to the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open singles event, Oct. 28-30, PBA will conduct its second five-player PBA Team Challenge event Oct. 30-Nov. 1, which this year will award PBA Tour titles to all five team members (if they are PBA members). Ciminelli will bowl in the team event with Team Brunswick featuring a roster that includes Hall of Famers Parker Bohn III and Walter Ray Williams Jr. plus fellow PBA Tour titlists Sean Rash and Tom Smallwood.

Last season, Ciminelli won the Las Vegas Open when he beat fellow New Yorker Anthony Pepe of Elmhurst, 269-211, in the title match of the first PBA Tour event conducted in its entirety in the new 60-lane South Point Bowling Plaza. Three weeks later, Ciminelli captured his first major title by winning the U.S. Open, 236-223, over England's Dom Barrett at AMF Garland Lanes in Garland, Texas. He completed his 2015 season with a victory in the GoBowling.com Viper Championship, but his three wins weren't enough to overcome the back-to-back major titles (USBC Masters and PBA Tournament of Champions) won by Australia's two-handed star, Jason Belmonte, on his way to a third consecutive PBA Player of the Year award.

“These upcoming tournaments are going to be crucial in what happens with player of the year,” Ciminelli said about getting back into the player of the year race. “If anyone can get to four wins they’ll be right in there for consideration and if one of those happens to be a major all the better.

“You look for all the advantages you can wherever you bowl but in the end it really comes down to believing in yourself and that you can win,” Ciminelli added. “There’s a lot of work to do but I’m looking forward to the challenge.”

As the 2016 season heads down the homestretch, Ciminelli isn’t the only player hoping to unseat Belmonte from his player of the year throne. Other contenders include two-hander Jesper Svensson of Sweden, who made PBA history this season by becoming the youngest player to win five PBA Tour titles by age 21, including the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions. A week later, 19-year-old Texas two-hander Anthony Simonsen ended Belmonte’s streak of USBC Masters victories, becoming the youngest player in PBA history to win a major title. Simonsen also is a two-time titlist in 2016, winning the Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship in January with partner Connor Pickford.

Rash also is a two-time winner in 2016 after capturing the PBA Badger and Detroit Open titles in the recent PBA Fall Swing in Detroit, and E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., is not only a two-time winner (PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open and PBA Bear Open), but is the leader in the 2016 Xtra Frame Tour points competition that will award the winner a \$10,000 bonus. The South Point Las Vegas Open is the final event in that points race.

For the PBA Team Challenge, early favorites include Ciminelli’s Team Brunswick, The BFF’s (an international contingent featuring England’s Dom Barrett and Stuart Williams, Sweden’s Martin Larsen and Svensson, and Finland’s Osku Palermaa), One College POY & the Rest You Know (featuring Belmonte and PBA stars Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones, Wes Malott and Bill O’Neill), and the understated defending champion Dead Money team (Alex Cavagnaro, Danielle McEwan, Matt McNeil, Matt O’Grady and Anthony Pepe).

When the Fall Classic concludes, players will shift their focus to one of the toughest tests in professional bowling when the U.S. Open begins with the first of three eight-game qualifying rounds on Friday, Nov. 4, at the South Point Bowling Plaza.

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PBA FALL CLASSIC PRESENTED BY SOUTH POINT BOWLING PLAZA

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Oct. 28-Nov. 1 (all times are Pacific)

PBA XTRA FRAME SOUTH POINT LAS VEGAS OPEN

Friday, Oct. 28

1 p.m. - PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open practice session

Saturday, Oct. 29

9 a.m. – 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – 8 qualifying games

Top 16 after 16 games advance to match play

Sunday, Oct. 30

8:30 a.m. – Top 16, 8 games round-robin match play

1 p.m. – Top 16, 8 games round-robin match play

Top 5 after 32 games advance to stepladder finals

5:30 p.m. – Top 5 stepladder finals

PBA TEAM CHALLENGE

Monday, Oct. 31

9 a.m. – 6 qualifying games (full team scoring)
5 p.m. – 12 qualifying games (Baker format scoring)

Top 10 teams after 6 full team games, 12 Baker format games advance to Baker match play round, based on 30 teams entered

Tuesday, Nov. 1

9 a.m. – 10 games round-robin Baker format match play
Top 4 teams advance to stepladder finals
3 p.m. – Top 4 teams, Baker format stepladder finals

PBA LEAGUE DRAFT

6 p.m. – 2017 PBA League Draft, South Point Bowling Plaza

U.S. OPEN

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas (all times are Pacific)

Thursday, Nov. 3

1 p.m. – A Squad practice session
3:15 p.m. – B Squad practice session
5:30 p.m. – C Squad practice session

Friday, Nov. 4

8 a.m. – A Squad, 8 qualifying games
1:15 p.m. – B Squad, 8 qualifying games
6:30 p.m. – C Squad, 8 qualifying games

Saturday, Nov. 5

8 a.m. – B Squad, 8 qualifying games
1:15 p.m. – C Squad, 8 qualifying games
6:30 p.m. – A Squad, 8 qualifying games

Sunday, Nov. 6

8 a.m. – C Squad, 8 qualifying games
1:15 p.m. – A Squad, 8 qualifying games
6:30 p.m. – B Squad, 8 qualifying games
Top 1/4 of field after 24 games advances to cashers round

Monday, Nov. 7

10 a.m. – Cashers Round, 8 games
Top 24 after 32 games advance to match play
5 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play

Tuesday, Nov. 8

10 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play
5 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play
Top five after 56 games advance to stepladder finals

Wednesday, Nov. 9

5 p.m. (8 p.m. Eastern) – Top five stepladder finals (live on CBS Sports Network)

Joe Bailey Wins PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic

Kokomo, Ind. (Oct. 23, 2016) – Joe Bailey of Doylestown, Ohio defeated Craig LeMond of Jasper, Ind., 278-230, to win the PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic presented by Security Federal Savings at Heritage Lanes Sunday.

The title was Bailey's first title in the QubicaAMF PBA Regional and, along with eligibility to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, Bailey also earned \$2,500.

Bailey downed Craig Nidiffer of Trenton, Mich., 214-189, and LeMond topped Teddy Patrick of Indianapolis, 214-204, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

LeMond earned \$1,300 for second place. Nidiffer and Patrick each earned \$900 as semifinal round losers.

The PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic was part of the QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

The next PBA Central Region tournament is another one-day/reduced entry fee event in Ft. Wayne, Ind., Nov. 5-6.

PBA KOKOMO CENTRAL/MIDWEST CLASSIC PRESENTED BY SECURITY FEDERAL SAVINGS Heritage Lanes, Kokomo, Ind., Sunday

Championship:

Joe Bailey, Doylestown, Ohio, (\$2,500) def. Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., (\$1,300), 278-230.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$900):

Bailey def. Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 214-189.

LeMond def. Teddy Patrick, Indianapolis, Ind., 214-204.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$650 each):

Bailey def. Chad Vendeville, Otsego, Mich., 2-1.

Nidiffer def. Brian Cave, Fort Wayne, Ind., 2-0.

LeMond def. s-Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2-0.

Patrick def. s-Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 2-0.

Round of 12 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$500 each):

LeMond def. Chris Hartung, Goshen, Ind., 2-0.

Vendeville def. Tyler Wilds, Three Rivers, Mich., 2-1.

Cave def. n-Jeffrey Thomas, Indianapolis, Ind., 2-0.

Patrick def. n-CJ Kirchner, Herrin, Ill., 2-0.

n- denotes non-member; s- denotes PBA50 competitor

PBA Spare Shots

PBA OFFERS FANS TWO FREE TRIAL DAYS TO EXPERIENCE XTRA FRAME

Bowling fans around the world will have two opportunities to experience PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling coverage at no cost in the days ahead.

PBA Hall of Famer Randy Pedersen will lead the Xtra Frame crew in calling the action and providing insights that are not available through any other media outlets.

The PBA, a pioneer in live, online video-streaming of its competition, will offer bowling fans around the world free access to both rounds of match play and the stepladder finals of the Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open from South Point Bowling Plaza on Sunday, Oct. 30, where a PBA Tour title will be won.

PBA also will provide fans with exclusive access to the final day of match play in the U.S. Open on Tuesday, Nov. 8, including one of the most exciting rounds of competition in the sport – the position round of match play to determine the five stepladder finalists for the live CBS Sports Network finals which will air on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 8 p.m. ET (5 p.m. PT). Xtra Frame's comprehensive coverage of the final two rounds of match play on Tuesday will begin at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT) and 8 p.m. ET (5 p.m. PT). PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman also will join the XF team for coverage of the final round of U.S. Open match play.

To activate the free trial day, fans will simply need to go to the page for subscription options on the Xtra Frame site (https://www.xtraframe.tv/#!subscription?SUB_step=1) on Oct. 30 and/or Nov. 8 and click on the "Day Pass" option. They will then

need to complete their registrations and, upon doing so, will have free viewing access on either or both days. (The "Day Pass" option will not be visible except on those two days: Oct. 30 and Nov. 8).

DRAFT POOL SET FOR 2017 PBA LEAGUE DRAFT

PBA League team managers will have a pool of 84 players to choose from when they draft two additional players to complete their rosters during the 2017 PBA League Draft on Wednesday, Nov. 2, at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas. Players who have made themselves eligible for the draft, which will be video-streamed live at 9 p.m. ET (6 p.m. PT) on Xtra Frame, include the following players, listed in alphabetical order:

David Adcox, Shawnee, Kan.; Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y.; Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C.; Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y.; D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas; Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio; Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan.; Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio; Kenneth Bland, Cibola, Texas; Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas;

Kim Bolleby, Thailand; Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill.; Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz.; Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif.; Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y.; Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla.; Graham Fach, Canada; Mike Fagan, Berkeley, Calif.; Gary Faulkner, Memphis, Tenn.; Trey Ford, Bartlesville, Okla.;

John Furey, Freehold, N.J.; Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn.; Patrick Girard, Canada; Andres Gomez, Colombia; Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass.; Michael Haugen, Phoenix; David Haynes, Las Vegas; Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa; J.T. "Action" Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif.; A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill.;

Robert Johnson, Amboy, Wash.; Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y.; Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich.; w-Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J.; Anthony LaCaze, Hoffman Estates, Ill.; Thomas Larsen, Denmark; Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas; Francois Lavoie, Canada; Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich.; John Maglio, Oceanside, N.Y.;

Shawn Maldonado, Houston; Michael Markis, Tafton, Pa.; Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill.; Robert McBride, Dallas; Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind.; w-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y.; Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn.; Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo.; Jonathan Miller, Jacksonville, Fla.; Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela;

Paul Moor, England; B.J. Moore, Greensburg, Pa.; Paul Nebel, Wellman, Iowa; Scott Newell, Deland, Fla.; Ryan Normand, Portland, Ore.; Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio; Matthew O'Grady, Matawan, N.J.; Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J.; Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla.; Osku Palermaa, Finland;

Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa.; w-Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif.; Kevin Paskevich, Burlington, Vt.; Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y.; Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev.; Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C.; Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla.; J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich.; Trevor Roberts, Crystal River, Fla.; Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela;

Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.; Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.; Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore.; Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla.; Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich.; Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif.; Richie Teece, England; Greg Thompson Jr., San Jose, Calif.; Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C.; Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I.;

Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan.; Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash.; Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio; w-Diana Zavjalova, Latvia.

Teams will draft in the following order, which is the reverse order of how they finished in 2016 PBA League competition. Listed are teams with team manager and three players protected from each team's 2015 roster:

- Philadelphia Hitmen (manager Jason Couch): Dom Barrett; Tom Smallwood; Chris Loschetter.
- L.A. X (manager Andrew Cain): Jason Belmonte, Stuart Williams, Martin Larsen.
- Brooklyn Styles (manager Johnny Petraglia): Sean Rash, Parker Bohn III, Walter Ray Williams Jr.
- Silver Lake Atom Splitters (manager Mark Baker): Chris Barnes, Tom Daugherty, Jesper Svensson.
- Portland Lumberjacks (manager Tim Mack): Wes Malott, Ryan Ciminelli, Liz Johnson.
- Motown Muscle (manager Del Ballard Jr.): EJ Tackett, Anthony Simonsen, Josh Blanchard.
- NYC WTT KingPins (manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard): Pete Weber, Marshall Kent, John Szczerbinski.
- Dallas Strikers (player-manager Norm Duke): Norm Duke, Tommy Jones, Bill O'Neill.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PBA FALL CLASSIC, PBA LEAGUE DRAFT, U.S. OPEN ON TAP

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QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: LEMOND DE-RAILS WEBER'S BID FOR 100TH WIN

- **Joe Bailey** of Doylestown, Ohio defeated **Craig LeMond** of Jasper, Ind., 278-230, to win the PBA Kokomo Central/Midwest Classic presented by Security Federal Savings at Heritage Lanes in Kokomo, Ind., Sunday, for his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title, a \$2,500 prize and eligibility to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions.

Bailey downed **Craig Nidiffer** of Trenton, Mich., 214-189, and LeMond topped **Teddy Patrick** of Indianapolis, 214-204, to advance to the championship match, but LeMond also distinguished himself by eliminating PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** in the best-of-three-game semifinal round, 2-0, to end Weber's bid for his 100th overall PBA title. **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**, who is tied with Weber with 99 overall titles, finished 32nd in the event.

- Three-time PBA Southwest Region Player of the Year **Nathan Bohr** from Austin, Texas, won seven of his eight matches to overtake **Joe Findling** of Mesquite, Texas, and claim his 23rd QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the PBA Greenville Southwest Open Sunday at Shenaniganz in Greenville, Texas.

Findling opened the tournament with a 280 game and remained at the top of the leader board until the final game. Leading Bohr by 52 pins going into their position round match, Findling struggled while Bohr struck out from the second frame for a 290-161 victory and a 21-game total of 5,197 pins and a 107-pin margin of victory over Findling. Bohr earned \$2,500.

- **Ryan Shafer** of Horseheads, N.Y. posted a 6-6 match play record and a 4,568 pinfall total, good enough to win the PBA Maple City Dodge Open presented by 900 Global by 88 pins over **Matt Zasowski** of Tonawanda, N.Y., at Maple City Bowl in Hornell, N.Y., on Sunday.

Shafer qualified second, but moved into the lead after four games Sunday morning. Once in the lead, he never trailed on his way to the \$2,400 top prize and his 29th QubicaAMF PBA Regional title. Zasowski, who was competing in his first PBA regional event in over 10 years, posted a 9-3 match play record and 4,480 total pins.

- PBA Hall of Famer **Parker Bohn III** of Jackson, N.J., and **Jake Peters** of Henderson, Nev., took advantage of their 5-1 match play record to post a 14-game total of 6,462 pins and win the PBA/PBA50 Ken Fowler Auto Center West/Northwest Doubles hosted by Yokayo Bowl in Ukiah, Calif., Sunday.

The title was Bohn's 26th in QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition while Peters earned his second. They shared the \$3,000 first prize.

Bohn and Peters defeated **Joe Petrovich** of Tracy, Calif., and **Sean Mamlok** of San Jose, Calif., by 341 pins for the title.

- **Chris Johnson** of Nashville, N.C., captured the inaugural PBA Century Lanes Hampton South Open title in Hampton, Va., Sunday by defeating top qualifier **Kyle Troup** of Taylorsville, N.C., 218-202, in the championship match.

Johnson, the no. 3 qualifier going into the stepladder finals, received \$2,500 for his second QubicaAMF PBA Regional win. In the first stepladder match, Johnson defeated 15-time PBA Regional champion **Kip Roberts** of Glen Allen, Va., 258-247, and he then disposed of **Jason Sterner** from Cocoa, Fla., 235-222.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the “schedules” tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- Seven-time PBA Tour titlist and seven-time Team USA member **Bill O'Neill** of Langhorne, Pa., has been selected to serve a three-year term as an athlete representative on the USBC Board of Directors through the 2018-19 season. He fills the spot vacated by PBA titlist **Mike Fagan** who decided against seeking re-election. Other Team USA athletes on the USBC Board are PBA members **Kelly Kulick** and **Rhino Page** and former Team USA member **Dan Patterson**.

- Reminder: Tickets for all six GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII ESPN television finals Dec. 10 and 11 at the National Bowling Stadium are available online at pba.com/tickets. An all-day pass to attend the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championship finals on Dec. 10 are \$20. An all-day pass for the live PBA World Championship finals and the “USA vs. The World” telecast on Sunday is \$15. Amateur bowlers who would like to bowl in the WSOB pro-am on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 6 p.m. should call the National Bowling Stadium (800-304-2695).

- This week marks the conclusion of the special PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Halloween-themed bowling ball promotion. New Halloween balls have been released by Concrete Software over the past month, and all of the special balls will be available be Friday through Sunday.

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Veteran Broadcaster Dave LaMont Tabbed as New Play-By-Play Announcer for PBA Tour Telecasts

CHICAGO, Ill. (Oct. 27, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association and ESPN have announced that veteran play-by-play announcer Dave LaMont will join PBA's broadcast team at the start of the new ESPN-PBA telecast season that begins with the live finals of the PBA World Championship during the GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno, Nev., on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. ET.

LaMont joins PBA Hall of Famer and 13-time Tour winner Randy Pedersen, who returns for his 16th season as color analyst, and former Miss USA Kimberly Pressler, who returns in her role as sideline reporter, as ESPN's PBA broadcast team.

“I regularly went to PBA Tour tournaments when they came to South Florida and as a longtime bowling fan, it's a dream come true,” LaMont said of his new role. “Since I've been announcing bowling I've really gained a deeper appreciation for what the players do and quickly found that the sport has all the ingredients for great television. It has athletes who have a passion for what they do and who can perform under intense pressure, all in an environment where you never know what's going to happen.”

The South Florida resident has extensive experience in bowling with stints as United States Bowling Congress Queens, Women's U.S. Open and Intercollegiate Championships play-by-play announcer since 2010.

“We are very happy that the PBA is bringing Dave LaMont on board to do play-by-play for the upcoming season on ESPN,” said Rich Williams, Senior Producer for ESPN's Packaged Show Unit. “Dave is a very talented and experienced pro and he's always expressed his appreciation of the PBA and the sport of bowling.”

LaMont joined ESPN and ABC in 2004 as play-by-play announcer for college football and basketball including bowl games and basketball conference championship games. He also has called basketball games for the SEC Network and was substitute play-by-play announcer for the Miami Heat and Baltimore Orioles for several seasons.

For the last three seasons, LaMont has called Major League Lacrosse and among his other assignments in 2016, he called the Texas Relays track and field meet and the 2016 Invictus Games for ESPN.

The former radio voice for Miami Hurricanes' football, basketball and baseball teams has spent more than 30 years in the South Florida market as a radio talk show host and reporter and is currently a member of the highly-rated Paul and Young Ron Radio Show broadcast team.

Jakob Butturff Takes First Round Lead in PBA South Point Las Vegas Open

Bill O'Neill trailed by 79 pins heading into Saturday night's second round

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 29, 2016) – Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., one of the hottest players on tour in 2016, claimed the lead after eight of 16 qualifying games in the Professional Bowlers Association's Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open Saturday in the South Point Bowling Plaza.

Butturff, an unorthodox double-jointed left-hander, started his opening eight-game qualifying round with a modest 218 game, but followed with games of 270, 300, 279, 256, 245, 261 and 248 for a total of 2,072 pins and a 79-pin lead over Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa.

The second eight-game qualifying round was held later Saturday. The top 16 players after 16 games will advance to two eight-game match play rounds Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. PT, leading to the five-player stepladder finals at 5:30 p.m. PT.

Butturff, a 22-year-old second-year PBA member, made his PBA national television debut during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII last December in Reno, and since then has won his first PBA Tour title in Lubbock, Texas, earlier this year in addition to winning eight PBA West and/or Northwest Region titles in 2016. And he really likes bowling in the South Point Bowling Plaza.

"This is one of my favorite buildings," Butturff said after averaging 259.63 for his first eight games. "I feel pretty comfortable bowling in Vegas because this is where I was born and raised. My family moved to Phoenix when I was 18, but when I'm here, it's like bowling at home. I'm just more relaxed."

The comfort of bowling in his native home city, combined with the confidence he has gained early in his PBA career, all support his bigger ambitions.

"I made my first TV show at the World Series last year (finishing fourth in the PBA Viper Championship), but I kinda wanted to get that first win because all of those other rookies (Sweden's Jesper Svensson and Texan Anthony Simonsen among them) were killin' it," Butturff said. "I just wanted to be known as part of the best rookie class ever in the PBA."

Sunday's round-robin match play rounds begin at 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. local time (11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Eastern). The top five after 32 games will advance to the stepladder finals that will be covered live of PBA's online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame, at 5:30 p.m. PT (8:30 p.m. ET).

In addition to bowling for a PBA Tour title in the Las Vegas Open, the tournament is the final event in a season-long Xtra Frame Tour points competition that will award the points leader a \$10,000 bonus. EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind.; Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., and Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., are the leading contenders for the bonus.

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PBA XTRA FRAME SOUTH POINT LAS VEGAS OPEN

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Saturday

First Round Qualifying Standings (after 8 games):

- 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 2,077.
- 2, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,998.
- 3, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,987.
- 4, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,984.
- 5, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,948.
- 6, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,944.
- 7, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 1,932, \$100.

8, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,924.
8, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,924.
10, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 1,921.
11, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,911.
12, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 1,908.
13, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,906.
14, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,903.
15, n-Steve Novak, Bay City, Mich., 1,892.
16, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,889.
17, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,885.
17, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,885, \$100.
17, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,885.
20, Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C., 1,883.
20, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,883.
22, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,878.
23, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,872.
24, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,871.
25, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,868, \$100.
26, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 1,862.
27, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,861.
28, Paul Moor, England, 1,855.
29, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,852.
30, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,845.
31, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 1,844.
32, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,842.
33, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,837.
34, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,835.
34, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,835.
36, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,834.
37, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,833.
37, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,833.
39, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,824.
40, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 1,823.
41, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,822.
42, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,819.
43, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,817.
44, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 1,814.
45, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,810.
46, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,807.
47, n-Alex Aguiar, N. Dartmouth, Mass., 1,805.
48, Dom Barrett, England, 1,797.
48, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,797.
50, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,795.
51, Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla., 1,790.
52, Matthew O'Grady, Matawan, N.J., 1,788.
53, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,787.
53, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,787.
55, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,786.
56, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,771.
56, n-Zachary Wilkins, Canada, 1,771.
58, Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y., 1,770.
59, w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,765.
60, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,752.
61, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,751.
62, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,750.
63, Richie Teece, England, 1,748.
64, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 1,747.
65, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,744.

66, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,741.
 66, Graham Fach, Canada, 1,741.
 68, Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 1,738.
 69, David Sevier, Gilbert, Ariz., 1,736.
 70, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,735.
 71, w-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 1,734.
 72, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,732.
 73, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,724.
 74, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 1,722.
 74, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,722.
 74, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,722.
 77, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,718.
 78, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,713.
 79, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,710.
 80, Matt Jones, Winnetka, Calif., 1,706.
 81, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,703.
 82, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 1,702.
 83, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,701.
 84, Lowell Huber, Westminster, Calif., 1,697.
 85, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 1,696.
 86, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,691.
 87, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 1,687.
 87, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 1,687.
 89, David Allen, Las Vegas, 1,679.
 90, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,677.
 91, n-Russ Oviatt, Tempe, Ariz., 1,676.
 92, Travis Celmer, Brigham City, Utah, 1,668.
 93, Chuck Tillson, Santa Rosa, Calif., 1,663.
 94, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,661.
 95, Andre Eubanks, Los Angeles, 1,630.
 96, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 1,619.
 97, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,616.
 98, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,612.
 99, Christopher Sloan, Ireland, 1,607.
 100, n-Tim Cagle II, Pinole, Calif., 1,606.
 100, Tommy Barna, Westminster, Md., 1,606.
 102, n-Jason Buenviaje, Ontario, Calif., 1,599.
 103, n-Kevin Valmonte, LaVerne, Calif., 1,577.
 104, w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, 1,574.
 105, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,566.
 106, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 1,556.
 107, William Grant, Rio Rancho, N.M., 1,551.
 108, n-w-Adrienne Barela, Henderson, Nev., 1,547.
 109, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,539.
 110, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 1,516.
 111, Timothy Tripp, Santa Clarita, Calif., 1,498.
 112, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,451.
 113, Dave Oliver, San Tan Valley, Ariz., 1,448.
 114, n-Luke Bow, Temecula, Calif., 1,435.
 115, Louis Catiller, Las Vegas, 1,417.
 116, Joe Moorehead, Fate, Texas, 1,382.
 117, Michael Marranca, Phoenix, 1,374.
 118, Ryan Normand, Portland, Ore., 1,348.
 119, n-Daniel Jackson, Scottsdale, Ariz., 1,342.

300 Games: Wes Malott, Jakob Butturff, Jesse Buss, Brad Miller.

n-denotes non-member; w-denotes woman.

Jakob Butturff PBA South Point Las Vegas Open Field into Match Play

Tommy Jones trails by 159 pins as top 16 players advance to Sunday's finals

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PBA XTRA FRAME SOUTH POINT LAS VEGAS OPEN

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Saturday

Final Round Qualifying Standings (after 16 games, top 16 advance to round robin match play Sunday):

- 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 4,060.
- 2, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,901.
- 3, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 3,876.
- 4, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,843.
- 5, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 3,840.
- 6, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3,838.

- 7, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 3,811.
- 8, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 3,798.
- 9, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3,775.
- 10, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 3,769.
- 11, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 3,766.
- 12, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,760.
- 13, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 3,753.
- 14, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,737.
- 15 (tie), Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., and Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 3,726.

Other Cashers:

- 17, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 3,723, \$800.
- 18, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,707, \$770.
- 19, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 3,704, \$740.
- 20, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,684, \$710.
- 21, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,674, \$680.
- 22, Brad Miller, Maryland Hts, Mo., 3,671, \$650.
- 23, Sam Cooley, Australia, 3,669, \$620.
- 24, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 3,668, \$600.
- 25, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 3,659, \$600.
- 26, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3,650, \$600.
- 27, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 3,647, \$600.
- 28, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,635, \$550.
- 29, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,631, \$550.
- 30, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,627, \$550.
- 31, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 3,626, \$550.
- 32, Dom Barrett, England, 3,622, \$550.
- 33, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 3,619, \$550.
- 34, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,608, \$500.
- 35, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,606, \$500.
- 36, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3,601, \$500.
- 37, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,596, \$500.
- 38, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,594, \$500.
- 39, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 3,589, \$500.
- 40, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3,585, \$500.

Failed to Cash:

- 41, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 3,583.
- 42, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 3,582.
- 43, Matthew O'Grady, Matawan, N.J., 3,580.
- 44, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,567.
- 45, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 3,562.
- 46, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 3,548.
- 47, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 3,546.
- 48, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,543.
- 49, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,540.
- 50, n-Zachary Wilkins, Canada, 3,533.
- 51, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3,529.
- 52, Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 3,527.
- 53 (tie), w-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., and n-Alex Aguiar, N. Dartmouth, Mass., 3,520.
- 55 (tie), Richie Teece, England, and w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 3,516.
- 57, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 3,508.
- 58 (tie), Graham Fach, Canada, and Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,500.
- 60, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 3,494.
- 61, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 3,491.
- 62 (tie), Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., and Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,489.
- 64, Paul Moor, England, 3,484.
- 65, Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C., 3,475.
- 66, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,470.
- 67, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,468.

68, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 3,465.
 69 (tie), Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio; Francois Lavoie, Canada, and Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 3,463.
 72, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 3,455.
 73, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 3,440.
 74, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,432.
 75, Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y., 3,426.
 76, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 3,411.
 77, Chuck Tillson, Santa Rosa, Calif., 3,410.
 78, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 3,401.
 79, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 3,399.
 80, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3,394.
 81, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,382.
 82, n-Steve Novak, Bay City, Mich., 3,381.
 83, n-Russ Oviatt, Tempe, Ariz., 3,372.
 84, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 3,365.
 85, Travis Celmer, Brigham City, Utah, 3,360.
 86, Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla., 3,343.
 87, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3,334.
 88 (tie), Christopher Sloan, Ireland, and Matt Jones, Winnetka, Calif., 3,330.
 90, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 3,320.
 91, n-Tim Cagle II, Pinole, Calif., 3,319.
 92, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 3,314.
 93, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3,292.
 94, Lowell Huber, Westminster, Calif., 3,257.
 95, w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, 3,231.
 96, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 3,222.
 97, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,216.
 98, David Allen, Las Vegas, 3,208.
 99, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 3,204.
 100, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 3,194.
 101 (tie), n-Jason Buenviaje, Ontario, Calif., and David Sevier, Gilbert, Ariz., 3,192.
 103, n-Kevin Valmonte, LaVerne, Calif., 3,183.
 104, Dave Han, Hoover, Ala., 3,172.
 105, Timothy Tripp, Santa Clarita, Calif., 3,166.
 106, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 3,153.
 107, Andre Eubanks, Los Angeles, 3,132.
 108, Tommy Barna, Westminster, Md., 3,078.
 109, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 3,056.
 110, n-w-Adrienne Barela, Henderson, Nev., 3,018.
 111, William Grant, Rio Rancho, N.M., 2,947.
 112, n-Luke Bow, Temecula, Calif., 2,811.
 113, Michael Marranta, Phoenix, 2,772.
 114, n-Daniel Jackson, Scottsdale, Ariz., 2,722.
 115, Joe Moorehead, Fate, Texas, 2,683.
 116, Dave Oliver, San Tan Valley, Ariz., 2,611.
 117, Ryan Normand, Portland, Ore., 2,602.
 Withdrew: Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., and Louis Catiller, Las Vegas.

300 Games (9): Wes Malott, Jakob Butturff, Jesse Buss, Brad Miller, Richie Teese, Brandon Novak, Marshall Kent, Andrew Graff, Sean Rash.

n-denotes non-member; w-denotes woman.

LAS VEGAS – Left-hander Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., in pursuit of his second PBA Tour title, continued to dominate the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open as the field of 16 finalists headed toward the stepladder finals at 8 p.m. ET (5 p.m. PT) today.

The 22-year-old Butturff, who led by 149 points coming into Sunday's first eight-game match play round, won his first seven matches before losing a 258-227 match against Sweden's Martin Larsen to conclude the round. Despite that one blemish, Butturff finished the round with a grand total of 6,281 pins, expanding his lead to 305 pins over Swedish two-handed star Jesper Svensson. Svensson, a leading candidate in the 2016 PBA Player of the Year race, is trying to become the first four-time title winner of the year.

Also underway is the final leg in the race for the 2016 Xtra Frame Tour points title involving E.J. Tackett, Tommy Jones and Ryan Ciminelli. Tackett leads in points with 75 followed by Jones (72) and Ciminelli (69). Going into the final round match play Jones was in fifth place, Ciminelli sixth and Tackett seventh.

The final eight matches to determine the five stepladder finalists got underway at 4 p.m. ET (1 p.m. PT). The final round of match play and stepladder finals will be video-streamed live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel.

PBA XTRA FRAME SOUTH POINT LAS VEGAS OPEN

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Sunday

Third Round Standings (after 24 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 7-1, 6,281.
- 2, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 5-3, 5,976.
- 3, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 5-2-1, 5,858.
- 4, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 4-4, 5,809.
- 5, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 5-3, 5,801.
- 5, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 5-3, 5,801.
- 7, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3-5, 5,787.
- 8, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 3-5, 5,781.
- 9, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 3-5, 5,768.
- 10, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3-5, 5,760.
- 11, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 4-4, 5,752.
- 12, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 2-5-1, 5,751.
- 13, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 3-4-1, 5,744.
- 14, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 4-4, 5,725.
- 15, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 5-3, 5,656.
- 16, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 1-6-1, 5,480.

Arizona's Jakob Butturff Wins PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open

Tommy Jones wins \$10,000 bonus as season-long Xtra Frame Tour points leader

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 30, 2016) – Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., won his second career Professional Bowlers Association Tour title Sunday in the PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open at South Point Bowling Plaza in a championship round that featured three of the PBA's rising stars.

Butturff, who won his only other title earlier in the year in the PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open in Texas, struck on 10 of his first 11 shots to defeat 19-year-old Anthony Simonson of Princeton, Texas, 277-211.

Butturff, a 22-year-old left-hander, led the field after 32 games of qualifying and match play by 448 pins, winning 14 of his 16 matches Sunday without an open frame. Except for his 218 game to start the tournament, the second-year PBA member led all the way to the final match.

"Everyone performed great," Butturff said. "I just had to make as many good shots as they did.

"My mom was diagnosed with cancer recently, so I really wanted to win this one for her. One thing I've learned is that when someone has cancer, you have to keep their spirits up and I know she likes it when I bowl well. My title was basically for her.

"I've just been successful bowling here in Vegas; it was more of a comfort feeling than anything," he added.

Simonsen, who won both of his PBA Tour titles earlier in the year, won the semifinal match in a strike-fest against 21-year-old Swedish two-hander Jesper Svensson, 267-258. The battle of contenders for 2016 PBA Player of the Year honors began with Simonsen throwing seven strikes to start the match while Svensson, the Tour's only three-time winner in 2016, converted three single-pin spares before rolling eight strikes in a row to finish his game.

In the first match, Simonsen struck on four of his first five shots before leaving the 4-6-7-10 split, but O'Neill had trouble gaining ground, leaving 10 pins on five of his first seven shots. He finally got on track with a late string of four strikes, but Simonsen recovered from his big split with a string of six strikes for a 242-224 victory.

Simonsen also struck on four of his first five shots against Jones in the second match, but Jones, after converting spares in his first three frames, threw three strikes to catch up. A 4-6-10 split in Jones' seventh frame, however, gave Simonsen an opening and he jumped on it, throwing another string of five strikes to knock Jones out of the finals, 248-191.

With his fourth-place finish, Jones earned 17 points in the final PBA Xtra Frame Tour event of the year and captured the \$10,000 winner-take-all bonus with a season-ending total of 87 points to overtake E.J. Tackett, who finished with 84 points, and Ryan Ciminelli, who had 83.

The PBA Fall Classic continues Monday at South Point Bowling Plaza with qualifying rounds in the PBA Team Challenge, a high-powered five-player team competition that will conclude Tuesday. Twenty teams representing a broad mix of PBA Hall of Famers, PBA50 Tour stars, women, rising future stars and international players from 11 different countries will bowl six standard and 12 Baker format team games Monday at noon and 8 p.m. ET (9 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT). The top six teams will advance to a six-game round of Baker format match play Tuesday at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT), leading to four-team Baker format stepladder finals at 6 p.m. ET (3 p.m. PT).

All competition in the PBA Fall Classic is being covered live, exclusively on PBA's online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame. To subscribe, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA XTRA FRAME SOUTH POINT LAS VEGAS OPEN

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Sunday

Final Standings

- 1, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., \$10,000.
- 2, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, \$5,000.
- 3, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$3,000.
- 4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$2,000.
- 5, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., \$1,500.

Stepladder Results:

- Match One – Simonsen def. O'Neill, 242-224.
Match Two – Simonsen def. Jones, 248-191.
Semifinal Match – Simonsen def. Svensson, 267-258.
Championship – Butturff def. Simonsen, 277-211.

