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England's Dom Barrett Wins PBA World Championship

British star joins Finland's Palermmaa as second international player to win World Championship

LAS VEGAS – England's Dom Barrett became the second international player ever to win the PBA World Championship when he held off reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 238-235, in the title match at the South Point Hotel and Casino complex.

The 55th World Championship, which aired Sunday on ESPN, was the fifth and final PBA Tour championship event held as part of PBA World Series of Bowling V.

"Right now I couldn't be happier," Barrett said after joining Finland's Osku Palermmaa, the 2011 World Champion, as the second international player to win the event. "It's a very special feeling, one you don't often get in bowling, so I'm going to make the most of it."

Barrett, the leading qualifier over 52 games of qualifying and match play, locked up his third PBA Tour title with three strikes in the 10th frame, although he prematurely began to celebrate after his second strike, thinking that shot had clinched the victory.

"I tried to stay calm all week, not get ahead of myself, trying to keep my heart rate the same and my emotions in check," the 28-year-old British star said of his emotional outburst. "I know some Americans come across as a bit brash, but I consciously try not to do that. I try to stay very much in the moment, but I guess that was two weeks' worth of joy and excitement coming out."

"I couldn't see the scoreboard from where I sat. I thought I had enough, but my corner man said I needed some more, so I got myself composed again. I knew I had count in my favor, so it was a matter of hitting the pocket one more time."

Needing eight pins on his final ball to shut out Rash, Barrett threw another strike.

Barrett, who lost to Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., in the title match of the Chameleon Championship earlier in the World Series, and failed to advance to the television finals in the 2012 World Championship after leading the tournament going into the final round of match play, said he put those disappointments to good use.

"I was pretty disappointed in the Chameleon, but I really didn't have a chance because (Ciminelli) bowled so well," Barrett said. "You always learn more from your failures than your successes, but it's still important to have success. If you go around losing all the time, you're not going to want to do this much longer."

"Last year's World Championship really hurt, too. The pain makes you go home, knuckle down a little more, try a little bit harder, and bowl for days like today."

Rash, who needed the title to bolster his chances for a second straight PBA Player of the Year award, is one of those emotional players Barrett was referring to, so he didn't fault Barrett for his emotional display.

"Dom made some great shots toward the end," Rash said. "He apologized (for his outburst) because he thought he had shut me out and he got a little excited."

"He bowled good, I bowled good," said Rash, who finished the match with six strikes, but couldn't overcome a missed 6-10 spare conversion in the third frame over an otherwise error-free game. "It could have gone either way. I guess the good news is, I finished second instead of third like I have in four out of the last five World Championships, so maybe next year I can win this thing."

Another finalist who saw his PBA Player of the Year hopes fade was PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo. At age 51, Weber fought his way into the final field as the No. 5 qualifier and struck on eight of his first nine shots to eliminate 2009 World Champion Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., 258-237, in the first match. Weber, trying for a record 11th PBA major championship, did exactly the same thing in edging Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, 258-246, in the second match.

Despite starting the semifinal match with six strikes, Weber's hopes ended when Rash struck on 11 of 12 shots on his way to a 279-249 victory.

Coverage of the PBA World Series of Bowling resumes on ESPN on Sunday, Jan. 5, at 1 p.m. ET with the World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals presented by the PBA. Each final features the three point leaders from a two-year rolling points list based on tournaments held around the world. In the women's final, points leader Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., will bowl for the title against the winner of a preliminary match between fellow Americans Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Missy Parkin of Laguna Hills, Calif. In the men's final, Rash is the top qualifier and will bowl the winner of a preliminary match between 2011 WBT Men's champion Mika Koivuniemi of Finland and Fagan.

A recap of the PBA World Championship and a preview of the WBT events, along with other features, will be available Monday on "The Bowling Center" on YouTube.com. Xtra Frame subscribers who may have missed Sunday's telecasts will be able to watch the finals "on demand" in the Xtra Frame archives three days after the original show airs.

2013 PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Exhibition Hall, Las Vegas, Nov. 3 (ESPN telecast Dec. 29)

Final Standings:

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, \$50,000.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$25,000.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$15,000.
- 4, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, \$12,000.
- 5, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., \$10,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Weber def. Smallwood, 258-237.
Match Two – Weber def. Fagan 258-246.
Semifinal Match – Rash def. Weber, 279-249.
Championship Match – Barrett def. Rash, 238-235.

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Tom Smallwood Wins PBA Scorpion Championship for Second Tour Title

2009 PBA World Champion ends television drought with victory over collegiate star Marshall Kent

LAS VEGAS – Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., ended a four-year television drought when he defeated collegiate star Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., 221-216, to win his second Professional Bowlers Association Tour title in the Scorpion Championship at the South Point Hotel and Casino complex.

The Scorpion Championship, which aired Sunday on ESPN, was the final animal pattern championship conducted as part PBA World Series of Bowling V, and the fourth in a series of seven events conducted during the World Series. It also featured the innovative blue oil that has been used during all animal pattern tournament finals to give television fans a unique opportunity to see the lane conditioning challenges PBA players face.

Smallwood, who won his only previous PBA Tour title in the 2009 PBA World Championship, ended a personal six-appearance television drought when he out-last-ed 2011-12 PBA Rookie of the Year Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz., in a PBA-record five-frame sudden-death roll-off, followed by another thrilling victory over Kent for the title.

Blanchard started the stepladder finals with a 234-226 victory over Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., but lost to Smallwood in the semifinal match roll-off. A six-count on his final shot in the 10th frame tied the match at 232-232. After throwing matching strikes in four one-ball, sudden-death frames, Smallwood ended the longest televised sudden-death roll-off in PBA history with a fifth strike while Blanchard left a 10 pin.

In the title match against Kent, a two-time Collegiate Player of the Year who was competing in the World Series on a special PBA Commissioner's exemption, Smallwood struck on six of his first seven shots, but failed to convert a 3-10 split in the fourth frame. Kent, with a four-strike string of his own, held an early 13-pin lead, but a 7-10 split in the ninth frame proved to be the difference. A spare and nine-count on his fill ball in the 10th frame clinched the title for Smallwood.

"I thought if I ever made another show and won, I'd bawl like a baby," Smallwood said, "but I was so emotionally drained, I didn't have any emotions left.

"It's amazing," he added. "I never dreamed in my life I'd have one (title), so to have two? As a kid, all I ever wanted was a chance to be there. I watched these guys on TV forever. I've bowled bad enough on TV enough times it's nice to be on the other side of a bad break. That last time I was (on TV), I got knocked out of the World Championship when I left back to back 4-9s, so I know the feeling."

Smallwood said the difference was finding his shot to the pocket in the roll-off against Blanchard.

"In the roll-off (against Blanchard), my timing got really good. The first shot was perfect, it was like, there it is," Smallwood said. "After that, I never missed until the fifth shot and I apparently missed in the right place on that one, so it worked out well."

Smallwood joined the list of animal pattern finalists who said the blue oil had no bearing on his game or the outcome.

"(The blue oil) doesn't matter as long as you can see the target you're looking for," he said. "It's so clear I could see the board I was looking at, so it had no effect on me at all."

The Scorpion Championship telecast also included the fourth and final PBA League Challenge segment, called the "T.O. Challenge." The skills competition among PBA League franchise players called for each of the eight bowlers to try to match the exact pinfall of a shot thrown by PBA League owner and long-time NFL all-pro wide receiver Terrell Owens. Owens threw a strike for five of the eight players, but the only player to match his effort was Australia's Jason Belmonte, who won the T.O. Challenge and the overall competition. As the PBA League Challenge winner, all of the proceeds from an upcoming fund-raising auction will be donated to Belmonte's designated charity, NBA star and PBA League owner Chris Paul's CP3 Foundation.

"I had the easiest (shot) because all of us who got to shoot at strikes, that was the easiest one to try to duplicate," said PBA Hall of Famer and Dallas Strikers franchise player Norm Duke. Owens struck on his first attempt, but Duke failed to match his effort, leaving two pins standing.

Owens got a seven-count for Silver Lake Atom Splitters owner Chris Barnes, and Barnes successfully matched the pin count.

"The T.O. Challenge could have been anything," Barnes said. "He got lined up, which gave a few guys a chance to do what they do best, which is throw strikes, but only one of them did it. I was lucky to get seven pins and that gave me a chance."

"We were all hoping (Owens) would get a strike, so I was fortunate that he pulled my name out and he struck," said Belmonte, L.A. X's franchise player. "It was just a matter of throwing a good shot and hoping all 10 pins fell, and that's exactly what happened. I'm glad he pulled my name out, glad he struck and glad I won everything."

ESPN coverage of the PBA World Series continues next Sunday at 1 p.m. ET with the finals of the PBA World Championship, the final major championship of the season. Smallwood will make his third consecutive television appearance, bowling against PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., in the opening match. Other finalists are No. 3 qualifier Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas; No. 2 Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., and top qualifier Dom Barrett of England.

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2013 SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Exhibition Hall, Las Vegas

Final Standings:

- 1, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., \$20,000.
- 2, a-Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., \$10,000.
- 3, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., \$7,000.
4. Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Blanchard def. Jones, 234-226.

Semifinal Match – Smallwood def. Blanchard, 232-232, 10-10, 10-10, 10-10, 10-10, 10-9 in five-frame, one-ball sudden-death roll-off.

Championship – Smallwood def. Kent, 221-216.

PBA LEAGUE "T.O. CHALLENGE"

(Franchise Players from eight PBA League teams were challenged to duplicate a shot thrown by Dallas Strikers' team owner Terrell Owens. Points were awarded based upon difference between T.O.'s pin count and PBA player's pin count)

- 1, Jason Belmonte, L.A. X (T.O. strike, Belmonte strike), 15 points.
- 2, Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters (T.O. 7 count, Barnes 7 count), 11 points.
- 3 (tie), Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits (T.O. 8 count, Palermaa 7 count); Mike Fagan, Motown Muscle (T.O. 9 count, Fagan strike); Pete Weber, New York City WTT KingPins (T.O. strike, Weber 9 count), 6 points each.
- 6 (tie), Norm Duke, Dallas Strikers (T.O. strike, Duke 8 count); Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES (T.O. strike, Rash 8 count), 2.5 points each.
- 8, Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen (T.O. strike, O'Neill 5 count), 1 point.

PBA LEAGUE CHALLENGE FINAL STANDINGS (after four events)

- 1, Jason Belmonte, L.A. X, 35 points.
- 2, Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 30.
- 3, Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES, 29.5.
- 4, Mike Fagan, Motown Muscle, 27.5.
- 5, Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen, 25.5.
- 6, Pete Weber, New York City WTT KingPins, 24.5.
- 7, Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 20.5 points.
- 8, Norm Duke, Dallas Strikers, 17.5.

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PBA Tournament of Champions Moves to Detroit in January

Revised PBA League schedule also focuses on head-to-head city vs. city matches

SEATTLE (Dec. 20, 2013) – The 2014 Professional Bowlers Association Barbasol Tournament of Champions will move to Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., beginning Jan. 18 and concluding with a live ESPN telecast at noon ET on Sunday, Jan. 26, the PBA announced Friday.

The change in venue and dates for the 49th TOC from previously announced April in Indianapolis is accompanied by a revised PBA League competition and ESPN air-date schedule.

The 2014 PBA Tournament of Champions will be open to any PBA member who has ever won a PBA Tour, International Tour, PBA50, PBA Women's Series or PBA Regional title. The PBA champions will compete in a 49-game qualifying and match play format with the top five players advancing to the stepladder finals.

The Tournament of Champions was first held in 1962 in Indianapolis as a showcase tournament for the elite players who had won PBA titles. In April 2013, in its return to Indianapolis, PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., at age 50, became the oldest TOC winner when he defeated Australia's Jason Belmonte, 224-179, to win the title for the second time. With his win, Weber also tied bowling legend Earl Anthony for most PBA major titles (10) and he became the first player ever to complete the PBA Triple Crown (TOC, U.S. Open and PBA World Championship) twice.

All 2014 TOC qualifying and match play rounds Jan. 18-21 will be covered live on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For Xtra Frame subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

The PBA League season on ESPN kicks off with the Chris Paul PBA League All-Stars on Sunday, Feb. 2, with the first week of quarterfinal action in the eight-team bracket airing Feb. 9. Each match in the eight-team bracket seen on ESPN will feature singles, doubles, trios and five-player Baker-format games. The final two teams will advance to the PBA League Elias Cup Finals which will be held in North Brunswick, N.J. The final will air on ESPN on April 13.