Final Match Play Standings (after 32 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, Butturff, 14-2, 8,504.
- 2, Svensson, 10-6, 8,056.
- 3, Jones, 10-5-1, 7,961.
- 4, O'Neill, 9-7, 7,845.
- 5, Simonsen, 8-8, 7,833.
- 6, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 6-9-1, 7,787, \$1,400.
- 7, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 7-9, 7,760, \$1,350.
- 8, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 8-7-1, 7,706, \$1,300.
- 9, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 10-6, 7,701, \$1,250.
- 10, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 7-9, 7,689, \$1,200.
- 11, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 6-10, 7,684, \$1,150.
- 12, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6-10, 7,674, \$1,100.
- 13, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 8-8, 7,614, \$1,075.
- 14, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 7-9, 7,554, \$1,050.

15, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 6-9-1, 7,484, \$1,025.

16, Joe Bailey, Wooster, Ohio, 4-12, 7,366, \$1,000.

300 Games: Anthony Simonsen, Ildemaro Ruiz, Jesper Svensson, Michael Haugen Jr.

PBA Introduces New Players Committee to Encourage Members' Input

Rhino Page selected as chairman of newly-formed players' group

CHICAGO (Oct. 31, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association has introduced a new PBA Players Committee, designed to encourage input from its membership base regarding a variety of programs and issues that impact professional bowlers.

PBA's management team, led by PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark, will solicit input from the players' group in issues such as tournament formats, communications, prize fund distribution, playing conditions, rules and similar issues that play a role in the lives of PBA members.

The PBA Players Committee, under the leadership of chairman Rhino Page of Orlando, Fla., will serve as a conduit between the membership and PBA management. Other members of the newly-formed players' group are Jason Belmonte, Bill O'Neill, A.J. Johnson, Andrew Cain, Jon Van Hees, Ronnie Russell and Chad Lusche.

"Talks with the new PBA Players Committee have been very encouraging," Clark said. "We are excited about working together closely on issues important to players, fans and partners.

"Throughout our history, the players have played a large role in shaping the competitive formats, rules and how the PBA is presented to fans. Through the increased emphasis and communication with this diverse and involved group of new Players Committee leaders we will continue that tradition.

"The PBA as an organization has shown an openness to change, a progressive mindset that has us positioned for growth," Clark concluded.

Page earned PBA's 2007-08 Rookie of the Year award when he won the first of his three titles. He is a former Team USA member and earned collegiate All-American honors while helping the University of Kansas win the 2004 men's intercollegiate championship. Page and O'Neill are also members of the United States Bowling Congress board of directors as athlete representatives.

"There was a considerable time gap between the last time the PBA had an active players' group and now," Page said of his role in the new group. "My heart has always been wanting to help bowling, and I saw this as a great opportunity to serve the Tour. When Mike Fagan and Scott Norton stepped aside – they were the guys who really got the committee up and running again - I kind of stepped in.

"The group we have now represents all regions of the country," he continued. "Our goal is to improve the lines of communications between the players and the PBA leadership. Our thinking is in the best interests of not only the players, but our fans and our corporate partners. I think we've been making a lot of great strides in that direction.

"One of our biggest goals was to create a structure for the players' committee and to develop a strategic plan covering what we hope to accomplish, so we can let all of the other players see what the big picture is," Page concluded. "Our next step is to improve those communications and let the other players know their opinions are important in what we're trying to build for the future."

BFFs Lead PBA Team Challenge Qualifiers into Tuesday's Final Rounds

Top six teams advance to Baker format match play, stepladder finals

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (Oct. 31, 2016) – The BFFs, an international team consisting of England's Dom Barrett and Stuart Williams, Sweden's Jesper Svensson and Martin Larsen, and Finland's Osku Palermaa, averaged 232.64 as a team Monday to lead the top six qualifying teams into Tuesday's match play portion of the second Professional Bowlers Association Team Challenge at the South Point Bowling Plaza.

The BFFs, with a combined total of 9,771 pins, held at 66-pin lead over “One College POY and You Know The Rest,” a so-called super team consisting of Jason Belmonte, Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones, Wes Malott and Bill O’Neill who, as a group, represented 65 PBA Tour titles and six PBA Player of the Year awards.

“We’ve continued with the chemistry we’ve had in the Weber Cup, which is a Europe vs. the USA team competition,” Williams said. “Pretty much the whole day today, at least three of us were bowling well and the guys who were struggling would figure it out. But when you have three bowling well, it makes life a lot easier.”

The top six teams after six standard and 12 Baker format games Monday advanced to Tuesday’s final round of head-to-head Baker team matches leading up to the four-team Baker format stepladder finals at 6 p.m. ET (3 p.m. PT). In Baker format team bowling, each of the five players bowls two frames to complete a game.

Also advancing was the defending champion Dead Money team, which consists of a group of players who bowled extensively with and against each other in national youth bowling competition over the years: Alex Cavagnaro, Danielle McEwan, Matt McNiel, Matt O’Grady and Anthony Pepe.

Tuesday’s competition will include six Baker format team matches, beginning at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT). Based on pinfall totals for six traditional team games and 18 Baker format games, plus match play bonus pins, the top four teams will advance to the Baker format stepladder finals Tuesday at 6 p.m. ET (3 p.m. PT). All of Tuesday’s competition will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame. For details, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA TEAM CHALLENGE

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Monday

Final Qualifying Standings (after six five-player team games plus 12 Baker format team games; top six teams advance to round-robin match play Tuesday)

- 1, The BFFs (Dom Barrett, England; Martin Larsen, Sweden; Osku Palermaa, Finland; Jesper Svensson, Sweden; Stuart Williams, England), 9,771.
- 2, One College POY & the Rest You Know (Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas; Jason Belmonte, Australia; Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C.; Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas; Bill O’Neill, Langhorne, Pa.), 9,705.
- 3, Team Brunswick (Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J.; Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.; Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla.), 9,700.
- 4, Playin’ with House Money (D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas; Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz.; Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas; Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla.; Shawn Maldonado, Houston), 9,560.
- 5, Dead Money Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y.; w-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y.; Matt McNiel, Minneapolis; Matt O’Grady, Matawa, N.J.; Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y.), 9,433.
- 6, ‘Merica Rooster Illusion (Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash.; Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio; Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla.; Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.; E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.), 9,400.

Did not advance:

- 7, The X Team (Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio; Arturo Quintero, Mexico; w-Anggie Ramirez, Austin, Texas; Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela; Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash.), 9,384.
- 8, Almost All College Grads & Prather (Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan.; Graham Fach, Canada; Francois Lavoie, Canada; Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev.; Kris Prather, Milton, Fla.), 9,315.
- 9, PBA50 Tour (Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela; Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J.; Ron Mohr, N. Las Vegas; Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio; Bob Learn Jr., Boynton Beach, Fla.), 9,257.
- 10, Moneyball (Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y.; Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix; Darren Tang, San Francisco; n-Michael Tang, San Francisco; n-Chris Via, Springfield, Ohio), 9,236.
- 11, MOTIV Revolution (Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C.; Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn.; Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich.; Brad Miller, Maryland Hts., Mo.; Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio), 9,217.
- 12, General Mills’ Pin Militia (John Furey, Freehold, N.J.; Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa.; w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y.; Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa.; Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.), 9,206.
- 13, Team EBI (Joe Bailey, Doylestown, Ohio; Steve Novak, Indianapolis; J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich.; Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio; Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind.), 9,134.
- 14, 900 Global Phoenix (Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz.; Andrew Cain, Phoenix; Ben Canfield, Tempe, Ariz.; n-Russ Oviatt, Tempe, Ariz.; Jeff Piroozhaad, Coral Springs, Fla.), 9,129.
- 15, Woof Hearted (n-Alex Aguiar, Dartmouth, Mass.; Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass.; Robert Smith, Ventura, Calif.; Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla.; Jon Van Hees, Charleston, R.I.), 9,088.

16, Bowl U (Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y.; B.J. Moore, Greensburg, Pa.; Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill.; John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y.; n-Zachary Wilkins, Canada), 9,048.
17, Just Some Guys (Joe Goldstein Sr., San Bruno, Calif.; Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev.; David Haynes, Las Vegas; Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif.; Greg Thompson Jr., San Jose, Calif.), 8,904.
18, Team Fish (A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill.; Scott Newell, Deland, Fla.; Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C.; Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas; Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C.), 8,893.
19, Paul's Right Hand Men (Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa; Thomas Larsen, Denmark; Paul Moor, England; Christopher Sloan, Ireland; Richie Teece, England), 8,789.
20, The Donators (Anthony Colosimo, Davie, Fla.; Sam Cooley, Australia; Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C.; Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas; n-Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio), 8,635.

300 Games: Sean Rash, Jason Belmonte.

LAS VEGAS – A veteran team of international players who called themselves “BFFs” earned the top qualifying position for this afternoon’s stepladder finals of the PBA Team Challenge at South Point Bowling Plaza, starting at 6 p.m. ET (3 p.m. PT).

England’s Dom Barrett and Stuart Williams, Sweden’s Martin Larsen and Jesper Svensson, and Finland’s Osku Palermaa posted a total of 12,611 pins over a combined total of 54 traditional and Baker format games (where each team member bowls two frames) to qualify No.1 over the all-star One College POY and You Know the Rest (Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones, Bill O’Neill, Wes Malott and Jason Belmonte), who had 12,594 pins. The highly-regarded POY team represents a total of 64 PBA Tour titles compared to BFF’s 15.

The first match in the two-game, total pinfall Baker format stepladder finals will match No. 3 ‘Merica Rooster Illusion (Marshall Kent, Chris Loschetter, Rhino Page, Ronnie Russell and E.J. Tackett) against No. 3 Playin’ With House Money (D.J. Archer, Josh Blanchard, Dino Castillo, Tom Daugherty and Shawn Maldonado). The Rooster Illusion team has won 11 PBA Tour titles and includes three past PBA Rookies of the Year – Kent (2014), Tackett (2013) and Page (2008). House Money has won a total of five PBA Tour titles.

The winning team will split a \$30,000 first prize, but also at stake is a PBA Tour title for each member of the team. The title would have special significance to Larsen, Castillo and Maldonado – all of whom have yet to win a PBA Tour title.

‘Merica Rooster Illusion Wins PBA Team Challenge Title
No. 4 qualifier sweeps through stepladder finals for “special” victory

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (Nov. 1, 2016) – After scratching its way into the championship round, the team calling itself ‘Merica Rooster Illusion threw nine strikes on 10 attempts to win the Professional Bowlers Association Team Challenge at the South Point Bowling Plaza Tuesday.

The team, named after a reference found in the movie “Tropical Thunder,” knocked off The BFFs, the top qualifying team composed of veteran international players Dom Barrett and Stuart Williams of England, Martin Larsen and Jesper Svensson of Sweden, and Finland’s Osku Palermaa, 498-452, in the two-game, total pinfall final game. ‘Merica locked it up with its strike barrage in a 264-232 clinching game.

“We’re a team of journeymen and young guys, all of whom can throw strikes when you need them,” team captain Ronnie Russell said.

Russell, who won his fourth career PBA Tour title along with a share of a \$30,000 first prize, was joined by former PBA Rookies of the Year Marshall Kent (2014), E.J. Tackett (2013) Rhino Page (2008) and veteran Chris Loschetter, who bowled after being cleared by doctors in his battle with cancer.

“It really wasn’t about Losch and cancer,” Tackett said. “Losch is Losch. He doesn’t change, but when he got cleared to bowl, that’s what we wanted to do for him. To get a win after what he’s been through really makes it special.”

Loschetter, who earned his second PBA Tour title, also took it in stride. He was diagnosed with testicular cancer just before the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII in Reno last December, had surgery, and thought he was cleared until the cancer resurfaced in his abdomen during the summer. After another bout of chemo, he was declared clear in early October.

“It definitely makes you appreciate life,” the Avon, Ohio resident said. “Getting another title? Yeah, that’s cool.”

The PBA Team Challenge is a one-of-a-kind five-player team competition for the sport's most talented players. It was conducted as part of the South Point Bowling Plaza Fall Classic.

In the first match in the two-game, total pinfall Baker format stepladder finals, 'Merica Rooster Illusion defeated Playin' With House Money (Josh Blanchard, Dino Castillo, D.J. Archer, Shawn Maldonado and Tom Daugherty), 508-488. The difference proved to be Archer's 10 pin in the eighth frame, ending a deadlock when Rooster Illusion closed the match with six consecutive strikes.

'Merica Rooster Illusion then broke open a five-pin match with a string of six consecutive strikes to win the semifinal match, 482-452, eliminating the highly-regarded all-star team, One College POY and You Know the Rest (Chris Barnes, Bill O'Neill, Tommy Jones, Wes Malott and Jason Belmonte). The "POY" team represented a combined total of 64 PBA titles, by far the most in the entire 20-team tournament field.

PBA members will now join many of the sport's top amateur players in the U.S. Open which begins Friday at the South Point Bowling Plaza. All qualifying and match play rounds of the U.S. Open will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online video-streaming service, Xtra Frame, leading up to the live CBS Sports Network stepladder finals on Tuesday, Nov. 8, at 8 p.m. ET (5 p.m. PT).

In addition to its normal coverage, Xtra Frame's coverage also will include bonus coverage of featured groups of players on its new XF2 channel. For details, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA TEAM CHALLENGE

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas, Tuesday

Final Standings

- 1, 'Merica Rooster Illusion (Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash.; Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio; Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.; E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.; Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla.), \$30,000.
- 2, The BFFs (Dom Barrett, England; Martin Larsen, Sweden; Osku Palermaa, Finland; Stuart Williams, England; Jesper Svensson, Sweden), \$16,000.
- 3, One College POY & the Rest You Know (Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas; Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa.; Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C.; Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas; Jason Belmonte, Australia), \$12,000.
- 4, Playin' with House Money (D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas; Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz.; Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas; Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla.; Shawn Maldonado, Houston), \$8,000.

Stepladder Results (Baker format, two games total pinfall):

Match One – 'Merica Rooster Illusion (239-269) def. Playin' with House Money (230-258), 508-488.

Semifinal Match – 'Merica Rooster Illusion (224-258) def. One College POY and the Rest You Know (209-243), 482-452.

Championship – 'Merica Rooster Illusion (234-264) def. The BFFs (224-258), 498-452.

Final Match Play Standings (after 52 team games, including 50 bonus pins for each Baker format, two-game total pinfall match won):

- 1, The BFFs, 4-2, 12,611.
- 2, One College POY and You Know the Rest, 3-3, 12,594.
- 3, Playin' with House Money, 3-3, 12,403.
- 4, 'Merica Rooster Illusion, 4-2, 12,400.
- 5, Team Brunswick (Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J.; Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.; Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla.), 2-4, 12,392, \$4,500.
- 6, Dead Money (Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y.; w-Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y.; Matt McNiel, Minneapolis; Matt O'Grady, Matawa, N.J.; Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y.), 2-4, 12,177, \$4,500.

Baker Format Team 300 Games: Dead Money (2), 'Merica Rooster Illusion, Almost All College Grads.

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Indiana's Ronnie Russell First Pick in 2017 PBA League Draft

Fifth season of PBA team competition returns to "new" Bayside Bowl in Maine in April

LAS VEGAS (Nov. 2, 2016) – The Professional Bowlers Association League took its final steps in preparation for the 2017 season Wednesday when the league’s eight team managers got together at the South Point Bowling Plaza to draft the final two players to complete their five-player rosters.

Selecting first in the “serpentine” draft, Philadelphia Hitmen manager Tim Mack selected Ronnie Russell of Marion, Ind. L.A. X manager Andrew Cain then selected Finland’s Osku Palermaa. And so the draft went until the 20th and final player selected as the draft came back to the Hitmen was Dave Wodka, a member of the 2016 Philadelphia roster.

“That was very difficult,” Couch said of making the final pick. “There were a lot of highly capable players left on the board, but it came down to my team wanting a guy they were very comfortable bowling with, and that was it.”

The defending champion Dallas Strikers, making the eighth and ninth selections, picked Rhino Page and BJ Moore, respectively. Moore was a member of the 2016 Strikers team, but fifth member Shawn Maldonado was taken earlier in the first round by the Silver Lake Atom Splitters.

“I was hoping I could keep last year’s team together,” Strikers’ player-manager Norm Duke said, “but Maldonado was gone before I could pick him.”

“One of the biggest problems with the PBA League and the draft is that we have so many great players and only a limited number of roster spots available,” PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark said.

All eight teams were given the opportunity to protect three players from their 2016 rosters prior to the draft.

Among the 40 players selected for 2017 were two women, Professional Women’s Bowling Association champions Liz Johnson (Portland Lumberjacks) and Danielle McEwan (NYC WTT KingPins).

The PBA League will return to the newly-reconstructed Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine, in April for its fifth season of competition. All matches in pursuit of the Elias Cup will be televised on ESPN.

The 2017 rosters, including the respective team managers and pending any trades that might be made, will be:

- Dallas Strikers (player-manager Norm Duke): Norm Duke, Tommy Jones, Bill O’Neill, Rhino Page, B.J. Moore.
- NYC WTT KingPins (manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard): Pete Weber, Marshall Kent, John Szczerbinski, Danielle McEwan, Sam Cooley.
- Motown Muscle (manager Del Ballard Jr.): E.J. Tackett, Anthony Simonsen, Josh Blanchard, Francois Lavoie, Dick Allen.
- Portland Lumberjacks (manager Tim Mack): Wes Malott, Ryan Ciminelli, Liz Johnson, Kyle Troup, Bryon Smith.
- Silver Lake Atom Splitters (manager Mark Baker): Chris Barnes, Tom Daugherty, Jesper Svensson, Shawn Maldonado, D.J. Archer.
- Brooklyn Styles (manager Johnny Petraglia): Sean Rash, Parker Bohn III, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Jason Sterner, Jon Van Hees.
- L.A. X (manager Andrew Cain): Jason Belmonte, Stuart Williams, Martin Larsen, Osku Palermaa, Jakob Butturff.
- Philadelphia Hitmen (manager Jason Couch): Dom Barrett; Tom Smallwood; Chris Loschetter, Ronnie Russell, Dave Wodka.

The PBA League draft was covered live by PBA’s Xtra Frame online video-streaming service and was hosted by South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas.

PBA League competition will begin with a new seven-game round-robin team competition on April 13 to determine the seeding for the ESPN television finals, which will be contested April 15-16. ESPN will air the two quarterfinal rounds of PBA League competition on April 23 and 30, the semifinals on May 7, and the Elias Cup finals on May 14.

Additional information about the PBA League can be found on pba.com and throughout the entire family of PBA Network media outlets.

PBA Spare Shots

TOMMY JONES SAVES BEST FOR LAST TO WIN PBA XTRA FRAME TOUR POINTS BONUS

After finishing second in the bowlingball.com PBA Maine Shootout in April to kick off the PBA Xtra Frame Tour’s winner-take-all points chase, **Tommy Jones** of Simpsonville, S.C., never led until it mattered – at the very end.

Jones, needing a big finish to overtake Xtra Frame Series points leader **E.J. Tackett**, finished match play in Sunday's Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open with games of 300, 278 and 290 to qualify third for the stepladder finals. He then lost to **Anthony Simonson**, 248-191, but his fourth-place finish was good for 17 Xtra Frame Tour points and that gave him a total of 89 points for the year, enough to top Tackett's 84 and **Ryan Ciminelli's** 83. The win earned him a \$10,000 bonus.

For the record, Jones finished second in Maine (19 points), won the Greater Jonesboro Open (25 points), finished 19th in Lubbock, Texas (2 points); 11th in Middletown, Del. (10 points), and fifth in Aurora, Ill. (16 points) before the finale in Las Vegas. The seven-tournament Xtra Frame Tour awarded 25 points to each tournament winner, 19 points for second place, 18 for third, etc., declining by one point each place through 20 places, resulting in a close, competitive points race all the way to the end.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR 2016 TONY REYES COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

The PBA is now accepting nominations for the 2016 Tony Reyes Community Service award, named in honor of the late PBA Tour player in recognition of his service to the bowling community. The award recognizes a current PBA member who performs extraordinary community service over the course of a PBA Tour season. To be eligible, the nominee must be a PBA member in good standing.

For a nomination form and additional information click on <http://www.pba.com/Corporate/Awards>. The deadline for submissions is Dec. 19

Reyes, a popular PBA Tour titlist, died in late September 2012 of injuries sustained in a traffic accident near his home in San Bruno, Calif. at the age of 38. Reyes, who competed in 14 seasons on the PBA Tour, won his lone Tour title in dramatic fashion in the 2006 Motor City Classic in Detroit where he bowled the 18th televised 300 game in PBA Tour history in the semi-final match against Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III before going on to defeat Wes Malott in the championship match, 255-238.

Past winners of the award were Parker Bohn III in 2013, Missy Parkin in 2014 and Ed Godbout in 2015.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: U.S. OPEN TO INCLUDE SPECIAL "XF2" COVERAGE

PBA's Xtra Frame team will not only provide exclusive live coverage of all qualifying and match play rounds of Bowling's U.S. Open from South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas, Nov. 4-8, but will continue to provide bonus coverage of featured groups of players on its new "XF2" channel.

During the mid-day (second) qualifying squad on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, XF2 – introduced during last week's PBA Fall Classic – will cover a group of players-to-be-named every game in the mid-day eight-game rounds. The same coverage will apply to Monday's cashers round. During the three match play rounds Monday evening and Tuesday, XF2 will follow a specific player-to-be-named for each eight-game round. The XF2 coverage will be available simultaneously along with Xtra Frame's normal coverage as players migrate across the bowling center during each round.

PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman will join the team for its coverage of the evening rounds of match play on Nov. 7 and 8, leading into the stepladder finals that will air live on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 8 p.m. ET.

Xtra Frame will feature a Free Trial Day on Nov. 8 and three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by visiting "xtraframe.tv" and clicking on the "subscribe now" link. New monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: TWO EVENTS OPEN NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule for November begins over the Nov. 4-6 weekend with the Pro Bowl West Central/Midwest Classic in Ft. Wayne, Ind., and the PBA50 Dick's Pro Shop Northwest/West Open presented by Boulder Falls Inn in Lebanon, Ore.

- The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule for the Nov. 11-13 weekend includes the PBA50 Victory Lanes Midwest/Central Open in Kankakee, Ill.; the Lubbock Sports Southwest Challenge presented by Ebonite, an event for non-champions, at South Plains Lanes in Lubbock, Texas, and the East Region's PBA50 Chuck Pezzano Memorial presented by The Insurance Market at Bryan's Bowling Center in Laurel, Del.

- The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour schedule for the Nov. 18-20 weekend includes the PBA50 Gastonia South Open presented by Brunswick at George Pappas Liberty Lanes in Gastonia, N.C.; the PBA and PBA50 3rd Capital City West/Northwest Open

doubleheader, presented by DV8, Genesis and Mongoose, at Strikes Unlimited in Rocklin, Calif., and the La-Z-Boy Central Challenge for non-champions at Monroe Sports Center in Monroe, Mich.

- The QubicaAMF PBA Regional Tour's Thanksgiving weekend schedule begins with the Japan Region's Phoenix Rays Wolf Open at PBA Fuji Bowl in Iruma, Japan. The only tournament in the U.S. will be the Beaumont Southwest Open at Crossroads Bowling Center in Beaumont, Texas, Nov. 25-27.
- Heading into the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in Reno, the QubicaAMF PBA East Region will host the MJK Pro Shop/Knob Hill Eastern Challenge presented by DV8 for non-champions at Knob Hill Country Lanes in Manalapan, N.J., over the Dec. 2-3 weekend.
- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES

- **Dean Courtrade**, the first bowler to average 200 for an entire season in New Orleans (1958) and the second Louisiana bowler to join the PBA (1960) died on Oct. 22 in New Orleans. He was 88. A former co-owner of Fazzio-Courtade Pro Shop he also owned Sugar Bowl Lanes and Sugar Bowl/Orbit Lanes, and earned induction into the Louisiana USBC Hall of Fame.
- The 12th annual **Chris and Lynda Barnes** Thanksgiving Classic Scholarship tournament will take place Nov. 25-27 at Super Bowl in Plano, Texas. The tournament, which will include \$7,000 in added scholarship money, features scratch, handicap and 12-under divisions. For more information, look for the Barnes Thanksgiving Classic page on Facebook.

Canada's Wilkins Leads After First Round at 2016 U.S. Open

by JSchneider | Saturday, November 05, 12:02 AM

By Aaron Smith, IBC Communications

LAS VEGAS – Canada's Zach Wilkins averaged more than 238 on Friday to lead the first round of qualifying at the 2016 U.S. Open.

Wilkins rolled an eight-game total of 1,906 at the South Point Bowling Plaza and leads the field of 228 bowlers by 80 pins after the first of three days of qualifying. Ronnie Russell of Marion, Indiana, is second with 1,826 and Kristopher Prather of Milton, Florida, is third with 1,822.

Qualifying at the 2016 U.S. Open gives competitors the opportunity to navigate three different phases of the 42-foot oil pattern being used this week – the fresh, burn and double-burn. The oil pattern only is applied before the day's opening squad.

Wilkins bowled on the burn squad, which yielded seven of the top 10 scores Friday.

"I really saw a lot of volume in the middle part of the lane, and I tried to use that to my advantage," said Wilkins, who won gold medals in trios and all-events at the 2016 Pan American Bowling Confederation Adult Championships in Cali, Colombia, in September. "I kept my ball rolling a little more forward and used a ball with a slower response time, so if I missed right, I was able to bump off that friction, and if I missed in a little bit, the ball would give me a little bit of hold. I kind of had the best of both worlds today."

"I'm just going to try and do exactly what I did today – stay in the moment, stay in my routine and repeat shots. It's 56 games, so one bad shot isn't going to end your tournament. I hope to keep the momentum going."

Defending champion Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, New York, is in 65th place with a 1,688 total.

The second qualifying round will begin Saturday at 11 a.m. Eastern. Each round of the 2016 U.S. Open leading up to the stepladder finals will be broadcast live on Xtra Frame, the exclusive online bowling channel for the Professional Bowlers Association. For Xtra Frame subscription information visit the pba.com homepage.

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The top five, determined by total pinfall and bonus pins for 56 games, will advance to the stepladder finals, which will be broadcast live on CBS Sports Network at 8 p.m. Eastern on Nov. 9. The 2016 U.S. Open features a prize fund of more than \$210,000, which includes \$100,000 in added money. The 2016 champion will earn \$30,000 and the coveted green jacket.

For more information on U.S. Open, visit BOWL.com/USOpen.

2016 U.S. OPEN

At South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas

Friday's results

ROUND 1 QUALIFYING

(Eight games)

1, Zach Wilkins (a), Canada, 1,906. 2, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,826. 3, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,822. 4, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,820. 5, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,817. 6, Andres Gomez, Hollywood, Fla., 1,811.

7, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,806. 8, Pontus Andersson (a), Sweden, 1,798. 9, Martin Paulsson (a), Sweden, 1,795. 10, Darren Tang (a), San Francisco, 1,789. 11, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 1,788. 12, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,780.

13(tie), Arturo Quintero (a), Arlington, Texas, and Greg Thomas (a), Irmo, S.C., and John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,778. 16, Thomas Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,777. 17, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,775. 18, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,774.

19(tie), Stuart Williams, Phoenix, and Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,772. 21, Brad Miller, Raytown, Mo., 1,771. 22(tie), William Guszczko, Orland Park, Ill., and Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,767. 24, Kyle Sherman (a), O'Fallon, Mo., 1,766.

25, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,764. 26(tie), Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, and Tommy Barna, Westminster, Md., 1,762. 28(tie), Sam Cooley, Australia, and Mitchell Katic (a), Orlando, Fla., 1,760. 30(tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Shawn Maldonado, Houston, and Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb., 1,758.

33, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,754. 34, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,753. 35, Alex Cavagnaro, North Massapequa, N.Y., 1,751. 36, Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., 1,748.

37, Anthony Pepe, East Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,744. 38, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 1,743. 39, Cerell Cardines (a), Las Vegas, 1,738. 40(tie), Manuel Otalora, Cooper City, Fla., and Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,734. 42, Zeke Bayt (a), Westerville, Ohio, 1,733.

43, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,732. 44(tie), Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, and Osku Palermmaa, Finland, 1,731. 46, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,730. 47, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,725. 48, Jonathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,721.

49, Steve Novak (a), Bay City, Mich., 1,718. 50, Paul Moor, United Kingdom, 1,714. 51(tie), Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., and Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,713. 53(tie), Bob Learn Jr., Lake Worth, Fla., and Liz Kuhlkin, Schenectady, N.Y., 1,708.

55(tie), Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, and Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, 1,706. 57(tie), Jonathan Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., and DJ Archer, Kingwood, Texas, 1,704. 59, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Little Elm, Texas, 1,701. 60, Joachim Karlsson, Sweden, 1,699.

61, Walter Ray Williams Jr, Oxford, Fla., 1,696. 62, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,694. 63, Kyle King, Glendale, Ariz., 1,691. 64, Carlos Tobon (a), Plantation, Fla., 1,689. 65, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,688. 66, Shannon Buchan, Waterloo, Iowa, 1,687.

67(tie), Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., and Adam (AJ) Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,684. 69, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,682. 70, Cody Vaughn (a), Arvada, Colo., 1,681. 71, Peter Hellstrom (a), Sweden, 1,678. 72, Chris Via (a), Springfield, Ohio, 1,677.

73, Andrew Anderson (a), Henderson, Nev., 1,675. 74, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 1,673. 75(tie), William 'BJ' Moore, Apex, N.C., and Kamron Doyle (a), Brentwood, Tenn., 1,672.

Canada's Francois Lavoie Takes Lead After Second Round at U.S. Open

by JSchneider | Sunday, November 06, 12:42 AM

By Aaron Smith, IBC Communications

LAS VEGAS – Canada's Francois Lavoie rolled a perfect game on his way to taking the lead after the second round of qualifying at the 2016 U.S. Open on Saturday.

The 23-year-old right-hander connected on 12 consecutive strikes during his fourth game to post an eight-game block of 1,843 at the South Point Bowling Plaza, bringing his 16-game total to 3,631. Lavoie now has rolled the tournament's first 300 game in each of the past two years.

Rhino Page of Orlando, Florida, is in second place with 3,607, and Sweden's Pontus Andersson (3,604) and Martin Larsen (3,591) are third and fourth, respectively. Shawn Maldonado of Houston rounded out the top five with 3,583.

Colombia's Andres Gomez, who also recorded a 300 game Saturday, is in ninth place with a 3,551 total.

Qualifying at the 2016 U.S. Open gives competitors the opportunity to navigate three different phases of the 42-foot oil pattern being used during the event – the fresh, burn and double-burn. The oil pattern only is applied before the day's opening squad.

Lavoie bowled his first block on the burn squad Friday and competed on the fresh Saturday. He has averaged more than 226 on his way to the lead and will head back to the lanes Sunday at 9:30 p.m. Eastern for the double-burn.

"I think it's going to be tricky to hit the double-burn the last day," said Lavoie, who was in 11th place after Friday's opening round. "The first day, people tend to stay right a little longer and are a little more careful. By the last day of qualifying, they've figured out that as they move left, it gets a little easier and tends to open up a bit, so they tend to move left quicker. My game plan is to keep the ball in play and focus on one shot at a time. This is what I've been doing, and I hope it works for the double-burn."

Defending champion Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, New York, is in 75th place with a 3,330 total.

The third qualifying round will begin Sunday at 11 a.m. Eastern. Each round of the U.S. Open leading up to the stepladder finals will be broadcast live on Xtra Frame, the exclusive online bowling channel for the PBA. For subscription information visit the pba.com homepage.

All competitors will bowl 24 qualifying games over three days, before the field is cut to the top 57 for eight additional games. The 32-game pinfall totals will determine the 24 players for round-robin match play.

The top five, determined by total pinfall and bonus pins for 56 games, will advance to the stepladder finals, which will be broadcast live on CBS Sports Network at 8 p.m. Eastern on Nov. 9.

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2016 U.S. OPEN

At South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas

Saturday's results

ROUND 2 QUALIFYING

(16 games)

1, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 3,631. 2, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 3,607. 3, Pontus Andersson (a), Sweden, 3,604. 4, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3,591. 5, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,583. 6, Zach Wilkins (a), Canada, 3,575.

7, Brad Miller, Raytown, Mo., 3,571. 8, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 3,566. 9, Andres Gomez, Hollywood, Fla., 3,551. 10, Martin Paulsson (a), Sweden, 3,546. 11, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,542. 12, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,525.

13, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 3,522. 14, Sam Cooley, Australia, 3,518. 15, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,516. 16, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,513. 17, Thomas Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,511. 18(tie), Greg Thomas (a), Irmo, S.C., and EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,498.

20(tie), Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., and Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 3,494. 22, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 3,488. 23, Joachim Karlsson, Sweden, 3,483. 24, Darren Tang, San Francisco, 3,473.

25, Manuel Otalora, Cooper City, Fla., 3,467. 26, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,466. 27, Paul Moor, United Kingdom, 3,462. 28, Andrew Anderson (a), Henderson, Nev., 3,458. 29, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek,

Ohio, 3,457. 30, AJ Chapman (a), Wichita, Kan., 3,455.

31, Arturo Quintero (a), Mexico, 3,452. 32(tie), DJ Archer, Kingwood, Texas, and Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 3,449. 34, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3,446. 35, Kamron Doyle (a), Brentwood, Tenn., 3,445. 36(tie), Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., and Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,438.

38, Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., 3,436. 39, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,434. 40, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3,429. 41(tie), Alex Cavagnaro, North Massapequa, N.Y., and John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,428.

43, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,427. 44, Bob Learn Jr., Lake Worth, Fla., 3,425. 45, Kyle Sherman (a), O'Fallon, Mo., 3,419. 46, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,405. 47, Steve Novak (a), Bay City, Mich., 3,401. 48, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,396.

49, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 3,392. 50, Walter Ray Williams Jr, Oxford, Fla., 3,384. 51, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 3,380. 52, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,377. 53(tie), Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., and Cody Vaughn (a), Arvada, Colo., and Stuart Williams, Phoenix, 3,372.

56, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3,370. 57, Hyunbum Kim (a), Korea, 3,369. 58, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 3,367. 59(tie), Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., and John Furey, East Windsor, N.J., 3,366.

61, Chris Via (a), Springfield, Ohio, 3,365. 62, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,364. 63, Mitchell Katic (a), Orlando, Fla., 3,363. 64, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,362. 65, Richard Teece, England, 3,361. 66, Wesley Low (a), Palmdale, Calif., 3,355.

67, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 3,349. 68, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 3,346. 69, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 3,344. 70, Anthony Pepe, East Elmhurst, N.Y., 3,342. 71, Richard Jones Jr., Las Vegas, 3,338. 72, Adam (AJ) Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3,335.

73, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Little Elm, Texas, 3,334. 74, Michael Markis, Tafton, Pa., 3,332. 75, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,330.

LARSEN TAKES LEAD AFTER THIRD ROUND AT 2016 U.S. OPEN

Aaron Smith

November 6, 2016

STANDINGS: [ROUND 1](#) | [ROUND 2](#) | [ROUND 3](#)

LAS VEGAS – Sweden's Martin Larsen fired 279 in his final game of qualifying Sunday to edge his way into the lead at the [2016 U.S. Open](#).

The 37-year-old right-hander used an eight-game block of 1,826 to finish qualifying with a 5,417 total, a 225.71 average, to sneak past 2016 United States Bowling Congress Masters champion Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, who is in second place with 5,406.

Canada's Francois Lavoie, who led after the second round, is third with 5,395, Marshall Kent of Yakima, Washington, is fourth with 5,363 and Shawn Maldonado of Houston is fifth with 5,362.

All competitors at the 2016 U.S. Open now have completed 24 games of qualifying, and the field of 228 has been cut to the top 57 players. Those competitors will bowl an additional eight games starting Monday at 1 p.m. Eastern to determine the 24 players that advance to round-robin match play, based on 32-game pinfall totals.

Chris Via of Springfield, Ohio, earned the final spot in Monday's cashers' round, finishing with a 5,031 total, a 209.63 average.

Qualifying at the 2016 U.S. Open gave competitors the opportunity to navigate three different phases of the 42-foot oil pattern being used during the event – the fresh, burn and double-burn. The oil pattern only is applied before the day's opening squad.

Larsen finished his final block on the burn squad. He started on the fresh during Friday's opening round of qualifying.

"I think I made some good ball choices, since we're used to only having six balls when we travel in Europe, and together with help from the ball reps I've been able to stay away from trouble," said Larsen, who finished 41st at the 2015 U.S. Open in Garland, Texas. "That's the main thing on this U.S. Open pattern. Keep your low games high and try to take advantage when the lanes give you something.

"It will be three days since I bowled on the fresh, and I started off well. Based off of what I've heard and seen since then, it seems like they haven't been playing them the same way I was and are starting a little further to the left. I'm going to try and go in open minded and see what the lanes tell me to do and move on from there."

Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, New York, will not defend his title in 2016. Ciminelli finished in 85th place with a 4,930 total.

Match play will begin Monday at 8 p.m. Eastern with the first of three eight-game rounds. Match play resumes Tuesday at 1 p.m. Eastern with the final two blocks, including a position round.

The top five, determined by total pinfall and bonus pins for 56 games, will advance to the stepladder finals, which will be broadcast live on CBS Sports Network at 8 p.m. Eastern on Nov. 9.

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The 2016 U.S. Open features a prize fund of more than \$210,000, which includes \$100,000 in added money. The 2016 champion will earn \$30,000 and the coveted green jacket.

Marshall Kent Goes Undefeated in First Round of Match Play to Lead U.S. Open

by JSchneider | Monday, November 07, 9:18 PM

By Aaron Smith, IBC Communications

LAS VEGAS - Marshall Kent of Yakima, Washington, went undefeated in the opening round of match play Monday night at the 2016 U.S. Open to build a lead of more than 325 pins over the field at the South Point Bowling Plaza.

After posting the tournament's highest eight-game block (1,930) earlier in the day during the cashers' round, Kent rolled 1,960 on his way to an 8-0 match-play record to finish with a 40-game total of 9,493, including bonus pins.

"It doesn't get much better than that," said Kent, a five-time Team USA member and two-time PBA Tour winner. "I've been having a blast, trying to stay relaxed, and it's been working. I'm going to try and keep the same thought process going into tomorrow and see what happens."

Shawn Maldonado of Houston moved into second place with a 9,166 total, while Canada's Francois Lavoie is third with 9,132. John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, New York, jumped four spots into fourth place with 9,039, and Sweden's Martin Larsen rounds out the top five with 8,976.

The final two rounds of match play will begin Tuesday at 1 p.m. Eastern. Each round of the 2016 U.S. Open leading up to the stepladder finals is being broadcast live on Xtra Frame the exclusive online bowling channel for the Professional Bowlers Association.

All competitors at the 2016 U.S. Open completed 24 qualifying games over three days, before the field was cut to the top 57 for eight additional games. The 32-game pinfall totals determined the 24 players for round-robin match play.

The top five, determined by total pinfall and bonus pins for 56 games, will advance to the stepladder finals, which will be broadcast live on CBS Sports Network at 8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday.

2016 U.S. OPEN

At South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas

Monday's results

MATCH PLAY

(40 games, 30 bonus pins for a win, 15 bonus pins for a tie)

***(a) denotes amateur**

1, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 8-0-0, 9,493. 2, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 5-3-0, 9,166. 3, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 4-4-0, 9,132. 4, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 5-3-0, 9,039. 5, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 6-2-0, 8,976. 6(tie), Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 6-2-0, and Pontus Andersson (a), Sweden, 4-4-0, 8,924.

8, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 5-3-0, 8,914. 9, Arturo Quintero (a), Mexico, 5-3-0, 8,898. 10, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 4-4-0, 8,877. 11, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4-4-0, 8,815. 12, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 2-6-0, 8,785.

13, Andres Gomez, Hollywood, Fla., 4-4-0, 8,765. 14, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 5-3-0, 8,762. 15(tie), Brad Miller, Raytown, Mo., 5-3-0, and Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3-5-0, 8,744. 17, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 2-6-0, 8,738. 18, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3-5-0, 8,693.

19, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 4-4-0, 8,688. 20, DJ Archer, Kingwood, Texas, 2-6-0, 8,666. 21, Paul Moor, United Kingdom, 3-5-0, 8,620. 22, Sam Cooley, Australia, 3-5-0, 8,618. 23, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 3-5-0, 8,586. 24, AJ Chapman (a), Wichita, Kan., 2-6-0, 8,441.

ROUND 4 QUALIFYING

(32 games)

1, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 7,293. 2, Francois Lavoie, Wichita, Kan., 7,243. 3, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 7,179. 4, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 7,158. 5, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 7,109. 6, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 7,099.

7, EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 7,064. 8, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 7,053. 9, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 7,014. 10, Arturo Quintero (a), Mexico, 7,013. 11, Pontus Andersson (a), Sweden, 7,006. 12, Andres Gomez, Hollywood, Fla., 6,995.

13, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 6,988. 14, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 6,977. 15, Sam Cooley, Australia, 6,975. 16, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 6,973. 17, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 6,964. 18, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 6,956.

19, DJ Archer, Kingwood, Texas, 6,952. 20, Brad Miller, Raytown, Mo., 6,929. 21, AJ Chapman (a), Wichita, Kan., 6,927. 22, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 6,922. 23, Paul Moor, United Kingdom, 6,891. 24, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 6,886.

DID NOT ADVANCE

25, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 6,855, \$2,700. 26, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 6,826, \$2,600. 27, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 6,825, \$2,500. 28, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 6,823, \$2,400. 29, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 6,800, \$2,350. 30, Zach Wilkins (a), Canada, 6,798, \$2,250.

31, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 6,786, \$2,150. 32, Darren Tang, San Francisco, 6,784, \$2,050. 33, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6,768, \$1,975. 34, Dominic Barrett, United Kingdom, 6,764, \$1,925. 35, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 6,758, \$1,875. 36, Kamron Doyle (a), Brentwood, Tenn., 6,757, \$1,825.

37, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 6,754, \$1,750. 38, Chris Via (a), Springfield, Ohio, 6,747, \$1,700. 39, Dino Castillo, Highland Village, Texas, 6,742, \$1,650. 40, Matthew Kuba (a), Chicago Ridge, Ill., 6,738, \$1,600. 41, Greg Thomas (a), Irmo, S.C., 6,737, \$1,550. 42, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 6,727, \$1,500.

43, Wesley Low (a), Palmdale, Calif., 6,723, \$1,450. 44, Kyle Sherman (a), O'Fallon, Mo., 6,720, \$1,425. 45, Anthony Pepe, East Elmhurst, N.Y., 6,712, \$1,400. 46, Martin Paulsson (a), Sweden, 6,710, \$1,375. 47(tie), Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Little Elm, Texas, and Thomas Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 6,707, \$1,337.

49, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 6,696, \$1,300. 50, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 6,694, \$1,275. 51, Jeffery Evans, Supply, N.C., 6,693, \$1,250. 52, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 6,689, \$1,225. 53, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 6,685, \$1,200. 54, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 6,662, \$1,175.

55, Andrew Anderson (a), Holly, Mich., 6,610, \$1,150. 56, Alex Cavagnaro, North Massapequa, N.Y., 6,592, \$1,125. 57, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 6,563, \$1,100.

Marshall Kent Dominates in Match Play to Take Top Seed for 2016 U.S. Open Finals

by jschneider | Tuesday, November 08, 10:06 PM

By Aaron Smith, IBC Communications

LAS VEGAS - Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., continued his dominance at the 2016 U.S. Open on Tuesday and earned the top seed for the stepladder finals.

The stepladder finals will air live on CBS Sports Network on Wednesday at 8 p.m. Eastern. The champion will take home \$30,000 and the coveted green jacket.

Kent, a 24-year-old right-hander, posted a 20-4 record in match play to lead the field by nearly 275 pins with a 56-game total of 13,467, including bonus pins.

Canada's Francois Lavoie earned the No. 2 seed with a 13,195 total, and 2016 United States Bowling Congress Masters champion Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, is No. 3 with 12,985.

The opening match in Wednesday's championship round will feature No. 4 Shawn Maldonado of Houston taking on No. 5 John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, New York. Maldonado finished with 12,904, while Szczerbinski had 12,877.

Kent was in a tie for 92nd place after Friday's opening round but rebounded by averaging more than 233 over the remaining 48 games.

"It's been incredible," said Kent, who will be looking for his third Professional Bowlers Association Tour title and first major victory. "After the way I started, I didn't expect to even come close to making the show, so to be the No. 1 seed is an unbelievable feeling. With one game, anything can happen, but I'm just going with the same thought process that got me here – have fun, stay relaxed and just let the bowling take care of itself."

The five-time Team USA member relied on his mental approach as much as his physical game to make it through the 56-game marathon.

"I took some really good notes on the pairs this week," Kent said. "I feel like I saw the lanes, pair to pair, much better than most. Mentally, I was as clear as I've ever been, and I think that was a big advantage. A lot of players get frustrated when the ball didn't do the right thing. I took the logical route and tried to figure out why, and that saved me a lot of games and frustration."

Kent also made the television show at the 2013 U.S. Open as an amateur, finishing in fourth. He hopes to use that experience to his advantage against the fresh faces in the stepladder.

Maldonado is the oldest among the five competitors at 30 years old, and only Simonsen previously has won a major championship. Lavoie, Maldonado and Szczerbinski are looking for their first professional titles. "I think my experience in 2013 is going to help a ton," said Kent, who finished ninth at the 2015 U.S. Open. "It's a different feeling bowling under the lights, especially at a major. To have that experience under your belt, especially with such a youthful show, will play to my favor. I'll hope for the best and see what happens."

All competitors at the 2016 U.S. Open bowled 24 qualifying games over three days, before the field was cut to the top 57 for eight additional games. The 32-game pinfall totals determined the 24 players for round-robin match play.

Canada's Francois Lavoie Rolls Historic 300 on Way to 2016 U.S. Open Win

by JSchneider | Wednesday, November 09, 9:47 PM

By Aaron Smith, IBC Communications

LAS VEGAS – Canada's Francois Lavoie put together a historic performance on his way to winning the 2016 U.S. Open at the South Point Bowling Plaza on Wednesday.

The 23-year-old right-hander defeated top seed Marshall Kent of Yakima, Washington, 228-194, in the title match to capture his first career PBA Tour title and become the second foreign-born player to win the U.S. Open. Finland's Mika Koivuniemi won the 2001 U.S. Open.

Lavoie earned \$30,000 and the coveted green jacket for the win, while Kent took home \$15,000 for the runner-up finish.

Lavoie also became the first bowler in U.S. Open history to roll a perfect game during the tournament's stepladder finals, defeating Shawn Maldonado of Houston, 300-211, in the semifinal match.

Prior to Lavoie's performance Wednesday, there had been 25 previous televised perfect games during PBA competition.

The 2016 U.S. Open was broadcast live on CBS Sports Network.

In the championship match, Lavoie continued his pace from the semifinals, starting with five consecutive strikes to build a sizeable lead over Kent, who left back-to-back splits on the left lane in the third and fifth frames.

Lavoie lost the pocket during the seventh, eighth and ninth frames, but converted three multiple-pin combinations, including a 3-4-6-10 split in the eighth frame, to remain clean and stay ahead of a charging Kent, who rallied with three consecutive strikes through the eighth frame.

Kent's run came to a halt with a 10 pin in the ninth frame, and Lavoie struck on the first shot of his final frame to secure the win.

"This is something I've dreamed of for a long time," said Lavoie, the No. 2 seed for Wednesday's championship round. "I've made a lot of commitments and life choices for something like this. To see it happen is amazing."

Lavoie played the lanes farther to the right than both Kent and Maldonado, and he was able to find a ball reaction that gave him a wider path to the pocket on the 42-foot oil pattern.

"Looking at the lane graph, it was definitely tricky, but there was some shape to the right," Lavoie said. "When a pattern as hard as this gives you some kind of shape, you need to take advantage of it, so that's where I tried to play until something developed. There was some friction built into the pattern, so I was able to miss right a little bit and get it to hook early, and we had urethane going down the lane to the left, which gave me some hold. It really was the best of both worlds."

Kent, who also was looking for his first major victory and third PBA Tour title, earned the top seed after averaging more than 229 during the 56-game event.

"I felt I did everything I could," said Kent, a five-time Team USA member. "The 7-10 hurt, and if that didn't happen, I probably don't make a move and leave the 2-8-10 in the fifth. I reset after the break and threw four really good shots, and the one I needed didn't carry. Overall, I felt I bowled well but just didn't give the lanes what they wanted. Francois bowled great all week, and I'm happy to see him win."

Lavoie nearly made a ball change during his 300 game to make sure he was ready for the championship match but elected not to do so after talking to one of his ball representatives. He received a \$10,000 bonus from Pepsi for the perfect game.

"I actually talked to Tim (Mack) after the eighth frame, because I knew I already had won and wanted to try something else," said Lavoie, who also rolled a perfect game during qualifying. "I still had one more game to go, so I was thinking ahead to that. Tim asked me why I wouldn't want to go for the bonus, which I didn't know about it, so I decided to go for it and see what happened."

Maldonado, the No. 4 seed, won his first two matches, defeating No. 3 Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas, 238-217, and No. 5 John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, New York, 190-188.

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Each round of the 2016 U.S. Open leading up to the stepladder finals was broadcast live on Xtra Frame, the exclusive online bowling channel for the PBA.

2016 U.S. OPEN

At South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas

Wednesday's results

FINAL STANDINGS

1, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 528 (two games), \$30,000 (plus \$10,000 bonus for 300 game)

- 2, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 194 (one game), \$15,000
- 3, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 639 (three games), \$12,000
- 4, Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 217 (one game), \$10,000
- 5, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 188 (one game), \$8,000

STEPLADDER RESULTS

Match One – Maldonado def. Szczerbinski, 190-188

Match Two – Maldonado def. Simonsen, 238-217

Semifinal – Lavoie def. Maldonado, 300-211

Championship – Lavoie def. Kent, 228-194

GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII Ready to Invade Reno

World's premier bowlers gearing up for dramatic conclusion to 2016 season

CHICAGO (Nov. 11, 2016) – For the eighth consecutive year, the world's best bowlers are gearing up for a dramatic conclusion of the season as they prepare to invade Reno, Nev., for the GEICO Professional Bowlers Association World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy Resort and Casino, Nov. 27-Dec. 11.

With five PBA Tour titles on the line to conclude a year that has seen bowling history re-written at every major championship contested to date, the live telecast of the PBA World Championship on Sunday, Dec. 11, from Reno's National Bowling Stadium should provide a fitting ending to a memorable year.

Among the highlights thus far in the 2016 season:

- In the first event of 2016, Anthony Simonsen became the second-youngest player to win a PBA Tour title, missing Norm Duke's record by two days. Simonsen was 18 years, 347 days old at the time.
- In the second event of the year, Venezuela's Amleto Monacelli won the DHC PBA Japan Invitational at age 54, becoming the fourth-oldest ever to win a PBA Tour title.
- Next, eight days shy of his 21st birthday, Jesper Svensson of Sweden became the youngest to win the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions.
- A week later, Simonsen – now 19 – became the youngest ever to win a PBA major when he won the USBC Masters.
- Seven days later, Graham Fach won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship to become the first Canadian to win a PBA Tour title.
- In November, Francois Lavoie won the U.S. Open, bowling the first nationally-televised 300 game in U.S. Open history, to become the second Canadian to win a PBA Tour title.
- During the PBA Fall Classic at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas, 22-year-old Jakob Butturff won the Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open, joining Ryan Ciminelli as the only two-time title winners in the seven-event 2016 PBA Xtra Frame Tour, but veteran Tommy Jones won a \$10,000 winner-take-all bonus as the top all-around performer in the special XF series of events.

After his record-breaking start to the year, Svensson tacked on two more titles to become the first player to win five PBA Tour titles by age 21 and set in motion an intense PBA Player of the Year race that will carry into WSOB VIII. Svensson is being pursued by two-time 2016 title winners Ryan Ciminelli, EJ Tackett, Sean Rash (who won both of his titles in the PBA Fall Swing) and Jakob Butturff. And Canadian rookies Fach and Lavoie are battling at the head of the PBA Rookie of the Year race – an award won by international players only two other times in PBA history (Australia's Jason Belmonte in 2009 and Sweden's Svensson in 2015).

Keep in mind, however, that the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling – the richest event in bowling with more than \$750,000 in prize money – has a way of ignoring trends.

The four animal pattern events – Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game, Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com, Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA and the Shark Championship – often produce unexpected champions. In 2015, Jon Van Hees won the Scorpion Championship for his first PBA Tour title. Six other players made ESPN finals for the first time in their careers in the animal pattern events. Gary Faulkner Jr. won the 2015 PBA World

Championship, and Simonsen teamed with Connor Pickford to win the Mark Roth/Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship, all for their first titles.

That has been a common theme since the WSOB was created in 2009. In the ensuing years, the WSOB has become the international showcase for bowlers, attracting bowlers from 37 different countries and making PBA Tour champions out of players from Australia, Colombia, England, Finland, South Korea and Sweden.

The World Series of Bowling has not only attracted bowlers from around the globe, but the introduction of Xtra Frame – PBA’s online video-streaming service that provides hundreds of hours of live coverage of WSOB competition – has given bowling fans an opportunity to watch their home-country favorites in competition on the sport’s most visible stage.

Expect nothing different in 2016, when bowlers from more than 20 countries descend on Reno. There will be a few subtle changes to enhance the event (the World Series has been in a constant evolution to remain fresh and vibrant), such as the return of the Shark Championship – contested on a 43-foot application of oil – in place of the Viper pattern, to provide a different challenge. Updated lane surfaces inside the National Bowling Stadium also are expected to change the way balls react on the lanes.

In 2016, the top 24 qualifiers in each of the animal pattern championships will advance to best-of-five-game match play elimination rounds to give players a more diverse path to the ESPN finals in each event. But like years past, the animal pattern events will also serve as “stages” to advance to the main event – the PBA World Championship – similar in concept to the way world-class bicycle racers advance to the podium in the famous Tour de France.

Eight games each on the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark qualifying stages will serve as the 32-game qualifying phase of the PBA World Championship. An additional eight-game cashers round for the top 25 percent of the field will determine the 24 players who will then bowl 24 games of round-robin match play to determine the five players who will bowl for the \$60,000 first prize in the final major championship of the year, live on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. Eastern (10 a.m. local time).

The carrot-at-the-end-of-the-stick in the animal pattern championships is that all four of them include a \$20,000 first prize, a chance to bowl on ESPN and a PBA Tour title for each winner. So consider it “qualifying on steroids.”

That’s not all. WSOB VIII will get underway on Sunday, Nov. 27, when eight PBA Regional, eight PBA-PWBA Women’s Regional and eight PBA50 Tour players will compete in special PBA Challenge events - eight-game match play events video-streamed live on Xtra Frame. Those players, who earned their berths in season-long points competitions, will then bowl in the World Series.

Another bonus feature, reviving a special event held in 2010 and 2012, will be the USA vs. The World team showdown. Based on the same 32-game pinfall totals used in PBA World Championship qualifying, the top five American players and the top five international bowlers will advance to the team event which will be contested after the PBA World Championship telecast on Dec. 11 for delayed broadcast on ESPN on Sunday, Jan. 8, at 1 p.m. ET.

Bottom line, the world’s most expensive and dedicated bowling facility – Reno’s 21-year-old National Bowling Stadium – will once again be at the center of the bowling universe for two solid weeks. Grassroots bowlers in and around northern Nevada and California will have an opportunity to bowl with the greatest stars in the sport during the annual WSOB Pro-Am on Saturday, Dec. 3 (call the National Bowling Stadium at 800-304-2695 for details).

The Dec. 10-11 weekend will feature six ESPN television finals. An all-day pass to watch the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championship finals on Saturday, starting at noon, is available for \$20. An all-day pass for the live PBA World Championship finals on Sunday at 10 a.m. followed by the USA vs. The World special team match is available for \$15, and will include a free hotdog and beer/soft drink for the first 200 through the door. TV tickets can be purchased at pba.com/tickets.

That’s about all, except for the occasional “surprise.” In previous World Series, devoted bowlers such as Sirius radio star Howard Stern’s engineer, Scott Salem, bowled. So did NFL superstar Terrell Owens. Last year, Boston Red Sox outfield Mookie Betts made his professional bowling debut.

That’s what makes the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling great. You never know what’s going to happen...

PBA WORLD SERIES OF BOWLING VIII SCHEDULE

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Nov. 27-Dec. 11 (all times are Pacific)

Sunday, Nov. 27

3 p.m. – PBA Regional, PBA-PWBA Women’s Regional and PBA50 Tour Challenge, 8 games round-robin match play (top two in each division advance to Xtra Frame finals)

6:30 p.m. – PBA-PWBA Women’s Regional Challenge Xtra Frame championship match (live on Xtra Frame)

7 p.m. – PBA50 Tour Challenge Xtra Frame championship match (live on Xtra Frame)

7:30 p.m. – PBA Regional Challenge Xtra Frame championship match (live on Xtra Frame)

Monday, Nov. 28

10 a.m. – A Squad practice session (Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark lane conditions)

2:30 p.m. – B Squad practice session (Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark lane conditions)

6 p.m. – Mandatory PBA WSOB VIII players meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 29

9 a.m. – Cheetah Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Cheetah Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Tuesday, Dec. 6; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

Wednesday, Nov. 30

9 a.m. – Chameleon Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Chameleon Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Tuesday, Dec. 6; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

Thursday, Dec. 1

9 a.m. – Scorpion Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Scorpion Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Wednesday, Dec. 7; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

Friday, Dec. 2

9 a.m. – Shark Championship – B Squad 8 qualifying games

4 p.m. – Shark Championship – A Squad 8 qualifying games

(Top 24 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play on Wednesday, Dec. 7; top 8 qualifiers earn one round bye)

(Top 25 percent of field based on 32-game combined qualifying totals from Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark championships advance to PBA World Championship cashers round)

Saturday, Dec. 3

6-9 p.m. – Pro-am

Sunday, Dec. 4

11 a.m. – PBA World Championship cashers round, 6 games

(Top 24 based on 38 games advance to round-robin match play)

5:30 p.m. – PBA World Championship, 8 games round-robin match play

Monday, Dec. 5

11 a.m. – PBA World Championship, 8 games round-robin match play

5:30 p.m. – PBA World Championship, 8 games round-robin match play

(Top five after 62 games of qualifying and match play advance to ESPN finals)

Tuesday, Dec. 6

10 a.m. – Cheetah Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

1 p.m. – Cheetah Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 10 a.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

4:30 p.m. – Chameleon Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

7:30 p.m. – Chameleon Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 4:30 p.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

Wednesday, Dec. 7

10 a.m. – Scorpion Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

1 p.m. – Scorpion Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 10 a.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play

(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

4:30 p.m. – Shark Championship, qualifiers 9-24, best-of-five-game single elimination match play
7:30 p.m. – Shark Championship, qualifiers 1-8 plus 4:30 p.m. winners, best-of-five-game single elimination match play
(Winners advance to Round of 8 on Thursday, Dec. 8)

Thursday, Dec. 8

10 a.m. – Cheetah Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play
(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)
1 p.m. – Chameleon Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play
(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)
4:30 p.m. – Scorpion Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play
(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)
7:30 p.m. – Shark Championship Round of 8, best-of-five-game single elimination match play
(Four winners advance to ESPN match play finals)

Friday, Dec. 9

No competition (television setup day)

Saturday, Dec. 10

Noon – Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game match play semifinals and finals (airs on ESPN on Dec. 18, 1 p.m. ET)
2:30 p.m. – Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com match play semifinals and finals (airs on ESPN on Dec. 24, 1 p.m. ET)
4:15 p.m. – Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA match play semifinals and finals (airs on ESPN on Dec. 25, 2:30 p.m. ET)
6 p.m. – Shark Championship match play semifinals and finals (airs on ESPN on Dec. 25, 3:30 p.m. ET)

Sunday, Dec. 11

10 a.m. – Live ESPN stepladder finals, PBA World Championship (10 a.m. Pacific; 1 p.m. Eastern; re-airs on ESPN on Jan. 1, 4 p.m. ET)
1:30 p.m. – USA vs. The World Team match (airs on ESPN on Jan. 8, 1 p.m. ET)

PBA Spare Shots

U.S. OPEN CHAMP FRANCOIS LAVOIE RE-WRITES PBA RECORD BOOK

Quebec City native **Francois Lavoie** forced a re-write of the PBA record book with his victory in the U.S. Open Wednesday night at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas.

The 23-year-old, 120-pound French Canadian, who is living in Wichita, Kan., where he previously earned all-American honors as a member of the Wichita State University bowling team, became the first player to bowl a perfect game in the U.S. Open stepladder finals, the first Canadian to win the 74th edition of an event that began as the BPAA All Star in 1942, and only the second international player (joining 2001 winner **Mika Koivuniemi** of Finland) to win a U.S. Open title.

Some other tidbits arising from Lavoie's march toward his 228-194 victory over top qualifier **Marshall Kent** in the title match:

- Lavoie became the second Canadian in the PBA's 57-year history to win a PBA Tour title, and both have not only occurred in 2016, but both happened in majors. **Graham Fach** of Guelph, Ontario, was the first Canadian champion, winning the Barbasol PBA Players Championship in Columbus, Ohio, in February. Coincidentally, both are rookies and leading contenders for 2016 PBA Rookie of the Year honors.
- Lavoie's 300 was the sixth bowled in a nationally-televised major. The others were by **Jack Biondolillo** in the 1967 PBA Tournament of Champions, **Johnny Petraglia** in the 1995 PBA National Championship, **Jason Queen** in the 1997 USBC Masters, **Parker Bohn III** in the 1998 USBC Masters, and **Sean Rash** in the 2015 Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions.
- Lavoie's 300 was the 26th bowled on national television and the first since Rash's in the 2015 TOC.

● Lavoie joined a short list of players who won their first PBA Title in the U.S. Open (BPAA All Star), joining All Star winners **Billy Welu** (1959), **Harry Smith** (1960), **Bill Tucker** (1961), **Bobby Cooper** (1970), and U.S. Open winners **Paul Moser** (1971), **Joe Berardi** (1979), **Del Ballard Jr.** (1987) and **Robert Smith** (2000).

JAKOB BUTTURFF HAS ONE MORE CHANCE TO BREAK PBA REGIONAL RECORD

Second-year PBA member **Jakob Butturff** of Chandler, Ariz., has one more opportunity – Nov. 18-19 in Rocklin, Calif. – to become the first player in PBA history to win nine QubicaAMF PBA Regional titles in a single year.

Butturff, a 22-year-old left-hander with an unorthodox delivery, has dominated the PBA West and Northwest Regions in 2016, winning eight titles in Reno; Las Vegas; Hawaii; Gilbert, Ariz.; Rohnert Park, Calif.; Reno a second time; Tacoma, Wash., and Twin Falls, Idaho. According to PBA records, the only other player to win eight PBA Regional titles in a single year was Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, in 1999.

Butturff, who also has won his first two PBA Tour titles in 2016 (the Xtra Frame PBA Lubbock Sports Open and Xtra Frame PBA South Point Las Vegas Open), must win the PBA West/Northwest 3rd Capital City Open presented by DV8, Genesis and Mongoose in order to break the existing record because it's the final event of the year for the PBA West and Northwest Regions.

SPECIAL WSOB VIII ROOM RATE AT SILVER LEGACY EXPIRES ON NOV. 14

Bowlers planning to compete in the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy Resort and Casino, are reminded that a confirmed reservation at Silver Legacy is required at the time of entry, and that special discounted room rates at Silver Legacy expire on Nov. 14. Just as important, due to other events scheduled for Reno, rooms may be extremely hard to find, so getting reservations in ASAP is strongly recommended.

Entries are open to PBA members only on a first-come basis by contacting PBA Membership Services Manager **Mary von Krueger** (email: maryvk@pba.com; phone: 206-332-9688; fax: 850-564-1717). Reservations at the Silver Legacy, the tournament's official sponsor, can be made by using this link: [https://reservations.silverlegacy.com/cgi-bin/lansaweb?procfun+rn+resnet+res+funcparms+UP\(A2560\);wsob16;?/](https://reservations.silverlegacy.com/cgi-bin/lansaweb?procfun+rn+resnet+res+funcparms+UP(A2560);wsob16;?/)

Room rates are also available to family members, support staff, industry representatives, news media representatives and fans in general. The special PBA rates are \$49.99 Sunday-Thursday and \$59.99 for Saturday-Sunday. Each room reservation (single or double) that includes a weekend stay also includes two buffet coupons.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: RANDY PEDERSEN GOES "ONE ON ONE" WITH PBA STARS

Xtra Frame subscribers are in for a special treat as the PBA's online video-streaming service introduces a new up-close-and-personal look at the PBA Tour's top stars through a new feature called *One on One with Randy Pedersen*. The new series will be available beginning Monday, Nov. 14.

The exclusive Xtra Frame series will begin with PBA Hall of Famer and ESPN/CBS Sports color analyst **Randy Pedersen** sitting down with three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year **Jason Belmonte** discussing his daily routine, his crush on **Jennifer Lawrence**, family cuisine, shark cages and much more.

On Thursday, Nov. 17 will be a chat with five-time PBA Tour titlist and 2015 PBA Rookie of the Year **Jesper Svensson** where they will delve into such subjects as Svensson's expansive hat collection, cuddleball, golf and his unique "scam step."

Other stars to be featured in the coming weeks will be **Anthony Simonsen**, **Chris Barnes**, **Dom Barrett**, **Ryan Ciminelli**, **Tom Daugherty**, **Gary Faulkner** and **Sean Rash**.

For a preview visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QxRTi0p-1h8>

The "One on One" series will be available as the PBA gears up for wall-to-wall coverage of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII. Xtra Frame subscribers will get a comprehensive look at the multi-event, two-week showcase of international bowling, beginning on Sunday, Nov. 27, with the qualifying rounds of the PBA Regional, PBA-PWBA Women's Regional and PBA50 Challenge events, followed by the two-player championship matches.

Tuesday through Friday, Nov. 29-Dec. 2, will feature exclusive coverage of qualifying rounds in the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championships, leading into the PBA World Championship cashers round and match play Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 4-5. World Series coverage will continue Dec. 6-8. For the daily schedule, including air times, visit <http://www.pba.com/Live>.

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QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: SCHMIDT WINS CENTRAL/MIDWEST TITLE

T.J. Schmidt of Mishawaka, Ind. defeated **Nathan Michalowski** of Burlington, Wis., 224-191, to win the PBA Pro Bowl West Central/Midwest Classic at Pro Bowl West in Ft. Wayne, Ind., Sunday for his second QubicaAMF PBA Regional title and a \$2,000 first prize.

Schmidt downed **Josh Conner** of Columbus, Ohio, 2-1 (181-225, 201-159, 184-134), and Michalowski topped **Joe Bailey** of Doylestown, Ohio, 2-0 (217-182, 198-162), in the best-of-three-game semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- **Chris Warren** of Grants Pass, Ore., defeated **Hugh Miller** of Mercer Island, Wash., 258-225, to win the PBA50 Dick's Pro Shop Northwest/West Open at Linn Lanes in Lebanon, Ore., Sunday. Along with his third PBA50 regional title, Warren earned the \$2,500 top prize.

Warren defeated **Parker Bohn III** of Jackson, N.J., 237-221, and Miller defeated non-member **Eric Parker** of Lebanon, Ore., 258-246, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

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QUICK NOTES

- **Jim Owens** is the October winner of the \$200 HotelPlanner.com certificate, good for future lodging expenses, compliments of PBA's official travel partner. The monthly sweepstakes is open to anyone who books a hotel through the HotelPlanner.com link on pba.com.

- **John Dawidoicz** of Scotch Plains, N.J., is the owner of a new high-performance DV8 bowling ball; **Deborah Varney** of Saginaw, Mich., won a new Brunswick ball, and **Casey Mattingly** of Alexandria, Ind., is the recipient of a new MOTIV ball thanks to the September sweepstakes sponsored by the respective PBA Product Registered partners. The monthly sweepstakes is open to new Xtra Frame subscribers, who are automatically entered when they enroll as a new monthly or yearly Xtra Frame subscriber.

- The 12th annual **Chris and Lynda Barnes** Thanksgiving Classic Scholarship tournament will take place Nov. 25-27 at Super Bowl in Plano, Texas. The tournament, which will include \$7,000 in added scholarship money, features scratch, handicap and 12-under divisions. For more information, look for the Barnes Thanksgiving Classic page on Facebook.

● Reminder: Dec. 19 is the deadline to submit nominations for the 2016 Tony Reyes Community Service award, recognizing a current PBA member who performs extraordinary community service over the course of a PBA Tour season. For a nomination form and additional information click on <http://www.pba.com/Corporate/Awards>.

PBA Spare Shots

GEICO PBA WORLD SERIES OF BOWLING VIII SETS ANOTHER RECORD

The eighth annual edition of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling will set another record for international participation, with 22 countries represented among the early entries.

A first-time entry from South Africa – 2015 QubicaAMF World Cup runner-up **Francois Louw** – will join players from Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada, China, Colombia, Denmark, England, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Mexico, The Philippines, Poland, South Korea, Sweden, Thailand, Venezuela and the United States in the 2016 field.

KNEE SURGERY SIDELINES MOOKIE BETTS FROM WORLD SERIES; CP3 EVENT NEXT

Boston Red Sox all-star right fielder **Mookie Betts** underwent successful surgery to remove “floating objects” in his right knee on Nov. 10, meaning he won’t be able to return to the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling this year. Betts, who already has won American League Defensive Player of the Year and a Silver Slugger award, is among the favorites to win the 2016 American League Most Valuable Player award.

Betts, 24, is not only expected to be fully recovered from his knee surgery in time for the start of spring training, but is expected to be among the special guests competing in the 2017 **Chris Paul** Family Foundation PBA Celebrity Invitational in January. Betts’ public interest in bowling in the CP3 event led the PBA to contact him a year ago, resulting in his “professional” bowling debut in WSOB VII last December in Reno. Details regarding the annual Chris Paul fund-raising event will be announced later.