The PBA League, in its second year, features eight teams of five PBA stars each, representing different cities and prominent team owners from the sports and entertainment worlds. The New York City WTT KingPins, owned by tennis legend Billie Jean King, are defending champions. Other teams include the Motown Muscle (owner Jerome Bettis), Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits (owner LaMarr Woodley), Silver Lake Atom Splitters (owner Chris Hardwick), Philadelphia Hitmen (owner Kevin Hart), L.A. X (owner Chris Paul), BROOKLYN STYLES (owner Jesse Williams) and Dallas Strikers (owner Terrell Owens).

For a complete list of PBA League team rosters, managers and additional information, visit [pba.com](http://www.pba.com) and look for "The League" under the Bowlers tab (<http://www.pba.com/Bowlers/#tab-league>).

2014 PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Jan. 18-26 (all times ET)

Friday, Jan. 17

1:30 p.m. – official practice session

Saturday, Jan. 18

11 a.m. – 5 qualifying games, all players

6 p.m. – 5 qualifying games, all players

Sunday, Jan. 19

11 a.m. – 5 qualifying games, all players

PBA Tour National title winners and top 2/3 of rest of field advance

6 p.m. – 5 qualifying games, PBA Tour titlists and additional qualifiers

Monday, Jan. 20

11 a.m. – 5 qualifying games, PBA Tour titlists and additional qualifiers

Top 24 after 25 qualifying games advance to round robin match play

6 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play

Tuesday, Jan. 21

11 a.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play

6 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play

Top five after 49 games advance to ESPN stepladder finals

Sunday, Jan. 26

Noon – Top five, live ESPN stepladder finals

PBA LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Jan. 23-27

(Elias Cup Finals: Brunswick Carolier Lanes, N. Brunswick, N.J., Feb. 23)

Thursday, Jan. 23

3 p.m. – Official PBA League practice session

Saturday, Jan. 25

10 a.m. and 2 p.m. – Pro-Am squads

5 p.m. – PBA League Quarterfinal Match: L.A. X vs. BROOKLYN STyLES (ESPN telecast Sunday, Feb. 9, 3 p.m. ET)

8 p.m. – PBA League Quarterfinal Match: New York City WTT KingPins vs. Motown Muscle (ESPN telecast Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m. ET)

Sunday, Jan. 26

Noon – PBA Tournament of Champions stepladder finals, live on ESPN

4:30 p.m. – PBA League Quarterfinal Match: Silver Lake Atom Splitters vs. Dallas Strikers (ESPN telecast Sunday, March 2, 3 p.m. ET)

7:30 p.m. – PBA League Quarterfinal Match: Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits vs. Philadelphia Hitmen (ESPN telecast Sunday, March 23, 1 p.m. ET)

Monday, Jan. 27

4:30 p.m. – PBA League Semifinal Match One, Winner Quarterfinal Match One vs. Winner Quarterfinal Match Two (ESPN telecast Sunday, March 30, 4:30 p.m. ET)

7:30 p.m. – PBA League Semifinal Match Two, Winner Quarterfinal Match Three vs. Winner Quarterfinal Match Four (ESPN telecast Sunday, April 6, 1 p.m. ET)

Sunday, Feb 23

6:30 p.m. - PBA League Elias Cup Finals (ESPN telecast Sunday, April 13, 2 p.m.)

REVISED 2014 ESPN TELEVISION SCHEDULE

Sunday, Jan. 5 – World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals presented by PBA, South Point, Las Vegas, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 12 – Round1 Japan Cup, Minami Suna Round1 Bowling Center, Tokyo, Japan, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 19 – PBA Regional Players Invitational Finals, PBA50 Tour Finals, Teen Masters Grand Championship, South Point, Las Vegas, 3 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 26 – PBA Tournament of Champions, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Noon (live)

Sunday, Feb. 2 – Chris Paul PBA League All-Stars, Lucky Strike-L.A. Live, Los Angeles, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 9 – PBA League Quarterfinals, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., 3 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 16 – PBA League Quarterfinals, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., 3 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 23 – USBC Masters (live), Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.J., 3 p.m.

Sunday, March 2 – PBA League Quarterfinals, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., 3 p.m.

Sunday, March 23 – PBA League Quarterfinals, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., 1 p.m.

Sunday, March 30 – PBA League Semifinals, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 6 – PBA League Semifinals, Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 13 – PBA League Elias Cup Finals, Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.J., 2 p.m.

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Tommy Jones Wins 7th Kingdom International Open for 15th PBA Title

World Bowling/PBA International Tour event in Saudi Arabia concludes 2012-13 PBA Tour season

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (Dec. 16, 2013) – Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., won the 7th Kingdom International Open at Universal Bowling Center Monday for his 15th Professional Bowlers Association Tour title. It was the final tournament of the 2012-13 PBA season.

Jones, who entered the modified stepladder finals as the No. 2 qualifier, defeated top qualifier Michael Mak of Hong Kong twice, 247-218 and 268-258, to claim the \$25,000 first prize and his second World Bowling/PBA International Tour title of the season. Jones also won the International Bowling Championships title in Tokyo, Japan, last January.

Jones defeated Bahrain's Yousif Falah, 218-211, in the semifinal match after Falah started the championship round by winning the three-player "shootout" opening match. Falah's 258 game eliminated Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa. (217) and Sweden's Daniel Fransson (193).

The Saudi Arabia tournament concluded an extended 14-month PBA season as the PBA returns to a calendar year schedule beginning January 1. During its extended season, the PBA conducted 23 traditional tournaments, including five major championships, and 11 World Bowling/PBA International Tour tournaments in addition to its inaugural PBA League schedule of team events.

The final two standard PBA Tour telecasts of the season – the PBA Scorpion Championship (including Jones as one of the four finalists) and the PBA World Championship – will air on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 3:30 p.m. ET and Sunday, Dec. 29, at 1 p.m. ET, respectively.

The 2014 PBA Tour schedule gets underway in late January in Allen Park, Mich.

7TH INTERNATIONAL KINGDOM OPEN

Universal Bowling Center, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Dec. 11-16

Final Standings:

- 1, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$25,000.
- 2, Michael Mak, Hong Kong, \$12,000.
- 3, Yousif Falah, Bahrain, \$7,000.
- 4, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., \$4,500.
- 5, Daniel Fransson, Sweden, \$4,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One (shootout format; high score advanced) – Falah 258, O'Neill 217, Fransson 193.
Semifinal Match – Jones def. Falah, 218-211.
Championship – Jones def. Mak, 247-218, 268-258 (lower qualifier had to win twice in order to win title).

Other PBA semifinalists:

6, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, \$3,500.
10, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., \$3,100.
11, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, \$3,000.
16, Dom Barrett, England, \$2,500.
17, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, \$1,700.
23, Osku Palermaa, Finland, \$1,150.
24, Martin Larsen, Sweden, \$1,100.

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Inspired Ciminelli Wins PBA Chameleon Championship for Second Title

New York left-hander overcomes Viper disappointment in third World Series of Bowling V event

LAS VEGAS – Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., converted disappointment into determination, winning the Professional Bowlers Association Chameleon Championship for his second PBA Tour title with an inspired 258-203 victory over England's Dom Barrett.

The third of seven telecasts from PBA World Series of Bowling V at the South Point Hotel and Casino complex aired Sunday on ESPN. It again featured the use of "blue oil" to help fans see the otherwise invisible lane conditioning pattern. The Chameleon pattern was applied to 43 feet compared to a 35-foot application for the Cheetah Championship and 39 feet for the Viper pattern in previous weeks. The Scorpion Championship, which will air next Sunday at 3:30 p.m. ET, is a 47-foot pattern.

Ciminelli, bowling in the wake of a bitter loss to Chris Barnes in the Viper Championship title match, when he left a 7-10 split in the final frame, started his battle against Barrett with three strikes and never trailed. When Barrett closed to within two pins after five frames, Ciminelli threw another string of five strikes to race away with his first title since winning the 2011 Earl Anthony Memorial.

"It was tough to put (the Viper) behind me, but I decided to use it as inspiration instead of letting it get to me," the 27-year-old left-hander said. "I felt really good. I broke the lane down the way I wanted to and created some room for myself.

"I knew the (right) side really wasn't that good," he continued. "I knew if I stayed within myself, 220, 230 would probably win.

"The second title feels better (than the first)," Ciminelli added. "It's been too long. You know you can win after the first one, but you wait three years and you begin to ask yourself if you're a one-hit wonder. So now that's off my shoulders."

Barrett, who was the top qualifier for the Chameleon stepladder finals, was a bit confused at the start of the match.

"I didn't feel like I made many bad shots, but my ball reaction didn't look very good," Barrett said. "One time it would hook, the next time it would go straight. It's not the kind of scenario you want going into a title match against someone who was throwing the ball as well as Ryan was."

Barrett insisted the blue oil had no bearing on anything, echoing Ciminelli's sentiments.

"I think when you get to a certain level, your ball is your guide," he said of the colored oil. "You've grown up reading ball reaction. That's how we make our decisions. That's how we win tournaments, so any visual aid out there might be great for TV or young bowlers, but when you get to this level, it doesn't matter. We're going to use information available to us like pattern length, the type of oil, the lane surface. All of those things make a huge difference, but visually, we're going to read ball motions. We know what we do.

"If you paid too much attention to (the blue oil), you'd be ignoring the facts of what you've been doing all week. Ball motion is far more important."

Ciminelli, the No. 3 qualifier coming into the Chameleon finals, ran away from Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., in the first match, 255-197, and was equally impressive in eliminating Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, 235-179, in the semifinal match.

The Chameleon telecast also included the third of four special PBA League Challenge segments in which the eight PBA League franchise players are demonstrating their skills in unique competitions. In the "Obstacle Bowling" round, players tried to knock down as many pins as they could by throwing three shots through or around an obstacle course of rubber pins positioned at intervals down the lane.

BROOKLYN STyLES franchise player Sean Rash won the competition in a one-ball roll-off against Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits' franchise player Osku Palermaa after they tied at 28 out of a possible total of 30.

"The obstacle course was fun," Rash said. "I'm pretty good at throwing it hard and straight off the corner, and hooking it as much as possible. You were just trying to hit a target, draw a line and throw it hard, and I was able to come out on top in that one."

"Visually (obstacle bowling) isn't much different than what we do," added Chris Barnes, who represented the Silver Lake Atom Splitters and tied for second with a 27. "There is always (an invisible) sand trap or a tree that you have to avoid, but physically you can't see them represented like (the rubber pins)."

Next Sunday's Scorpion Championship finals include top qualifier Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., an amateur and a Collegiate All-American at Robert Morris University-Illinois who was invited to bowl in the World Series on a PBA Commissioner's Exemption; Smallwood; Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz., and Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C. The telecast also will include a PBA League "TO" Challenge in which NFL all-pro wide receiver and PBA League Dallas Strikers owner Terrell Owens will make a shot and a randomly-selected player will try to exactly match TO's pinfall.

A post-finals look at the Chameleon Championship and a preview of the Scorpion Championship, along with other features, will be available Monday on "The Bowling Center" on YouTube.com. Xtra Frame subscribers who may have missed Sunday's telecasts will be able to watch the finals "on demand" in the Xtra Frame archives three days after the original show airs.

2013 CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Exhibition Hall, Las Vegas (ESPN telecast Dec. 15)

Final Standings:

- 1, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$20,000.
- 2, Dom Barrett, England, \$10,000.
- 3, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, \$7,000.
- 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Ciminelli def. Smallwood, 255-197.

Semifinal Match – Ciminelli def. Kretzer, 235-179.
Championship – Ciminelli def. Barrett, 258-203.

PBA LEAGUE "OBSTACLE BOWLING" CHALLENGE

(Franchise Players from eight PBA League teams were challenged to throw three shots through or around rubber pins placed on the lanes. Results were based on total pinfall for three attempts.)

- 1, Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES, 28 (won one-frame roll-off against Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 9-6).
- 2, Palermaa, 28 (lost roll-off vs. Rash).
- 3 (tie), Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen, and Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 27.
- 5, Jason Belmonte, L.A. X, 26.
- 6, Norm Duke, Dallas Strikers, 25.
- 7, Mike Fagan, Motown Muscle, 19.
- 8, Pete Weber, New York City WTT KingPins, 16.

PBA LEAGUE CHALLENGE POINTS STANDINGS (after three of four events)

- 1, Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES, 27 points.
- 2, Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen, 24.5
- 3, Jason Belmonte, L.A. X, 20.
- 4, Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 19.
- 5, Pete Weber, New York City WTT KingPins, 18.5.
- 6, Norm Duke, Dallas Strikers, 15.
- 7, Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 14.5 points.
- 8, Mike Fagan, Motown Muscle, 11.5 points.

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England's Dom Barrett Wins PBA International Tour Title in Qatar Open

DOHA, Qatar (Dec. 10, 2013) – England's Dom Barrett defeated Sweden's Mattias Olsson, 515-467, in the two-game title match of the Qatar Open at Qatar Bowling Center Tuesday.

Barrett spotted Olsson a 12-pin lead after their 269-257 first game, but dominated game two, 258-198, to capture the \$42,000 first prize and a PBA International Tour title.

Barrett advanced to the title match by defeating last week's Abu Dhabi WBT winner, Thomas Larsen of Denmark, 459-438, while Olsson eliminated Robert Morris University-Illinois collegiate star Cameron Weier of Federal Way, Wash., 413-392, in the semifinal round.

Barrett is a finalist in the PBA Chameleon Championship telecast which will air Sunday on ESPN at 1 p.m. ET and is top qualifier for the PBA World Championship telecast that airs on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 29, at 1 p.m. ET.

Other PBA players among the cashers included Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, fifth; Osku Palermaa, Finland, sixth; Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., seventh; Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 13th; Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 15th; Martin Larsen, Sweden, 16th; Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, 18th; Andrew Frawley, Australia, 21st, and Paul Moor, England, 24th.

Two other members of Robert Morris University-Illinois' top-ranked collegiate team – junior Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash. and senior Matt Gasn of Laurel, Md. – finished eighth and 10th, respectively. Kent, a two-time Collegiate Bowler of the Year, recently competed in PBA World Series of Bowling V on a PBA Commissioner's Exemption, and was the leading qualifier in the PBA Scorpion Championship that will air on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 3:30 p.m. ET.

The 2012-13 PBA Tour season will conclude with the 7th International Kingdom Open at Universal Bowling Center, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Dec. 11-16. The International Kingdom Open, along with the Abu Dhabi WBT and Qatar Open, are World Bowling/PBA International Tour events. All three are part of the two-year, rolling World Bowling Tour points competition.

WBT/PBA INTERNATIONAL TOUR QATAR OPEN Qatar Bowling Center, Doha, Qatar, Tuesday

Championship (two games, total pinfall)

Dom Barrett, England (\$42,000) def. Mattias Olsson, Sweden (\$20,000), 515-467.

Semifinal Round (two games, total pinfall, losers earned \$7,000)

Barrett def. Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 459-438.

Olsson def. a-Cameron Weier, Federal Way, Wash., 459-438.

Step 2 (six games, top four advanced to semifinal round, bottom four earned \$3,500)

1, Barrett, 1,418.

2, a-Weier, 1,391.

3, Olsson, 1,375.

4, Larsen, 1,369.

Did not advance:

5, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, 1,350.

6, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,326.

7, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,325.

8, a-Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,323.

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Chris Barnes Wins 16th Career Title in PBA Viper Championship

Ciminelli's 7-10 split in 10th frame proves costly in second World Series of Bowling V event

LAS VEGAS, Nev. – Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, captured his 16th career title in the Professional Bowlers Association Viper Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge, defeating top qualifier Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., 230-212, when Ciminelli left a 7-10 split in the 10th frame of the title match.

The second of seven telecasts from PBA World Series of Bowling V at the South Point Hotel and Casino complex aired Sunday on ESPN, and again featured the use of a unique "blue oil" on the lanes to help television viewers and on-site fans see the otherwise invisible lane conditioning pattern.

"It's way more fun winning than losing, and I've tried both," Barnes said of his second PBA Tour victory of the 2012-13 season.

England's Stuart Williams started the four-man Viper stepladder finals with a 203-194 victory over Australia's PBA Player of the Year contender, Jason Belmonte, but Barnes then eliminated Williams, 200-171, to advance to the title match.

Ciminelli jumped into a 15-pin lead over Barnes after five frames, striking on four of his first five shots, and he maintained his lead heading into the 10th frame when disaster struck. He left the 7-10 split on a light pocket hit, and nearly converted the spare when he bounced the 7 pin out of the pit in front of the 10 pin. Barnes, working on strikes in the eighth and ninth frames, then locked up the title with two more strikes in his 10th frame.

"It was an awful shot," Ciminelli said of his fatal 10th-frame error. "I guess I could have gotten lucky and got nine or something, but you can't rely on that. You have to throw it good when you're in that position. I made all of my good frames irrelevant with one bad shot."

Barnes knew he got a break, but predicted Ciminelli would return to the winner's circle soon.

"(Ryan) keeps getting better and better," Barnes said of the 27-year-old Ciminelli, who won his only PBA Tour title in Dublin, Calif., in January 2011. "He's better in qualifying and better in match play, and he's getting better at finishing. He almost made the 7-10, which would have changed things considerably.

"Ryan's going to be one of the guys to beat and he's trying to step in as the premier left-hander on tour. I'm not sure (33-time PBA Tour winner and Hall of Famer) Parker (Bohn III) is ready to step aside right yet, but Ryan is certainly laying his claim to be that guy."

Barnes also said the two previous right-handed players in the finals (Williams and Belmonte) had moved the oil around on the lanes, which forced him to make continuously move around until he found a consistent shot to the pocket.

"I kept moving around and trying to make the ball hook, and eventually I got back to where I started and made some good shots," Barnes said. "It was kind of what you'd see (Hall of Famers) Walter Ray (Williams Jr.) or Norm (Duke) do – pick a spot and keep hitting that spot, and make the other guy show up."

The Viper Championship used the same blue oil used in the Cheetah Championship earlier in the World Series. The Viper pattern was applied to 39 feet compared an application to 35 feet for the Cheetah. The unique colored oil also will be used in the Chameleon Championship which airs on Dec. 15 at 1 p.m. ET and the Scorpion Championship telecast on Dec. 22 at 3:30 p.m. ET.

"I don't even see the oil when I'm bowling; I didn't even notice it was there," Ciminelli said, but Barnes noted with a grin, "The funniest thing was, when I threw my spare ball, it disappeared (his spare ball is light blue, almost the same shade as the oil).

"On one of these (blue oil) shows, if all of the guys play in the same area of the lane, I think we'll see much better how the condition will get lighter," Barnes added, "but this show was like the U.S. Open. One guy was playing first arrow, another was playing fourth arrow, one playing the 12 board, so it was hard to see (the movement of oil).

"I'm not sure what we'll learn from it, but I don't have a problem with it at all," he added. "It doesn't really create any kind of advantage for what we do because we're still going to rely on what we know. We don't know enough about (the blue oil) to trust our eyes over our feel for the lanes."

The Viper telecast also included a segment called "Time to Strike," the second of four special PBA League Challenge segments in which the eight PBA League franchise players are demonstrating their skills in unique competitions. In the second round, players tried to throw as many strikes as possible within a span of 90 seconds.

"Speed bowling is not for me," said 51-year-old Hall of Famer Pete Weber, franchise player for the New York City WTT KingPins, who threw two strikes. "Go back 30 years, maybe..."

"I thought I was going to rule that one," the Dallas Strikers' Duke noted, "but I ended up dead last with no strikes. I could hear Chris Berman in the background saying, Come on, man!"

"I did really well in the speed challenge," said Philadelphia Hitmen representative Bill O'Neill, who won the competition in a two-shot roll-off against L.A. X franchise player Jason Belmonte after each had thrown five strikes in the 90-second round. "Apparently that's how I need to bowl from now on. When I pick my ball up and think for a second, things go haywire, so I've got to just get up and run to the line."

Next Sunday's Chameleon Championship finals include top qualifier Dom Barrett, England; No. 2 qualifier Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio; No. 3 Ciminelli and No. 4 Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich. The telecast also will include a PBA League "Obstacle Bowling" Challenge, calling for players to knock down as many pins as possible with three shots in or around rubber bowling pins placed on the lane.

A post-finals look at the Viper Championship and a preview of the Chameleon Championship, along with other features, will be available Monday on "The Bowling Center" on YouTube.com. Xtra Frame

subscribers who may have missed Sunday's telecasts will be able to watch the finals "on demand" in the Xtra Frame archives one week after the original show airs.

**2013 VIPER CHAMPIONSHIP presented by PBA Bowling Challenge
South Point Exhibition Hall, Las Vegas, Nov. 2 (ESPN telecast Dec. 8)**

Final Standings:

- 1, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, \$20,000.
- 2, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$10,000.
- 3, Stuart Williams, England, \$7,000.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$5,000.

Stepladder Results:

Match One – Williams def. Belmonte, 203-194.
Semifinal Match – Barnes def. Williams, 200-171.
Championship – Barnes def. Ciminelli, 230-212.

PBA LEAGUE "TIME TO STRIKE" CHALLENGE

(Franchise Players from eight PBA League teams were challenged to throw as many strikes as possible in a span of 90 seconds)

- 1, Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen, five strikes (won one-frame roll-off against Jason Belmonte, 7-7, 9-8).
- 2, Jason Belmonte, L.A. X, five (lost roll-off against Belmonte).
- 3, Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, and Mike Fagan, Motown Muscle, four.
- 5, Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES, three.
- 6, Pete Weber, New York City WTT KingPins, two.
- 7, Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, one.
- 8, Norm Duke, Dallas Strikers, none.

PBA LEAGUE CHALLENGE POINTS STANDINGS (after two of four events)

- 1 (tie), Pete Weber, New York City WTT KingPins, and Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen, 17.5 points.
- 3, Jason Belmonte, L.A. X, 16.
- 4 (tie), Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters; Norm Duke, Dallas Strikers, and Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES, 12.
- 7, Mike Fagan, Motown Muscle, 9.5 points.
- 8, Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 3.5 points.

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Denmark's Thomas Larsen Wins First PBA International Tour Title in Abu Dhabi

Danish star denies Koivuniemi his fourth PBA International title of 2012-13 season

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (Dec. 6, 2013) – Denmark's Thomas Larsen captured his first Professional Bowlers Tour title, defeating Finland's Mika Koivuniemi, 239-280, 247-204, in the title match of the Abu Dhabi World Bowling Tour Open at Khalifa Bowling Center Friday.

Larsen, who entered the modified stepladder finals as the top qualifier, lost the opening game against Koivuniemi, who had to defeat Larsen twice to win, but the 24-year-old Danish star rescued his first PBA International Tour title by winning the second game. In doing so, he also denied Koivuniemi a fourth PBA International Tour title during the 2012-13 season.

"I did well too in the first game, but Mika had better carry," Larsen told Asian Bowling Federation representative Terrence Yaw. "In the second match, he made a few bad shots and that gave me the chance to win if I can focus on my game.

"I'm completely thrilled to have won my first World Tour title. In fact this is my first major title apart from one (European Bowling Tour) title I won this year."

In the preliminary matches, Hong Kong's Wu Siu Hong won two opening "shootout" matches and eliminated England's Dom Barrett in match three, but Koivuniemi ended his titles hopes in the semifinal match, 258-165.

Earlier in the season, Koivuniemi had won titles in the 2012 Qatar Open, 2012 Round1 Japan Cup and 2013 Vienna Open.

The World Bowling/PBA International Tour's next stop will be the Qatar Open in Doha, Qatar, which concludes Tuesday, followed by the 7th International Kingdom Open at Universal Bowling Center, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Dec. 11-16 – the final event of the 2012-13 PBA Tour season.

PBA/WORLD BOWLING ABU DHABI WORLD BOWLING TOUR OPEN Khalifa Bowling Center, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Friday

Final Standings:

- 1, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, \$30,000.
- 2, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, \$19,000.
- 3, Wu Siu Hong, Hong Kong, \$10,900.

- 4, Dom Barrett, England, \$5,450.
- 5, Osku Palermaa, Finland, \$4,100.
- 6, Joline Planefors, Sweden, \$3,270.
- 7, Shaker Al Hassan, UAE, \$2,725.
- 8, Mohamed Janahi, Bahrain, \$2,175.

Stepladder Results:

Match One (shootout format; high score advanced) - Wu (237) def. Hassan (225) and Janahi (223).

Match Two (shootout format) - Wu (248) def. Palermaa (236) and Planefors (215).

Match Three – Wu def. Barrett, 248-235.

Semifinal Match – Koivuniemi def. Wu, 258-165.

Championship – Larsen def. Koivuniemi, 239-280, 247-204 (Koivuniemi had to win twice in order to win the title).

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Past Winners Jones, Barnes Among Eight Round1 Japan Cup Finalists

Tackett, Rash, Palermmaa, three Japan PBA players make bids for first Japan Cup title

TOKYO, Japan (Nov. 29, 2013) – Past winners Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., and Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, were among five Professional Bowlers Association members to advance to the eight-player match play finals in the Round1 Japan Cup Friday at Round1 Minami Suna Bowling Center.

Three additional PBA members, including Player of the Year contender Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.; Rookie of the Year contender E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., and two-handed star Osku Palermmaa of Finland also advanced to the championship round along with three Japan PBA members – Kazuaki Watanabe, Shinichi Horie and Yuya Katoh – who will try to end Japan's 24-year title drought in the event.