Another withdrawal from the WSOB is PBA Hall of Famer **Norm Duke**, who advised the PBA he injured his hand doing yardwork at his home in Clermont, Fla., and will be unable to compete. Duke, who was one of the eight PBA50 Tour Challenge qualifiers, will be replaced in that event by **Mike Scroggins**.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: PEDERSEN GOES “ONE ON ONE” WITH BELMO, JESPER

Xtra Frame’s new “*One on One with Randy Pedersen*” series kicked off Monday with a conversation with three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year **Jason Belmonte** discussing his daily routine, his crush on **Jennifer Lawrence**, family cuisine, shark cages and much more.

The second segment of the exclusive new series for Xtra Frame subscribers debuts on Thursday with a chat with five-time PBA Tour titlist and 2015 PBA Rookie of the Year **Jesper Svensson** who will discuss such subjects as Svensson’s expansive hat collection, cuddleball, golf and his unique “scam step.”

Other stars to be featured on Pedersen’s “*One on One*” series in the coming weeks will be **Anthony Simonsen, Chris Barnes, Dom Barrett, Ryan Ciminelli, Tom Daugherty, Gary Faulkner** and **Sean Rash**.

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QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: EDWARDS WINS CRAIG PEZZANO MEMORIAL

Ray Edwards of Middle Island, N.Y., defeated **Darryl Bower** of Middletown, Pa., 206-201, to win the PBA50 Craig Pezzano Memorial presented by WGB Accounting and The Insurance Market at Bryan’s Bowling Center in Laurel, Del., Sunday.

Edwards, a three-time PBA East Region Player of the Year, won his 21st overall QubicaAMF PBA Regional title, Edwards earned \$3,000.

Bower, who won a one-game roll off against **John DiSantis** of Wilmington, Del., 223-219, to advance to Sunday’s finals, then eliminated qualifying leader **Bob Learn Jr.** of Erie, Pa., 3-1, in the best-of-five-game Round of 16 to begin his march to the title match. He swept **Brad Hoffman** of Lemoyne, Pa., 2-0, in the Round of 8 and **Ken Yokobosky** of Fredon, N.J. 256-206, in the semifinal round before losing to Edwards.

Edwards defeated **Sammy Ventura** of Norwich, N.Y., 257-177, in his semifinal round match after eliminating **Sam Maccarone** of Blackwood, N.J., in the Round of 8 and **Thad Rand** of Rapidan, Va., 3-1, in the Round of 16.

The event was named in honor of **Craig Pezzano**, son of PBA Hall of Famer **Chuck Pezzano**, who died unexpectedly in 2015. Craig Pezzano was a long-time competitor and tournament assistant at PBA East Region events for over two decades.

- **Michael Steele** from Abilene, Texas, joined the ranks of first-time PBA title winners Sunday, earning a chance to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions when he overtook tournament leader Jimmy McMartin of Midwest City, Okla., with a 257-182 victory in their position round match to win the PBA Lubbock Sports Southwest Challenge, presented by Ebonite, Sunday at South Plains Lanes.

Steele, who joined the PBA in March of 2015, trailed McMartin by seven pins going into the final game, but defeated McMartin, 257-182, for his sixth win in seven matches and a 69-pin margin of victory. He also earned \$2,400.

PBA Challenge events are open to amateurs who have not won a PBA event and to PBA members not credited with a PBA title.

- **Brian Kretzer** of Dayton, Ohio defeated **Harry Sullins** of Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 267-192, to win the PBA50 Victory Lanes Midwest Open at Victory Lanes in Kankakee, Ill., on Sunday. Kretzer, who won his 18th overall regional title, picked up a \$1,500 first prize.

In the semifinal match, Kretzer defeated Curt Aemisegger of Wauconda, 201-190, after Aemisegger eliminated Scott Sustar of Medina, Ohio, 204-186, in the first stepladder match.

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Live World Championship ESPN Telecast, Record International Field, POY and ROY Races Among GEICO PBA WSOB VIII Storylines

RENO, Nev. (Nov. 18, 2016) – For the second consecutive year, Reno's National Bowling Stadium will be home to the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII presented by the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino, the premier professional international showcase for the sport.

Based on early entries, a record of at least 22 countries will be represented in the multi-event extravaganza that will be highlighted by a live ESPN telecast of the PBA World Championship, the fifth and final major of the 2016 PBA Tour season, along with five other ESPN telecasts.

The qualifying and match play portions of the WSOB leading up to the ESPN finals, plus the PBA Challenge Finals, will be streamed live on PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame.

Here's a look at some of the major storylines for WSOB VIII which will be conducted Nov. 27-Dec. 11:

Live PBA World Championship Finals on ESPN – The crown jewel of the WSOB is the PBA World Championship finals which will air live on ESPN Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT). The World Championship is the fifth and final major of the 2016 PBA Tour season.

In addition to the World Championship, ESPN will tape the finals of five other PBA Tour events on Dec. 10 and 11. For taping times and ticket information at the National Bowling Stadium click here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pba-geico-wsob-viii-tv-tickets-tickets-28534712092>

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Xtra Frame provides world-wide exposure for PBA – Xtra Frame, the PBA's online channel, will provide approximately 100 hours of live coverage of qualifying and match play rounds during the World Series, leading up to the ESPN finals. The subscription-based webcasting service continues to show steady growth in Europe, Asia, Australia and other regions as one element of the PBA Network, which also includes international audiences on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube. In addition to daily reports provided by the PBA, many of the competitors in the World Series will provide their personal fans with daily insights into the event. Beginning with PBA World Championship competition on Dec. 4, PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman will join the Xtra Frame announce team. For subscription and schedule information click on <http://www.xtraframe.tv/#!/home>

An international showcase – The preliminary list of the record 22 countries represented includes: Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Colombia, China, Denmark, England, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Mexico, Philippines, Poland, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden, Thailand, Venezuela and the United States.

Canadians break through with PBA Tour titles after going winless for more than half century: For the first 57 years of PBA's existence, no Canadian had won a PBA Tour title. Now, in the span of nine months in the 2016 season, Canada can not only boast of two PBA Tour champions, but also both are major winners and both are rookies.

Left-hander Graham Fach of Guelph, Ont., 24, became the first Canadian to win a PBA Tour title when he won the PBA Players Championship in February in only the third PBA tournament he had ever entered. In November, Quebec City native Francois Lavoie, 23, a former Wichita State University standout, became the first Canadian to win the U.S. Open and he became the first player to bowl a 300 game in a U.S. Open televised final.

Gary Faulkner Jr. to defend World Championship title: In 2015, 25-year-old Gary Faulkner Jr. of Memphis, Tenn., made history winning the PBA World Championship for his first Tour title by defeating EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 216-178, in the title match and becoming only the second African American to win a PBA Tour title.

Other young players making their mark in PBA Tour history: In February, Jesper Svensson of Sweden became the youngest player to win PBA's signature major, the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, eight days before his 21st birthday. Now with five career titles, he also is the first player to win five Tour titles by the age 21.

A week after Svensson's historic win, Anthony Simonsen of Princeton, Texas, became the youngest player to win a major when he captured the United States Bowling Congress Masters title at the age of 19. Both young stars are two-handed players. Svensson bowls from the left side, Simonsen from the right.

Beginning with Faulkner's win in the 2015 PBA World Championship, the last five majors have been won by players age 25 or younger and each of those players had never won a major previously.

Premier two-handed player, three-time reigning Player of the Year Jason Belmonte hopes to reach winners circle: After several top-10 finishes in 2016, Australia's Jason Belmonte hopes to visit the winner's circle for the first time this season. The 12-time PBA Tour winner is recognized as the premier player who uses the unique two-hand delivery. His highly-successful technique led to three dominating seasons in PBA competition and if he can put together a strong WSOB performance he could return to the Player of the Year conversation. Two other two-handed players to watch, in addition to the aforementioned Svensson and Simonsen, are Shawn Maldonado of Houston and Finland's Osku Palermaa.

World Series may also play deciding role in Player, Rookie of the Year races – With five Tour titles up for grabs, the WSOB has the potential to play a significant role in determining Rookie of the Year as well as Player of the Year.

With three wins this season, Jesper Svensson is the early favorite for POY honors heading into the World Series, but two-time winners Anthony Simonsen, Ryan Ciminelli, EJ Tackett, Sean Rash and Jakob Butturff are ready to challenge. The Rookie of the Year race heading into the World Series is led by Canadians Fach and Lavoie. Both have won major titles in 2016. A Canadian has never won Rookie or Player of the Year honors.

2015 champions return: In addition to 2015 World Championship winner Gary Faulkner Jr., other 2015 WSOB titlists ready to defend their titles are PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III (PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game), Jesper Svensson (PBA Chameleon Championship presented by Hotelplanner.com) and Jon Van Hees (PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno-Tahoe USA). Ryan Ciminelli won the 2015 Viper Championship but that event will be replaced by the Shark Championship for 2016.

PBA Hall of Famers entered: While young players have made their mark this season on the PBA Tour, several of PBA's all-time greats will be ready to mount challenges. The field includes four PBA Hall of Famers – Parker Bohn III, Amleto Monacelli, Pete Weber and Walter Ray Williams Jr.

Weber is coming off a 2016 PBA50 (Senior) Tour season in which he won a record six PBA50 Tour titles, including four in a row, which helped him earn his second consecutive PBA50 Player of the Year honor.

Another player who has gained fame on both the PBA Tour and PBA50 Tour, Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela, won the DHC PBA Japan Cup in January for his 20th PBA Tour title at age 54.

Race to 100 PBA titles: In their more than three decade careers in PBA competition, legends Walter Ray Williams Jr. and Pete Weber have both won a combined total of 99 titles in PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour and PBA Regional competition. Unless one of them is successful in a PBA Regional tournament prior to the World Series, that landmark also may be up for grabs.

Past World Championship winners entered: Gary Faulkner Jr. (2015), Dom Barrett (Dec. 2013), Parker Bohn III (Jan. 2013), Osku Palermaa (2012), Chris Barnes (2011), Tom Smallwood (2009), Walter Ray Williams Jr. (2001, '03, '06), and Pete Weber (1989, '98) are all past winners of the PBA World Championship.

Dave LaMont makes ESPN debut during WSOB VIII – Veteran announcer Dave LaMont will make his debut as the play-by-play announcer for PBA-ESPN telecasts during WSOB VIII. LaMont, who has covered a wide range of bowling competition during his career, will be joined in the announcing booth by PBA Hall of Famer and veteran ESPN color analyst Randy Pedersen, sideline reporter former Miss USA Kimberly Pressler, and, for the live PBA World Championship telecast, PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman.

PBA Challenge Finals highlight other aspects of PBA: The PBA created the "PBA Challenge Finals" three years ago to provide a national showcase for other divisions of PBA competition – PBA Regionals, PBA-PWBA Women's Regionals, and the PBA50 Tour. The PBA Regional and renamed PBA-PWBA Women's Regional program invites the top player based on season-long competition points from each of the PBA's eight regions to bowl a qualifying event for two berths in the live Xtra Frame finals. The PBA50 Tour's top eight players based on 2016 competition points also will bowl the same head-to-head round robin match play qualifier to determine the top two players for their Xtra Frame finals. The Challenge events will kick off at the National Bowling Stadium on Sunday, Nov. 27 and the entire competition, including the finals of each division, will be streamed live exclusively on Xtra Frame.

USA vs. The World Special Team Event: The top five U.S. players and the top five international players based on their combined qualifying pinfall totals for the four WSOB animal pattern events will compete in a special USA vs. The World team showdown that will be conducted after the World Championship finals on Dec. 11 and will also be aired on ESPN.

PBA Tour events include diverse lane conditions – Four of the World Series events – the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championships – are names applied to specific PBA lane conditioning patterns. Each different lane condition requires players to be on top of their games in making the right lane and equipment adjustments to be successful. The ability to excel on all four lane conditioning challenges will ultimately determine the finalists who will compete for the PBA World Championship.

Each lane condition used during the World Series will be highly visible to ESPN viewers because the PBA will add blue dye to the lane conditioner for the telecasts, giving fans a unique visual reference of what players must navigate when competing in the finals. Fans will be able to watch how the so-called “blue oil” moves around under the traffic of bowling balls rolled during the competition.

Reno’s role in professional bowling history – Reno has hosted many topflight bowling competitions since 1977 when the Reno-Sparks Convention Center hosted the American Bowling Congress (USBC) Championships Tournament for the first time. Since then, Reno has hosted many PBA and USBC events which have been some of the biggest bowling events in history. The National Bowling Stadium is marking its 21st year of hosting topflight competition after opening its doors in 1995.

PBA Spare Shots

WILL YOUTH MOVEMENT CONTINUE IN 2016 PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP?

There’s a youth movement going on in today’s PBA Tour and it’s being underscored by the immediate impact young players are making in not just winning PBA Tour events, but by winning majors.

You need to look no further back than last year’s GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy Resort and Casino when 25-year-old **Gary Faulkner Jr.** of Memphis won the PBA World Championship at the National Bowling Stadium by defeating then-23-year-old **EJ Tackett** of Huntington, Ind., for his first PBA Tour title.

Faulkner’s win in the 2015 PBA World Championship started a string of the last five majors being won by players age 25 or younger for their first major titles: FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, **Jesper Svensson**, 20; USBC Masters, **Anthony Simonsen**, 19; Barbasol PBA Players Championship, **Graham Fach**, 23; U.S. Open, **Francois Lavoie**, 23.

Another name to watch for is **Jakob Butturff** of Chandler, Ariz., who heads into the WSOB after winning a PBA-record ninth QubicaAMF PBA West Region title Sunday (see details under “QubicaAMF Regional Update” below) and his first two PBA Tour titles earlier in the year.

Faulkner will begin his title defense Monday when the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII presented by Silver Legacy gets underway. It will culminate when the fifth and final major title of the 2016 season is settled when the PBA World Championship finals air live on ESPN on Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT).

In addition to the crown jewel of the WSOB, ESPN will air the finals of five other PBA Tour events on Dec. 18, 24, 25 and Jan. 8 (plus a re-air of the PBA World Championship on New Year’s Day. The finals will be contested on Dec. 10-11 for delayed broadcast. For taping times and ticket information for the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championships, plus the U.S. vs. The World finals at the National Bowling Stadium click here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pba-geico-wsob-viii-tv-tickets-tickets-28534712092>

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NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: RANDY GOES “ONE ON ONE” WITH BARRETT, FAULKNER, RASH

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On Thanksgiving day, Pedersen will visit with England's **Dom Barrett** who discusses his early bowling obsession and idols, life on the road, a day at home, whether or not Randy is welcome in Dom's hometown pub and more.

Coming on Monday will be Pedersen's sit-down chat with 2015 PBA World Champion **Gary Faulkner Jr.** who talks about his two-handed start to bowling, an addiction to movies, karate, his workout regimen and more.

On Thursday, Dec. 1, Pedersen will chat with **Sean Rash**, who tells some moose stories, talks about his favorite places to bowl, a growing affinity for wine with help from Johnny Petraglia and more.

Already in the Xtra Frame archives are conversations with **Ryan Ciminelli** who talks about how he got started, how he revamped his game, his Corvette affinity, personal transformation and more.

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For fans who want to watch bowling action, Xtra Frame's comprehensive coverage of the multi-event, two-week showcase of international bowling begins Sunday with the qualifying and championship rounds of the PBA Regional, PBA-PWBA Women's Regional and PBA50 Challenge events.

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A new addition to the XF schedule will be the PBA League Pre-Season Showdown on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 6 p.m. ET (3 p.m. in Reno). Fans will get a sneak-peek at the 2017 PBA League teams as all eight teams participate in a series of Baker format team matches. The opening two-game round will pair teams based on how they finished in 2016. A one-game round robin match play round will then determine the top teams for the one-game Baker finale.

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PBA CHAMPION MIKE SHADY ELECTED TO USBC HALL OF FAME

PBA Tour title winner Mike Shady of Fairview, Pa., has been elected to the USBC Hall of Fame in the Outstanding USBC Performance category by the USBC Hall of Fame committee. Shady, 51, won the 1992 PBA Earl Anthony Open, but earned his USBC recognition for an unprecedented run at the USBC Open Championships which includes 2005 Team All-Events and 2011 Regular Team titles.

Shady, the lifetime USBC Open average leader with a mark of 222.28 in 21 appearances, has 13 additional top-10 finishes in addition to his two titles.

The USBC Hall of Fame committee also slated eight bowlers for the Superior Performance national ballot that will be voted on by a panel of USBC Hall of Fame members, USBC Board members and veteran bowling writers. The men's ballot includes **Dave Ferraro** of Kingston, N.Y.; **David Ozio** and **Mark Williams** of Beaumont, Texas; **Randy Pedersen** of Clermont, Fla.; **Mike Scroggins** of Amarillo, Texas; and **Danny Wiseman** of Baltimore.

The two competitors on the women's ballot are **Marianne DiRupo** of Succasunna, N.J., and **Tammy Turner** of West Palm Beach, Fla.

USBC's induction ceremony will take place April 26 at the 2017 USBC Convention in Las Vegas.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BUTTURFF SETS SINGLE-SEASON REGIONAL RECORD

Jakob Butturff of Chandler, Ariz., continued his dominance in the QubicaAMF PBA West Region Sunday, winning a PBA-record ninth regional title of the year with a 174-pin victory over **Chris Warren** of Grants Pass, Ore. in the PBA West/Northwest Capital City Open hosted at Strikes Unlimited Lanes in Rocklin, Calif.

With his win, Butturff took sole possession of the PBA record for most regional titles in a single season, breaking his tie with **Mike Scroggins** of Amarillo, Texas, who won eight times in 1999.

Butturff, a 22-year-old left-hander, posted a 9-3 match play record and 4,842 pinfall total for 20 games to earn the \$2,000 first prize. Warren, a six-time PBA Tour title winner, had 4,668 pins including match play bonus pins.

In his second year as a PBA member, Butturff also has won two PBA Tour titles in 2016 (PBA Xtra Frame Lubbock Sports Open in Texas in June and PBA Xtra Frame South Point Las Vegas Open in October), and he has earned more than \$22,000 in regional competition alone.

In the companion PBA50 event, presented by DV8, Genesis and Mongoose, **Joe Petrovich** of Tracy, Calif., went 10-0 and knocked down 4,269 total pins for his first PBA50 West Region title 24 years.

- **Jimmy Jean** of Kathleen, Ga., defeated **Gary Morgan** of Atlanta, Ga., 275-175, 236-213 in the best-of-three-game title match to win his second QubicaAMF PBA South Region title in the PBA50 Gastonia Southern Open presented by Brunswick at Liberty Lanes in Gastonia, N.C., Sunday. Jean also earned \$2,000.

In the best-of-three semifinal round, Jean defeated **Keith Lesko** of Indian Land, S.C., 228-200, 178-220, 191-189, while Morgan eliminated **Gary Shultis** of Levittown, N.Y., 234-206, 181-224, 202-196.

- Amateur **Andrew Anderson** of Holly, Mich., defeated **Matt Zasowski** of Towanda, N.Y., 2-1, in the best-of-three-game title match to win the PBA La-Z-Boy Central Challenge at Monroe Sport Center in Monroe, Mich., Sunday. Anderson, who earned \$2,000, won his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional event, but he was not awarded a PBA title since he is a non-member.

PBA News: Former Commissioner Mark Gerberich Elected to PBA Hall of Fame for Meritorious Service

Nov 23, 2016

Gerberich, who joined the PBA staff after graduating from St. John's University with a degree in sports management in 1983, started as PBA membership services director and rose through a variety of positions before being named PBA Commissioner in 1996. For the next four years, Gerberich tried to overcome issues of declining television and sponsorship revenues with a series of innovative programs, but faced with nearly impossible odds, negotiated the sale of the organization to the Peters-led group in 2000.

"All of the clichés apply, but I was shocked," Gerberich said in learning of his election from PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark. "I never went to work for PBA dreaming of being in the hall of fame one day, but it's really nice that people appreciate what you did. For me, it was a team thing. We had an awesome group.

"It's exciting," he added. "I'd been on the ballot before. It's very difficult for these committees to vote, thinking about how many deserving people there are across generations. The question always is, how do you differentiate between people like that? I was kind of shocked. I didn't even know the election was going on."

Gerberich will be inducted during the PBA Hall of Fame and Awards Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 18, at the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort in Shawnee, Okla., as part of FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions week. Three candidates in the Superior Performance category – Bryan Goebel, Steve Hoskins and Mike Scroggins – are also under consideration for induction. Voting by a panel of veteran bowling industry journalists and PBA Hall of Famers will be conducted in the weeks ahead. PBA's 2016 Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and other award winners also will be recognized in Shawnee.

Gerberich, who was elected by the 12-member PBA Hall of Fame Committee, attended college for two years before quitting to try to decide what he wanted to do with his life. He decided he wanted to become an athletic director and searched for schools that offered such a program, ultimately settling on St. John's "because they had a bowling team."

In 1983, someone – Gerberich isn't sure who – mentioned his name to the PBA. He was invited to interview and landed the membership services position under then-Commissioner Joe Antenora. "I was just an entry level guy, but I was the happiest guy in the world," Gerberich said.

He succeeded Lyle Zikes as PBA Director of Operations in 1988 and became Deputy Commissioner under new Commissioner Mike Connor in 1992. When Connor retired in 1996, Gerberich took the top post.

"I was pretty naïve," he said. "At that point the PBA was a shell of its former self. History is great because in hindsight, you can always say what went wrong. But the reality is, in 1991 the PBA got \$200,000 per show (in rights' fee revenue from ABC-TV), and in 1992, we got \$50,000 a show. With 16 shows, we were short \$2.4 million in revenue. Then you try to survive, which we did for about 10 years."

During his tenure, Gerberich introduced the most extensive series of arena finals in PBA history, including staging the largest live-audience event in bowling history when 7,212 fans attended the 1995 U.S. Open at Detroit's Joe Louis Arena. He orchestrated the first outdoor final in New York City's Bryant Park in 1999, and he negotiated the PBA's first umbrella sponsorship with Brunswick's Jack Reichert in 1997 that provided invaluable funding for the organization.

Gerberich still lives in Akron where he currently is involved in sporting goods retail sales and marketing, covering the Midwest region.

He will be the 32nd inductee into the PBA Hall of Fame for meritorious service.

**O'Grady, Williams, Parkin
Win PBA Challenge Events to Kick Off
GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII**

Eighth annual World Series officially gets underway with animal pattern stages on Tuesday

RENO, Nev. (Sunday, Nov. 27) – Matt O'Grady of Matawan, N.J.; Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., and Missy Parkin of Laguna Hills, Calif., kicked off the GEICO Professional Bowlers Association World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy Resort and Casino, with victories in the special PBA50 Tour, PBA Regional and PBA-PWBA Women's Regional Challenge events Sunday at the National Bowling Stadium.

O'Grady, representing the PBA East Region, threw a clutch strike on his first shot in the 10th frame to nip South Region represent Dick Allen of Columbia, S.C., 225-217, handing Allen his first loss in the nine-game PBA Regional Challenge special event.

"I know it doesn't count as a title, but it sure feels like one to me," O'Grady said. "Being here on bowling's biggest stage, live on Xtra Frame, against a stellar field of players who all have a lot more experience than I do feels pretty good. Maybe, at age 30, I'm just hitting my prime a little late."

Williams, at age 57, survived another in a series of battles with veteran Ron Mohr of Las Vegas, throwing the only double of the match and clinching the 192-187 win with a strike on his first ball in the 10th frame after a pair of costly 10 pins thwarted Mohr again. For the ninth time in 2016, Mohr made a championship round without winning the title.

"It's a great opportunity for the PBA50 Tour guys to have an event like this at the end of the season," Williams said. "I was fortunate Ron didn't double in the 10th, but I thought I threw some good shots that didn't carry, too. That's the challenge of this game. You have to figure out what to do to carry those shots."

"It's a great confidence-builder to start the World Series," he added, noting the win doesn't end his ongoing duel with fellow PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber to become the first PBA player to win a combined 100 PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour, PBA Regional and PBA50 Regional titles. Both have 99.

"No, this wasn't the 100th title," Williams said. "It's a special event. Never had been a PBA title, so it doesn't count."

Parkin, bowling with medical approval by her doctor after undergoing surgery nearly six weeks, saved her best game for last, defeating top qualifying and PBA South Region representative Ashly Galante of Palm Harbor, Fla., 267-188, for the PBA-PWBA

Women's Regional Challenge title. After a first-frame spare, Parkin reeled off eight strikes in a row to run away with the \$8,000 first prize.

"I changed strategy based on what I was doing in qualifying," Parkin said. "I overheard the guys say they were playing farther right on the pair of lanes we used for the finals, and I'm perfectly fine with that. I tried it in practice and it was amazing, so I stayed out there.

"I'm really grateful I got cleared to bowl this event," the PBA West Region representative said. "I'm bummed I can't bowl the rest of the World Series, but I'm really glad I got to do this one."

Each of the three Challenge events culminated season-long competition points qualifiers to reach the World Series, and entitled each of the competitors to paid entries into the World Series as well. The Challenge events were covered live, exclusively on PBA's online video streaming service, Xtra Frame.

The eighth annual WSOB officially gets underway Tuesday with the first of four animal pattern qualifying stages leading into the PBA World Championship that will conclude with live ESPN television coverage on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT). All preliminary qualifying rounds of the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championships also will be covered live on Xtra Frame between Tuesday and Thursday, Dec. 8.

PBA-PBA WOMEN'S REGIONAL CHALLENGE

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Nov. 27

Championship: Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif. (\$8,000) def. Ashly Galanta, Palm Harbor, Fla. (\$4,000), 267-188.

Final Match Play Standings (after 8 games, including match play bonus pins; top two advanced to championship match): 1, Galante, 7-1, 2,018. 2, Parkin, 4-4, 1,828. 3, Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 6-2, 1,777, \$1,000. 4, Clara Guerrero, Colombia, 5-3, 1,751, \$700. 5, Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 4-4, 1,728, \$600. 6, April Lord Wittig, Steilacoom, Wash., 4-4, 1,648, \$500. 7, Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 2-6, 1,538, \$400.

PBA50 TOUR CHALLENGE

Championship: Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla. (\$8,000) def. Ron Mohr, Las Vegas (\$4,000), 192-187.

Final Match Play Standings (after 8 games, including match play bonus pins; top two advanced to championship match): 1, Mohr, 7-1, 2,031. 2, Williams, 6-2, 2,012. 3, Bob Learn Jr, Erie, Pa., 4-4, 1,968, \$1,000. 4, Lennie Boresch Jr, Kenosha, Wis., 4-4, 1,963, \$700. 5, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3-5, 1,820, \$600. 6, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-5, 1,797, \$500. 7, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 5-3, 1,754, \$400.

PBA REGIONAL CHALLENGE

Championship: Matt O'Grady, Matawan, N.J. (\$8,000) def. Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C. (\$4,000), 225-217.

Final Match Play Standings (after 8 games, including match play bonus pins; top two advanced to championship match): 1, Allen, 8-0, 2,202. 2, O'Grady, 4-4, 1,974. 3, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 4-4, 1,959, \$1,000. 4, Jakob Butturff, Tempe, Ariz., 4-4, 1,944, \$700. 5, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, Texas, 5-3, 1,847, \$600. 6, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 4-4, 1,825, \$500. 7, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3-5, 1,776, \$400.

PBA's World Series Animal Pattern Finals to Stream Live on ESPN3

Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion, Shark Championships to stream on December 10

RENO, Nev. – The Professional Bowlers Association and ESPN have reached an agreement to air the finals of four animal pattern championships being conducted as part of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII live on ESPN3 on Saturday, Dec. 10 from the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev. The finals of the Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game

will stream live at 3 p.m., Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com at 5:30 p.m., Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA at 7:15 p.m. and the Shark Championship at 9 p.m. on ESPN3. All times are Eastern.

In addition to the new ESPN3 coverage, the finals of the four animal pattern events will air on tape delay on ESPN in the previously announced time slots. The Cheetah finals will air on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 18 at 1 p.m.; the Chameleon finals will air on Saturday, Dec. 24 at 1 p.m.; and the Scorpion and Shark Championships will air back-to-back on Christmas Day at 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. ET.

ESPN's live coverage of the PBA World Championship will kick off its WSOB VIII coverage on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET.

"The prestige of the WSOB and PBA title events provides ESPN with a quality addition to its ESPN3 programming," said PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark. "These events are important to the bowling community and having live access to the finals is a great bonus for our fans. And it's especially rewarding for our Xtra Frame subscribers, who watch these tournament unfold during our live coverage of the preliminary rounds. Fans can now stream the event live if they choose."

ESPN3, ESPN's live multi-screen sports network, is available on computers, smartphones, tablets and streaming devices through WatchESPN and the ESPN app.

BJ Moore III Takes Early Lead in Cheetah Championship as GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII Gets Underway

RENO, Nev. – Fourth-year PBA Tour competitor BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., took the early qualifying lead in the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game as the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII got underway Tuesday at the National Bowling Stadium.

Moore, 28, averaged 243.63 for his eight games for a 1,949 pinfall total and a 51-pin lead over Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., who closed his round with back-to-back 279 games for a 1,898 total. Moore, who has finished sixth three times in his PBA career without a PBA Tour title, rolled games of 267, 243, 224, 255, 227, 204, 266 and 263 to assume the early lead.

With half of the 170-player field scheduled to bowl their Cheetah qualifying round later Tuesday, Greg Ostrander of Freehold, N.J., was in third place with 1,878 pins followed by Brad Miller of Maryland Heights, Mo., at 1,857 and Francois Louw of South Africa at 1,854.

For complete A Squad standings, visit Live Scoring on pba.com's home page:
<http://www.pba.com/PBALiveScoring?TournamentID=2130>.

Perfect Game Vaults Novak into PBA Cheetah Championship Qualifying Lead

Top 24 set for match play elimination rounds as GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII gets underway

RENO, Nev. – A 300 in his final game Tuesday pushed three-time Professional Bowlers Association's regional titlist Brandon Novak of Chillicothe, Ohio, into the qualifying lead in the PBA Cheetah Championship, presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game, as well as the early lead in PBA World Championship qualifying, as the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII got underway at the National Bowling Stadium.

The Cheetah Championship is a PBA Tour title event, and it also is the first of four animal pattern qualifying stages leading to the PBA World Championship, the final major championship of the 2016 season. The World Championship will be decided live on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET.

Novak rolled games of 205, 269, 268, 247, 212, 226 and 231 before capping his round with his perfect game. With a 1,958 total, he overtook early leader BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., by nine pins. Novak and Moore are both 28-year-old fourth-year PBA Tour competitors who are trying for his first PBA Tour title.

"I had the front seven strikes in the last game and realized if I could shoot 300, I'd lead the tournament," said Novak, whose highest previous finish in a PBA Tour event was a tie for ninth place in the United States Bowling Congress Masters earlier in the year. "I practiced with two balls yesterday, and I just happened to pick the right ball today. It matched up perfectly. Then it was just a matter of making good shots and staying focused."

Moore, a newlywed (he married Professional Women's Bowling Association competitor T'Nia Falbo in September), was a member of the 2016 PBA League Elias Cup champion Dallas Strikers team, but he has never finished higher than sixth place in PBA Tour singles competition.

"This has always been an event where I've been close to making the cut, but I never could get past the edge," Moore said. "I worked with (long-time PBA Tour ball rep) Chris Schlemer during practice Monday and he gave me a couple of trigger points to try to make things as simple as possible. Admittedly, I have a tendency to over-think things, but with one or two things to think about, it helped me slow down and become more fluid. That's all I worked on in practice and obviously it paid off."

In third place was Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., who won his 10th and 11th PBA Tour titles earlier in the year. Rash closed his round with back-to-back 279 games to finish with a 1,898 total, 20 pins ahead of Greg Ostrander of Freehold, N.J., and 27 pins ahead of EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind.

Among the surprise contenders was Poland's Daria Pajak, who finished one pin behind Tackett. A June graduate of Florida's Webber International University bowling in her first PBA Tour event, Pajak hopes to join Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y. (2014), and Clara Guerrero of Colombia (2013) as the third woman to advance to a Cheetah Championship television final. She will be among the top 24 Cheetah qualifiers who will return to the National Bowling Stadium for best-of-five-game match play eliminations on Tuesday, Dec. 6 and Thursday, Dec. 8 to determine the top four players for the ESPN match play finals that will be contested on Saturday, Dec. 10, for tape-delayed telecast on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 1 p.m. ET. The Cheetah finals will be live-streamed on ESPN3 on Dec. 10 at 4 p.m. ET.

WSOB VIII competition, which includes 169 bowlers from 23 countries, continues Wednesday with qualifying in the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com. The Chameleon round also is the second stage in PBA World Championship qualifying. After the Scorpion and Shark Championship stages Thursday and Friday, respectively, the top 42 players based on 32-game pinfall totals will advance to the PBA World Championship cashers on Sunday.

All qualifying and match play elimination rounds in the World Series are being covered live, exclusively by PBA's online live-streaming service, Xtra Frame. To sign up for an Xtra Frame subscription, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA CHEETAH CHAMPIONSHIP

presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Tuesday

Final Standings (after 8 games; top 24 advance to best-of-five-game match play elimination round on Tuesday, Dec. 6):

- 1, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,958.
- 2, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 1,949.
- 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,898.
- 4, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,878.
- 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,871.
- 6, w-Daria Pajak, Poland, 1,870.
- 7, Pascal Winterheimer, Germany, 1,868.
- 8, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 1,857.
- 9, Francois Louw, South Africa, 1,854.
- 10, Dom Barrett, England, 1,847.
- 11, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,836.

12, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,834.
 13, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,832.
 14, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 1,826.
 15, Richie Teece, England, 1,825.
 16 (tie), Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, and Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,812.
 18, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,811.
 19, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,808.
 20, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,807.
 21, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,804.
 22, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,801.
 23, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,800.
 24, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,798.

Failed to advance:

25, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,797.
 26, Zhiyong Wang, China, 1,796.
 27, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,793.
 28, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,790.
 29, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,788.
 30, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,786.
 31, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,777.
 32, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 1,770.
 33, w-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,767.
 34, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,765.
 35, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,764.
 36, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,762.
 37 (tie), Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y., and Daniel Fransson, Sweden, 1,761.
 39, Liu Shaoyi, China, 1,756.
 40, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,755.
 41 (tie), Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., and Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,753.
 43, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,751.
 44 (tie), Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,750.
 46, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,747.
 47, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 1,741.
 48, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,738.
 49 (tie), Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, and Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,737.
 51 (tie), Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill.; Carsten Hansen, Denmark, and Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,730.
 54 (tie), Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif.; Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., and Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,727.
 57, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,724.
 58, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 1,722.
 59, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,719.
 60 (tie), Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.; Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., and Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,718.
 63, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,714.
 64 (tie), w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, and Cody McCowin, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,713.
 66, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,712.
 67, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,711.
 68 (tie), Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla.; Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, and Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,710.
 71, Markus Jansson, Sweden, 1,709.
 72, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,708.
 73, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 1,706.
 74, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 1,705.
 75 (tie), Xu Chen, China, and Francois Lavoie, Canada, 1,700.
 77, Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., 1,698.
 78, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,697.
 79 (tie), David Haynes, Las Vegas, and Anton Ahlgren, Sweden, 1,694.
 81 (tie), Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va.; Michael Wittendorff, Denmark; Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., and Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 1,693.
 85, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,692.
 86 (tie), Graham Fach, Canada, and Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 1,690.