The Round1 Japan Cup is a special PBA Tour event that includes 16 PBA players who qualified based upon a season-long competition points race. Four other PBA members were invited by the organizing committee and eight other PBA members – including Tackett – advanced into the 64-man tournament field in the Pre-Tournament Qualifier. The finals will air on ESPN on Sunday, Jan. 12, at 1 p.m. ET.

Jones, who won the tournament in 2004, '05 and '10, will try to join PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III as the second four-time winner of the Japan Cup. Barnes won the event in 2003. Rash, Tackett, Palermmaa and the three JPBA players are trying for their first Japan Cup title.

"It's been a great year and I'm going to try to keep the momentum going," said Rash, the reigning PBA Player of the Year who is trying for his third title of the 2012-13 season and the eighth of his career. "In the players' mind, this is our fifth major and it would be great to win it one time."

Tackett, who also is trying for his first PBA Tour title in his second television appearance, led the Japan Cup after the 10-game qualifying round on Thursday. In this PBA television debut, he finished fourth in the Milwaukee Open earlier in the year.

"I had no idea what to expect," the 21-year-old rookie said. "After making it out of the PTQ and then leading qualifying, it gave me a lot of confidence coming into today. I bowled well and was throwing it good so I came into today telling myself to do what I did the day before and I was able to do that."

"It's awesome to have the opportunity to bowl here during my rookie year, and it's pretty cool that it's my first time here and I made the show."

In the opening round of the match play finals, Jones will meet Tackett, Barnes will bowl against Watanabe, Palermmaa is matched up against Katoh, and Rash will bowl Horie in one-game matches. Winners will advance to semifinal round with those winners meeting in the championship match.

The PBA Tour's 2013-14 season on ESPN begins Sunday at 1 p.m. ET with the finals of the PBA Cheetah Championship.

ROUND1 JAPAN CUP

Round1 Minami Suna, Tokyo, Japan, Friday

CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS (one-game matches; winners advance to semifinal and championship rounds on ESPN, Sunday, Jan. 12, 1 p.m. ET)

Match One – Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., vs. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.

Match Two – Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, vs. Kazuaki Watanabe, Japan.

Match Three – Osku Palermmaa, Finland, vs. Yuya Katoh, Japan.

Match Four – Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., vs. Shinichi Horie, Japan.

ROUND OF 16 (best of five games; winners advance to television finals)

Katoh def. Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 3-2.

Tackett def. Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3-0.

Horie def. Yoshimi Kitaoka, Japan, 3-1.

Watanabe def. Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 3-2.

Jones def. Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, 3-1.

Palermmaa def. Isao Yamamoto, Japan, 3-1.

Rash def. Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3-0.

Barnes def. Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3-0.

ROUND OF 32 (best of five winners, winners advanced to Round of 16)

LaCaze def. Subaru Nagano, Japan, 3-0.

Katoh def. Kenta Onishi, Japan, 3-1.

Malott def. Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3-2.

Tackett def. Kim Young Kwan, Korea, 3-2.

Kitaoka def. Hidekazu Wada, Japan, 3-1.

Horie def. Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3-2.

Watanabe def. Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-1.

Page def. Yugo Imakita, Japan, 3-1.

Fagan def. Eisuke Miyazaki, Japan, 3-1.

Jones def. Takeo Sakai, 3-1.

Palermmaa def. Kim Young Pil, Korea, 3-1.

Yamamoto def. Keisuke Aita, Japan, 3-1.

Rash def. Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 3-1.

Russell def. Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3-0.

Barnes def. Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3-0.

Belmonte def. Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, 3-2.

ROUND OF 64 (best of five games, winners advanced to Round of 32)

LaCaze def. Ryo Nishimura, Japan, 3-2.

Nagano def. Toshifumi Kojima, Japan, 3-0.

Katoh def. Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-0.

Onishi def. Masayuki Koyama, Japan, 3-1.

Norton def. Shigeo Saito, Japan, 3-1.

Malott def. Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 3-1.

K.Y. Kim def. Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-0.
Tackett def. Manabu Emura, Japan, 3-2.
Kitaoka def. Dan MacLelland, Canada, 3-1.
Wada def. Yoichi Hirayama, Japan, 3-2.
Horie def. Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 3-1.
Bohn def. Aki Nawa, Japan, 3-0.
Watanabe def. Satoshi Tsushima, Japan, 3-0.
Weber def. Choi Won Young, Korea, 3-0.
Imakita def. Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., 3-2.
Page def. Akio Ishirara, Japan, 3-0.
Fagan def. Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 3-0.
Miyazaki def. Takeshi Suda, Japan, 3-2.
Jones def. Akihiro Sunako, Japan, 3-2.
Sakai def. Kim Hyun Bum, Korea, 3-2.
Y.P. Kim def. Shigeyuki Mizuno, 3-1.
Palermma def. Kenichi Kadokawa, Japan, 3-0.
Yamamoto def. Nobuhito Fujii, Japan, 3-0.
Aita def. Nathan Urrutia, Japan, 3-2.
Rash def. Masami Abe, Japan, 3-1.
Blanchard def. Kiyoshi Nakari, Japan, 3-0.
Russell def. Kentarou Masuchi, Japan, 3-2.
Loschetter def. Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 3-1.
O'Neill def. Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3-0.
Barnes def. Shinichiro Tamai, Japan, 3-1.
Yoshida def. Yasuyuki Sedamatsu, Japan, 3-1.
Belmonte def. Akiyoshi Hokura, Japan, 3-0.

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New Detroit Open Kicks Off Extended 2014 PBA League Week

Thunderbowl to host new open-field tournament; live PBA League coverage set for ESPN on January 26

SEATTLE (Nov. 12, 2013) – A new Detroit Open singles tournament, presented by Xtra Frame, will kick off the Professional Bowlers Association's extended 11-day PBA League Week at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., Jan. 17-19.

The PBA Detroit Open will be an open-field PBA Tour title event beginning with a nine-game qualifying round on Saturday, Jan. 18. The top 16 players after nine games will advance to round-robin match play on Sunday. After 16 head-to-head matches, the top four will advance to the stepladder finals at 7 p.m. ET on Jan. 19. The entire event will be webcast live on Xtra Frame.

Entry fees for the tournament, which is open to non-PBA members as well as members, are \$350 for members and \$400 for non-members. Entries will be accepted beginning Dec. 1. The field will be limited to 216 players on a first-come basis.

The PBA League, which made its competitive debut at Thunderbowl in January 2013, returns to the Detroit area with a revised format and revamped rosters for the 2014 season. PBA League competition begins at Thunderbowl on Jan. 22 and will make its ESPN debut with a live telecast on Sunday, Jan. 26, at noon ET.

For complete live coverage of the Detroit Open and all preliminary PBA League rounds, subscribe to Xtra Frame. Monthly subscriptions are available for \$7.99 and the full-year subscription cost is \$64.99. To enroll, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

2014 PBA DETROIT OPEN SCHEDULE

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Jan. 17-19

Friday, Jan. 17

1:30 p.m. – PBA Detroit Open practice session

Saturday, Jan. 18

9 a.m. – PBA Detroit Open, Squad A, 9 qualifying games

4 p.m. – PBA Detroit Open, Squad B, 9 qualifying games

Top 16 after 8 games advance to round-robin match play

Sunday, Jan. 19

9 a.m. – PBA Detroit Open, top 16, 8 games match play

2 p.m. – PBA Detroit Open, top 16, 8 games match play
Top four after 25 games advance to Xtra Frame stepladder finals
7 p.m. – PBA Detroit Open stepladder finals (webcast live on Xtra Frame)

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PBA Bowling Challenge Game Now Available to Millions of iOS Users

Concrete Software release popular mobile device game in iPhone, iPad version

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (Nov. 5, 2013) – Concrete Software, developers of the popular PBA Bowling Challenge game for mobile device users, has announced the release today of a new version for iPhone and iPad users in the iTunes App Store.

With more than five million installs and a 4.6 out of 5 star rating on Google Play since its release in January, PBA Bowling Challenge has been extremely well received by users of those mobile device platforms, and today's release of the iOS platform opens the market to millions of additional users.

The "Official Game of the PBA" features actual tournaments, oil patterns, bowling balls and legendary PBA bowlers who are faithfully represented throughout the game's extensive career mode.

"Playing PBA Bowling Challenge is like watching the PBA on TV; it's very addictive," said PBA Commissioner Tom Clark. "Updates to the game make it more and more like the real thing."

PBA Bowling Challenge will also take advantage of Apple's Game Center to bring real-time online multiplayer capabilities to iPhone and iPad users.

"We've been excited to bring PBA Bowling Challenge to iOS for some time now," said Keith Pichelman, CEO of Concrete Software. "We have a very active user community on Android and we're looking forward to introducing iOS users a game that millions of fans already know and love."

To download the PBA game in a version to fit your mobile device, visit <http://www.concretesoftware.com/web/games/pba-bowling-challenge/> and click on the proper app store button.

PBA Challenge Game is also the presenting sponsor for the Viper Championship, conducted during the PBA World Series of Bowling V. The finals will air on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 1 p.m. ET.

About Concrete Software

Since 2003, Concrete Software has been creating your favorite games across all major mobile platforms, including iOS, Android, BlackBerry and Windows Phone. Fun, challenging, addictive — Concrete Software makes rock solid games. Find out how at www.concretesoftware.com.

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PBA League Draft Finalizes Rosters for Start of 2014 Season in Detroit

Eight teams add youth, experience, versatility with final selections

LAS VEGAS (Nov. 3, 2013) – From team chemistry to versatility to experience, eight team leaders of the Professional Bowlers Association League program rounded out their rosters for 2014 Sunday night at South Point Bowling Center, adding the fifth member of their teams in a PBA League draft to close the PBA World Series of Bowling V.

Drafting in reverse order of how they finished during the inaugural league season in 2013, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits' manager Tim Mack opened the draft by selecting three-time PBA Tour winner Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind.

"It's incredibly difficult because of the talent available," Mack said, "but I feel Eugene is a non-sense kind of guy who can do a lot of things with a bowling ball. He'll fit great with the Jack Rabbits."

Philadelphia Hitmen's manager Jason Couch then selected 2011-12 PBA Rookie of the Year Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz.

"Josh is a class act and a phenomenal bowler. I'll throw him into our lineup at any time," Couch said. "He's just awesome."

With the third pick, Silver Lake Atom Splitters manager Mark Baker selected 2003 USBC Masters champion Bryon Smith of Roseburg, Ore.

"We aren't shy of personalities, so we needed a guy who can hang with our lineup," Baker said. "Byron's a great talent, can play any part of the lane and he'll be an asset to our team."

L.A. X manager Andrew Cain selected 21-year-old PBA Tour rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind.

"E.J. is definitely an upcoming talent. With all of the experience on our team, E.J. will add a lot of energy," Cain said. "He's fearless and he isn't afraid to throw it for the money."

In the fifth position, BROOKLYN STYLES franchise player Sean Rash selected three-time PBA Tour titlist Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix.

"Michael has been a great player for a number of years," Rash said. "He can do more than throw it straight; he'll be a great addition to our team."

Picking in sixth position, Dallas Strikers franchise player-manager Norm Duke selected one-time Tour winner Dave Wodka of Henderson, Nev.

"Dave is a standout. He has all of the experience we need," Duke said. "He has a great demeanor and a great attitude."

Del Ballard Jr., picked for last year's runner-up, the Motown Muscle, picked PBA Tour winner Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla.

"He's a Roto Grip guy and all of our guys know our equipment, so why not go with that?" Ballard said. "Plus I like a guy with attitude."

The defending champion New York City WTT KingPins' manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard completed the draft by picking one-time Tour winner Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill.

"We decided from the beginning to go with very little ego and team chemistry, and that's why we chose who we did," Dorin-Ballard said.

The 2014 PBA League season is scheduled to get underway Jan. 22 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., and will make its ESPN debut with a live telecast on Sunday, Jan. 26, at noon ET.

Preceding the start of the PBA League season will be a new Detroit Open singles tournament, presented by Xtra Frame, Jan. 17-19, at Thunderbowl Lanes. The Detroit Open will be an open-field PBA Tour title event beginning with a nine-game qualifying round on Saturday, Jan. 18, followed by a 16-player, nine-game match play round, concluding with a four-player stepladder final. The entire event will be webcast live on Xtra Frame.

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2014 PBA LEAGUE ROSTERS

No. 8 Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits

Manager Tim Mack, owner LaMarr Woodley. Roster: No. 1, Osku Palermaa, Finland. No. 2, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind. No. 3, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla. No. 4, Martin Larsen, Sweden. No. 5, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind.

No. 7 Philadelphia Hitmen

Manager Jason Couch, owner Kevin Hart: No. 1, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa. No. 2, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y. No. 3, Dan MacLelland, Canada. No. 4, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif. No. 5, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz.

No. 6 Silver Lake Atom Splitters

Manager Mark Baker, owner Chris Hardwick. No. 1, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas. No. 2, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas. No. 3, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C. No. 4, Dom Barrett, England. No. 5, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore.

No. 5 L.A. X

Manager Andrew Cain, owner Chris Paul. No. 1, Jason Belmonte, Australia. No. 2, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland-Hartland, Mich. No. 3, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J. No. 4, Andres Gomez, Colombia. No. 5, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.

No. 4 BROOKLYN STyLES

Manager Johnny Petraglia, owner Jesse Williams. No. 1, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill. No. 2, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga. No. 3, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla. No. 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich. No. 5, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix.

No. 3 Dallas Strikers

Manager Norm Duke, owner Terrell Owens. No. 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla. No. 2, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla. No. 3, Mike Machuga, Erie, Pa. No. 4, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela. No. 5, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev.

No. 2 Motown Muscle

Manager Del Ballard Jr., owner Jerome Bettis. No. 1, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas. No. 2, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio. No. 3, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.. No. 4, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas. No. 5, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla.

No. 1 New York City WTT KingPins

Manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, owner Billie Jean King. No. 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo. No. 2, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif. No. 3, Stuart Williams, England. No. 4, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y. No. 5, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill.

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Josh – updated stats aren't ready yet, but when I get them, I'll send them to you.

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Could you send me some updated world series of bowling career stats?

Thanks,
Josh Hyde

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World's Top Professional Bowlers Return to Las Vegas for World Series V

Belmonte, Rash head sold-out field of 240 players from 20 countries

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 22, 2013) – Statistically speaking, the Jason Belmonte vs. Sean Rash rivalry will once again be the headline attraction as a sold-out field of 240 of the world's top professional bowlers return to South Point Bowling Center this week for the start of PBA World Series of Bowling V.

PBA fans around the world are invited to purchase a low-cost "ticket" to watch all of the qualifying and match play action on Xtra Frame, the PBA's exclusive online bowling channel (or track free live scoring free on pba.com). "Day Pass," monthly and annual Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by visiting pba.com and clicking on the Xtra Frame link.

In addition to following the action as it happens, PBA fans are invited to participate in a new "U Pick the Finalists" contests which offers prizes for picking the ESPN finalists in each event. For more information about the contest, click here: <http://www.pba.com/Resources/Contest>

The World Series, which got its start in suburban Detroit in 2009, is a multi-event competition on a variety of challenging lane conditions, leading up to a full weekend of ESPN television finals Nov. 2-3. At

stake will be five PBA Tour titles, including the final major championship of the 2012-13 season – the 2013 PBA World Championship.

Over the first four World Series, Belmonte and Rash have earned their roles as World Series headliners based upon their past performances in the event. Belmonte – a two-handed power player from Australia – is the earnings leader with a composite total of \$191,190 in WSOB earnings, leads in ESPN television appearances (13) and is tied with Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., with most WSOB titles won (three).

Rash, also regarded as one of the PBA Tour's top power players, is right behind Belmonte in ESPN appearances (12), but has not yet won a WSOB title. He is the all-time WSOB average leader, scoring at a 223.19 pace for 475 games bowled, and in total pinfall (106,013 pins for 475 World Series games bowled). But he ranks "only" fourth in WSOB earnings (\$135,140) due, in part, to the absence of any first-place prize money.

Despite their overall dominance, neither Belmonte nor Rash leads in any of the traditional animal pattern championships which are hallmarks of the World Series. The animal pattern competitions are bowled on unique lane conditions named after animals – and the combined qualifying scores for those animal pattern events has been used as the qualifier for players to advance into the PBA World Championship match play final rounds. Rash is the World Championship's top qualifier over the past four years, averaging 232.21 for 192 games – just over four pins higher than Belmonte (228.01) for the same number of games.

In animal pattern events, several other players have had significant success, including O'Neill, who ranks third in TV appearances (8) and shares the titles lead with Belmonte (3). Finland's two-handed star, Osku Palermaa; 37-time time PBA Tour champion Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., and Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., have each won two WSOB titles. Palermaa, Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, and Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, have made six TV finals.

There is also "international vs. United States" drama during the World Series. In 2011, international players won all seven singles titles contest; last year, U.S. players swept all five individual titles.

In animal pattern championships, the top two players in qualifying averages for each event, based upon a minimum of 40 games, are:

- Chameleon: Scott Norton 230.49; Jason Belmonte 225.38.
- Cheetah: Norm Duke 243.58, Eugene McCune 241.52.
- Scorpion: Dom Barrett 228.70, Jason Belmonte 222.87.
- Viper: Brad Angelo 222.60, Bill O'Neill 222.39.

The Cheetah Championship will lead off the WSOB V schedule on Saturday, Oct. 26, with seven qualifying games and an additional seven-game semifinal round for the top 24 qualifiers. The same format will apply for the Viper Championship on Oct. 27, the Chameleon Championship on Oct. 28 and the Scorpion Championship on Oct. 29. The top 24 players based upon 28 combined animal pattern qualifying games will advance to the PBA World Championship round robin match play on Oct. 30-31.

For each animal pattern event, the top four after 14 games advance to ESPN finals on Nov. 2 and for the World Championship, the top five after 52 qualifying and match play games advance to the ESPN finals on Nov. 3 – all in South Point's Exhibition Hall B.

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England's Dom Barrett Wins Top Berth for PBA World Championship

Rash, Fagan, Smallwood, Weber round out stepladder finals field

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 31, 2013) – England's Dom Barrett used memories of a disappointing performance a year earlier to propel himself into the top qualifying position for the Professional Bowlers Association World Championship stepladder finals field Thursday at South Point Bowling Center.

Barrett, 28, who won his only PBA Tour title in the 2011 Scorpion Championship, put lessons learned in last year's World Championship to work Thursday. After momentarily surrendering the lead to reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., he won five of his final eight matches to clinch the No. 1 berth in the finals by 169 pins over Rash. Barrett averaged 236.40 over 52 games of World Series qualifying and match play to finish with a 12,713 pinfall total. Rash posted a 12,544 total.

Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, qualified third with 12,304 pins; 2010 World Champion Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., earned the fourth spot with a thrilling final game, and 37-time PBA Tour champion Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., locked up the fifth spot by 27 pins over fellow PBA50 Tour competitor, 59-year-old Tom Baker of King, N.C.

The battle for the final two spots in the finals was settled when Smallwood threw 11 consecutive strikes after an open in the first frame to defeat Mika Koivuniemi of Hartland, Mich., 279-189, while Weber defeated Fagan, 268-238, to hold onto his place in the top five.

Weber also is in the hunt for the first PBA Player of the Year award in his 33-year career.

"I just tried to stay focused and not get too excited," the 51-year-old Weber said. "People don't think this is hard work? Please come out and try it."

Regarding his chances for Player of the Year, he said, "You've got to be in the top five to have a shot at winning. I came into the (PBA World Series of Bowling V) thinking if I could win two tournaments, I would have a legitimate shot at Player of the Year. I know Belmo (Australia's Jason Belmonte) is out front right now, but if I can win a second major, I'll have a chance."

Weber won the PBA Tournament of Champions in April for his 10th career major championship, tying the legendary Earl Anthony for the most PBA major titles. He will have to win four matches, including a victory over Barrett, to win an 11th major.

"The last round happened the way I hoped it would," Barrett said. "I had a good round today. I knew Sean (Rash) was going to have a good day, so to come in today with all of the experience I got last year helped a lot."

"Last year I was leading going into the last eight games and dropped from first to 10th. To come in this year in the same position, I don't think I could have bowled any better. Like any great athlete, I think you learn more from failures than success. I know what that felt like and today I controlled my emotions, how I was feeling and I got myself into the best position I could to execute shots."

But Barrett wasn't about to predict victory in Sunday's finals.

"I won the Scorpion title on the same lanes, in the same arena, two years ago so I know what to expect," he said. "I've got 10 more frames. I'll bowl the best I can and hope it's enough."

The World Championship was the fifth and final event in the PBA World Series of Bowling V. The ESPN stepladder finals will take place Sunday at 12:30 p.m. PT on a special two-lane installation in South Point Exhibition Hall B. ESPN will air the finals on Sunday, Dec. 29, at 1 p.m. ET. First prize in the 2012-13 season's final major championship is \$50,000.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Oct. 31

FINAL MATCH PLAY STANDINGS (after 52 games, including match play bonus pins; top five advance to ESPN stepladder finals; telecast is Sunday, Dec. 29, 1 p.m. ET)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 14-10, 12,713.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 18-6, 12,544.
- 3, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 13-11, 12,304.
- 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 15-9, 12,247.
- 5, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 14-10, 12,243.
- 6, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 14-10, 12,216, \$8,100.
- 7, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 14-10, 12,140, \$7,000.
- 8, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 12-12, 12,129, \$6,500.
- 9, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 13-10-1, 12,119, \$6,000.
- 10, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 11-13, 12,105, \$5,500.
- 11, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 11-13, 12,103, \$5,000.
- 12, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 14-10, 12,079, \$4,900.
- 13, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 14-10, 12,069, \$4,700.
- 14, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 13-11, 12,058, \$4,400.
- 15, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 13-10-1, 12,042, \$4,200.
- 16, Paul Moor, England, 11-13, 11,952, \$4,000.
- 17, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 10-14, 11,908, \$3,800.
- 18, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 10-14, 11,816, \$3,600.
- 19, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 12-12, 11,713, \$3,500.
- 20, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 10-14, 11,665, \$3,400.
- 21, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 12-12, 11,641, \$3,300.
- 22, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 10-14, 11,564, \$3,300.
- 23, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 4-20, 11,465, \$3,100.
- 24, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3-13, 11,200, \$3,000.

300 Games: None.

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England's Barrett Retains Lead Heading into Final Round of PBA World Championship Match Play

Rash advances from 12th to second; final match play round set for Thursday afternoon

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 30, 2013) – England's Dom Barrett retained a 99-pin lead over reigning Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., after the two rounds of match play in the Professional Bowlers Association World Championship Wednesday at South Point Bowling Center.

Barrett, who entered the 24-game match play finals as the top qualifier after 28 games bowled in four animal pattern tournaments earlier in the PBA World Series of Bowling V program, won nine of his first 16 matches to finish the sixth round with a 44-game total of 10,649 pins, including match play bonus pins. He held off a charge by Rash, who averaged 252.62 in winning all eight of his matches in the morning round and finished the day with a 14-2 match play record and a 10,550 pinfall total.

With eight more match games to go Thursday to determine the top five players for the stepladder finals, Barrett and Rash have distanced themselves from the field. Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, was in third place with 10,282 pins, 268 pins behind Rash; 21-year-old rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., was fourth with a 10,266 total and 2010 World Champion Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., was fifth with a 10,249 total. Four other players were less than 100 pins behind Smallwood in the race for the top five.

"Sean bowled well this morning. I didn't bowl bad, but it just shows how good these guys are for him to make a move like that (from 12th to second)," Barrett said. "I put my striking shoes on tonight, had a really good round. I think we are pretty much locked into the top two, but I want to go for the top seed tomorrow. That's very important."

Barrett, 28, won his only PBA Tour title in the 2011 Scorpion Championship. He also has qualified No. 1 for this weekend's Chameleon Championship finals, but the World Championship is the prize everyone bowling in the PBA World Series of Bowling V wants to win.

"Winning the World Championship would be a dream, but I have a lot more work to do," he said. "One thing you can't do is take anything for granted with these guys. I can't do anything more than bowl the best I can. I've had a good week so far, so I'll just try to keep it going."

The World Championship stepladder finals will take place Sunday at 12:30 p.m. PT on a special two-lane installation in South Point Exhibition Hall B. ESPN will air the finals on Sunday, Dec. 29, at 1 p.m. ET. First prize in the 2012-13 season's final major championship is \$50,000.