88 (tie), Chris Bolosan, Newport News, Va., and Stuart Williams, England, 1,688.
90 (tie), Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., and Lucas Legnani, Argentina, 1,687.
92 (tie), Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C., and Pontus Andersson, Sweden, 1,685.
94, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,684.
95 (tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,683.
97, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,681.
98, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,677.
99, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,676.
100, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,674.
101, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 1,670.
102, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,661.
103, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,657.
104 (tie), Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., and Zhongli Mi, China, 1,653.
106, Casey Knutson, Sparks, Nev., 1,652.
107, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,651.
108, Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 1,646.
109, Wang Hongbo, China, 1,642.
110 (tie), John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., and Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,635.
112 (tie), Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., and Brett Cooper, Denver, 1,634.
114, Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 1,632.
115, Mohamed Janahi, Bahrain, 1,626.
116, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,619.
117, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 1,618.
118 (tie), Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., and Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,617.
120, Lou Yi, China, 1,616.
121, Qi Wankang, China, 1,615.
122, w-Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,614.
123, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,602.
124, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,596.
125, Isaac Russell, Malaysia, 1,595.
126, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,594.
127, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,593.
128, Martin Bedford, Altus, Okla., 1,589.
129, Lars Nielsen, Denmark, 1,586.
130 (tie), LeVinc Samuels, Bermuda; Jonathan Wilbur, North Clarendon, Vt., and Hashim Guinomla, Philippines, 1,584.
133, Zhang Haitao, China, 1,582.
134, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,576.
135, David Krol, Nixa, Mo., 1,571.
136, Yong-Jin Gu, South Korea, 1,567.
137, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 1,566.
138, Wang Dali, China, 1,565.
139, Ray Teece, England, 1,564.
140, w-Ingelimar Beasley, Venezuela, 1,558.
141, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,553.
142, David Maycock, Bermuda, 1,546.
143 (tie), Shawn Maldonado, Houston; Clint Land, Houston, and w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,544.
146 (tie), Agustin Aranguren, Argentina, and Will Vidulich, Parsippany, N.J., 1,538.
148, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,525.
149 (tie), Andrew Cain, Phoenix, and Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,507.
151, Paul Moor, England, 1,506.
152, Tobias Boerding, Germany, 1,502.
153, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 1,501.
154, w-Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 1,498.
155, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 1,492.
156 (tie), Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., and w-April Lordwittig, Steilacoom, Wash., 1,483.
158, w-Jill Creamer, Folsom, Calif., 1,465.
159, Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., 1,452.
160, Douglas Hankins, Boise, Idaho, 1,440.

161, J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,395.
162, Russell Lopes, Carmichael, Calif., 1,384.
163, Mateo Hernandez, Argentina, 1,381.
164, Stephen Bennett, Hampton, Va., 1,377.
165, Rickai Binns, Bermuda, 1,334.
166, Tim Frenz, Dickinson, N.D., 1,326.
167, Xiao Lu, China, 1,260.
168, Cody Copeland, Abilene, Texas, 1,240.
169, Adrian McCoy, British Virgin Islands, 1,213.

300 Games: Jake Peters, Mitch Beasley, Brandon Novak, Matt O'Grady.

w-denotes woman.

Media Advisory: Canada's Patrick Girard Takes Early PBA Chameleon Championship Lead

RENO, Nev. – French-Canadian veteran Patrick Girard, a 33-year-old 13-year PBA member, posted games of 267, 227, 213, 215, 264, 209, 247 and 238 for a 1,880 pinfall total Wednesday to take the early qualifying lead in the PBA Chameleon Championship, presented by HotelPlanner.Com, as competition continued in the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII at the National Bowling Stadium.

The Chameleon Championship is the second of four animal pattern qualifying stages leading to the PBA World Championship finals that will air live on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET. With half of the field yet to bowl its Chameleon qualifying round, Girard also had moved up from 29th place after his Cheetah Championship round to challenge for the lead halfway through qualifying for the PBA World Championship.

It was, he said, "a good day, a really good day."

Girard, the self-proclaimed "old man" among Canadian players who are making their mark in PBA Tour competition this year, finished fourth twice in 2005 PBA Tour events, but continues his quest for a title. He was well aware a Canadian had never won on the PBA Tour until this year when Ontario's Graham Fach became the first, winning the Barbasol PBA Players Championship at age 24, followed by 23-year-old Francois Lavoie, a fellow Quebec native, winning the U.S. Open earlier in November.

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Among the early finishers Wednesday, Girard held a three-pin lead over Dick Allen of Columbia, S.C. (1,877). Lavoie was third at 1,866 followed by Matt McNiell of Minneapolis (1,863) and Thomas Larsen of Denmark (1,854). For complete current standings, visit Live Scoring on pba.com (<http://www.pba.com/PBALiveScoring?TournamentID=2131>).

GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII Notebook

CHINA'S BACK WITH RECORD GROUP OF 10 PLAYERS

For the third year, "graduates" of China's Longmarch Pioneers League have returned to the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling. This year's record group of 10 players includes three traditional right handers, two lefties and five players who use the "spinner" technique with very light bowling balls, a technique that is popular in Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore and a few other Asian Rim nations. It's the largest group of "spinner" technicians ever to bowl in PBA competition.

After making its debut with six bowlers in 2014 and seven last year, China continues to pursue its first "cashier." But the players who have qualified through the "Pioneers" program created by Longmarch Bowling President **Frank Zhao** continue to make progress and Zhao is making sure Chinese bowling fans are constantly updated by feeding them video and audio reports on social media on a daily basis. As a demonstration of the progress China is making, **Zhiyong Wang** averaged 224.5 in the Cheetah round to finish in 26th place – missing the cut to the match play elimination rounds by finishing two pins behind PBA legend **Walter Ray Williams Jr.**

In order to earn trips to the WSOB, Chinese players have to earn their PBA memberships through Zhao's Longmarch Pioneers League, establishing minimum 200 averages, and then they had to finish among the leaders in a national qualifying event.

Once again accompanying the delegation is Guotai Shi, who is Vice Chairman of the Chinese Bowling Association.

2016 WSOB "ANIMAL PATTERN" PRIMER

Since its inception in Detroit in 2009, the essence of the World Series has been a variety of "animal pattern" which not only offer PBA Tour titles, but serve as qualifying stages culminating with the PBA World Championship. In order to win the PBA World Championship, players must demonstrate a high level of consistency across the different challenges the "animal patterns" present.

While oiling patterns on bowling lanes are normally invisible, the PBA helped fans get a visual picture of the differences in playing conditions when it introduced blue dyed oil for televised WSOB events in 2013. The "blue oil" lanes have remained a part of PBA's televised events ever since.

Another major advance in understanding the challenges of bowling came when the PBA gave those varying oiling patterns names. Thus the so-called animal patterns were born, and fans can now relate to the playing surface involved simply by referring to the animal pattern name and knowing peculiar features are involved with that particular oiling pattern. This year's patterns are the Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark. The Shark, making its first WSOB appearance since 2011, replaces the Viper to give this year's World Series a different challenge than they faced in 2015. Here's a brief look at the 2016 animal patterns:

The Cheetah: PBA's description says "A cheetah may look harmless, but this speedster has a dangerous side. So does this pattern - with a fast scoring pace and play near the gutter, there's no room for error." The Cheetah involves applying oil on the lane to a distance of 35 feet. Past WSOB Cheetah champions include **Norm Duke** (2009), **Eugene McCune** (2010), **Bill O'Neill** (2012), **Wes Malott** (2013), **Anthony Pepe** (2014) and **Parker Bohn III** (2015). The Cheetah was not part of the 2011 WSOB.

The Chameleon: "Chameleons change color to outsmart their enemies. To excel on this pattern, bowlers must be versatile in many styles of play." The Chameleon pattern involves oiling to a distance of 43 feet. Past WSOB Chameleon champions include **Bill O'Neill** (2009), **Scott Norton** (2010), **Jason Belmonte** (2011), **Scott Norton** (2012), **Ryan Ciminelli** (2013), **Mika Koivuniemi** (2014) and **Jesper Svensson** (2015).

The Scorpion: "A scorpion is dangerous and unpredictable, like this pattern. If you can't find the right groove on the lanes, you'll be stung!" The Scorpion pattern involves oiling to a distance of 47 feet. Past WSOB Scorpion champions include **Mike DeVaney** (2009), non-member **Yong-Jin Gu** (2010), **Dom Barrett** (2011), **Tom Daugherty** (2012), **Tom Smallwood** (2013), **Michael Haugen Jr.** (2014) and **Jon Van Hees** (2015).

The Shark: "The shark involves a heavy application of oil and is frequently preferred by players who can play the inside part of the lane because abundant oil on the outside part of the lane can lead mistakes into the abyss. Precise shot-making will be rewarded. Miss your target or make an errant release, and you may wind up in the jaws of the beast." The Shark pattern involves a high-volume application of oil to distance of 43 feet. Past WSOB Shark champions include: **Jack Jurek** (2009), **Osku Palermaa** (2010) and **Jason Belmonte** (2011).

The PBA World Championship: A specific oiling pattern, to a distance of 41 feet, is used for PBA World Championship match play and television final competition. Past WSOB PBA World Champions include: **Tom Smallwood** (2009), **Chris Barnes** (2010), **Osku Palermaa** (2011), **Parker Bohn III** (2012), **Dom Barrett** (2013), **Mike Fagan** (2014) and **Gary Faulkner Jr.** (2015).

In addition to the distance oil is applied to the lane for each specific animal pattern, the distribution of oil across the lane varies from pattern to pattern, using sophisticated lane maintenance equipment for precise duplication of oil lane to lane. The oil application influences angles of attack, ball speed and numerous other decisions bowlers have to make. Instead of being able to see the oil on the lane – and how it is moved around as each round progresses – professional bowlers read the motion of their bowling balls as they travel down the lane in order to make adjustments.

The variety of playing surfaces challenges combined with the most talented bowlers in the world are reasons why the PBA World Series of Bowling is the greatest event in bowling.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: RANDY GOES "ONE ON ONE" WITH BARRETT, FAULKNER, RASH

As the PBA continues its extensive coverage of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII on Xtra Frame, subscribers are getting a chance to meet some of the Tour's top stars who are featured in a new *"One on One with Randy Pedersen"* series of interviews.

On Thursday, Dec. 1, Pedersen will chat with **Sean Rash**, who tells some moose stories, talks about his favorite places to bowl, a growing affinity for wine with help from **Johnny Petraglia** and more.

Coming on Monday, Dec. 5: **Anthony Simonsen** talks his early start to bowling, his favorite PBA Tour roommates, dealing with success, miniature golf, why he'd rather eat with bowlers than anyone else and more. On Thursday, Dec. 8: **Chris Barnes** discusses quick wits and **Tommy Jones**, his favorite television opponents, bets with **Mika Koivuniemi**, what he does with any spare time he can find and more. Closing out the series on Monday, Dec. 12: **Tom Daugherty** chats about his standout 2016 season, his favorite restaurant in the world, his pro shops, one peculiar superstition and more.

If you missed them, the Xtra Frame archives includes conversations with **Ryan Ciminelli**, **Jason Belmonte**, **Jesper Svensson**, **Dom Barrett** and **Gary Faulkner Jr.**

Xtra Frame currently is providing exclusive coverage of the animal pattern qualifying rounds, leading into the start of PBA World Championship cashers round and match play coverage Dec. 4-5 when PBA Hall of Famer **Marshall Holman** will join the Xtra Frame announcing team. Holman will remain in the XF booth through the conclusion of World Series coverage, Dec. 6-8, and will then join ESPN announcers **Dave LaMont** and **Randy Pedersen** for the live ESPN telecast of the PBA World Championship on Dec. 11. For the Xtra Frame daily schedule, including air times, visit <http://www.pba.com/Live>.

Xtra Frame subscriptions are available in a variety of packages: three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by visiting "xtraframe.tv" and clicking on the "subscribe now" link. As a reminder, new monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: FINDLING WINS IN BEAUMONT

Joe Findling from Mesquite, Texas defeated **Mark Williams** on Williams' home lanes Sunday, winning the 15th annual PBA Beaumont Southwest Open at Crossroads Bowling Center with a 218-182 victory over the PBA Hall of Famer. The victory was Findling's seventh career QubicaAMF PBA Regional title.

Findling led qualifying to claim the top berth for the stepladder finals. In the opening match, Williams defeated **Andy Patterson** of Tyler, Texas, 257-225. He then eliminated **Dylan Macon** from Lubbock, Texas, 233-214, to advance to the championship match. Then, holding a one-pin lead, Williams opened in the seventh frame and Findling pounced, striking in the ninth and 10th frames to secure the \$3,000 first prize.

- The only QubicaAMF PBA Regional activity over the Dec. 2-3 weekend will be the MJK Pro Shop/Knob Hill Eastern Challenge presented by DV8 for non-champions at Knob Hill Country Lanes in Manalapan, N.J.
- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

Veteran Mike DeVaney Rides Rollercoaster into PBA Chameleon Championship Qualifying Lead

RENO, Nev. – Mike DeVaney, now a part-time competitor in his 25th year of Professional Bowlers Association competition, had one of those days that reminded him he can still bowl with the best as he rolled into the qualifying lead in the PBA Chameleon Championship, presented by HotelPlanner.com, Wednesday at the National Bowling Stadium.

The Chameleon Championship is the second of four animal pattern qualifying stages leading to the PBA World Championship finals that will air live on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET.

DeVaney, 43, averaged 236.6, bowling games of 255, 244, 290, 289, 155, 279, 181 and 200 to finish with a 1,893 pinfall total and a 13-pin lead over Canada's Patrick Girard. Both players, along with the other top eight finishers, earned first-round byes in the best-of-five-game Chameleon elimination match play rounds that will take place next Tuesday and Thursday.

"That was a rollercoaster," DeVaney, a two-time PBA Tour winner from Temecula, Calif., said. "I was all over the place; hot early, cold late.

"I don't bowl full-time anymore, so it's always nice to have some success to prove to myself I can still bowl with the best," he added. "It's been a while. Hopefully I can carry it over to the rest of the event."

DeVaney, who won his last title in the 2009 Scorpion Championship during the inaugural PBA World Series of Bowling, said the bowlers he was paired with (Germany's Pascal Winterheimer, PJ Haggerty of Roseville, Calif., and Zeke Bayt of Westerville, Ohio) helped keep him on track.

"The guys I was bowling with were very focused, so that helped me bowl stay in concert with them," he said. "Everyone was kind of cheering each other on, so it made it much easier to stay in the moment."

Girard, a 33-year-old 13-year PBA member, posted games of 267, 227, 213, 215, 264, 209, 247 and 238 for his 1,880 pins on the 43-foot Chameleon oiling pattern. It was a performance that also moved him up from 29th place after the Cheetah Championship round to fourth place as qualifying for the PBA World Championship hit the halfway point.

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In another highlight of the Chameleon round, Shaoyi Liu, who uses the Asian "spinner" technique, missed becoming the first bowler from China to cash in PBA competition when he finished 26th, one pin behind Haggerty and Dave Wodka of Beavercreek, Ohio, who tied for the 24th berth in the match play eliminations. In the subsequent one-game roll-off for 24th place, Wodka defeated Haggerty, 219-202, to advance to match play.

Tuesday's stars, 28-year-old fourth-year PBA members Brandon Novak of Chillicothe, Ohio, and BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., followed up their one-two finishes in the Cheetah round with solid Chameleon rounds to remain one-two after 16 games of PBA World Championship qualifying. Novak finished with 3,817 pins while Moore had a 3,741 total.

WSOB VIII competition continues Thursday with qualifying in the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA. The Scorpion round is the third of four stages in PBA World Championship qualifying. After the Shark Championship stage on Friday, the top 42 players based on 32-game pinfall totals for the four animal patterns will advance to the PBA World Championship cashers on Sunday.

All qualifying and match play elimination rounds in the World Series are being covered live, exclusively by PBA's online live-streaming service, Xtra Frame. To sign up for an Xtra Frame subscription, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP

presented by HotelPlanner.com

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Wednesday

Final Standings (after 8 games; top 24 advance to best-of-five-game match play elimination round on Tuesday, Dec. 6; top 8 earn byes for the Round of 24):

- 1, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 1,893.
- 2, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,880.
- 3, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,877.
- 4, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 1,866.
- 5, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 1,863.
- 6, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,859.
- 7, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,854.
- 8, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 1,853.
- 9, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 1,852.
- 10, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,849.
- 11, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 1,842.
- 12, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,822.
- 13, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,821.
- 14, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 1,813.
- 15 (tie), Osku Palermaa, Finland, and Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,812.
- 17, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,811.
- 18 (tie), Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., and A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,807.
- 20, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,805.
- 21, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,795.
- 22, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 1,792.
- 23, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,791.
- 24, x-Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,789.

Failed to advance:

25, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 1,789.
26 (tie), Liu Shaoyi, China, and Daniel Fransson, Sweden, 1,788.
28, Dom Barrett, England, 1,786.
29, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,778.
30, Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y., 1,774.
31 (tie), Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y.; Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C.; Mohamed Janahi, Bahrain, and Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,770.
35, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,766.
36 (tie), Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., and Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,761.
38, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,760.
39, Stuart Williams, England, 1,758.
40 (tie), Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., and John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,754.
42, Anton Ahlgren, Sweden, 1,751.
43, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,748.
44, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,747.
45, Jonathan Wilbur, North Clarendon, Vt., 1,742.
46, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,741.
47 (tie), Markus Jansson, Sweden, and David Haynes, Las Vegas, 1,740.
49, Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, 1,736.
50, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,734.
51, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,733.
52 (tie), Francois Louw, South Africa; Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., and Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,732.
55, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,731.
56, Tobias Boerding, Germany, 1,724.
57 (tie), David Krol, Nixa, Mo.; Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., and Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,722.
60 (tie), Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,721.
62 (tie), Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., and Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,719.
64, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,716.
65, Lucas Legnani, Argentina, 1,715.
66 (tie), Hashim Guinomla, Philippines; Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., and Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,714.
69, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,713.
70, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,711.
71 (tie), Carsten Hansen, Denmark, and Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,706.
73 (tie), Lars Nielsen, Denmark, and Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,702.
75 (tie), Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., and LeVinc Samuels, Bermuda, 1,697.
77, Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., 1,694.
78, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,693.
79, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,692.
80 (tie), Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,687.
82 (tie), Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., and Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 1,685.
84, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,682.
85, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,680.
86 (tie), w-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 1,676.
88, Ray Teece, England, 1,675.
89 (tie), Wang Hongbo, China, and Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,673.
91, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,672.
92, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 1,671.
93 (tie), Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., and J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,668.
95, Zhiyong Wang, China, 1,666.
96, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,662.
97, Pontus Andersson, Sweden, 1,660.
98, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,659.
99, Russell Lopes, Carmichael, Calif., 1,658.
100, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,653.
101 (tie), Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., and Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,652.
103, Daria Pajak, Poland, 1,650.
104, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,649.
105, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 1,647.

106, Wang Dali, China, 1,646.
 107, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,645.
 108, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,644.
 109, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,642.
 110 (tie), Zhongli Mi, China, and Isaac Russell, Malaysia, 1,640.
 112, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 1,638.
 113 (tie), Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., and Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,633.
 115 (tie), Andrew Cain, Phoenix, and w-Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 1,632.
 117, Richie Teece, England, 1,627.
 118, Graham Fach, Canada, 1,626.
 119, Paul Moor, England, 1,623.
 120, Pascal Winternheimer, Germany, 1,612.
 121 (tie), Michael Wittendorff, Denmark; Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., and Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,611.
 124, Zhang Haitao, China, 1,610.
 125, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 1,607.
 126 (tie), Kim Bolleby, Thailand; Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C.; Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., and Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,604.
 130, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,602.
 131, Brett Cooper, Denver, 1,599.
 132, w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,598.
 133, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,594.
 134, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 1,588.
 135, w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, 1,587.
 136, Casey Knutson, Sparks, Nev., 1,586.
 137, Chris Bolosan, Newport News, Va., 1,584.
 138, w-Ingelimar Beasley, Venezuela, 1,566.
 139, Tim Frenz, Dickinson, N.D., 1,562.
 140, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,552.
 141, w-Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,548.
 142 (tie), Xu Chen, China, and Lou Yi, China, 1,546.
 144, Clint Land, Houston, 1,542.
 145, w-April Lord Wittig, Steilacoom, Wash., 1,540.
 146, Yong-Jin Gu, South Korea, 1,538.
 147, David Maycock, Bermuda, 1,528.
 148, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 1,525.
 149, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,522.
 150, Cody McCowin, Daytona Beach, Fla., 1,511.
 151, Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., 1,500.
 152, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 1,497.
 153, Rickai Binns, Bermuda, 1,493.
 154, Martin Bedford, Altus, Okla., 1,492.
 155, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,491.
 156, Mateo Hernandez, Argentina, 1,489.
 157, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,487.
 158, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 1,484.
 159, Douglas Hankins, Boise, Idaho, 1,476.
 160, Agustin Aranguren, Argentina, 1,471.
 161, Stephen Bennett, Hampton, Va., 1,438.
 162, Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 1,434.
 163, J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,408.
 164, Qi Wankang, China, 1,399.
 165, Will Vidulich, Parsippany, N.J., 1,387.
 166, Cody Copeland, Abilene, Texas, 1,370.
 167, Xiao Lu, China, 1,357.
 168, w-Jill Creamer, Folsom, Calif., 1,342.
 169, Adrian McCoy, British Virgin Islands, 1,284.
 x-Wodka def. Haggerty, 219-202, in a one-game roll-off to break a tie for 24th place.
300 Games: Carsten Hansen.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Qualifying Standings (after 16 of 32 games; 8 games each in Cheetah and Chameleon Championship rounds):

- 1, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3,817.
- 2, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 3,741.
- 3, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,676.
- 4, Patrick Girard, Canada, 3,668.
- 5, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,647.
- 6, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,641.
- 7, Dom Barrett, England, 3,633.
- 8 (tie), Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., and Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3,631.
- 10, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,619.
- 11, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 3,612.
- 12, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 3,604.
- 13, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3,601.
- 14, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 3,589.
- 15, Francois Louw, South Africa, 3,586.
- 16, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 3,571.
- 17, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 3,566.
- 18, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 3,564.
- 19, Sam Cooley, Australia, 3,563.
- 20, Matthew McNiell, Minneapolis, Minn., 3,553.
- 21, Daniel Fransson, Sweden, 3,549.
- 22, Liu Shaoyi, China, 3,544.
- 23, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 3,537.
- 24, Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y., 3,535.
- 25, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 3,527.
- 26, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 3,524.
- 27, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3,521.
- 28, Daria Pajak, Poland, 3,520.
- 29, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,516.
- 30, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 3,511.
- 31 (tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,504.
- 33, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 3,502.
- 34, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 3,501.
- 35, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 3,497.
- 36, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 3,495.
- 37 (tie), PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., and Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 3,494.
- 39, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 3,489.
- 40 (tie), Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C.; Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., and Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,488.
- 43, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 3,486.
- 44, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,485.
- 45, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3,484.
- 46, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 3,483.
- 47, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 3,482.
- 48, Pascal Winterheimer, Germany, 3,480.
- 49, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3,478.
- 50, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3,475.
- 51, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 3,470.
- 52, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 3,469.
- 53, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,465.
- 54, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,464.
- 55, Zhiyong Wang, China, 3,462.
- 56, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 3,459.
- 57, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,455.
- 58, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 3,454.
- 59, Richie Teece, England, 3,452.
- 60, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 3,451.
- 61, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 3,450.

62, Markus Jansson, Sweden, 3,449.
63, Stuart Williams, England, 3,446.
64, Anton Ahlgren, Sweden, 3,445.
65 (tie), Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev.; Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., and w-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,443.
68, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,442.
69, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,439.
70 (tie), Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix; Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., and Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,437.
73, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 3,436.
74, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3,434.
75, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,432.
76, Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, 3,429.
77, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3,427.
78, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3,426.
79, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,424.
80, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 3,408.
81, Lucas Legnani, Argentina, 3,402.
82, Mohamed Janahi, Bahrain, 3,396.
83 (tie), Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., and Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,392.
85, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,385.
86, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,372.
87, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 3,369.
88 (tie), Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., and Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 3,368.
90, Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., 3,360.
91, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,354.
92, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,352.
93, Pontus Andersson, Sweden, 3,345.
94, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 3,340.
95, Jonathan Wilbur, North Clarendon, Vt., 3,326.
96, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 3,325.
97, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 3,321.
98, Graham Fach, Canada, 3,316.
99 (tie), Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., and Wang Hongbo, China, 3,315.
101, ss-Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,307.
102, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,305.
103 (tie), Michael Wittendorff, Denmark, and Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 3,304.
105, w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, 3,300.
106 (tie), Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., and Hashim Guinomla, Philippines, 3,298.
108, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 3,294.
109 (tie), David Krol, Nixa, Mo., and Zhongli Mi, China, 3,293.
111, Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C., 3,289.
112, Lars Nielsen, Denmark, 3,288.
113, LeVinc Samuels, Bermuda, 3,281.
114 (tie), Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, and Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,278.
116, Chris Bolosan, Newport News, Va., 3,272.
117, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,271.
118, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 3,269.
119, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 3,262.
120, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 3,259.
121, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,248.
122, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 3,247.
123, Xu Chen, China, 3,246.
124, Ray Teece, England, 3,239.
125, Casey Knutson, Sparks, Nev., 3,238.
126, Isaac Russell, Malaysia, 3,235.
127, Brett Cooper, Denver, 3,233.
128, Tobias Boerding, Germany, 3,226.
129, Cody McCowin, Daytona Beach, Fla., 3,224.
130, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 3,222.

131, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 3,213.
132, Wang Dali, China, 3,211.
133, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 3,206.
134, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3,200.
135, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 3,197.
136, Zhang Haitao, China, 3,192.
137 (tie), w-Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla., and Lou Yi, China, 3,162.
139, w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 3,142.
140, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 3,139.
141, w-Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 3,130.
142, Paul Moor, England, 3,129.
143, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,126.
144, w-Ingelimar Beasley, Venezuela, 3,124.
145, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 3,108.
146, Yong-Jin Gu, South Korea, 3,105.
147, Clint Land, Houston, 3,086.
148, Martin Bedford, Altus, Okla., 3,081.
149, David Maycock, Bermuda, 3,074.
150, Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 3,066.
151, Russell Lopes, Carmichael, Calif., 3,042.
152, w-April Lord Wittig, Steilacoom, Wash., 3,023.
153, Qi Wankang, China, 3,014.
154, ss-Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 3,012.
155, Agustin Aranguren, Argentina, 3,009.
156, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 3,008.
157, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 2,989.
158, Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., 2,952.
159, Will Vidulich, Parsippany, N.J., 2,925.
160, Douglas Hankins, Boise, Idaho, 2,916.
161, Tim Frenz, Dickinson, N.D., 2,888.
162, Mateo Hernandez, Argentina, 2,870.
163, Rickai Binns, Bermuda, 2,827.
164, Stephen Bennett, Hampton, Va., 2,815.
165, w-Jill Creamer, Folsom, Calif., 2,807.
166, J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 2,803.
167, Xiao Lu, China, 2,617.
168, Cody Copeland, Abilene, Texas, 2,610.
169, Adrian McCoy, British Virgin Islands, 2,497.

Australia's Jason Belmonte Makes Key Changes, Jumps into Early PBA Scorpion Championship Lead

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RENO, Nev. — Australia's Jason Belmonte, who is still after his first title in 2016, averaged 240.5 to take the early qualifying lead in the PBA Scorpion Championship, presented by Reno Tahoe USA, at the National Bowling Stadium Thursday.

Belmonte, a two-handed player who is trying to win PBA Player of the Year honors for an unprecedented fourth consecutive year, opened his eight-game Scorpion round with a 189 game, but followed with games of 269, 236, 214, 247, 35, 289 and 245 to finish 26 pins ahead of Matt O'Grady of Matawan, N.J.

The Scorpion Championship is the third of four animal pattern qualifying stages leading to the PBA World Championship finals that will air live on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET. The other half of the 169-player field was scheduled to bowl its Scorpion qualifying round later Thursday.

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“Bowling to me is so much about where and how your ball goes through the pins, and that’s the difference between 300 pins over and 100 pins over (a 200 average),” Belmonte said after finishing 44th at plus-150 for Tuesday’s Cheetah round and 66th at plus-114 on Wednesday’s Chameleon lane condition. “I haven’t left the bowling center the previous two days feeling like I bowled poorly; I just couldn’t get my ball through the pins to strike.

“So today I made a few changes and when the pins are falling on the PBA Tour, you have to take advantage,” he said. “After the first game, I changed balls, changed where I was playing, changed my speed and it worked. You know when you throw the ball right, it’s going to strike.”

Third among the early finishers Thursday was EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., with 1,882 pins followed by Kris Prather of Milton, Fla. (1,869) and Sam Cooley of Australia (1,856).

For complete and current Scorpion Championship standings, visit Live Scoring on pba.com (<http://www.pba.com/PBALiveScoring?TournamentID=2132>).

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Pete Weber Limpes into Early PBA Shark Championship Qualifying Lead
EJ Tackett has unfinished business as PBA World Championship leader

RENO, Nev. (Dec. 2, 2016) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber spent more of his preparation time for the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in the doctor’s office than on the lanes. Despite lingering pain that has limited his activity for much of the 2016 season, he limped into the early PBA Shark Championship qualifying lead Friday at the National Bowling Stadium.

The Shark Championship is the fourth and final animal pattern event in the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII competition. The top 42 qualifiers based on eight games in each of the four animal pattern events advance to the PBA World Championship cashers round Sunday morning. After the eight-game cashers round, the top 24 players will move on to three eight-game head-to-head match play rounds Sunday evening and Monday. Based on a combined total of 56 games, the five top players will compete for the PBA World Championship live on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET.

Leading the World Championship qualifiers after his final round Friday was EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., who has unfinished business on his mind after leading the field into last year's live ESPN stepladder finals, only to lose to Gary Faulkner Jr. of Memphis, Tenn., in the title match.

Weber, at age 54 and bowling in his 782nd PBA Tour event, rolled games of 247, 234, 214, 238, 222, 258, 217 and 212 in Friday's Shark qualifying round, scoring at a 230.25 pace on what many feel is the PBA's most difficult animal oiling pattern. He took the early qualifying lead by three pins over Matt O'Grady of Matawan, N.J., who is having a "career year" in WSOB VIII competition.

Half of the WSOB field of 168 bowlers bowled their final eight qualifying games on the Shark pattern later Friday.

After finishing Tuesday's eight-game Cheetah Championship qualifying round tied for 110th place, Weber switched on the afterburners, finishing 18th in the Chameleon round Wednesday and 32nd on the Scorpion condition Thursday. His 32-game qualifying total of 7,064 pins is easily enough to advance to Sunday's PBA World Championship cashers round.

"I felt like I bowled pretty good on the Cheetah pattern," he said of his meager start, "but I asked myself, how many different ways can you leave 10 pins? I think I counted about 75.

"I'm throwing the ball really well for being as sore as I am," he added. "I'm trying to stay focused and not think about the pain."

Weber said he has recently learned he has scoliosis in his lower spine which is causing severe hip pain. The pain knocked him out of last year's World Series, but he was able to manage it over the summer months when he had unprecedented success on the PBA50 Tour, winning a record five tournaments in a row, a record six for the year and repeating as both Senior U.S. Open champion and PBA50 Player of the Year.

But as the PBA50 season was winding down in late summer, so was Weber's pain tolerance.

"I missed all of (the PBA Fall Swing in) Detroit. I started (the PBA Fall Classic) in Vegas and didn't finish. I didn't even start the U.S. Open," he said. "It just kills me; I love to bowl, I love to be out here and it hurts when you have to withdraw or can't even start a major. Especially the U.S. Open (which he has won a record five times).

"I have three months after we get home to get straightened out for next year's majors (the PBA will conduct three major championships back-to-back-to-back in February)," he said. "I'm going to do a CAT scan and that'll be enough to tell my doctor what he needs to do to me. For now it's cortisone treatments. It keeps the pain away from my right hip. Not so much on the left side, but so far, the pain hasn't gotten any worse. I'm going to do everything I possibly can to not have to withdraw."

Tackett, 24, has been consistently among the front-runners in all four World Championship qualifying stages, finishing fifth in the Cheetah round, 20th in the Chameleon, third in the Scorpion stage and he ranked fourth among the early finishers on the Shark condition. The 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year also was dominant in the 56-game World Championship marathon last year before he lost a 215-202 decision to Faulkner in the title match.

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After his 32 games on the four animal patterns, Tackett was scoring at a 229.59 pace and led Australia's Sam Cooley by 98 pins among those who had finished all 32 qualifying games. BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., who was averaging two pins higher than Tackett, had yet to bowl his eight-game Shark round.

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RENO, Nev. – Andrew Cain of Phoenix, one of two left-handers to survive the Professional Bowlers Association Shark Championship qualifying round, surged past PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber with a 223 final game to lead the fourth and final animal pattern event in the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII at the National Bowling Stadium Friday.

Cain, a former Team USA member and past-president of the United States Bowling Association, rolled games of 224, 255, 207, 222, 236, 221, 258 and 223 on the demanding 43-foot Shark oiling pattern to lead the 24 players who advanced to the Shark Championship best-of-five-game elimination matches next Wednesday. Cain and the seven other top qualifiers earned first-round byes in match play.

The Shark round also produced a first in PBA Tour competition as husband-and-wife Mitch and Ingellimar Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., both qualified for match play. Mitch tied for 12th; his wife, a Venezuela native, was the other left-hander to finish among the top 24.

"I was sick last week and couldn't practice, so it took a while to get my legs under me," Cain said. "I was particularly focused on this condition, and I was able to make good shots all night – stay in the moment and go through the process."

Cain is trying for his first PBA Tour title. His best previous finish was a tie for third in the 2015 Cheetah Championship.

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The 32-game qualifying totals also determined the U.S. bowlers who will meet five international players in a special USA vs. The World team match on Sunday, Dec. 11, for delayed broadcast on ESPN. The five Americans will EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind.; BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa.; Mitch Beasley; Matt O'Grady of South Amboy, N.J., and Dick Allen of Columbia, S.C. The international team will be composed of Australia's Sam Cooley, England's Dom Barrett, Canada's Francois Lavoie, Mexico's Arturo Quintero and Sweden's Martin Larsen.

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After his 32 games on the four animal patterns, Tackett held off Moore by seven pins to lead World Champions qualifiers. Cooley was third with 7,249 pins, 91 behind Moore. Beasley was fourth with 7,248 pins and O'Grady was fifth with a 7,231 total. Faulkner failed to advance.