The final match play round will be covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel Thursday at 2 p.m. PT, and via "live scoring" on pba.com. For daily, monthly or yearly subscriptions to Xtra Frame, click on the Xtra Frame link on the pba.com home page.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Oct. 30

ROUND SIX STANDINGS (after 44 games, including match play bonus pins; top five after 52 games advance to ESPN stepladder finals)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 9-7, 10,649.
 - 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 14-2, 10,550.
 - 3, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 8-8, 10,282.
 - 4, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 9-7, 10,266.
 - 5, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 10-6, 10,249.
 - 6, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 8-8, 10,232.
 - 7, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 10-6, 10,196.
 - 8, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 9-7, 10,170.
 - 9, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 8-8, 10,137.
 - 10, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 9-7, 10,133.
 - 11, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 8-8, 10,131.
 - 12 (tie), Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 9-7, and Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 9-7, 10,112.
 - 14, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 9-7, 10,068.
 - 15, Paul Moor, England, 8-8, 10,049.
 - 16, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 5-11, 9,987.
 - 17, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 6-10, 9,916.
 - 18, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 7-9, 9,886.
 - 19, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 6-10, 9,861.
 - 20, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 7-9, 9,852.
 - 21, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 8-8, 9,839.
 - 22, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 8-8, 9,742.
 - 23, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 4-12, 9,658.
 - 24, x-Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2-6, 9,464.
 - 25, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 2-6, 8,003.
- x – Allen replaced Archer, who withdrew due to injury.

300 Games: Tom Baker.

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England's Dom Barrett Retains PBA World Championship Lead after Opening Round of Match Play

Illinois' Sean Rash averages 252 in winning all eight matches to move into second place

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 30, 2013) – England's Dom Barrett retained a 48-pin lead over Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., after the first eight games of round-robin match play in the Professional Bowlers Association World Championship Wednesday afternoon at South Point Bowling Center.

Barrett, who entered the 24-game match play finals as the top qualifier after 28 games bowled in four animal pattern tournaments earlier in the PBA World Series of Bowling V program, won four of his eight matches to finish the round with a 36-game total of 8,489 pins, including match play bonus pins, and held off the hard-charging Rash, who averaged 252.62 in winning all eight of his matches, advancing from 12th place to second.

PBA Tour rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., was third with 8,328 pins followed by Australia's Jason Belmonte with 8,322 pins and 2010 PBA World Champion Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., in fifth place with an 8,289 total. Smallwood was one pin ahead of another PBA Tour rookie, Texas two-handed player Shawn Maldonado of Houston.

The top five players after 52 games will advance to the World Championship stepladder finals which will be held on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. PT on a special two-lane installation in South Point Exhibition Hall B. The final two eight-game match play rounds will be held Wednesday at 6 p.m. and Thursday at 2 p.m.

The World Championship is the final PBA major championship of the 2012-13 season, and could have significant impact on the PBA's Player of the Year race.

The final two match play rounds will be covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, and via "live scoring" on pba.com. For daily, monthly or yearly subscriptions to Xtra Frame, click on the Xtra Frame link on the pba.com home page.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Oct. 30

ROUND FIVE STANDINGS (after 36 games, including match play bonus pins; top five after 52 games advance to ESPN stepladder finals)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 4-4, 8,589.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 8-0, 8,541.
- 3, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4-4, 8,328.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 4-4, 8,322.

- 5, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 4-4, 8,289.
- 6, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 5-3, 8,288.
- 7, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 4-4, 8,266.
- 8, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 5-3, 8,251, \$100.
- 9, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 7-1, 8,244.
- 10, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 4-4, 8,243.
- 11, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 4-4, 8,218.
- 12, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 3-5, 8,196.
- 13, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2-6, 8,194.
- 14, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 4-4, 8,177, \$100.
- 15, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 4-4, 8,140.
- 16, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 5-3, 8,121, \$100.
- 17, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 4-4, 8,108.
- 18, Paul Moor, England, 4-4, 8,107.
- 19, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 2-6, 8,078.
- 20, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 4-4, 8,047.
- 21, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3-5, 8,030.
- 22, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 2-6, 8,003, \$100.
- 23, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 3-5, 8,000.
- 24, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3-5, 7,990.

300 Games: None.

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Collegiate Star Marshall Kent Tops PBA Scorpion Championship Finals Field

England's Dom Barrett leads field of 24 PBA World Championship match play qualifiers

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 29, 2013) – Two-time Collegiate Bowler of the Year Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., the only amateur in the field, won the top berth for the stepladder finals of the Professional Bowlers Association's Scorpion Championship Tuesday at South Point Bowling Center.

Kent, a student at Robert Morris University-Illinois in Chicago, averaged 227.79 for 14 games on the Scorpion lane condition, finishing with a 3,189 pinfall total to claim the top rung in the stepladder finals by 12 pins over 2012 PBA World Champion Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich. Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz., qualified third with a 3,162 total and Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., earned the fourth spot in the finals with 3,146 pins, 23 ahead of three-time PBA50 Player of the Year Tom Baker of King, N.C.

Blanchard and Jones, bowling on the same pair of lanes, rolled matching 269 final games to earn their shots at the title. The Scorpion Championship finals will take place on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m. ESPN will air the finals on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 1 p.m. ET. The Scorpion Championship was the fourth of five PBA Tour events that compose the PBA World Series of Bowling.

Kent, who finished fourth in Bowling's U.S. Open in July, was invited to bowl in the World Series on a PBA Commissioner's Exemption because he is still in college.

Earlier Tuesday, England's Dom Barrett led the field of 24 players who advanced to the PBA World Championship round-robin match play finals Wednesday and Thursday based upon combined 28-game qualifying pinfall totals from the Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion rounds. Barrett averaged 237.67 in compiling a 6,655 pinfall total for 28 games, topping Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, by 209 pins. Maldonado qualified third with 6,405 pins.

The match play rounds of the PBA World Championship Wednesday and Thursday will be covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, and via "live scoring" on pba.com. For daily, monthly or yearly subscriptions to Xtra Frame, click on the Xtra Frame link on the pba.com home page.

PBA SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Tuesday

SEMIFINAL ROUND STANDINGS (after 14 games; top 4 advance to ESPN stepladder finals at 7 p.m. PT on Saturday, Nov. 2)

- 1, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,189.
- 2, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,176.

- 3, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 3,162.
- 4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,146.
- 5, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,123, \$4,000.
- 6 (tie), D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, and Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,113, \$3,250.
- 8, Keith Laing, Culver City, Calif., 3,111, \$2,500.
- 9, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,103, \$2,200.
- 10, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3,094, \$2,000.
- 11, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,093, \$1,800.
- 12, Dom Barrett, England, 3,089, \$1,800.
- 13, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 3,084, \$1,650.
- 14, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,079, \$1,600.
- 15, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,047, \$1,550.
- 16, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 3,042, \$1,500.
- 17, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,024, \$1,450.
- 18, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 3,019, \$1,400.
- 19, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2,994, \$1,350.
- 20, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2,991, \$1,300.
- 21, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 2,964, \$1,275.
- 22, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 2,948, \$1,250.
- 23, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 2,915, \$1,225.
- 24, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 2,913, \$1,200.

300 Games: Dom Barrett, PJ Haggerty.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING (after 28 games; top 24 advance to round-robin match play Wednesday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., and Thursday at 2 p.m.)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 6,655.
- 2, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 6,446.
- 3, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 6,405.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 6,389.
- 5, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 6,374.
- 6, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 6,367.
- 7, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 6,305.
- 8, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 6,303.
- 9, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 6,300.
- 10, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6,299.
- 11, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 6,292.
- 12 (tie), D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, and Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6,280.
- 14, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 6,274.
- 15, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 6,263.
- 16 (tie), Paul Moor, England, and Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 6,236.
- 18, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 6,233.
- 19, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 6,231.
- 20, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 6,228.
- 21, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 6,207.
- 22, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 6,204.
- 23, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 6,199.
- 24, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 6,198.

Other Cashers (after 28 games):

- 25 (tie), Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 6,190, \$2,375.

- 27, Patrick Girard, Canada, 6,184, \$2,300.
- 28 (tie), Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., and Osku Palermaa, Finland, 6,172, \$2,225.
- 30, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 6,168, \$2,150.
- 31, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 6,166, \$2,100.
- 32, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 6,162, \$2,050.
- 33, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 6,155, \$2,000.
- 34, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 6,152, \$1,950.
- 35, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 6,142, \$1,900.
- 36, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 6,137, \$1,850.
- 37, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 6,136, \$1,800.
- 38, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 6,114, \$1,750.
- 39, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 6,112, \$1,700.
- 40, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 6,111, \$1,650.
- 41, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 6,106, \$1,600.
- 42, Stuart Williams, England, 6,103, \$1,550.
- 43, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 6,098, \$1,500.
- 44, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 6,096, \$1,480.
- 45, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 6,090, \$1,460.
- 46, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 6,087, \$1,440.
- 47, Dale Coleman, High Springs, Fla., 6,086, \$1,420.
- 48, Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., 6,082, \$1,400.
- 49, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 6,079, \$1,380.
- 50, Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 6,078, \$1,360.
- 51, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 6,074, \$1,340.
- 52, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 6,068, \$1,320.
- 53, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 6,065, \$1,300.
- 54, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 6,052, \$1,280.
- 55, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 6,047, \$1,260.
- 56, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 6,037, \$1,240.
- 57, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 6,032, \$1,220.
- 58, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 6,026, \$1,200.
- 59, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 6,023, \$1,200.

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Texas Two-Hander Shawn Maldonado Races into PBA Scorpion Championship Lead

England's Dom Barrett leads field of 24 PBA World Championship match play qualifiers

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 29, 2013) – Shawn Maldonado of Houston, Texas, a 27-year-old two-handed bowler competing his first national professional tournament, raced into the first round lead in the Professional Bowlers Association's Scorpion Championship at South Point Bowling Center Tuesday.

The Scorpion Championship is the final animal pattern qualifying event for the PBA World Championship and the fourth of five events that compose the PBA World Series of Bowling V.

Based upon 28 qualifying games in the animal pattern events, England's Dom Barrett led the field of 24 players who advanced to the PBA World Championship round-robin match play finals Wednesday and Thursday. Barrett averaged 237.67 in compiling a 6,655 pinfall total for 28 games, topping Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, by 209 pins. Maldonado qualified third with 6,405 pins.

Despite a 178 final game, Maldonado averaged 243.14 for his first seven games in the Scorpion Championship. He started his round with games of 250, 269, 248, 248, 252 and 257, finishing with a 1,702 total and a 42-pin lead over the only non-PBA member in the field, two-time Collegiate All-American Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash. Lee Vanderhoef of Greenville, S.C. was in third place with 1,649 pins, 53 behind Maldonado.

The top 24 players in the Scorpion field advanced to a seven-game semifinal round which began at 7:30 p.m. PT Tuesday. The top four after 14 games will advance to the Scorpion Championship finals on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m. ESPN will air the finals on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 1 p.m. ET.

Maldonado is another in a emerging group of high-revolution, two-handed players in the mold of established PBA stars Jason Belmonte of Australia and Osku Palermaa of Finland. Like them, he got his start as a two-hander as a two-year-old toddler and, like them, he had no role model who threw the ball with two hands when he was growing up. His favorite player was, and still is, PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III, a traditional left-handed player.

"People always tried to change me," he said. "They said (bowling two-handed) was never going work, but I figured it was the right thing at about age 13 when I was averaging in the 200s."

Maldonado said he has always bowled for a living as an adult ("I've had a couple of jobs, but they don't last because I'm bowling tournaments almost every weekend"), but making the move to PBA competition was something he thought long-and-hard about.

"I was always hesitant to join the PBA because I knew when I did it, I had to commit to it 100 percent," he said. "Plus I got married and had a kid, so I didn't travel much. When I decided to join the PBA (in August 2013), I knew right then I was coming to the World Series. I decided I wanted to compete against the best."

He came into the World Series without lofty expectations.

"I just want to do my best, not put too much pressure on myself," he said. "I know if I'm capable of doing what I do best, I can be up there (in the standings)."

"It's been a great experience," he added. "I started slow (in the Cheetah Championship), but I took notes on what I could do better. I did real good today. I've found out I have to play with different ball surfaces. I don't like to do that, but that's a huge thing out here."

NFL all-pro wide receiver Terrell Owens completed his first professional bowling experience, averaging 158 in the Scorpion Championship.

"Mentally, I came in prepared because I knew it wasn't going to be easy," Owens said. "I knew I wasn't going to finish first, but I hoped I wouldn't finish last."

"Physically it wasn't a test," he added. "Mentally, I'm walking down the hall or through the casino, and I'm bowling in my head. I've been trying to prevent gutterballs in my dreams. But every day I was pumped and ready to go."

All qualifying rounds from the World Series are being covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, and via "live scoring" on pba.com. For daily, monthly or yearly subscriptions to Xtra Frame, click on the Xtra Frame link on the pba.com home page.

PBA SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP

South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Tuesday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after 7 games; top 24 advance to semifinal round)

- 1, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,702.
- 2, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,660.
- 3, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 1,649.
- 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,628.
- 5, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,618.
- 6, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 1,610.
- 7, Dom Barrett, England, 1,609.
- 8, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,600.
- 9, Keith Laing, Culver City, Calif., 1,591.
- 10, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,589.
- 11, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,588.
- 12, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,582.
- 13, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 1,579.
- 14 (tie), Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., and Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 1,575.
- 16, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,574.
- 17, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,573.
- 18, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 1,568.
- 19, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,566.
- 20, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,565.