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PBA SHARK CHAMPIONSHIP

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Friday

Final Standings (after 8 games; top 24 advance to best-of-five-game match play elimination round on Wednesday, Dec. 7; top 8 earn byes for the Round of 24):

- 1, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,846.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,842.
- 3, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 1,839.
- 4, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,830.
- 5, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 1,806.
- 6, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 1,796.
- 7, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,789.
- 8, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 1,779.
- 9, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,773.
- 10, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,772.
- 11, Markus Jansson, Sweden, 1,766.
- 12 (tie), Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, and Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 1,765.
- 14, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 1,764.
- 15, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 1,757.
- 16, Dom Barrett, England, 1,753.
- 17 (tie), Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, and Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,742.
- 19, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,738.
- 20, Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., 1,736.
- 21 (tie), w-Ingellimar Beasley, Venezuela, and Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,735.
- 23 (tie), Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, and Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,731.

Failed to advance:

- 25 (tie), Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., and Ray Teece, England, 1,729.
- 27, Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 1,724.
- 28, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,723.
- 29, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 1,720.
- 30, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,718.
- 31, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,714.
- 32, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 1,713.
- 33 (tie), Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y.; Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, and Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 1,712.
- 36, Russell Lopes, Carmichael, Calif., 1,710.
- 37, Stuart Williams, England, 1,706.
- 38 (tie), Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., and Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,705.
- 40 (tie), Wang Hongbo, China, and Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,704.

42, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 1,701.
43, Daniel Fransson, Sweden, 1,700.
44, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,699.
45, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,698.
46, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,694.
47 (tie), Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,690.
49, Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 1,686.
50 (tie), Carsten Hansen, Denmark, and J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 1,684.
52, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 1,682.
53, Francois Louw, South Africa, 1,681.
54, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,675.
55 (tie), Clint Land, Houston, and Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,674.
57, Chris Bolosan, Newport News, Va., 1,672.
58, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 1,670.
59, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,662.
59, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,662.
61, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 1,659.
62 (tie), Richie Teece, England, and Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,650.
64 (tie), Osku Palermaa, Finland, and Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,649.
66, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 1,648.
67 (tie), w-Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va.; Jason Belmonte, Australia; Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, and Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., 1,644.
71 (tie), Zhongli Mi, China, and Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y., 1,643.
73 (tie), Michael Wittendorff, Denmark, and Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 1,640.
75, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 1,636.
76, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,635.
77, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,632.
78, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 1,631.
79, w-Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,630.
80 (tie), David Haynes, Las Vegas; Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., and Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 1,629.
83, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,626.
84, Wang Dali, China, 1,625.
85, Zhiyong Wang, China, 1,622.
86, Zhang Haitao, China, 1,618.
87, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,617.
88, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 1,615.
89 (tie), Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, and Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,611.
91 (tie), Anthony Lavery-Spaher, Pasadena, Texas, and Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 1,602.
93, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 1,600.
94, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,599.
95, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,598.
96, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 1,597.
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98, David Krol, Nixa, Mo., 1,595.
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104, Lou Yi, China, 1,589.
105 (tie), John Furey, Freehold, N.J., and Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 1,586.
107, Liu Shaoyi, China, 1,585.
108 (tie), Lars Nielsen, Denmark, and Isaac Russell, Malaysia, 1,583.
110, Mateo Hernandez, Argentina, 1,581.
111, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 1,580.

112, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 1,579.
113, Paul Moor, England, 1,574.
114 (tie), Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., and John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,571.
116, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 1,568.
117, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,567.
118, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,564.
119 (tie), Jonathan Wilbur, North Clarendon, Vt., and Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,563.
121, LeVinc Samuels, Bermuda, 1,556.
122 (tie), Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., and Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 1,552.
124, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,550.
125, w-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,549.
126, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,545.
127 (tie), J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., and Will Vidulich, Parsippany, N.J., 1,543.
129 (tie), Jesper Svensson, Sweden, and D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,542.
131, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,537.
132, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,535.
133, Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., 1,532.
134, Pascal Winterheimer, Germany, 1,526.
135, w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, 1,525.
136, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,520.
137, Pontus Andersson, Sweden, 1,519.
138, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,517.
139 (tie), Cody McCowin, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Tobias Boerding, Germany, and Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 1,513.
142, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,501.
143, w-Daria Pajak, Poland, 1,491.
144 (tie), Stephen Bennett, Hampton, Va., and Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 1,488.
146, w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 1,475.
147, Brett Cooper, Denver, 1,472.
148, Hashim Guinomla, Philippines, 1,470.
149, Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C., 1,457.
150, Tim Frenz, Dickinson, N.D., 1,453.
151, Douglas Hankins, Boise, Idaho, 1,449.
152, Martin Bedford, Altus, Okla., 1,446.
153, Rickai Binns, Bermuda, 1,428.
154, Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 1,415.
155, Casey Knutson, Sparks, Nev., 1,414.
156, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 1,401.
157, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,381.
158, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 1,356.
159, Agustin Aranguren, Argentina, 1,323.
160, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 1,315.
161, Xu Chen, China, 1,314.
162, Qi Wankang, China, 1,285.
163, Xiao Lu, China, 1,263.
164, Cody Copeland, Abilene, Texas, 1,258.
165, w-Jill Creamer, Folsom, Calif., 1,247.
166, Adrian McCoy, British Virgin Islands, 1,216.
167, Mohamed Janahi, Bahrain, 809.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Final Qualifying Standings (after 32 games; 8 games each in Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Championship rounds; top 42 advance to cashers round Sunday):

- 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 7,347.
- 2, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 7,340.
- 3, Sam Cooley, Australia, 7,249.
- 4, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 7,248.
- 5, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 7,231.
- 6, Dom Barrett, England, 7,217.
- 7, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 7,189.
- 8, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 7,151.
- 9, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 7,136.
- 10, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 7,107.
- 11, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 7,077.
- 12, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 7,073.
- 13, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 7,064.
- 14, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 7,055.
- 15 (tie), Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, and Patrick Girard, Canada, 7,051.
- 17, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 7,032.
- 18, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 7,007.
- 19, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6,996.
- 20, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 6,971.
- 21, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 6,967.
- 22, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 6,965.
- 23, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 6,963.
- 24, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 6,961.
- 25, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 6,958.
- 26, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 6,945.
- 27 (tie), Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., and Francois Louw, South Africa, 6,942.
- 29, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 6,938.
- 30, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 6,923.
- 31, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 6,917.
- 32, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 6,914.
- 33, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 6,911.
- 34, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 6,908.
- 35, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 6,907.
- 36, Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y., 6,903.
- 37 (tie), Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, and Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 6,902.
- 39, Richie Teece, England, 6,899.
- 40 (tie), Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., and Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 6,898.
- 42, Markus Jansson, Sweden, 6,892.

Failed to advance:

- 43, Jon Van Hees, Charlestown, R.I., 6,890.
- 44, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 6,889.
- 45, Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, 6,886.
- 46, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 6,876.
- 47, Daniel Fransson, Sweden, 6,867.
- 48, Jake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 6,866.
- 49, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 6,863.
- 50, Stuart Williams, England, 6,855.
- 51, Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., 6,844.
- 52, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 6,837.

53, J.R. Raymond, Bay City, Mich., 6,832.
54, Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 6,831.
55, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 6,830.
56, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 6,829.
57, Liu Shaoyi, China, 6,818.
58, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 6,814.
59, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 6,810.
60, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 6,808.
61, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 6,805.
62, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 6,799.
63, Zhiyong Wang, China, 6,798.
64, Chris Arcaro, Wilmington, N.C., 6,790.
65, Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 6,784.
66, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 6,783.
67, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 6,782.
68 (tie), Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, and Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 6,774.
70, Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 6,772.
71, Lucas Legnani, Argentina, 6,766.
72, Cameron Weier, Tacoma, Wash., 6,755.
73, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 6,753.
74, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 6,746.
75, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 6,744.
76, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 6,740.
77, Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., 6,736.
78, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 6,723.
79, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 6,720.
80, Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 6,719.
81, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 6,707.
82 (tie), Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., and PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 6,702.
84, Graham Fach, Canada, 6,692.
85, w-Daria Pajak, Poland, 6,689.
86, ss-Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 6,684.
87 (tie), Andrew Cain, Phoenix, and Kim Bolleby, Thailand, 6,671.
89, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 6,663.
90, Anton Ahlgren, Sweden, 6,657.
91, Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 6,656.
92, Chris Bolosan, Newport News, Va., 6,653.
93, Wang Hongbo, China, 6,646.
94, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 6,628.
95, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 6,620.
96, Patrick Allen, South Salem, N.Y., 6,619.
97, w-Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 6,618.
98, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 6,613.
99, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 6,608.
100, Blake Demore, Springfield, Mo., 6,606.
101, Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 6,592.
102, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 6,581.
103, Jonathan Wilbur, North Clarendon, Vt., 6,580.
104, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 6,572.
105, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 6,570.
106, w-Summer Jasmin, Beckley, W.Va., 6,569.
107 (tie), Noel Vazquez, Sacramento, Calif., and Zhongli Mi, China, 6,563.
109, Pascal Winternheimer, Germany, 6,559.

110, Michael Wittendorff, Denmark, 6,554.
111, LeVinc Samuels, Bermuda, 6,552.
112, Isaac Russell, Malaysia, 6,541.
113, Devin Bidwell, Wichita, Kan., 6,530.
114, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 6,508.
115, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 6,505.
116, w-Ingellimar Beasley, Venezuela, 6,492.
117, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 6,478.
118, Lars Nielsen, Denmark, 6,474.
119, Ray Teece, England, 6,470.
120, Ryan Graywacz, Feeding Hills, Mass., 6,466.
121, Tobias Boerding, Germany, 6,461.
122, Zhang Haitao, China, 6,452.
123, Clint Land, Houston, 6,450.
124, Russell Lopes, Carmichael, Calif., 6,446.
125, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 6,436.
126, David Krol, Nixa, Mo., 6,427.
127, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 6,426.
128 (tie), Wang Dali, China, and Pontus Andersson, Sweden, 6,414.
130, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 6,399.
131, Tim Foy Jr., Seaford, Del., 6,383.
132, Hashim Guinomla, Philippines, 6,379.
133, David Maycock, Bermuda, 6,362.
134, Kristian Rogers, Salisbury, N.C., 6,356.
135, w-Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla., 6,348.
136, Paul Moor, England, 6,340.
137, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 6,323.
138 (tie), Lou Yi, China, and w-Anggie Ramirez, Colombia, 6,316.
140, Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., 6,302.
141, Cody McCowin, Daytona Beach, Fla., 6,298.
142, Brett Cooper, Denver, 6,297.
143, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 6,275.
144, John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y., 6,166.
145, Xu Chen, China, 6,120.
146, Martin Bedford, Altus, Okla., 6,103.
147, w-Liz Kuhlkin, Rotterdam, N.Y., 6,100.
148, Casey Knutson, Sparks, Nev., 6,094.
149, Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 6,035.
150, J.T. Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 5,980.
151, Matthew Wozney, Clayton, Del., 5,973.
152, Will Vidulich, Parsippany, N.J., 5,936.
153, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 5,931.
154, Douglas Hankins, Boise, Idaho, 5,915.
155, Mateo Hernandez, Argentina, 5,905.
156, Michael Duran, Banning, Calif., 5,895.
157, Qi Wankang, China, 5,892.
158, Stephen Bennett, Hampton, Va., 5,796.
159, Agustin Aranguren, Argentina, 5,794.
160, Rickai Binns, Bermuda, 5,793.
161, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 5,748.
162, Tim Frenz, Dickinson, N.D., 5,735.
163, w-Jill Creamer, Folsom, Calif., 5,352.
164, Xiao Lu, China, 5,260.

165, Cody Copeland, Abilene, Texas, 5,234.
166, Adrian McCoy, British Virgin Islands, 4,982.

Indiana's EJ Tackett Leads Field of 24 into Match Play Finals of PBA World Championship
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Indiana's EJ Tackett Leads Field of 24 into Match Play Finals of PBA World Championship
RENO, Nev. – EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., retained his lead as the Professional Bowlers Association World Championship field was trimmed to 24 match play finalists Sunday afternoon at the National Bowling Stadium. The PBA World Championship is the final major championship of the 2016 PBA season. The title will be decided live on ESPN next Sunday at 1 p.m. ET. Tackett led the field of five finalists into last year's World Championship during GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII, but lost in the title match to Gary Faulkner Jr. of Memphis, Tenn. Faulkner failed to match the finals this year while Tackett was the only player to make the match play finals in all five PBA Tour events being contested as part of WSOB VIII. He will now try to maintain his lead through three more eight-game rounds of head-to-head match play Sunday night and Monday leading up to next Sunday's stepladder finals.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Sunday

Final Cashers Round Standings (after 38 games; top 24 advance to round robin match play)

- 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 8,749.
 - 2, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 8,598.
 - 3, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 8,582.
 - 4, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 8,571.
 - 5, Dom Barrett, England, 8,542.
 - 6, Sam Cooley, Australia, 8,538.
 - 7, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 8,523.
 - 8, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 8,508.
 - 9, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 8,484.
 - 10, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 8,475.
 - 11, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 8,460.
 - 12, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 8,424.
 - 13, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 8,389.
 - 14, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 8,386.
 - 15, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 8,358.
 - 16, Patrick Girard, Canada, 8,356.
 - 17, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 8,346.
 - 17, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 8,346.
 - 19, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 8,335.
 - 20, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 8,332.
 - 21, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 8,328.
 - 22, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 8,312.
 - 23, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 8,311.
 - 24, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 8,307.
- Failed to advance:
- 25, Francois Louw, South Africa, 8,301, \$3,500.
 - 26, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 8,297, \$3,400.
 - 27, Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 8,286, \$3,300.
 - 28, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 8,272, \$3,200.
 - 29, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 8,253, \$3,100.
 - 30, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 8,247, \$3,000.
 - 31, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 8,233, \$2,900.
 - 32, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 8,226, \$2,800.
 - 33, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 8,224, \$2,700.
 - 34, Richie Teece, England, 8,220, \$2,600.

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- 36, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 8,208, \$2,400.
- 37, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 8,206, \$2,300.
- 38, Markus Jansson, Sweden, 8,204, \$2,200.
- 39, Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 8,174, \$2,150.
- 40, Kevin Donovan, Painted Post, N.Y., 8,156, \$2,100.
- 41, Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 8,155, \$2,050.
- 42, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 8,148, \$2,000.

GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII Notebook

INTERNATIONAL PLAYERS CASH IN DURING WSOB VIII

It's not an inexpensive proposition for international players to travel to Reno to compete in the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, but a substantial number of the international players have cashed in on their investments.

After the four animal pattern rounds and the PBA World Championship cashers round, representatives from Australia, Canada, Denmark, England, Finland, Germany, Poland, South Africa, Sweden and Venezuela earned prize money. That's 10 of the record 23 countries entered earning a cash prize.

Overall, 83 different players in the field of 169 earned checks. That's just a hair shy of half the field earning at least one check in WSOB VIII.

"OTHER CASHERS" MEANS REWARDS FOR PBA50, PBA60, WOMEN BOWLERS

In recognition that age and gender do, in fact, play a role at the highest levels of competition, the PBA established special \$300 cash awards to reward the highest-placing PBA50, PBA60 and women bowlers outside of the regular top 24 prize list for each animal pattern round, and special \$650 cash prizes in the PBA World Championship. The "other cashers" were:

PBA50 (players ages 50-59): Cheetah – Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 25th; Chameleon – Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 29th; Scorpion – Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 32nd; Shark – Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 44th; World Championship – Monacelli, 52nd.

PBA60 (players ages 60 and older): Cheetah – Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 127th; Chameleon – Croucher, T66th; Scorpion – Ron Mohr, N. Las Vegas, 84th; Shark – Mohr, 136th; World Championship – Mohr, 86th.

Women: Cheetah – Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 33rd; Chameleon – Johnson, T86th; Scorpion – Summer Jasmine, Beckley, W.Va., 26th; Shark – Jasmine, 67th; World Championship – Johnson, 97th.

GOOD NEWS, BAD NEWS FOR COLOMBIA'S ANGGIE RAMIREZ

Right before the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII got underway, Angie Ramirez, a native Colombian now living in Austin, Texas, returned to her home country to compete in the Colombia National Championships. The good news is, she swept all six women's gold medals: singles, doubles, trio, team, all-events and Women's Masters.

The bad news? After struggling through the PBA Scorpion Championships qualifying round, Ramirez stared at her badly swollen thumb and said, "This is what I got for bowling so well in Colombia."

Ramirez is one of eight women competing in WSOB VIII.

NEXT UP ON XTRA FRAME: RANDY GOES "ONE ON ONE" WITH BARRETT, FAULKNER, RASH

As the PBA continues its extensive coverage of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII on Xtra Frame, subscribers are getting a chance to meet some of the Tour's top stars who are featured in a new "One on One with Randy Pedersen" series of interviews.

Coming on Monday: Anthony Simonsen talks his early start to bowling, his favorite PBA Tour roommates, dealing with success, miniature golf, why he'd rather eat with bowlers than anyone else and more. On Thursday, Dec. 8: Chris Barnes discusses quick wits and Tommy Jones, his favorite television opponents, bets with Mika Koivuniemi, what he does with any spare time he can find and more. Closing out the series on Monday, Dec. 12: Tom Daugherty chats about his standout 2016 season, his favorite restaurant in the world, his pro shops, one peculiar superstition and more.

If you missed them, the Xtra Frame archives include conversations with Sean Rash, Ryan Ciminelli, Jason Belmonte, Jesper Svensson, Dom Barrett and Gary Faulkner Jr.

Xtra Frame currently is providing exclusive coverage of the animal pattern qualifying rounds, leading into the start of PBA World Championship coverage Sunday and Monday when PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman will join the Xtra Frame announcing team. Holman will remain in the XF booth through the conclusion of World Series coverage, Dec. 6-8, and will then join ESPN announcers Dave LaMont and Randy Pedersen for the live ESPN telecast of the PBA World Championship on Dec. 11. For the Xtra Frame daily schedule, including air times, visit <http://www.pba.com/Live>.

Xtra Frame subscriptions are available in a variety of packages: three-day (\$3.99), 30-day (\$7.99) and Xtra Frame Season Ticket (a full-year's coverage at an average cost of \$1.25 per week) subscriptions are available by visiting "xtraframe.tv" and clicking on the "subscribe now" link. As a reminder, new monthly or Season Ticket subscribers also are automatically entered into monthly sweepstakes where they have chances to win a new high-performance bowling ball from Brunswick, DV8 or MOTIV.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: DENLINGER WINS EASTERN CHALLENGE TITLE

Scott Denlinger of Lancaster, Pa., defeated Tommy Dakouvanos of Belford, N.J., 209-188, to win the PBA MJK Pro Shop/Knob Hill Eastern Challenge on Saturday. PBA Challenge events are open to any member or non-member who has never won a PBA event.

Denlinger, a member since 1992 with one runner-up finish, lost the first game of his round of 16 match, then proceeded to go undefeated throughout the remainder of the day. Denlinger earned \$1,600 and became eligible to enter the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions while Dakouvanos earned \$1,100 for his runner-up finish.

- As the QubicaAMF Regional program heads toward the end of the 2016 season, events scheduled for the Dec. 10-11 weekend include the McKinley Lanes Central/East Challenge for non-champions in Niles, Ohio, and the DHC Scorpion Open in Chiba, Japan.
- The Dec. 17-18 schedule, concluding the QubicaAMF PBA Regional season, includes the PBA/PBA50 Houston Southwest Open Doubles presented by Bowling Dynamix at Emerald Bowl in Houston, Texas, and the PBA/PBA50 Decker Appraisal Services Baker Trios presented by Hammer at Valley Lanes in Harrisonburg, Va.
- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- Annette Axen is the November winner of the \$200 HotelPlanner.com certificate, good for future lodging expenses, compliments of PBA's official travel partner. The monthly sweepstakes is open to anyone who books a hotel through the HotelPlanner.com link on pba.com.
- Charles Williams of Columbus, Ohio, won a new Brunswick ball; Nick Montanino of Wallingford, Conn., won a new DV8 ball, and Doug Leikness of Madison, Wis., is the owner of a new high-performance MOTIV ball thanks to the November sweepstakes sponsored by the respective PBA Product Registered partners. Winners in the monthly sweepstakes are selected from among new Xtra Frame subscribers, who are automatically entered when they enroll as a new monthly or Xtra Frame Season Ticket (full year) subscriber.

Indiana's EJ Tackett Leads Hall of Famer Pete Weber as PBA World Championship Heads into Final Rounds

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RENO, Nev. – After leading the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII field into the Professional Bowlers Association World Championship cashers round Friday, EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., continued to lead the field through 14 more games Sunday at the National Bowling Stadium.

Tackett, a four-time PBA Tour title winner, also led the field a year ago before losing the PBA World Championship title match to Gary Faulkner Jr. of Memphis, Tenn., 215-202. After topping the qualifying list Friday, he admitted he has “unfinished business” to take care of this year.

The 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year averaged 229.5 for 32 games during four different PBA animal pattern qualifying stages to lead the WSOB field into the World Championship qualifying round, and increased his scoring pace slightly to 230.2 during the cashers round earlier Sunday when he expanded his lead from seven to 151 pins.

During Sunday night’s first round of head-to-head match play, Tackett split his eight matches, 4-4, but he finished with a 266 game for a 46-game total of 10,682 pins and a 135-pin lead over PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., into Monday’s final two rounds of match play.

Weber, who is battling chronic hip pain, won six of his eight matches Sunday night to advance from 12th to second in his bid for a record 11th PBA major title. He currently is tied with the late Earl Anthony for the PBA record with 10 majors. Behind Weber were 19-year-old two-handed player Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas, and 2013 World Champion Dom Barrett of England, tied with 10,499 pins, and Canadian rookie Francois Lavoie in fifth place with 10,472 pins.

PBA World Championship qualifying concludes Monday with the eight-game match play rounds at 2 and 8:30 p.m. ET. After a total of 62 games, the top five players advance to the live ESPN stepladder finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

All qualifying and match play elimination rounds in the World Series are being covered live, exclusively by PBA’s online live-streaming service, Xtra Frame. To sign up for an Xtra Frame subscription, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Sunday

Round Five Standings (after 46 of 62 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4-4, 10,682.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 6-2, 10,547.
- 3, Anthony Simonsen, Princeton, Texas, 7-1, 10,499.
- 3, Dom Barrett, England, 6-2, 10,499.
- 5, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 5-3, 10,472.
- 6, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 4-4, 10,471.
- 7, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 5-3, 10,463.
- 8, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 5-3, 10,453.
- 9, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 2-6, 10,444.
- 10, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3-4-1, 10,352.
- 11, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 6-2, 10,318.
- 12, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 4-4, 10,317.
- 13, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3-5, 10,313.
- 14, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 4-4, 10,295.
- 15, Sam Cooley, Australia, 3-5, 10,261.
- 16, Patrick Girard, Canada, 4-4, 10,239.
- 17, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 2-5-1, 10,216.
- 18, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 3-5, 10,204.
- 19, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 4-4, 10,164.
- 20, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 3-5, 10,157.
- 21, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3-5, 10,139.
- 22, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3-5, 10,119.
- 23, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3-5, 10,097.
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EJ Tackett Continues to Lead PBA World Championship into Final Round of Match Play
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EJ Tackett Continues to Lead PBA World Championship into Final Round of Match Play
RENO, Nev. – EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., held a 217-pin lead after 54 of 62 games of PBA World Championship qualifying Monday, as the race for the top five positions in the Dec. 11 live ESPN finals headed into the final eight games of match play Monday night.

With eight games to go, 2013 PBA World Champion Dom Barrett of England was in second place with 12,511 pins followed by PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., in third place with 12,502 pins. Weber, a 10-time PBA major title winner, needs one more to break his title with the late PBA legend Earl Anthony for the most PBA major titles. Weber won the PBA World Championship in 1989 and 1998 when it was known as the PBA National Championship.

Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., the 2010 World Champion, was fourth at 12,480 and Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., who is trying for his first PBA Tour title, sat in fifth place at 12,455.

Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, trailed Beasley by 30 pins and two-handers Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas, and Jason Belmonte of Australia both were less than 100 pins out of the top five berths for the live ESPN stepladder finals on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. ET.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Monday

Round Six Standings (after 54 of 62 games, including match play bonus pins):

- 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 9-7, 12,728.
- 2, Dom Barrett, England, 11-5, 12,511.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 11-5, 12,502.
- 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 13-3, 12,480.
- 5, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 7-9, 12,455.
- 6, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 9-7, 12,415.
- 7, Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 10-6, 12,398.
- 8, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 7-8-1, 12,371.
- 9, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 7-9, 12,349.
- 10, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 7-9, 12,335.
- 11, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 9-7, 12,305.

- 12, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 8-7-1, 12,285.**
- 13, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 8-8, 12,274.**
- 14, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 9-7, 12,250.**
- 15, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 10-6, 12,171.**
- 16, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 7-9, 12,135.**
- 17, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 5-11, 12,096.**
- 18, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 7-9, 12,091,.**
- 19, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 6-9-1, 12,079.**
- 20, Sam Cooley, Australia, 5-10-1, 12,062.**
- 20, Patrick Girard, Canada, 8-8, 12,062.**
- 22, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 7-9, 12,017.**
- 23, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 5-11, 11,921.**
- 24, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 5-11, 11,789.**

EJ Tackett Earns Second Consecutive Top Qualifier Berth for PBA World Championship Finals

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For the second year in a row, EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., captured the top qualifying position for the stepladder finals of the PBA World Championship after the conclusion of match play Monday at the National Bowling Stadium.

Tackett, who finished second in last year's World Championship after losing to winner Gary Faulkner Jr. 215-202 in the title match, compiled a 12-12 match play record and 62-game 14,747 overall pinfall total, including bonus pins, to lead No. 2 qualifier 2013 World Championship winner Dom Barrett of England who finished with a 14,616 pinfall and 17-7 match play record.

Tackett, Barrett, Jason Belmonte of Australia, 2009 World Championship winner Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., and Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas will return for the live World Championship ESPN stepladder finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT). The World Championship is the fifth and final major championship of the PBA's 2016 season.

Tackett, who won the PBA Xtra Frame Storm Open, PBA Bear Open and PBA Team Challenge earlier this season, could only manage a 3-5 record in Monday's final match play round with games of 257, 247, 245, 237, 255, 235, 217 and 236 but it was enough to hold on to the tournament lead. Overall for the tournament, which was conducted on five different PBA lane conditions – Cheetah, Chameleon, Scorpion, Shark and World Championship – Tackett averaged 232.05.

"My match play record didn't show it but I bowled really well," said Tackett, who was the 2013 PBA Rookie of the Year, "Bowling this format isn't necessarily the toughest as far as scoring but it's definitely the toughest physically as far as I'm concerned. I can't say I knew I could get to this point again, but this year I really came in with more confidence. You just never know until you get here."

As top qualifier for the stepladder finals Tackett will have to bowl only one game for the title.

"With a finals field of players made up of proven winners it won't be easy," Tackett added. "After the year I've had so far I'm hoping the boost of confidence will help me get it done this time. All I can do is give it my best."

Barrett, also a four-time Tour winner, will be trying for his first win of the season and his first Tour title since winning the Qatar Open in 2014.

Belmonte, a 12-time Tour winner that includes six majors, earned the No. 3 qualifying position with a 14,544 pinfall total and 13-10-1 match play record. The three-time reigning Player of the Year will be trying for his first World Championship title and first win of the season.

Smallwood, the No. 4 qualifier, finished with a 14,443 pinfall total and 16-6-2 record. He will be trying for his third Tour title with his last coming in the 2013 Scorpion Championship.

Simonsen finished with a 14,411 pinfall total and 14-10 match play record and held on to the No. 5 qualifying position with a 287-254 win in the final position round match against Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn.

Simonsen, who will be trying for his third career Tour title, made PBA Tour history in February when he won the USBC Masters to become the youngest to win a major at age 19 years and 39 days.

Tickets are still available for the World Championship finals which will be available at the door or in advance by ordering on pba.com.

The GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII presented by Silver Legacy Resort & Casino returns to action Tuesday with best-of-five-single elimination match play rounds of the Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game and the Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com.

All qualifying and match play rounds of the WSOB are being covered live, exclusively by PBA's online video streaming service, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Monday

FINAL MATCH PLAY STANDINGS (after 62 games, includes match play record and pinfall with bonus pins. Top five advance to live ESPN-televised finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET, 10 a.m. PT).

- 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 12-12, 14,747.
- 2, Dom Barrett, England, 17-7, 14,616.
- 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 13-10-1, 14,554.
- 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 16-6-2, 14,443.
- 5, Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 14-10-0, 14,411.
- 6, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 14-10, 14,356, \$11,000.
- 7, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 10-14, 14,347, \$10,100.
- 8, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 11-12-1, 14,307, \$9,100.
- 9, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 12-12, 14,259, \$8,600.
- 10, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 13-11-0, 14,258, \$8,000.
- 11, Matthew McNiel, Minneapolis, Minn., 14-10, 14,213, \$7,500.
- 12, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 14-10, 14,120, \$7,000.
- 13, Patrick Girard, Canada, 14-10, 14,112, \$6,500.
- 14, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 13-11, 14,109, \$6,100.
- 15, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 8-16, 14,095, \$5,700.
- 16, Francois Lavoie, Canada, 10-13-1, 14,059, \$5,400.
- 17, Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 12-12, 14,043, \$5,300.
- 18, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 10-14, 14,004, \$5,000.
- 19, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 13-11, 13,962, \$4,800.
- 20, Sam Cooley, Australia, 8-15-1, 13,931, \$4,600.
- 21, Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 10-14, 13,900, \$4,400.
- 22, Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 8-14-2, 13,864, \$4,200.
- 23, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 9-15, 13,756, \$4,200.
- 24, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 8-14-2, 13,550, \$4,000.

Sean Rash Looks for Silver Lining After Advancing to PBA Cheetah Championship Final 8

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In what has been an otherwise disappointing GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII presented by the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino for Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., the former PBA Player of the Year was among a field of eight players who advanced to

Thursday's PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game semifinal round after Round of 16 competition at the National Bowling Stadium Tuesday.

Rash won his best-of-five game single-elimination Round of 16 match by beating Andrew Graff of Las Vegas, 3-1 (238-247, 278-161, 255-249, 206-173).

"It's been disappointing, especially the World Championship," said Rash, who finished 24th in the World Championship. "It seemed like I was just getting in my own way. As I've always said, this is a humbling game. Hopefully I can make the (Cheetah) TV show and salvage something.

As for his performance in the Cheetah Championship Round of 16, Rash likes the unpredictability of the elimination match format.

"I love the elimination matches because anything can happen in a matter of shots," Rash said. "It can turn on a dime. It's win or go home.

"You just look out there and you see some players who look like their bowling on the U.S. Open shot and others who are putting up big numbers. If you're a fan you've got to like it."

Rash won the Badger and Detroit Open at the PBA Fall Swing for his two PBA Tour titles this season.

Also advancing to the Cheetah Championship Round of 8, which is scheduled for Thursday at 10 a.m., were PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3-0; Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 3-1; Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3-1; Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3-0; Darren Tang, San Francisco, 3-2; BJ Moore, Greensburg, Pa., 3-2, and Dom Barrett, England, 3-1.

The 24 players competing in today's match play rounds advanced from Cheetah Championship qualifying conducted last Tuesday.

After Thursday's Round of 8, the top four players will advance to the ESPN taping of the Cheetah Championship at Noon PT time Saturday. The Cheetah Championship telecast will air Sunday, Dec. 18 at 1 p.m. ET.

Round of 24 and Round of 16 matches for the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com will get underway later this afternoon.

PBA CHEETAH CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY PBA BOWLING CHALLENGE MOBILE GAME

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Tuesday

BEST-OF-FIVE SINGLE-ELIMINATION MATCH PLAY (eight players advance to Thursday's Round of 8)

Round of 16 (losers earn \$1,250)

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., def. Brad Miller, Maryland Heights, Mo., 3-0 (256-220, 279-160, 237-154).
Dom Barrett, England, def. Pascal Winterheimer, Germany, 3-1 (163-201, 218-159, 232-227, 200-165).
Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., def. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3-0 (217-205, 216-192, 211-184).
Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., def. Daria Pajak, Poland, 3-2 (266-219, 267-242, 215-249, 183-227, 279-248).
Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, def. Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 3-1 (268-222, 231-212, 224-237, 258-252).
Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., def. Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 3-1 (238-247, 278-161, 255-249, 206-173).
Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, def. Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3-1 (206-246, 205-166, 246-184, 194-165).
B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., def. Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 3-2 (184-206, 233-214, 183-177, 189-191, 203-185).

Round of 24 (losers earn \$700)

Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, def. Richie Teece, England, 3-2 (214-258, 193-224, 234-220, 235-182, 237-185).
Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, def. Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3-2 (255-244, 224-234, 235-241, 216-133, 262-206).
Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., def. Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3-0 (247-181, 191-188, 235-171).

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., def. Francois Louw, South Africa, 3-0 (246-183, 235-168, 249-189).
Dom Barrett, England, def. Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3-1 (300-188, 258-258, 227-266, 220-170).
Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, def. Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3-1 (185-184, 208-215, 253-175, 213-193).
Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, def. Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 3-1 (201-213, 238-215, 216-208, 225-177).
Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., def. Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 3-0 (226-191, 223-169, 238-200).

Round of 8 matches

Williams vs. Simonsen

Barnes vs. Wolfe

Rash vs. Tang

Moore vs. Barrett

Tackett Rebounds to Advance to PBA Chameleon Championship Round of 8

After a disappointing Round of 16 in the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Challenge Mobile Game, EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., rebounded to advance to the Round of 8 in the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com Tuesday at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno.

Tackett, who has already earned the top qualifying berth for Sunday's PBA World Championship stepladder finals, defeated 2016 U.S. Open winner Francois Lavoie of Canada 3-1 (248-226, 258-214, 200-202, 286-267) in the Chameleon Championship best-of-five single elimination Round of 16 match.

Earlier in the day Tackett found it tough going in the Cheetah Championship Round of 16 losing in three games.

"I just bowled bad and blew it off," said the four-time Tour winner about the Cheetah Round of 16. "I came into tonight trying to regroup by practicing a little more so I made sure I had my feet under me.

"I anticipated a tough match against Francois and thought I probably opened the door in the fourth game," Tackett added. "We were both playing the same part of the lane and had a good shot. It was a good match and I felt fortunate to win it."

After just missing the PBA World Championship finals Monday by finishing sixth, PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of advanced to the Chameleon Round of 8.

Continuing to battle lingering pain after recently being diagnosed with scoliosis in his lower back, Weber won the Round of 16 with a 3-1 (267-182, 258-268, 254-248, 263-227) win over Canadian Patrick Girard.

"Throwing the ball I feel great," said Weber, who ranks fourth on the PBA Tour all-time win list with 37 titles. "The pain is actually forcing me to stay upright at the (foul) line which keeps me from chasing the ball down.

"You probably couldn't tell it by looking at me but I'm actually feeling better as the tournament goes on. I'm determined to finish this thing."

Weber is coming off a 2016 PBA50 Tour (for players 50 and over) season in which he earned PBA50 Player of the Year honors winning a record six PBA50 Tour tournaments including four in a row.

Also advancing to the Chameleon Championship Round of 8, which is scheduled for Thursday at 1 p.m. were Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 3-1; Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3-0; Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3-1; Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3-2; A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3-2, and Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 3-1.