- 21, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 1,564.
- 22, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,559.
- 23, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,558.
- 24, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 1,556.

Other Cashers (after seven games):

- 25, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,555, \$785.
- 25, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,555, \$785.
- 27 (tie), Thomas Larsen, Denmark, and Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 1,554, \$745.
- 29, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,553, \$730.
- 30 (tie), Jim Pratt, Glendale, Ariz., and David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., 1,549, \$715.
- 32, Shigeo Saitoh, Japan, 1,548, \$700.

Did not Cash:

- 33 (tie), Andrew Cain, Phoenix, and Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 1,546.
- 35 (tie), Patrick Girard, Canada, and Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,545.
- 37, Giorgio Clinaz Jr., Venezuela, 1,544.
- 38, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,541.
- 39, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,539.
- 40 (tie), Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., and Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,534.
- 42 (tie), PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., and Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 1,533.
- 44, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 1,532.
- 45, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,529.
- 46 (tie), Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, and Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 1,527.
- 48, Scott Halvarson, Lakewood, Wash., 1,523.
- 49, Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 1,522.
- 50, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,520.
- 51, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,517.
- 52, Pat Nolan, Japan, 1,516.
- 53, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,513.
- 54, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,511.
- 55, Jeff Roche, Dearborn, Mich., 1,510.
- 56, David Stouffer, Lehigh Acres, Fla., 1,506.
- 57, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,504.
- 58, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 1,503.
- 59, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 1,502.
- 60, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,499.
- 61, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 1,497.
- 62 (tie), Marek Talpa, Czech Republic, and Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 1,496.
- 64, Paul Moor, England, 1,494.
- 65, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,493.
- 66, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 1,489.
- 67, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,488.
- 68 (tie), Christopher Sloan, Ireland, and Kyle Paxson, Orlando, Fla., 1,486.
- 70, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 1,484.
- 71, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,481.
- 72, Lee Rathjen Jr., Naples, Fla., 1,479.
- 73, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,476.
- 74, Justin Stevens, Aiea, Hawaii, 1,475.
- 75, Curtis Woods Jr., Santa Rosa, Calif., 1,474.
- 76, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 1,473.
- 77, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 1,471.

78, Dale Coleman, High Springs, Fla., 1,470.
 79 (tie), Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., and Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,469.
 81, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 1,468.
 82, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,467.
 83 (tie), Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., and Chad Pojas, Wahiawa, Hawaii, 1,466.
 85, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 1,465.
 86, Randy Pedersen, Clermont, Fla., 1,459.
 87, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 1,456.
 88, Hyun Bum Kim, Korea, 1,455.
 89, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,454.
 90, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 1,453.
 91, Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 1,449.
 92, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,445.
 93 (tie), Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., and Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 1,443.
 95 (tie), Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., and Vinny D'Ambrosio III, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,442.
 97, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,440.
 98, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 1,438.
 99, Clarence White, Tracy, Calif., 1,436.
 100, Meen Woo Kim, Korea, 1,434.
 101, Anthony Colosimo, Pembroke Pines, Fla., 1,432.
 102, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 1,431.
 103, Gary Haines, West Babylon, N.Y., 1,430.
 104, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,429.
 105, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,427.
 106, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 1,423.
 107, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,417.
 108, Jacob Heger, Spring, Texas, 1,414.
 109, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,413.
 110, Robert Lee, Japan, 1,412.
 111 (tie), Jay Hess, Ocoee, Fla., and Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, 1,408.
 113 (tie), Kim Bolleby, Sweden, and Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 1,406.
 115, Alejandro Reyna, Costa Rica, 1,405.
 116, Sandra Andersson, Sweden, 1,404.
 117, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,402.
 118, Timothy Tripp, Santa Clarita, Calif., 1,401.
 119 (tie), Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., and James Wallace, Hicksville, N.Y., 1,400.
 121, Gary Baker, England, 1,397.
 122 (tie), Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis.; Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, and Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,396.
 125, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 1,395.
 126, Brian Nicodemus, Akron, Ind., 1,394.
 127 (tie), Clara Guerrero, Colombia, and Gabriel Sanchez, Puerto Rico, 1,391.
 129, T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 1,390.
 130, Stuart Williams, England, 1,387.
 131, Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., 1,386.
 132, Hadley Morgan, England, 1,385.
 133 (tie), Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 1,384.
 135 (tie), Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., and Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,382.
 137, Wesley Edwards, Blue Springs, Mo., 1,380.
 138, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,378.
 139, Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn., 1,376.
 140 (tie), Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., and Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 1,374.

142 (tie), Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C.; David Maycock, Bermuda, and Travis Anderson, Washington, Ill, 1,373.
 145, Kalani Dilliner, Las Vegas, 1,372.
 146, Mike Bailey, Allen, Texas, 1,371.
 147, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 1,370.
 148, Raymond Watts, Orange, Calif., 1,368.
 149, Nick Morgan, Sacramento, Calif., 1,367.
 150, Anthony Lavery-Spah, Pasadena, Texas, 1,365.
 151, Matt Watson, Australia, 1,363.
 152, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,362.
 153, Kelvin Wiggins, Rocky Mt., N.C., 1,361.
 154, Chad Lusche, Arvada, Colo., 1,359.
 155, Mike Armstrong Jr., Battle Ground, Wash., 1,357.
 156 (tie), Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, and Josh Lewis, Asheville, N.C., 1,356.
 158, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,355.
 159 (tie), Junia Yoshida, Japan, and William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,353.
 161, Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,352.
 162, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,350.
 163, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,348.
 164, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 1,345.
 165, Travis Celmer, Wernersville, Pa., 1,343.
 166, Kevin Gallagher, Torrance, Calif., 1,334.
 167, Jason Miller, San Antonio, 1,330.
 168, Jonathan Sellers, Stratford, Conn., 1,329.
 169, Mykhaylo Kalika, Ukraine, 1,328.
 170, Vladimir Sverchkov, Russia, 1,326.
 171, Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 1,324.
 172 (tie), Kevin Beers, Reinholds, Pa., and Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 1,320.
 174, Matt Schermerhorn, El Segundo, Calif., 1,315.
 175, Paul Nilsen Sr., Murrieta, Calif., 1,310.
 176, Chris Watson, Australia, 1,307.
 177, Calvin Sellers, Stratford, Conn., 1,306.
 178, Hernan Ramirez, Venezuela, 1,304.
 179 (tie), Ken Truong, Canada, and Bob Markiewicz, San Diego, 1,303.
 181, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 1,302.
 182 (tie), David Knight Jr., Folcroft, Pa., and Clint Land, Richmond, Texas, 1,297.
 184, Douglas Yu, Canada, 1,296.
 185, Andre Eubanks, Los Angeles, 1,291.
 186, Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 1,286.
 187, Luis Rovaina Jr., Venezuela, 1,285.
 188 (tie), Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., and Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,281.
 190, Dave Nebe, Richmond, Va., 1,277.
 191, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 1,276.
 192 (tie), Alan Mojado, Pala, Calif., and Ariachizu Kamalu, Chicago, 1,275.
 194, Kevin Kullman, Tinley Park, Ill., 1,274.
 195, James McClelland, Venice, Fla., 1,270.
 196, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 1,263.
 197 (tie), Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, and Jon Wheatley, Australia, 1,261.
 199, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,260.
 200, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 1,259.
 201, Tommy Berish, Cordova, Tenn., 1,258.
 202, Scott Dull, Cresson, Texas, 1,256.

203, B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 1,246.
 204, Jon King, Australia, 1,240.
 205, Ryan Appel, Cinnaminson, N.J., 1,235.
 206, Bryan Viator, Friendswood, Texas, 1,232.
 207, Keith Bullock, Moscow Mill, Mo, 1,231.
 208, Rob Shepherd, Sierra Vista, Ariz., 1,229.
 209 (tie), Ashley Warren, Australia; Robert Piroozshad, Brooklyn, N.Y., and Ed Cutter, Manassas Park, Va., 1,224.
 212, Rameses Chambers, Kansas City, Mo., 1,214.
 213 (tie), Matt Villegas, Phoenix, and Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,211.
 215, Matthew Graham, Emeryville, Calif., 1,207.
 216, J.D. Sommers, San Jose, Calif., 1,202.
 217, Gustavo Viramontes Jr., Mexico, 1,197.
 218, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 1,190.
 219, Will Garber, Modesto, Calif., 1,189.
 220 (tie), Frank Guccione, Castle Rock, Colo., and Stephen Carter, Australia, 1,187.
 222, Richard Lupo, St. Charles, Mo., 1,167.
 223, Cameron Zacher, Australia, 1,165.
 224, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,146.
 225, Vijay Krishnamoorthy, Kennesaw, Ga., 1,123.
 226, Alvaro Infante, Venezuela, 1,117.
 227, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,115.
 228, Terrell Owens, Studio City, Calif., 1,106.
 228, Dustin Sherman, Petaluma, Calif., 1,106.
 230, J.T. "Action" Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,035.

300 Games: Dom Barrett, PJ Haggerty.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING (after 28 games; top 24 advance to round-robin match play)

1, Dom Barrett, England, 6,655.
 2, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 6,446.
 3, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 6,405.
 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 6,389.
 5, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 6,374.
 6, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 6,367.
 7, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 6,305.
 8, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 6,303.
 9, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 6,300.
 10, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6,299.
 11, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 6,292.
 12 (tie), D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, and Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6,280.
 14, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 6,274.
 15, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 6,263.
 16 (tie), Paul Moor, England, and Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 6,236.
 18, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 6,233.
 19, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 6,231.
 20, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 6,228.
 21, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 6,207.
 22, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 6,204.
 23, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 6,199.
 24, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 6,198.

Other Cashers (after 28 games):

25 (tie), Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 6,190, \$2,375.
27, Patrick Girard, Canada, 6,184, \$2,300.
28 (tie), Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., and Osku Palermaa, Finland, 6,172, \$2,225.
30, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 6,168, \$2,150.
31, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 6,166, \$2,100.
32, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 6,162, \$2,050.
33, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 6,155, \$2,000.
34, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 6,152, \$1,950.
35, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 6,142, \$1,900.
36, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 6,137, \$1,850.
37, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 6,136, \$1,800.
38, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 6,114, \$1,750.
39, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 6,112, \$1,700.
40, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 6,111, \$1,650.
41, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 6,106, \$1,600.
42, Stuart Williams, England, 6,103, \$1,550.
43, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 6,098, \$1,500.
44, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 6,096, \$1,480.
45, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 6,090, \$1,460.
46, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 6,087, \$1,440.
47, Dale Coleman, High Springs, Fla., 6,086, \$1,420.
48, Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., 6,082, \$1,400.
49, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 6,079, \$1,380.
50, Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 6,078, \$1,360.
51, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 6,074, \$1,340.
52, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 6,068, \$1,320.
53, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 6,065, \$1,300.
54, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 6,052, \$1,280.
55, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 6,047, \$1,260.
56, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 6,037, \$1,240.
57, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 6,032, \$1,220.
58, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 6,026, \$1,200.
59, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 6,023, \$1,200.

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England's Dom Barrett Earns No. 1 Berth for PBA Chameleon Finals

Kretzer, Ciminelli, Smallwood round out ESPN championship finals field

LAS VEGAS – England's Dom Barrett advanced from sixth place to first Monday night, claiming the No. 1 berth in the Professional Bowlers Association's Chameleon Championship stepladder finals at South Point Bowling Center, the third of five events that compose the PBA World Series of Bowling V.

Barrett, who won his only PBA Tour title in the 2011 Scorpion Championship, will lead a field of four into the Chameleon Championship finals on Saturday, Nov. 2. ESPN will air the finals on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 1 p.m. ET. Also winning berths in the championship round were Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio; Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., and 2010 PBA World Champion Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich.

Barrett rolled the only 300 game in the semifinal round Monday night, finishing with a 14-game total of 3,246 pins to win the top seat in the stepladder finals by 13 pins over Kretzer, who also is a one-time PBA Tour title winner. Ciminelli, who earned the top berth in the Viper Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge Sunday night, is the first player in World Series V to qualify for two telecasts. Smallwood won the fourth spot by four pins over Patrick Allen of Wesley Chapel, Fla., who earlier in the round called a foul on himself, costing him a place in the stepladder finals.

"It was a great run, perfect, couldn't have worked out better," Barrett said. "I won my title on the old Scorpion pattern, which is very similar to the new Chameleon lane condition, and it really matched up well to my game. I used the knowledge I've gotten from bowling in this center before and it helped me a lot.