The 24 players competing in today's match play rounds advanced from Chameleon Championship qualifying conducted last Wednesday.

After Thursday's Round of 8, the top four players will advance to the ESPN taping of the Chameleon Championship at 2:30 p.m. PT on Saturday. The Chameleon Championship telecast will air Saturday, Dec. 24 at 1 p.m. ET.

GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII action continues with Round of 24 and Round of 16 matches for the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno-Tahoe USA and PBA Shark Championship which will get underway Wednesday.

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PBA CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY HOTELPLANNER.COM

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Tuesday

BEST-OF-FIVE SINGLE-ELIMINATION MATCH PLAY (eight players advance to Thursday's Round of 8)

Round of 16 (losers earn \$1,250)

Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, def. Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 3-1 (235-234, 269-246, 218-258, 280-219).

Thomas Larsen, Denmark, def. Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., 3-0 (258-233, 279-188, 261-222).

Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., def. Matthew McNeil, Minneapolis, Minn., 3-1 (210-218, 244-225, 289-189, 216-205).

Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, def. B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 3-2 (227-246, 238-255, 268-212, 205-181, 258-199).

E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., def. Francois Lavoie, Canada, 3-1 (248-226, 258-214, 200-202, 286-267).

A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., def. Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3-2 (197-201, 227-175, 240-259, 265-235, 256-192).

Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., def. Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3-1 (266-162, 202-242, 247-162, 222-199).

Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., def. Patrick Girard, Canada, 3-1 (267-182, 258-268, 254-248, 263-227).

Round of 24 (losers earn \$700)

Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., def. Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3-1 (197-198, 278-227, 256-172, 259-194).

E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., def. Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3-1 (202-210, 240-224, 256-216, 257-235).

B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., def. Arturo Quintero, Mexico, 3-2 (232-181, 266-186, 196-212, 174-226, 217-191).

Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio def. Dave Wodka, Beavercreek, Ohio, 3-2 (180-206, 174-200, 224-173, 217-215, 203-203, Dombroski won one-frame roll-off in final game).

Jeff Evans, Supply, N.C., def. Sam Cooley, Australia, 3-0 (222-178, 184-172, 198-185).

Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., def. Zeke Bayt, Westerville, Ohio, 3-1 (228-263, 267-191, 247-198, 237-188).

A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., def. Mik Stampe, Denmark, 3-1 (243-163, 230-195, 178-263, 268-222).

Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., def. Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3-1 (257-234, 226-210, 201-214, 238-237).

Round of 8 matches

Dombrowski vs. DeVaney

Tackett vs. Beasley

Johnson vs. Novak

Weber vs. Larsen

Svensson Beats Belmonte in Battle of Two-Handers to Advance to PBA Scorpion Championship Round of 8

In a marquee international matchup between two players who use a two-hand delivery, Jesper Svensson of Sweden defeated three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte of Australia Wednesday to join seven other players who advanced to the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA Round of 8 at the National Bowling Stadium.

Svensson, who already at 21 years of age owns five career PBA Tour titles including three this season, handed Belmonte a 3-1 loss in the best-of-five-game single elimination match (267-206, 192-257, 244-220, 255-248).

I got off to a good start but struggled in the second game," said Svensson. "I switched to a different ball in the second game but ended up going back to my original ball and was able to strike out to win so I felt fortunate to win that game.

"I had some breaks in the last game and Jason was a bit unlucky," the 2015 PBA Rookie of the Year added. "The breaks can work for you or against you but this time they came out the way I wanted. At this point in the tournament you just throw the ball the best you can and hope you can keep going."

Four-time Tour winner EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., who earned the top-qualifier berth for Sunday's PBA World Championship finals which will be televised live on ESPN at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT), made his second Round of 8 appearance by beating Lonnie Waliczek of Wichita, Kan., 3-1 (181-249, 264-244, 246-246, 250-200. Tackett won one-frame rolloff in the third game.) Tackett also advanced to the Round of 8 for the Chameleon Championship.

Also advancing to the Scorpion Championship Round of 8, which is scheduled for Thursday at 4:30 p.m. were Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3-1; Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3-2; Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 3-1; BJ Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 3-2; Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3-0, and Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3-1.

The 24 players competing in today's match play rounds advanced from Scorpion Championship qualifying conducted last Wednesday.

After Thursday's Round of 8, the top four players will advance to the ESPN taping of the Scorpion Championship at 4:15 p.m. PT on Saturday. The Scorpion Championship telecast will air Dec. 25 at 2:30 p.m. ET on ESPN.

GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII action continues with Round of 24 and Round of 16 matches for the PBA Shark Championship which will get underway later this afternoon.

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PBA SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY RENO TAHOE USA

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Wednesday

BEST-OF-FIVE SINGLE-ELIMINATION MATCH PLAY (eight players advance to Thursday's Round of 8)

Round of 16 (losers earn \$1,250)

Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., def. Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3-1 (231-192, 200-268, 257-222, 216-213).

Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., def. Dom Barrett, England, 3-2 (190-253, 244-226, 196-256, 207-192, 236-224).

Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., def. Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3-1 (175-213, 202-202 (Prather won one-frame rolloff, 207-186, 205-195).

Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., def. Sam Cooley, Australia, 3-0 (247-161, 245-128, 205-200).

Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, def. Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3-1 (247-146, 231-237, 192-159, 216-190).

E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., def. Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3-1 (181-249, 264-244, 246-246 (Tackett won one-frame rolloff), 250-200).

Jesper Svensson, Sweden, def. Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3-1 (267-206, 192-257, 244-220, 255-248).

B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., def. Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 3-2 (228-198, 255-215, 243-300, 214-245, 198-194).

Round of 24 (losers earn \$700)

B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., def. Benjamin Canfield, Tempe, Ariz., 3-0 (213-190, 190-172, 204-179).

Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, def. Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 3-0 (213-193, 254-206, 258-179).

Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., def. Nicholas Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 3-1 (215-212, 183-196, 266-204, 206-191).

Martin Larsen, Sweden, def. Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 3-2 (195-205, 192-230, 247-201, 245-201, 247-235).

Dom Barrett, England, def. Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3-0 (234-201, 212-211, 221-216).

Jesper Svensson, Sweden, def. Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3-2 (273-240, 268-242, 216-234, 222-248, 268-257).

Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., def. Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3-2 (170-278, 216-200, 236-183, 205-238, 248-204).

Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., def. A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 3-0 (212-206, 202-200, 257-226).

Round of 8 matches

Daugherty vs. Svensson

Novak vs. Prather

Tackett vs. Jones

Moore vs. Beasley

Walter Ray Williams Jr. Beats Pete Weber to Advance to PBA Shark Championship Round of 8

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In a match featuring two of the Professional Bowlers Association's all-time greats, Walter Ray Williams Jr. beat Pete Weber Wednesday at the National Bowling Stadium to advance to the PBA Shark Championship Round of 8.

Williams, the PBA Tour's all-time career titles leader with 47 wins, defeated Weber 3-0 (247-204, 247-209, 202-188) in the best-of-five-game single elimination Round of 16 match. Weber continued to battle through his hip injury but it may have proved to have been too much to overcome in the match.

"He's been bowling great despite his injury so I had to be ready for his best," Williams said. "I think it's amazing what he's been able to do.

"I really wasn't anticipating sweeping the match but I was bowling well and I only missed the pocket a few times so I was pretty dialed in to what I needed to do," Williams added. "Tomorrow I have two more chances to make a (World Series) final so I'm hoping for the best."

Going into the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII both Weber, who ranks fourth on the all-time PBA Tour titles list with 37 wins, and Williams were tied with 99 combined titles in PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour, PBA Regional and PBA50 Regional competition.

With his Round of 8 wins in the Shark and Cheetah Championships, Williams is still alive in his quest for the 100-title mark.

"Every time I see these young guys out here, I sometimes ask myself what I'm still doing out here," said the 56-year-old Williams.

"Then I do something like bowl well here at the World Series and I convince myself I can still be competitive."

EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., who owns the top berth for this Sunday's PBA World Championship stepladder finals, advanced to his third World Series final eight by beating Dick Allen, of Columbia, S.C., 3-0. The four-time Tour winner had previously qualified for the semifinals in the Chameleon and Scorpion Championships.

"I'm encouraged by being able to make the right adjustments on different conditions but with the Round of 8 to go there's still a lot of work to do," said Tackett.

Andrew Cain of Phoenix, Ariz., the Shark Championship qualifying leader, advanced to the Round of 8 by winning his match 3-0 against 2016 USBC Masters champion Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas.

Others advancing to the Shark Championship Round of 8 were Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3-0; Francois Lavoie, Canada, 3-1; Markus Jansson, Sweden, 3-1; Sam Cooley, Australia, 3-1, and Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 3-0.

The 24 players competing in today's match play rounds advanced from Shark Championship qualifying conducted last Friday.

All four "animal" lane conditioning pattern Round of 8 rounds will be conducted on Thursday beginning at 10 a.m. PT with the Shark round scheduled for 6 p.m. The Shark Championship telecast will be taped by ESPN on Saturday at 6 p.m. and will air Dec. 25 at 3:30 p.m. ET on ESPN.

All Round of 8 matches will be covered live, exclusively by PBA's online live-streaming service, Xtra Frame. To sign up for an Xtra Frame subscription, visit xtraframe.tv.

PBA SHARK CHAMPIONSHIP

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Wednesday

BEST-OF-FIVE SINGLE-ELIMINATION MATCH PLAY (eight players advance to Thursday's Round of 8)

Round of 16 (losers earn \$1,250)

Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., def. B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., 3-0 (233-215, 243-223, 202-174).

E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., def. Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3-0 (258-248, 245-214, 265-235).

Francois Lavoie, Canada, def. Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3-1 (211-214, 258-203, 209-209, 223-191).

Markus Jansson, Sweden, def. Jason Sterner, Cocoa, Fla., 3-1 (247-226, 288-206, 185-206, 226-203).

Sam Cooley, Australia, def. Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., 3-1 (193-166, 190-169, 186-189, 200-177).

Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., def. Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3-0 (252-238, 221-192, 216-212).

Andrew Cain, Phoenix, def. Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, 3-0 (235-192, 279-241, 243-169).

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., def. Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-0 (247-204, 247-209, 202-188).

Round of 24 (losers earn \$700)

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., def. Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3-1 (212-164, 180-246, 194-175, 235-217).

Derek Handy, Redmond, Wash., def. Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3-0 (214-198, 204-190, 238-202).

Markus Jansson, Sweden, def. Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3-2 (183-238, 220-178, 236-213, 181-223, 218-163).

Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., def. Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3-1 (205-182, 205-238, 268-217, 279-235).

Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., def. Nathan Bohr, Austin, Texas, 3-2 (202-221, 215-181, 246-199, 154-225, 210-194).

Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, def. Dom Barrett, England, 3-2 (232-201, 229-247, 217-199, 189-242, 222-186).

Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., def. Mik Stampe, Denmark, 3-1 (216-212, 187-193, 219-171, 215-199).

Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, def. Ingelimar Beasley, Venezuela, 3-0 (195-190, 212-184, 222-207).

Round of 8 matches

Smallwood vs. Cain

Cooley vs. Lavoie

O'Grady vs. Jansson

Williams vs. Tackett

Four GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling PBA Tour ESPN Finals Set After Round of 8 Competition

As the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII presented by the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino heads down the homestretch, the finalists for four ESPN telecasts were determined Thursday at the National Bowling Stadium. The finals will be taped on Saturday and will air beginning Saturday, Dec. 18.

All four finals telecasts will use a format where the four finalists simultaneously bowl one game on the same pair of lanes with the top two scorers advancing to a head-to-head title match.

In a match that showcased one of PBA's all-time greats, and one of its youngest stars, Player of the Year contender 19-year-old Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas swept PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., in the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game best-of-five-game single-elimination Round of 8, 3-1 (224-213, 206-224, 256-203, 279-207).

Also advancing was four-time Tour winner Mike Wolfe of New Albany, Ind., who defeated 18-time Tour winner Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, 3-2 (256-211, 223-201, 216-269, 179-225, 227-205). Wolfe is making his first Tour television appearance in four seasons.

Making his first PBA television appearance, 23-year-old Darren Tang of San Francisco, advanced by winning his match 3-2 (239-170, 195-214, 208-225, 224-171, 223-201) against 12-time Tour winner Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.

Rounding out the top four was BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., who swept four-time Tour winner Dom Barrett of England, 3-0 (214-211, 248-232, 280-187). Moore is hoping to improve on a Tour best sixth-place finish which he has accomplished three times.

The Cheetah Championship finals will be taped Saturday at noon and will air Sunday, Dec. 18 at 1 p.m. ET.

For the Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com, two-time Tour winner Thomas Larsen of Denmark, the lone international player in the Chameleon finals field, won his match 3-1 (225-224, 262-246, 215-256, 259-250) over PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber. It was Larsen's second consecutive Chameleon Championship television appearance after finishing third in 2015.

Three players trying for their first Tour title also made the Chameleon finals. A.J. Johnson of Oswego, Ill., who finished second in the 2015 USBC Masters, won his best-of-five match 3-0 (290-222, 222-195, 234-228) over Brandon Novak of Chillicothe, Ohio.

Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., the 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions runner-up, beat four-time Tour winner EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 3-1 (215-232, 264-247, 242-233, 239-219).

Making his first television appearance, Patrick Dombrowski of Parma, Ohio, advanced to the Chameleon finals with a 3-1 (238-199, 180-226, 205-158, 203-161) victory over two-time Tour winner Mike DeVaney of Winchester, Calif.

The Chameleon Championship finals will be taped Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and will air Saturday, Dec. 24 at 1 p.m. ET.

In the third animal pattern lane condition event of the World Series, Moore made his second World Series final in the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA by sweeping Beasley, 3-0 (224-197, 243-213, 256-165).

Five-time Tour winner Jesper Svensson of Sweden made his first 2016 World Series telecast with a 3-2 (258-257, 160-188, 190-246, 248-201, 238-230) win over Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla. The 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions winner and Player of the Year contender will be trying for his fourth win of the season.

Former PBA Player of the Year and 17-time Tour winner Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C. made his first television appearance of the 2016 World Series with a 3-1 (246-199, 211-227, 224-217, 212-199) win over Tackett.

Rounding out the Scorpion field will be Novak who notched a 3-2 (184-227, 218-195, 277-256, 193-218, 242-180) win over Kris Prather of Milton, Fla., to make his first Tour television appearance.

The Scorpion Championship finals will be taped Saturday at 4:15 p.m. PT and will air Sunday, Dec. 25 at 2:30 p.m.

In the Shark Championship Round of 8, Williams advanced to the finals after beating Tackett, 3-1 (236-222, 178-243, 248-219, 223-184).

Williams, who is tied with Weber with 99 combined titles in PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour, PBA Regional and PBA50 Regional competition, kept his hopes alive to be the first to reach the 100-title mark. The PBA's all-time Tour titles leader also will be trying for his 48th Tour title.

Canadian Francois Lavoie, the winner of the 2016 U.S. Open, advanced to the Shark final four by beating Sam Cooley of Australia, 3-0 (236-202, 221-171, 234-157).

Shark qualifying leader Andrew Cain of Phoenix advanced by beating Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., 3-0 (193-191, 278-211, 204-157). Rounding out the top four was Matthew O'Grady of South Amboy, N.J., making his first Tour television appearance by sweeping Markus Jansson of Sweden, 3-0 (238-200, 205-174, 200-191).

The Shark Championship will be taped this Saturday at 6 p.m. PT and will air Sunday, Dec. 25 at 3:30 p.m. Bowling fans will also be able to watch the finals of the animal pattern events live via ESPN's livestreaming service ESPN3. The crown jewel of the GEICO PBA World of Series VIII will be Sunday's live ESPN telecast of the PBA World Championship from the National Bowling Stadium at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT). Tackett, who is the top qualifier for the second consecutive year, will be joined by Barrett, Jason Belmonte, Smallwood and Simonsen in the stepladder finals.

PBA CHEETAH CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY PBA BOWLING CHALLENGE MOBILE GAME

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Thursday

Round of 8 (best of five games, winners advance to ESPN-taped finals Saturday at noon PT. ESPN telecast Sunday, Dec. 18, 1 p.m. ET; losers earn \$2,000)

Darren Tang, San Francisco, Calif., def. Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3-2 (239-170, 195-214, 208-225, 224-171, 223-201).

B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., def. Dom Barrett, England, 3-0 (214-211, 248-232, 280-187).

Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., def. Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3-2 (256-211, 223-201, 216-269, 179-225, 227-205).

Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, def. Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 3-1 (224-213, 206-224, 256-203, 279-207).

PBA CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY HOTELPLANNER.COM

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Thursday

Round of 8 (best of five games, winners advance to ESPN-taped finals Saturday at 2:30 p.m. PT. ESPN telecast Saturday, Dec. 24, 1 p.m. ET ; losers earn \$2,000)

A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., def. Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 3-0 (290-222, 222-195, 234-28).

Thomas Larsen, Denmark, def. Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-1 (225-224, 262-246, 215-256, 259-250).

Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., def. EJ Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3-1 (215-232, 264-247, 242-233, 239-219).

Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, def. Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 3-1 (238-199, 180-226, 205-158, 203-161).

PBA SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY RENO TAHOE USA

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Thursday

Round of 8 (best-of-five games, winners advance to ESPN-taped finals Saturday at 4:15 p.m. PT. ESPN telecast Sunday, Dec. 25, 2:30 p.m.; losers earn \$2,000)

Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., def. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3-1 (246-199, 211-227, 224-217, 212-199).

B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., def. Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., 3-0 (224-197, 243-213, 256-165).

Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, def. Kristopher Prather, Milton, Fla., 3-2 (184-227, 218-195, 277-256, 193-218, 242-180).

Jesper Svensson, Sweden, def. Tom Daugherty, Riverview, Fla., 3-2 (258-257, 160-188, 190-246, 248-201, 238-230).

PBA SHARK CHAMPIONSHIP

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Thursday

Round of 8 (best-of-five-games, winners advance to ESPN taped finals Saturday at 6 p.m. PT. ESPN telecast, Sunday, Dec. 25, 3:30 p.m.; losers earn \$2,000)

Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., def. Markus Jansson, Sweden, 3-0 (238-200, 205-174, 200-191).

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., def. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3-1 (236-222, 178-243, 248-219, 223-184).

Francois Lavoie, Canada, def. Sam Cooley, Australia, 3-0 (236-202, 221-171, 234-157).

Andrew Cain, Phoenix, def. Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3-0 (193-191, 278-211, 204-157).

GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII Braces for a Wild Finish

Eight non-champions, PBA's all-time titles leader, Player of Year contenders to do battle on ESPN

RENO, Nev. (Dec. 9, 2016) – In its previous seven years, the Professional Bowlers Association's World Series of Bowling has produced a lot of memories, but nothing like what's about to happen when five PBA Tour titles are decided Saturday and Sunday in the GEICO WSOB VIII, presented by Silver Legacy Resort and Casino, at the National Bowling Stadium.

And ESPN viewers will be able to watch all of the action, including four animal pattern championships that will be streamed live on ESPN3 on Saturday, followed by live ESPN coverage of the PBA World Championship on Sunday. Saturday's schedule includes four PBA animal pattern championships, all of which will also air on ESPN later in the month, featuring eight players who have never won a PBA Tour title, the winningest player in PBA history, and players who are in the thick of the PBA Player and Rookie of the Year races.

Saturday's competition will only serve to intensify the battle for Sunday's PBA World Championship, the final major championship of the 2016 PBA season, which may become the decisive factor for 2016 PBA Player of the Year voters.

Saturday's four animal pattern championships will involve a simultaneous opening game with all four finalists bowling one game, and the top two advancing to the title match.

Tickets are still available for the animal pattern events and Sunday's World Championship finals. Tickets will be available at the door or in advance by ordering on pba.com. Here are some of the plot lines for the weekend:

PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game

(ESPN3 live stream begins at 3 p.m. ET Saturday; ESPN delayed telecast airs on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 1 p.m. ET)

Finalists are Darren Tang, San Francisco; B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa.; Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas.

Plot Lines: Tang, a 23-year-old rookie, and Moore have never won a PBA Tour title. Wolfe, 40, is a four-time PBA Tour titlist who won his last title in the 2008 Ultimate Scoring Championship. Simonsen, 19, won the Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship (with Connor Pickford) and the USBC Masters earlier in the year. He is in the thick of the Player of the Year race.

PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com

(ESPN3 live stream begins at 5:30 p.m. ET Saturday; ESPN delayed telecast airs on Saturday, Dec. 24, at 1 p.m. ET)

Finalists are A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill.; Thomas Larsen, Denmark; Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., and Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio.

Plot Lines: This event has the best odds of producing a first-time PBA Tour titlist. Larsen is a two-time PBA Tour winner in international events, but none of the four have won a PBA Tour title on U.S. soil. Johnson, a former collegiate star at McKendree University, was runner-up in the 2015 USBC Masters (losing to Jason Belmonte in the title match) and Beasley, 48, was runner-up in the 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions (losing to Jesper Svensson in the title match). Beasley's PBA career really got underway after he retired from a 20-year U.S. Air Force career in 2007.

PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA

(ESPN3 live stream begins at 7:15 p.m. ET Saturday; ESPN delayed telecast airs on Sunday, Dec. 25, at 2:30 p.m. ET)

Finalists are Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C.; B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa.; Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, and Jesper Svensson, Sweden.

Plot Lines: Jones, 38, is destined for the PBA Hall of Fame as a 17-time PBA Tour winner. He won no. 17 earlier this year in the Downums Waste Services Xtra Frame Open in Jonesboro, Ark. Moore and Novak are both trying for their first PBA Tour titles (unless Moore wins his in Cheetah Championship). Svensson, a 21-year-old left-handed two-hander, is a three-time winner in 2016, including the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions. Another title would enhance his bid for the Player of the Year.

PBA Shark Championship

(ESPN3 live stream begins at 9 p.m. ET Saturday; ESPN delayed telecast airs on Sunday, Dec. 25, at 3:30 p.m. ET)

Finalists are Matt O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla.; Francois Lavoie, Canada, and Andrew Cain, Phoenix.

Plot Lines: Williams, the all-time leader in PBA Tour titles with 47, could become the oldest player ever to win a PBA Tour title. On Saturday, he'll be 57 years and 65 days old. John Handegard, at 57 years, 55 days, won in 1995 in Kennewick, Wash. If he wins,

Williams also will become the first player in PBA history to win a composite 100 titles in PBA Tour, PBA Regional, PBA50 Tour and PBA50 Regional competition. The player whom many of fellow competitors call “The GOAT” (Greatest Of All-Time) won his last PBA Tour title in the 2009 Motor City Open, kicking off the inaugural PBA World Series of Bowling. Also in the field are O’Grady, a three-time Junior Team USA member, and Cain, a Junior-Adult Team USA member, both of whom are trying for their first PBA Tour titles. Lavoie, the 2016 U.S. Open winner, is a leading contender for PBA Rookie of the Year honors.

PBA World Championship

(Live ESPN Sunday at 1 p.m. ET; finals will re-air on ESPN on New Year’s Day at 4 p.m. ET).

Finalists are No. 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.; No. 2, Dom Barrett, England; No. 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia; No. 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., and No. 5, Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas.

Plot Lines: Simonsen, a two-handed player, is trying to become the first player to win two major titles at age 19. He became the youngest player ever to win a PBA major title earlier in the year when he won the USBC Masters. He also is in contention for PBA Player of the Year honors.

Simonsen’s opening-game opponent is Smallwood, who became a nation-wide story in early 2010 when he won the PBA World Championship after losing his job in the automotive industry and deciding to pursue his dream of bowling professionally. Now 39, Smallwood is pursuing his third PBA Tour title and first since the 2012 Scorpion Championship.

Belmonte, whose three-year reign as PBA Player of the Year is in jeopardy, is trying for his first 2016 title, his 13th PBA Tour title and his seventh career major. The PBA World Championship is one title missing from his majors’ resumé.

Barrett, the 2013 PBA World Champion, is after title No. 5. He is one of two players from England to win on the PBA Tour.

Tackett is hoping to avenge last year’s PBA World Championship title-match loss to Gary Faulkner Jr. and finish WSOB VIII on a high note. After advancing to the match play elimination rounds in all four animal pattern events, he failed to move on to a TV final in any of the four. But with three titles previously won during the 2016 season, a victory in the World Championship would be a big boost to his Player of the Year chances.

USA Vs. The World

(Sunday at 4:30 p.m. ET; finals will air on ESPN on Jan. 8 at 1 p.m. ET).

Finalists are E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind.; B.J. Moore III of Greensburg, Pa.; Mitch Beasley; Matt O’Grady of South Amboy, N.J., and Dick Allen of Columbia, S.C., representing the United States, and Australia’s Sam Cooley, England’s Dom Barrett, Canada’s Francois Lavoie, Mexico’s Arturo Quintero and Sweden’s Martin Larsen representing The World.

The players were determined based on 32-game qualifying totals during the animal pattern events. The competition will involve two five-player Baker format team matches. If the teams split the two games, the winner will be decided based on a one-ball sudden-death roll-off.

Bryan Goebel, Steve Hoskins, Mike Scroggins Elected to PBA Hall of Fame

Induction ceremonies set for Monday, Feb. 13, at Grand Casino Hotel & Resort in Shawnee, Okla.

CHICAGO (Dec. 9, 2016) – Bryan Goebel of Shawnee, Kan.; Steve Hoskins of Tarpon Springs, Fla., and Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, have been elected to the Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Fame for superior performance. They will be inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame, along with meritorious service honoree and former PBA Commissioner Mark Gerberich, during ceremonies on Monday, Feb., 13, at the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort in Shawnee, Okla.

Goebel is a 10-time PBA Tour champion who won his lone major in the Brunswick World Tournament of Champions in Overland Park, Kan., in 1998. Hoskins, PBA’s 1989 Rookie of the Year, also won 10 times including Bayer/Brunswick Touring Players Championships in 1997 and 1999. Scroggins won eight times, including majors in the 2005 Miller High Life USBC Masters in Milwaukee and the 2009 Lumber Liquidators U.S. Open in North Brunswick, N.J.

“I’m fairly stunned and a little overjoyed,” Goebel said. “I’ve been on the ballot for a long time so I’m really thrilled. Those two guys belong, too. It’s great, it’s really nice...and I’m happy for those two guys, too.”

Goebel said when he started his career, he never dreamed of reaching the hall of fame.

“Most of the time I just wanted to get out there and bowl against those great bowlers,” he said. “But when you win a couple of times, you start to think, man, wouldn’t it be great? But I honestly never thought I’d win two titles, let alone 10. I was bowling against Walter (Ray Williams Jr.) and Pete (Weber) and those guys, and they’re so awesome.”

Hoskins retired from PBA Tour competition shortly after winning the 2000 Lone Star Open in Pasadena, Texas, and said he’s never looked back.

“That was a nice phone call (from PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark),” Hoskins said. “It’s been an odd scenario, but it was a matter of being patient.

“I’d be remiss if I said I didn’t think about (getting into the hall of fame),” he added. “When you’re in your teens, you thing about it, but you never believe it’ll happen until you get out there and find out. It’s a constant test of your ability. When you get there, it’s incredibly satisfying but humbling at the same time.

“Looking back, it was quite an interesting career; I actually quit at a fairly young career, but it was a personal choice and I don’t regret it one bit,” Hoskins said. He currently owns a car lot and works for a sub-prime auto lender, a field he entered right after retirement.

“After I retired, I bowled for years with my father, but when he had to quit due to arthritis, I gave it up, too,” he said. “Now I play softball and golf, but every now and then, I do get the itch to go bowling.”

Scroggins, like his fellow electees, was more than a little surprised.

“I can’t believe it,” he said. “It’s something you always wish for, but then you don’t believe it’ll happen. It’s what you dream about when you’re a kid. You want to win a PBA title, and then you say, you want to be in the PBA HOF. Now it’s true and it’s unbelievable.

“I’m just so honored to be in with the people who are in the HOF now,” he added. “As you get older, your body kinda doesn’t let you do the things you want to do, but I’m going to keep going as long as I’m able to be competitive.”

Additional information regarding the hall of fame and PBA awards dinner will be announced soon.

Indiana’s E.J. Tackett Wins PBA World Championship for First Major, Fourth 2016 Title

RENO, Nev. — E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., one of the Professional Bowlers Association’s rising young stars, defeated veteran Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., 246-180, to win the PBA World Championship Sunday at the National Bowling Stadium.

Tackett, PBA’s 2013 Rookie of the Year, won his first major championship and his fourth title of the 2016 season with a closing string of six strikes after Smallwood lost his strike line on the left lane and suffered two open frames late in the match. Tackett, the top qualifier for the World Championship for the second year in a row, earned \$60,000 along with his fifth career title.

“It was the greatest feeling in the world to have my dad here to watch,” Tackett said after a tearful embrace with his father, Ed Tackett.

“It was great to bowl a good game to win,” Tackett said. “Tom gave me some breaks, which you’d never expect from him, but to throw the last six strikes, to be able to perform like that on a stage like this is what you dream about. It’s

been a huge breakout year for me. I just hope I can keep riding the wave. I don't expect to win every time, but I just want to bowl well."

With his win, the 5-foot-7, 130-pound right hander, put himself into the thick of the PBA Player of the Year race.

"Player of the Year is one of those things you strive for," the 24-year-old Tackett said. "Now it's a matter of what my peers think. With the kind of year I've had, I'd put myself in the top five in the world. Where, I'm not sure, but I grew up watching Tiger Woods, and I want to be the Tiger Woods of bowling."

Smallwood earned his berth in the title match with three consecutive wins, including a 266-235 victory over England's Dom Barrett in the semifinal match. Smallwood, who became a hero among America's working class in early 2010, started the match against Barrett with eight strikes before leaving the 3-6-10 in the ninth frame.

Smallwood's legacy began during the recession of 2009 when he lost his job with GMC and decided to pursue his dream of bowling professionally. He earned an exemption to bowl on the PBA Tour during the 2009-10 season, but more importantly, won the 2010 PBA World Championship for his first title and a \$50,000 prize.

Smallwood, with key strikes when he needed them, eliminated 19-year-old Anthony Simonsen, who failed to carry strikes at critical opportunities, in the first match, 204-193. Simonsen, a two-handed player from Austin, Texas, was trying to become the youngest player to win two major titles in the same season after winning the United States Bowling Congress Masters in February.

In the second match, Smallwood rebounded from an open second frame with a string of five strikes, building a lead Australia's Jason Belmonte couldn't overcome. Belmonte, the three-time reigning PBA Player of the Year, saw his hopes for his first title in 2016 die when he left the 3-4-6-7 split in the ninth frame and failed to convert, losing to Smallwood, 224-185.

The PBA World Championship was the final event of the 2016 PBA Tour season. PBA competition resumes January 10-14 when a field of 16 PBA stars will join 16 Japanese players in the DHC PBA Japan Invitational in Osaka.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Sunday

Final Standings:

- 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., \$60,000.
- 2, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., \$30,000.
- 3, Dom Barrett, England, \$25,000.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$20,000.
- 5, Anthony Simonsen, Austin, Texas, \$15,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Smallwood def. Simonsen, 204-193.

Match Two – Smallwood def. Belmonte, 224-185.

Semifinal Match – Smallwood def. Barrett, 266-235.

Championship – Tackett def. Smallwood, 246-180.

PBA, PWBA Renew Regional, Xtra Frame Coverage Agreements for 2017 Season

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PBA, PWBA Renew Regional, Xtra Frame Coverage Agreements for 2017 Season

CHICAGO – The Professional Bowlers Association will provide regional competitions and player services, plus live event coverage of the Professional Women's Bowling Association through Xtra Frame, its online video streaming service, after renewing its strategic partnership agreement with the PWBA.

The PBA plans to conduct seven "women only" PWBA-PBA regional events in 2017 which will be operated by PBA's regional managers, will complement the PWBA Tour schedule to provide more competitive opportunities for women bowlers.

"The PBA is committed to helping build a strong tour and providing regional events for women bowlers," PBA Tour CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark said. "We're excited to continue showcasing these talented bowlers on Xtra Frame, and we're looking forward to another great season."

The PWBA will utilize Xtra Frame to provide PWBA fans with exclusive live coverage of the tour starting with the 2017 PWBA Sonoma County Open, which kicks off the season April 27-29.

"The PBA-PWBA partnership is a great example of the bowling industry working together to build a future for the sport," United States Bowling Congress Executive Director Chad Murphy said. "The partnership not only provides great opportunities for today's women bowlers, it also gives youth and collegiate bowlers an aspirational goal."

The PBA will continue to provide player services, equipment transportation and a mobile pro shop for PWBA Tour members during the season.

The agreement provides PWBA members the eligibility to bowl in all PBA events. In 2016, PWBA members earned points in regional competitions, culminating with the PBA-PWBA Women's Regional Challenge event that kicked off the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII in late November. Missy Parkin of Laguna Hills, Calif., representing the PBA West Region, defeated Ashly Galante of Palm Harbor, Fla., representing the PBA South Region, 267-188, to capture the title.

"The services the PBA provides, such as transport and mobile pro shop, are important elements in operating a professional tour, and we appreciate the PBA's collaboration," Bowling Proprietors' Association of America Executive Director Frank DeSocio said. "Along with the regional events that will allow more players to develop their skills, these are all essential parts of building a strong and successful PWBA Tour."

Go to XtraFrame.tv to learn more about how to subscribe to Xtra Frame and PBA.com for information on the PBA Regional program.

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The GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII presented by the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino continues Sunday with the ESPN telecast of the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Challenge Mobile Game at 1 p.m. ET from the National Bowling Stadium in Reno.

Two players making their first PBA Tour telecast appearances, another making his first appearance in four years and a Player of the Year candidate will be featured on Sunday's show, the second of six events contested in the 2016 World Series.

All four animal pattern championship telecasts will use a format where the four finalists bowl one game simultaneously on the same pair of lanes with the top two scorers advancing to a head-to-head title match.

For a video preview of the Cheetah Championship click on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ULQE6Off2H4>

In the opening match, PBA Player of the Year contender Anthony Simonsen, a 19-year-old two-handed player from Austin, Texas, who finished fifth in last week's PBA World Championship, will try for his third title of the season. The 2016 USBC Masters Champion defeated PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla., in the Cheetah Championships' best-of-five-game single-elimination Round of 8, 3-1 (224-213, 206-224, 256-203, 279-207), to earn his berth in the finals.

In his Round of 8 match, four-time Tour winner Mike Wolfe of New Albany, Ind., defeated 18-time Tour winner Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, 3-2 (256-211, 223-201, 216-269, 179-225, 227-205) to advance. He is making his first Tour television appearance in four seasons.

Making his first PBA television appearance is 23-year-old Darren Tang of San Francisco. The PBA Tour rookie advanced by winning his Round of 8 elimination match, 3-2 (239-170, 195-214, 208-225, 224-171, 223-201) against 12-time Tour winner Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.

Rounding out the top four will be BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., who swept four-time Tour winner Dom Barrett of England, 3-0 (214-211, 248-232, 280-187). In making his PBA Tour singles debut on national television, Moore has already improved on a personal Tour-best sixth-place finish which he has accomplished three times.

Following the Cheetah Championship the World Series will continue with three ESPN telecasts over Christmas weekend. The Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com will air Saturday, Dec. 24 at 1 p.m. ET to be followed by a Christmas day doubleheader featuring the Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe.com at 2:30 p.m. and the Shark Championship at 3:30 p.m.

PBA Announces 14-tournament PBA50 Tour season for 2017

The Professional Bowlers Association has announced a 14-tournament PBA50 Tour season for 2017 that will include three majors and three PBA60 tournaments exclusively for players 60 years of age and older.

The 2017 season will kick off with a PBA50 and PBA60 doubleheader at Lane Glo Bowl in New Port Richey, Fla., April 15-20. Lane Glo will host the PBA60 Killer 'B' Open April 15-17 to be followed immediately by the PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open April 17-20.

After the Pasco County events, the PBA50 Tour will once again visit The Villages, Fla., for the PBA50 Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical at Spanish Springs Lanes. The tour then heads north for the PBA50 Miller High Life Classic presented by Columbia 300 at George Pappas' Victory Lanes in Mooresville, N.C., and PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick at Farmingdale Lanes in Farmingdale, N.Y.

The PBA50 Tour Players Championship makes its debut as the season's first major at long-time PBA host Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis May 13-16.

The senior players then head west for the PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV at Harvest Park Bowl May 28-31. Sam's Town in Las Vegas will host the USBC Super Senior Classic June 1-3, and the season's second major, the USBC Senior Masters June 4-10. Immediately following the Senior Masters, the PBA50 Tour makes its traditional stop at the Suncoast in Las Vegas for the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by Storm, the season's third major June 11-16.

After a five-week break Olympia Lanes in Hammond, Ind., will host the PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8 followed by the PBA50 Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip in Anderson, Ind., before wrapping up the 2017 season in Fort Wayne Aug. 5-8 with the PBA50 Pro Bowl West Championship presented by Ebonite and the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer Aug. 10-12.

PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame will once again provide comprehensive coverage of the 2017 PBA50 Tour season. Coverage details and schedule will be released at a later date. For subscription and schedule information visit www.xtraframe.tv.

Entries for the 2017 season will be accepted beginning Feb. 27 on pba.com.

2017 PBA50 TOUR SEASON SCHEDULE

April 15-17 – PBA60 Killer 'B' Open, Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla.

April 17-20 – PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open, Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla.

April 22-25 – PBA50 Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical, Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla.

April 30-May 3 – PBA50 Miller High Life Classic presented by Columbia 300 and Miller High Life, George Pappas' Victory Lanes, Mooresville, N.C.

May 6-9 – PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick, Farmingdale Lanes, Farmingdale, N.Y.

May 13-16 – PBA50 Tour Players Championship, Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis.

May 28-31 – PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV, Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif.

June 1-3 – USBC Super Senior Classic, Sam’s Town, Las Vegas.

June 4-10 – USBC Senior Masters, Sam’s Town, Las Vegas.

June 11-16 – Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by Storm, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas.

July 24-27 – PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8, Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind.

July 29-Aug. 1 – PBA50 Dave Small’s Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip, Anderson, Ind.

Aug. 5-8 – PBA50 Pro Bowl West Championship presented by Ebonite, Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Aug. 10-12 – PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by Hammer, Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind.

PBA Spare Shots: PBA’s Youth Movement Marches On During GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII
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PBA Spare Shots: PBA’s Youth Movement Marches On During GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII
The PBA’s transition to a new youthful generation continued during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy, when 25-year-old E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., became the sixth consecutive player age 25 or younger to win a PBA major championship.

The unprecedented string of victories in the PBA’s most prestigious tournaments began during WSOB VII when the oldest of the group – then-25-year-old Gary Faulkner of Memphis, Tenn. – won the PBA World Championship. Then, in order, Sweden’s Jesper Svensson (20) won the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions; Anthony Simonsen (19) won the USBC Masters; Graham Fach (23) won the Barbasol PBA Players Championship; and Francois Lavoie won the U.S. Open.

The last time prior to 2016 that a player younger than 25 won a PBA major championship was Oct. 2007 when Sean Rash, at age 25, won the USBC Masters in Milwaukee.

CheetahContestPromotion (1)PBA “CHEETAH” BOWLING CHALLENGE SWEEPSTAKES BEGINS NEXT WEEK

Don’t forget: everyone who plays PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game is invited to participate in a special sweepstakes being conducted by PBA Cheetah Championship presenting sponsor Concrete Software, the creator of the PBA Bowling Challenge game.

Beginning at 1 a.m. ET on Tuesday, Dec. 19, mobile device users are invited to enter the PBA “Cheetah” Bowling Challenge. Look for the PBA Cheetah Championship as part of venue on the PBA Bowling Challenge game, and bowl one game. Everyone age 18 or older who records a score higher than the PBA Cheetah Championship winner bowls on the Dec. 18 ESPN telecast will be entered into the Concrete Software sweepstakes and eligible to win special prizes, including a special PBA bowling pin autographed by the winner.

If you don’t already play PBA Bowling Challenge on your mobile device, download the app and use the button on the landing page of the app to enter the tournament. The contest concludes at 12:59 a.m. ET on Dec. 26.

ON XTRA FRAME: RANDY GOES “ONE ON ONE” WITH PBA STARS

If you haven’t had a chance to catch up on the One on One with Randy Pedersen” series of exclusive Xtra Frame interviews with several of the PBA’s star players, you can find them all within the Xtra Frame archive.

The series of interviews include light-hearted chats with Anthony Simonsen, Chris Barnes, Tom Daugherty, Sean Rash, Ryan Ciminelli, Jason Belmonte, Jesper Svensson, Dom Barrett and Gary Faulkner Jr.

CALIFORNIA BOWLING WRITERS COMMEMORATE CHUCK PEZZANO

Chuck Pezzano Media Room plaque presentation_Jackie Wyckoff_Tom ClarkIn memory of one of the PBA's most revered hall of famers, the California Bowling Writers presented a plaque in Chuck Pezzano's memory to the PBA during GEICO WSOB VIII. CBW life member Jackie Wyckoff presented PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark with the Chuck Pezzano PBA Media Room plaque that will be displayed at all future PBA Tour events in his memory.

Pezzano, who died in 2015 at age 86, was one of the most prolific bowling writers in history, contributing to more than 100 publications around the world. He was a charter member of the PBA Hall of Fame.

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: MICHAEL CLARK WINS FIRST PBA TITLE IN OHIO

Michael Clark of North Olmsted, Ohio, defeated Tyler Wilds of Three Rivers, Mich., 210-185, to win his first QubicaAMF PBA Regional title in the McKinley Lanes Central/East Challenge at McKinley Lanes in Niles, Ohio, Sunday.

In addition to his first title and a \$1,600 prize, Clark became eligible to enter the FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions in early February in Shawnee, Okla. The tournament consisted of PBA members who do not hold a PBA title or non-members who have never won a PBA event.

Clark downed Bill Burns of Elizabeth, Pa., 186-147, and Wilds topped BJ Satkowski of Jackson, Mich., 216-188, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

- The Dec. 17-18 schedule, concluding the 2016 QubicaAMF PBA Regional season, includes the PBA/PBA50 Houston Southwest Open Doubles presented by Bowling Dynamix at Emerald Bowl in Houston, Texas, and the PBA/PBA50 Decker Appraisal Services Baker Trios presented by Hammer at Valley Lanes in Harrisonburg, Va.

- For complete QubicaAMF PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on QubicaAMF Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. For more information about QubicaAMF, visit www.qubicaamf.com or, for social media posts, visit <http://bit.ly/QAMFSponsorship1>.

QUICK NOTES:

- Christmas shopping for something special for the PBA fan in your family? Visit The PBA Store today for special discount prices just in time for Christmas. Click here: <http://pba.firelakedesigns.com/>.

- PBA Tour champion Kelly Kulick, representing Team USA, successfully defended her title at the World Bowling Women's Singles Championships in Qatar on Dec. 11., defeating 2016 PWBA Rookie of the Year New Hui Fen of Singapore, 214-195, in the title match. In the men's final, Denmark's Jesper Agerbo topped Malaysian left-hander Rafiq Ismail, 256-205.

- PBA member Diana Zavjalova defeated Sweden's Pontus Andersson, 474-427, in the two-game title match of the Qatar Open Friday. Zavjalova, whose score included 16 handicap pins (8 per game allotted to women bowlers in the event), earned US\$40,000 in the final PBA International-World Bowling Tour tournament of 2016. Because she accepted handicap pins, Zavjalova doesn't receive credit for a PBA title. Zavjalova advanced to the title match by defeating Australia's Jason Belmonte, 484-442, while Andersson eliminated Malaysia's Ahmad Muaz in the semifinal round, 492-469.

Indiana's Mike Wolfe Uses Timeworn Skills to Win PBA Cheetah Championship

Veteran topples youth movement in GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII's first animal pattern finale

RENO, Nev. – Using skills developed as a teenager nearly a quarter century ago, 40-year-old Mike Wolfe of New Albany, Ind., upstaged the Professional Bowlers Association's youth movement when he routed 23-year-old rookie Darren Tang of San Francisco, 279-143, to win the PBA Cheetah Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game.

The Cheetah Championship, the first of four PBA animal pattern championships conducted during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII at Reno's National Bowling Stadium, aired Sunday on ESPN.

Wolfe, playing a treacherous outside angle to the pocket, delivered clutch strikes throughout the game, to win his fifth career PBA Tour title and first in four years. While the final score makes it look like Wolfe had an easy time, it was only because he was able to control a thin line between throwing a strike and throwing the ball into the gutter.

"I grew up playing that shot on short oil back in the urethane days," Wolfe said of his formative years. "People always told me Pete Weber was one of the best gutter players ever and I was a fan of his growing up, so I thought it was cool to play out there."

In the title match, Wolfe was seen smiling nervously after throwing a couple of early strikes.

"I thought I threw them in the gutter," he confessed. "The very first shot out of the (commercial) break, I threw it too hard, but it got back to the pocket. There were two shots, at least, that I thought I threw them into the gutter."

Living on the edge of the lane, however, almost resulted in a perfect game. Wolfe's only flaw was leaving a 10 pin in the seventh frame, which he converted for a spare.

Wolfe used the same approach during the four-player match to open the telecast, where he had a more difficult time. In the elimination match, the two players with the highest scores advanced to the championship match. Tang, in his ESPN-television debut, doubled in the 10th frame for a 237 to lead the four finalists.

Wolfe also doubled in the 10th frame, but fired a rocket shot down the middle of the lane for a seven-count fill ball to finish with 223. That almost opened the door for 19-year-old Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas, who then needed three strikes in his 10th frame to force a roll-off with Wolfe. Simonsen got the first strike, but missed on his second to finish with a 210. Also eliminated was 28-year-old B.J. Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., who posted a 192 in his ESPN debut in singles competition.

"Over the past few years, Belmo (Australian two-handed star and three-time PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte) and some of the other young guys have made winning look easy," Wolfe said. "Bowling a first-timer on TV helped, I think. They look at it differently, like I did when I was their age."

"Darren bowled amazingly for his first show, but you just have to use your experience to make good shots. When the little guys (like me) can sneak one out, it's special."

The PBA's World Series animal pattern championships continue with a busy holiday weekend on ESPN including the finals of the Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com on Saturday at 1 p.m. ET followed by a Christmas Day doubleheader – the Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA and the Shark Championship – at 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. ET, respectively. In all three events, a PBA veteran will take on a field of youthful challengers.

For fans who may have missed ESPN's live coverage of the PBA World Championship on Dec. 11, ESPN will present an encore telecast of the PBA's final major championship of 2016 on New Year's Day at 1 p.m. ET.

PBA CHEETAH CHAMPIONSHIP

presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev. (aired on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 18)

Final Standings:

- 1, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., \$20,000.
- 2, Darren Tang, San Francisco, \$10,000.
- 3, Anthony Simonson, Austin, Texas, \$5,000.
- 4, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results:

Elimination Match (top two scores advanced): Tang 237, Wolfe 223, Simonsen 210, Moore 192.

Walter Ray Williams Jr. & Friends Win Trios Event in Virginia for PBA Record 100th Title

HARRISONBURG, Va. – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr., with the help of partners Dennis Lane and Dick Allen, became the first player in PBA history to win a combined total of 100 PBA titles Sunday when the trio won the PBA/PBA50/PBA60 Decker Appraisal Services Baker Trios title, presented by Hammer, at Valley Lanes.

Williams, as the PBA50 player in the group, won his 10th PBA50 Regional title to go along with his 47 PBA Tour titles, 32 PBA Regional titles and 11 PBA50 Tour titles. With his win, Williams broke a tie with fellow hall of famer Pete Weber in their race to become the first 100-title winner in PBA history.

"It was quite amazing watching Walter Ray strike in the 10th to win his 100th title," said Kyle Troup, the PBA player on the runner-up team.

Williams' team defeated top qualifiers Kenny Parks, Dale Csuhta and Troup, 213-201, in the title match to share a \$5,100 first prize.

GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII Holiday Tripleheader Begins With Chameleon Championship Saturday at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN

PBA fans: Get ready for a Christmas weekend on ESPN that will include a GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII presented by the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino tripleheader, beginning with the Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com on Christmas Eve at 1 p.m. ET.

Thomas Larsen of Denmark will be trying for his third PBA Tour title, but first in the U.S., in the Chameleon Championship after winning his Round of 8 best-of-five single elimination match, 3-1 (225-224, 262-246, 215-256, 259-250), over PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber at the National Bowling Stadium. He'll face a trio of players who are trying for their first PBA Tour title: A.J. Johnson of Oswego, Ill.; Mitch Beasley of Clarksville, Tenn., and Patrick Dombrowski of Parma, Ohio.

Johnson, who finished second in the 2015 USBC Masters as an amateur just completing his collegiate career at McKendree University, won his best-of-five match, 3-0 (290-222, 222-195, 234-228), over Brandon Novak of Chillicothe, Ohio.

Beasley, the 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions runner-up, beat four-time Tour winner EJ Tackett of Huntington, Ind., 3-1 (215-232, 264-247, 242-233, 239-219), in his Round of 8 match.

Making his television debut, Dombrowski advanced to the finals with a 3-1 (238-199, 180-226, 205-158, 203-161) victory over two-time Tour winner Mike DeVaney of Winchester, Calif.

To view a video preview of the Chameleon Championship visit

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4418pIV4THk>

The Chameleon telecast, like all four World Series animal pattern finals, will use a format where the four players will bowl simultaneously on the same pair of lanes with the two highest scorers advancing to the title match.

The ESPN holiday weekend will conclude with a World Series doubleheader on Christmas day beginning with the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA at 2:30 p.m. ET, followed by the Shark Championship at 3:30 p.m.

To view a video preview of the Scorpion Championship

visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1oksxn2Sljl>

To view a video preview of the Shark Championship visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnd4q0rMMW4>

In the Scorpion finals, BJ Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., makes his second WSOB VIII appearance after sweeping Beasley, 3-0 (224-197, 243-213, 256-165).

Five-time Tour winner Jesper Svensson of Sweden makes his first 2016 World Series telecast after a 3-2 (258-257, 160-188, 190-246, 248-201, 238-230) win over Tom Daugherty of Riverview, Fla. The 2016 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions winner and Player of the Year contender will be trying for his fourth win of the year.

Former PBA Player of the Year and 17-time Tour winner Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., earned his first WSOB VIII ESPN appearance with a 3-1 (246-199, 211-227, 224-217, 212-199) win over Tackett.

Rounding out the Scorpion field will be Novak who notched a 3-2 (184-227, 218-195, 277-256, 193-218, 242-180) win over Kris Prather of Milton, Fla., to qualify for his first ESPN appearance.

The Shark Championship will feature a great mix of youth vs. age and experience. In the Shark Round of 8, PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. advanced to the finals after beating Tackett, 3-1 (236-222, 178-243, 248-219, 223-184). Williams will be trying to improve upon his PBA Tour record of 47 titles, which also would make him the oldest player ever to win a PBA Tour title at 57 years and 65 days.

Canadian Francois Lavoie, a 23-year-old rookie and the winner of the 2016 U.S. Open, advanced to the Shark finals by beating Sam Cooley of Australia, 3-0 (236-202, 221-171, 234-157).

Shark qualifying leader Andrew Cain of Phoenix advanced by beating Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., 3-0 (193-191, 278-211, 204-157). Rounding out the top four was Matt O'Grady of South Amboy, N.J., who is making his first Tour television appearance after sweeping Markus Jansson of Sweden, 3-0 (238-200, 205-174, 200-191). Cain and O'Grady are both trying for their first PBA Tour titles.

Celebrity and PBA Tour Player Lineup Announced for 2017 Chris Paul Family Foundation PBA Celebrity Invitational Jan. 17 at Lucky Strike LA Live

The Professional Bowlers Association and the Chris Paul Family Foundation have announced the celebrity and PBA Tour player lineup for the Chris Paul Family Foundation PBA Celebrity Invitational which will be held Tuesday, Jan. 17 at Lucky Strike LA Live in downtown Los Angeles.

Tournament host, LA Clippers guard and nine-time NBA All-Star **Chris Paul**, defending champion former NFL star **Terrell Owens** and Boston Red Sox All-star outfielder and 2016 Major League MVP finalist **Mookie Betts** headline the list of celebrities scheduled to compete in the eighth fundraiser which benefits the Chris Paul Family Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting education, health, sports and social responsibility.

PBA Tour stars scheduled to compete in the Celebrity Invitational are:

- **EJ Tackett**, 2016 PBA World Championship winner and five-time Tour titlist

- **Pete Weber**, PBA Hall of Famer and 37-time PBA Tour winner
- **Chris Barnes**, former Player of the Year and 18-time Tour winner
- **Sean Rash**, former Player of the Year and 11-time Tour winner
- **Tommy Jones**, former Player of the Year and 18-time Tour winner

A Chris Paul Family Foundation Invitational regular, Owens won last year's event with Weber as his partner. Two additional celebrities will be announced at a later date.

Celebrity bowlers who have participated in previous events include NBA stars **LeBron James, Dwyane Wade, Blake Griffin, Rudy Gay** and **Kevin Durant**; National Football League stars **Michael Strahan, Hines Ward, LaMarr Woodley, Reggie Bush, C.J. Anderson** and hip-hop stars **Chris "Ludacris" Bridges, Lil Wayne** and **Nelly**, television personality **Chris Hardwick**, comedian/motion picture star **Kevin Hart** and television star **Jesse Williams**.

VIP and Premium Seat ticket packages for the ESPN taping of the event are available at bit.ly/chrispaul17

- \$350 VIP package - Includes meet & greet, dinner, open bar, premium seat and signed pin.
- \$150 Premium Seat ticket - Includes premium seat, two drink tickets and autographed t-shirt.
- \$25 general admission ticket.

The Celebrity Invitational begins with a red carpet ceremony at 6 p.m. PT at Lucky Strike LA Live (800 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles) with the competition beginning at 7 p.m. The event will be tape-delayed and will air Friday, Feb. 17 at 9 p.m. ET on ESPN.

CP3 PBA Celebrity Invitational past winners:

2016 – Pete Weber/Terrell Owens

2015 – Ronnie Russell/French Montana

2013 – Chris Barnes/Chris Hardwick

2012 – Pete Weber/Jerry Ferrara/Blake Griffin

2011 – Jason Belmonte/Chris Paul

2010 – Jason Belmonte/Chris Paul

2009 – Jason Couch/LeBron James

PBA Spare Shots: Sweden's Martin Larsen, USA's Danielle McEwan Lead World Bowling Tour Finalists

Sweden's **Martin Larsen** and **Danielle McEwan (left)** of Stony Point, N.Y., are the top qualifiers for the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals, presented by the PBA, which will air live as part of an ESPN doubleheader on Sunday, Feb. 26, from The Orleans Bowling Center in Las Vegas. The WBT Finals will immediately follow the ESPN telecast of the USBC Masters finals.

Larsen was the points leader in PBA International-World Bowling Tour men's qualifying in 2016, earning 146 points to nip **Anthony Simonsen** of Austin, Texas (142), and **Marshall Kent** of Yakima, Wash. (133). Sweden's **Jesper** Svensson finished fourth with 128 points and Australia's **Jason Belmonte** was fifth with 125 points.

McEwan led the women's points race with 230, comfortably ahead of Colombia's **Anggie Ramirez** (158) and **Liz Johnson** of Cheektowaga, N.Y. (100). **Summer Jasmin** of Beckley, W.Va., was fourth with 80 points and Venezuela's **Ingelimar Beasley**, now living in Clarksville, Tenn., was fifth with 70 points.

The WBT Finals will pay the winners \$20,000. Second place is \$10,000 and third pays \$5,000.

ENTRIES OPEN FOR FIRELAKE PBA TOC, BARBASOL PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Entries are now being accepted for the 2017 Barbasol PBA Players Championship, Feb. 6-12 at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio, and the 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions, Feb. 13-19 at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla.

To enter the PBA Players Championship, use the online system at pba.com. The entry fee is \$500. The tournament is limited to a field of 138 PBA members.

The TOC will include a field of 96 players of which 72 are reserved for PBA Tour title holders. An additional 24 PBA Regional, PBA50, PWBA-PBA Women's Regional and/or PBA Women's Series champions will qualify during a special TOC Regional event that will precede the TOC.

PBA members planning to compete in the TOC must have a confirmed reservation at the Grand Casino Hotel & Resort at the time of entry; please be sure to include your reservation number with your entry. The rate of \$109 for a single or double occupancy is available by calling (405) 964-7777 and using the code 1702102107 or at www.GrandShawnee.com (enter the code under "Group Code").

Eligible PBA Tour champions who want to participate must submit their entries by no later than Friday, Jan. 13 at 5 p.m. ET. Spots reserved for PBA Tour title holders that are not filled will be added to the spots coming out of the Regional Qualifier. To enter the TOC, contact PBA Tournament Entries Coordinator Mary von Krueger (email: maryvk@pba.com; phone: (206) 332-9688).

QUBICA AMF PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: WILLIAMS, LANE, ALLEN WIN TRIOS EVENT

PBA60 competitor **Dennis Lane**, PBA Tour champion **Dick Allen** and PBA Hall of Famer **Walter Ray Williams Jr.** defeated **Ken Parks**, **Dale Csuhta** and **Kyle Troup**, 213-201, to win the PBA South Region's Decker Appraisal PBA/PBA50/PBA60 Baker Trios event presented by Hammer at Valley Lanes in Harrisonburg, Va., Sunday.

Williams, in the PBA50 role, struck in the 10th frame to seal the victory and pick up his 11th PBA50 Regional title to go along with his record 47 PBA Tour titles, 32 PBA Regional titles and 10 PBA50 Tour titles for a composite total of 100 PBA titles. Williams had been tied with fellow PBA Hall of Famer **Pete Weber** with 99 combined titles until Sunday.

This was the third time the PBA South Region hosted the multi-age trio event, but the first time it was hosted by Valley Lanes. Each member of the winning team earned a \$1,700 share of the \$5,100 first prize.

In the first stepladder match, Lane, Williams and Allen defeated the team of **Ross McDonald**, **Thad Rand** and **Richie Wolfe** from Rapidan, Va., 218-168, to advance to the title match.

- Past U.S. Open champions **Robert Lawrence** of Austin, Texas, and **Wes Malott** from Pflugerville, Texas, teamed up to dominate the fourth annual PBA50/PBA Houston Emerald Bowl Southwest Doubles, presented by Bowling Dynamix, Sunday, winning by 675 pins over **Jay Nephew** of Houston and his partner, **D.J. Archer** from Spring, Texas.

The winning duo led the eight-game qualifying portion of the event by 68 pins and then charged into a commanding lead in the 12-game round-robin match play finals, crushing their first four opponents with team games of 509, 492, 509 and 488 and they never looked back. They swept all 12 matches as they cruised to the \$5,000 winners' check and Lawrence's first regional title in 24 years.

Nephew and Archer held on to second place with 9,625 pins, safely ahead of defending champions **Pete Thomas** of Oklahoma City and **Anthony Lavery-Spahr** of Pasadena, Texas.

- QubicaAMF PBA Regional competition in the new year gets underway over the Jan. 20-22 weekend at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas with the South Point West Challenge for non-champions, and the South Point member/non-member doubles, both presented by Track. The PBA Central Region also returns to action with the PBA/PBA50 Don Vay Memorial Central Doubles Classic at Legend Lanes in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

- The Jan. 27-29 weekend includes the PBA and PBA50 Sands Regency West/Northwest Winter Classic doubleheader presented by Storm at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev. The weekend also will include a Sands Regency West/Northwest Winter Challenge event for non-champions.

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22 Years Later, Mitch Beasley Wins PBA Chameleon Championship for First Title Military veteran completes injury-plagued title quest during GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII

RENO, Nev. – Twenty-two years, a crushed wrist, debilitating hip and back injuries and a whirlwind marriage later, Mitch Beasley won the PBA Chameleon Championship presented by HotelPlanner.com for his first PBA Tour title.

The Chameleon Championship, the second of four PBA animal pattern championships conducted during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy Resort & Casino, at Reno's National Bowling Stadium, aired Sunday on ESPN.

Beasley, at age 48, held off A.J. Johnson of Oswego, Ill., 246-237, for a title he began chasing in the early 1980s when he was on active duty with the U.S. Air Force. After converting a 9 pin in the second frame, he reeled off seven consecutive strikes and survived a pocket 7-10 split in the ninth frame to defeat Johnson, who was 2 years old when Beasley bowled his first PBA event.

"It's been a great road," Beasley said with a delayed grin. "I was late into bowling, late to the Tour. I just got better with age, like fine wine."

The title match held almost as much drama as the four-player elimination battle that started the telecast, culling the field to the top two scorers for the finale. In the elimination match, Beasley finished with four strikes to lead the group with a 239. Johnson put together a late string of six strikes, adding a nine-count on his fill ball for 236. Denmark's Thomas Larsen, a two-time PBA International-World Bowling Tour winner, appeared a lock for the final match, but left four pins standing on his final shot for a 235. And veteran PBA Central Regional competitor Patrick Dombrowski of Parma, Ohio, struggled to a 182 in his national television debut.

In the championship match, Beasley was a man on a mission.

"I began to doubt I'd ever win because of the injuries," he said. "I fell off a ladder eight years ago and shattered my wrist, which cost me a year. Then I had to throw 13 pounds at the World Series that year (and cashed in three out of five events). Then I was out of bowling for two-and-a-half years with hip and back injuries.

"I saw nine different specialists. I had four tell me to do surgery, two said don't, but I met a great surgeon who does reconstruction for people who have had a crushed pelvis in a car accident, and he said he knew exactly what my problem was. He did scans and MRIs, and found the issue and told me not to do fusion surgery because it would destroy my other hip and continue to destroy my back. So with lots of physical therapy and rest, it finally started to get better."

Beasley, shortly after his retirement from 20 years of service with the Air Force, returned to bowling in 2014 and won a PBA "super" regional in Lubbock, Texas. Then he traveled to the PBA World Series of Bowling where he met Ingelimar Contreras, a three-time Venezuela Woman Bowler of the Year, and they got married a month later. And now he has a great support system.

"I've kept on learning along the way," Beasley added. "The more you learn, the better you get."

"I expected to win. If you expect not to win, you won't win. I've paid my dues. I've put in the time and effort. I fixed things that needed to be fixed. Now I'm looking for four or five more wins before I get to the (PBA50 Tour) in a couple of years."

The PBA's World Series animal pattern championships continue with a Christmas Day doubleheader – the Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA and the Shark Championship – at 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. ET, respectively.

For fans who may have missed ESPN's live coverage of the PBA World Championship on Dec. 11, ESPN will present an encore telecast of the PBA's final major championship of 2016 on New Year's Day at 1 p.m. ET.

PBA CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP

presented by HotelPlanner.com

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev. (aired on ESPN on Saturday, Dec. 24)

Final Standings:

- 1, Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tenn., \$20,000.
- 2, A.J. Johnson, Oswego, Ill., \$10,000.
- 3, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, \$5,000.
- 4, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, \$5,000.

Stepladder Results:

Elimination Match (top two scores advanced): Beasley 239, Johnson 236, Larsen 235, Dombrowski 182.

Championship: Beasley def. Johnson, 246-237.

Tommy Jones Wins PBA Scorpion Championship for 18th Career Title

Long-time PBA star closes in on 20-win goal with GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII victory

RENO, Nev. – Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., took another step toward his goal of joining an elite group of Professional Bowlers Association champions to win 20 titles when he captured the PBA Scorpion Championship presented by Reno Tahoe USA for his 18th PBA Tour title.

The Scorpion Championship, the third of four PBA animal pattern championships conducted during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy Resort & Casino, at Reno's National Bowling Stadium, aired as part of a WSOB VIII doubleheader Sunday on ESPN.

Jones, at age 38, made another statement for age-and-experience overcoming youthful exuberance when he defeated B.J. Moore III of Greensburg, Pa., 211-168, to win the Scorpion title.

"That (Scorpion) pattern is really tricky, especially when you've got four guys playing in a similar part of the lane," Jones said. "You have to stay ahead of the moves, but if you get too far ahead, you go right by what's happening to the condition. It's one of the hardest patterns for me because I'm not very good at throwing the ball slow. It actually hurts the next day because I'm so tense from trying to slow down."

Jones won the event by starting the title match with four strikes to jump into a 41-pin lead midway through the match, and he kept the pressure on while the 28-year-old Moore struggled to find the pocket.

"I got fortunate on the first shot, but the next three were as good as I've thrown all week," Jones said. "I got off to a little lead and he got a bad break (4-6-7 split in the third frame). From that point, it was just a matter of surviving."

"It was hard throwing the ball slow during the week, but it was really hard on TV when you've got the adrenalin going. It's something I've been working at and I'm getting better. We'll call it mission accomplished."

Moore, who was trying for his first PBA Tour title, won his berth in the final match with a 224 game in the four-player elimination match to open the telecast while Jones advanced with a 212 game. Sweden's Jesper Svensson and Brandon Novak of Chillicothe, Ohio, were eliminated with 194 and 175 games, respectively.

With his 18th PBA Tour title, Jones joined PBA Hall of Famers Nelson Burton Jr., Dave Davis, Dave Soutar, the late Billy Hardwick and future hall of famer Chris Barnes in a tie for 15th place on the all-time PBA Tour titles list.

"Eighteen is great, but 20 is special," he said. "There aren't many guys in PBA history who have won 20 titles so that's something that'll hopefully happen down the road."

"Right now, the most important thing is I tied Chris Barnes...and I'm a decade younger than him, and you can quote me on that," he added with a grin. (For the record, Barnes is 46).

The PBA's World Series animal pattern championships on ESPN concluded with the PBA Shark Championship which aired immediately following the Scorpion Championship.

ESPN's World Series of Bowling coverage continues with an encore presentation of the PBA World Championship on New Year's Day at 4 p.m. ET., followed by the special USA vs. The World team event on Sunday, Jan. 8, at 1 p.m. ET.

PBA SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP

presented by Reno Tahoe USA

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev. (aired on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 25)

Final Standings:

- 1, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$20,000.
- 2, B.J. Moore III, Greensburg, Pa., \$10,000.
- 3, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, \$5,000.
- 4, Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, \$5,000.

Stepladder Results:

Elimination Match (top two scores advanced): Moore 224, Jones 212, Svensson 194, Novak 175.

Championship: Jones def. Moore, 211-168.

Canadian Rookie Francois Lavoie Wins PBA Shark Championship

Former collegiate star spoils Walter Ray Williams Jr.'s bid for history in GEICO PBA WSOB VIII

RENO, Nev. – Canada's Francois Lavoie dramatically improved his Professional Bowlers Association Rookie of the Year chances when he defeated the PBA's all-time titles leader, Walter Ray Williams Jr., 204-196, to win the PBA Shark Championship and spoil Williams' bid for history.

The Shark Championship was the fourth and final PBA animal pattern championships conducted during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VIII, presented by Silver Legacy Resort & Casino, at Reno's National Bowling Stadium. The Scorpion and Shark Championships aired back-to-back Sunday on ESPN.

Lavoie, who joined the PBA late in the 2016 season, threw the only back-to-back strikes in the title match and bowled an otherwise error-free game to edge the 57-year-old Williams. The 23-year-old former Wichita State University star survived two 4 pin leaves on high pocket shots by Williams – both times following strikes – to claim his second victory of the year. In November, the Quebec City native won the U.S. Open, bowling the first nationally-televised 300 game in U.S. Open history en route to his first PBA title.

"Being able to bowl someone like Walter is special," Lavoie said after his Shark victory. "I watched him a lot when I was a kid. It seemed like he was always on TV. It's amazing he's still competing with us, but to be able to bowl against him is a privilege. It was definitely a close match, and I was fortunate to come out on top."

Williams, at age 57 years, 65 days, was in position to become the oldest player to win a PBA Tour title when he advanced out of the four-player elimination match to open the championship round. Williams broke open that match with three late strikes for a 227 game. Lavoie was second with a 212, followed by a 208 by Andrew Cain of Phoenix and a 201 by Matt O'Grady of South Amboy, N.J.

The record for the oldest PBA Tour titlist is held by John Handegard, who was 57 years, 55 days old when he won the PBA Tour event in Kennewick, Wash., in 1995. The significance of bowling Williams for the title wasn't lost on the young Canadian.

"He's definitely the most accomplished player I've ever beaten, so it's great," Lavoie said. "We talk about the history and a little part of me kinda feels bad it didn't happen, but when we're competing like this, everyone has to be a little selfish. I wanted to do it for myself."

"That's what you dream about as kids," he said after throwing a decisive strike on his first shot in the 10th frame. "Anyone who's a true competitor wants to be in that position, wants to have the ball in your hand to win a title. It's one of those dreams come true, but I always try to stick with the process and not think of things I shouldn't be thinking about. When you do that, it's a lot easier to throw a shot in a situation like that."

Williams, who continues to defy the calendar, was disappointed, but he took the loss in stride.

"It wasn't my best game and Francois deserved to win," the 47-time PBA Tour titlist said. "Hopefully it won't be the last chance I get. Winning another PBA Tour title is something I definitely want to do."

The Shark Championship was the final PBA Tour event of the 2016 season, but ESPN's World Series of Bowling coverage continues with an encore presentation of the PBA World Championship on New Year's Day at 4 p.m. ET., followed by the special USA vs. The World team event on Sunday, Jan. 8, at 1 p.m. ET.

The PBA's first event of the 2017 season will be the DHC PBA Japan Invitational Jan. 11-14 at Bentencho Grandbowl in Osaka, Japan, featuring a field of 16 PBA international players and 16 Japan PBA competitors in a 32-game match play event. The winner will earn a projected \$40,000 first prize and a PBA Tour title (if he/she is a member). The entire tournament will be live streamed on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

PBA SHARK CHAMPIONSHIP

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev. (aired on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 25)

Final Standings:

- 1, Francois Lavoie, Canada, \$20,000.
- 2, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., \$10,000.
- 3, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, \$5,000.
- 4, Matt O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results:

Elimination Match (top two scores advanced): Williams 227, Lavoie 212, Cain 208, O'Grady 201.

Championship: Lavoie def. Williams, 204-196.