"I'm over the moon," he said with a grin. "I've bowled the best this week that I've ever bowled in my life, and this is the World Series, the biggest event there is. I had a couple of down moments in (the Viper Championship semifinal round) last night, but I went to bed, thought about it and woke up with a new attitude."

Barrett went into the Viper semifinal round Sunday night as the tournament leader, but fell to 13th place by the end of the round.

Earlier Monday, the field of 235 players completed the third of four qualifying rounds for the PBA World Championship. The combined seven-game qualifying scores from the four animal pattern tournaments – Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Tuesday's Scorpion Championship – will determine the top 24 players who will advance to World Championship round-robin match play on Wednesday and Thursday. After the Chameleon round, Barrett led World Championship qualifying with 5,046 pins, followed by Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, with a 4,905 total and Jason Belmonte of Australia in third place with 4,836 pins.

All qualifying rounds from the World Series are being covered live on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel, and via "live scoring" on pba.com. For daily, monthly or yearly subscriptions to Xtra Frame, click on the Xtra Frame link on the pba.com home page. Tuesday's schedule includes Scorpion Championship qualifying squads at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. PT, and the top 24 semifinal round starting at 7:30 p.m.

PBA CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP
South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Monday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after 7 games, top 24 advance to semifinal round)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 3,246.
- 2, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,233.
- 3, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,211.
- 4, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,198.
- 5, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,194, \$4,000.
- 6, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,171, \$3,500.
- 7, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,154, \$3,000.
- 8, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 3,127, \$2,500.
- 9, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,104, \$2,200.
- 10, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 3,083, \$2,000.
- 11, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,064, \$1,800.
- 12, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,061, \$1,700.
- 13, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,051, \$1,650.
- 14, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 3,042, \$1,600.
- 15, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,018, \$1,550.
- 16, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,017, \$1,500.
- 17, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,008, \$1,450.
- 18, Giorgio Clinaz Jr., Venezuela, 3,004, \$1,400.
- 19, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 2,978, \$1,350.
- 20, Alan Mojado, Pala, Calif., 2,973, \$1,300.
- 21, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 2,972, \$1,275.
- 22, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 2,958, \$1,250.
- 23, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 2,902, \$1,225.
- 24, Paul Moor, England, 2,869, \$1,200.

300 Games: Alan Mojada, DJ Archer, Johnathan Bower, Dom Barrett.

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New York's Ciminelli Tops Field for PBA Viper Championship Finals

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 27, 2013) – Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., with a strike in the 10th frame of his final game Sunday, captured the top berth for the Professional Bowlers Association's Viper Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge at South Point Bowling Center.

The Viper Championship is the second of five PBA Tour events that compose the PBA World Series of Bowling V.

Ciminelli, who won his only PBA Tour title in the 2011 Earl Anthony Memorial, battled for the lead all day, but didn't make the move into first place until the final frame of his 14th game. His 268 final game gave him a total of 3,244 pins (231.71 average) and the lead by 18 pins over Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas. England's Stuart Williams finished third and Australia's Jason Belmonte earned the fourth berth in the Nov. 2 Viper finals with a 3,178 total, 32 pins ahead of D.J. Archer of Friendswood, Texas, who rolled the only 300 of the Viper event in the final game.

"Considering how demanding the lane conditions were, I threw a lot of strikes," Ciminelli said. "The lanes were just downright tough, especially after the high scores we had Saturday (in the Cheetah Championship).

"The first three games today, I had the pocket, but I couldn't knock pins over. I figured the day was going to be short, just like it was Saturday. But I changed balls and the pins started falling. It didn't matter if I hit the pocket light, heavy, whatever. As long as I kept my feet slow and got the ball out on the lane, everything fell into place."

NFL all-pro wide receiver Terrell Owens, who is making his professional bowling debut in the World Series, averaged 145.71 on the Viper lane condition Sunday.

"Bad day," he said. "It's frustrating because I know I can do better, but it's all a learning process. I'm a competitive person. I'm not going to give up."

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PBA VIPER CHAMPIONSHIP presented by PBA Bowling Challenge
South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Sunday

SEMIFINAL ROUND STANDINGS (after 14 games; top 4 advance to ESPN stepladder finals at 3 p.m. PT on Saturday, Nov. 2, at South Point Exhibition Hall B)

- 1, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,244.
- 2, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,226.
- 3, Stuart Williams, England, 3,207.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,178.
- 5, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,146, \$4,000.
- 6, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 3,112, \$3,500.
- 7, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 3,107, \$3,000.
- 8, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,097, \$2,500.
- 9, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,091, \$2,200.
- 10, Paul Moor, England, 3,053, \$2,000.
- 11, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 3,050, \$1,800.
- 12, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,032, \$1,700.
- 13, Dom Barrett, England, 3,017, \$1,650.
- 14, Patrick Girard, Canada, 2,998, \$1,600.
- 15, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 2,995, \$1,550.
- 16, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 2,994, \$1,500.
- 17, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 2,973, \$1,450.
- 18, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 2,971, \$1,400.
- 19, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 2,957, \$1,350.
- 20, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 2,933, \$1,300.
- 21, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 2,913, \$1,263.
- 21, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 2,913, \$1,263.
- 23, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 2,897, \$1,225.
- 24, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 2,891, \$1,200.

300 Games: D.J. Archer.

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Michigan's Tom Smallwood Leads Qualifying in PBA Chameleon Championship

England's Dom Barrett leads PBA World Championship qualifying with Scorpion round to go

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 28, 2013) – Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., averaged 246.86 Monday to claim the first round lead in the Professional Bowlers Association's Chameleon Championship at South Point Bowling Center, the third of five events that compose the PBA World Series of Bowling V.

Smallwood, who won the 2010 PBA World Championship in his rookie year for his only PBA Tour title, rolled games of 211, 258, 259, 267, 238, 259 and 236 for a seven-game total of 1,728 pins and a 41-pin lead over Todd Book of Russells Point, Ohio.

The top 24 players after seven games advanced to the seven-game semifinal round which began at 7:30 p.m. PT Monday. The top four after 14 games will advance to the Chameleon Championship finals which will be conducted on Saturday, Nov. 2, for telecast on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 1 p.m. ET.

"It was fun," Smallwood said. "It was the first day I didn't start out in the hole. I had a 211 first game, switched balls, and the lane condition really opened up for me. The Chameleon is my favorite pattern anyway. I've made three TV shows on this condition, so I felt very comfortable coming in.

"I had a very mediocre first couple of days (in the Cheetah and Viper Championships)," he continued. "I never bowled terrible, but it wasn't good. But now I'm back in the hunt for the World Championship. I'd love to make the Chameleon TV show, but the World Championship is the one we all want to get to, and I should be in the top 24 after today. I just need to bowl another good round tomorrow (in the Scorpion Championship) to stay in the top 24."

The combined seven-game qualifying scores from the four animal pattern tournaments – Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Tuesday's Scorpion Championship – will determine the top 24 players who will advance to World Championship round-robin match play on Wednesday and Thursday.

At the end of the Cheetah, Viper and Chameleon rounds, England's Dom Barrett led PBA World Championship qualifying with 5,046 pins, followed by Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, with a 4,905 total and Jason Belmonte of Australia in third place with 4,836 pins.

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PBA CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP
South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Monday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after 7 games, top 24 advance to semifinal round)

- 1, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,728.
- 2, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 1,687.
- 3, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,678.
- 4, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,674.
- 5, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 1,668.
- 6, Dom Barrett, England, 1,664.
- 7, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,661.
- 8, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,658.
- 9, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 1,624.
- 10, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,618.
- 11, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,606.
- 12, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,602.
- 13, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,600.
- 14, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,592.
- 15, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,586.
- 16, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 1,584.
- 17, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,578.
- 18 (tie), Shawn Maldonado, Houston, and Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,575.
- 20, Paul Moor, England, 1,572.
- 21, Alan Mojado, Pala, Calif., 1,562, \$100.
- 22 (tie), Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., and Giorgio Clinaz Jr., Venezuela, 1,560.
- 24, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,559.

Other Cashers (after 7 games)

- 25, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,556, \$800.
- 26, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,552, \$770.
- 27, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,548, \$750.
- 28 (tie), Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,545, and Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,545, \$735.
- 30, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,542, \$720.
- 31 (tie), Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill.; Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., and 1,539, \$470.
- 31, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 1,539, \$470.

Failed to Cash

- 34, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 1,533.
- 35, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 1,532.
- 36, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,527.
- 37, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,526.
- 38, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,525.
- 39 (tie), Chad Lusche, Arvada, Colo., and Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,523.
- 41, Timothy Tripp, Santa Clarita, Calif., 1,520.
- 42, Mike Bailey, Allen, Texas, 1,519.
- 43, Dale Coleman, High Springs, Fla., 1,517.
- 44, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 1,516.
- 45, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,515.
- 46 (tie), Luis Rovaina Jr., Venezuela; Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., and Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 1,513.
- 49, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,512.
- 50, Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., 1,509.
- 51 (tie), Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, and Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 1,504.

53, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 1,500.
 54, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 1,499.
 55, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 1,498.
 56, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,496.
 57, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,493.
 58, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,491.
 59, Keith Laing, Culver City, Calif., 1,490.
 60 (tie), Stuart Williams, England; Matt Watson, Australia; Tommy Berish, Cordova, Tenn.; Hadley Morgan, England, and PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 1,488.
 65, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,486.
 66 (tie), David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., and Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 1,485.
 68 (tie), Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., and Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 1,483.
 70, Jason Miller, San Antonio, 1,482.
 71, James McClelland, Venice, Fla., 1,480.
 72 (tie), Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., and Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 1,479.
 74, Meen Woo Kim, Korea, 1,478.
 75, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 1,477.
 76 (tie), Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J.; Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, and Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 1,474.
 79, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,473.
 80 (tie), Nick Morgan, Sacramento, Calif., and Travis Celmer, Wernersville, Pa., 1,472.
 82, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 1,471.
 83 (tie), Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,470.
 85, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 1,469.
 86 (tie), Andres Gomez, Colombia, and Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,466.
 88, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,462.
 89, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,461.
 90, B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 1,458.
 91, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 1,456.
 92, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 1,453.
 93, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 1,452.
 94, T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 1,451.
 95 (tie), Lee Rathjen Jr., Naples, Fla., and Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 1,449.
 97, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 1,448.
 98, Anthony Colosimo, Pembroke Pines, Fla., 1,447.
 99 (tie), Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., and Kim Bolleby, Sweden, 1,444.
 101 (tie), Hyun Bum Kim, Korea, and Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 1,443.
 103, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 1,442.
 104, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 1,441.
 105 (tie), Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis.; Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., and Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn., 1,438.
 108, David Maycock, Bermuda, 1,436.
 109, Travis Anderson, Washington, Ill., 1,434.
 110, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 1,431.
 111, Andre Eubanks, Los Angeles, 1,430.
 112, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,429.
 113 (tie), Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., and Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 1,425.
 115, Robert Lee, Japan, 1,423.
 116, Ashley Warren, Australia, 1,419.
 117 (tie), Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, and Hernan Ramirez, Venezuela, 1,418.
 119, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,415.
 120, Bryan Viator, Friendswood, Texas, 1,414.

121, Kyle Paxson, Orlando, Fla., 1,413.
 122, Sandra Andersson, Sweden, 1,412.
 123 (tie), Clarence White, Tracy, Calif., and Pat Nolan, Japan, 1,411.
 125 (tie), Ryan Appel, Cinnaminson, N.J., and Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,410.
 127 (tie), Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., and Randy Pedersen, Clermont, Fla., 1,407.
 129, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,406.
 130 (tie), Gary Haines, West Babylon, N.Y., and Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 1,405.
 132, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,403.
 133, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,401.
 134, Scott Halvarson, Lakewood, Wash., 1,400.
 135, David Stouffer, Lehigh Acres, Fla., 1,399.
 136 (tie), Jeff Roche, Dearborn, Mich., and Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 1,397.
 138, Robert Piroozshad, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1,396.
 139, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 1,395.
 140, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 1,390.
 141, Curtis Woods Jr., Santa Rosa, Calif., 1,389.
 142 (tie), Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., and Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,385.
 144, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,384.
 145, Wesley Edwards, Blue Springs, Mo., 1,383.
 146, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,382.
 147 (tie), Frank Guccione, Castle Rock, Colo., and Clara Guerrero, Colombia, 1,379.
 149, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 1,376.
 150, Mykhaylo Kalika, Ukraine, 1,375.
 151, Kevin Beers, Reinholds, Pa., 1,371.
 152, Ed Cutter, Manassas Park, Va., 1,368.
 153, Rameses Chambers, Kansas City, Mo., 1,366.
 154 (tie), Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., and Bob Markiewicz, San Diego, 1,365.
 156, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 1,362.
 157 (tie), Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., and Kevin Gallagher, Torrance, Calif., 1,361.
 159, Vinny D'Ambrosio III, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,359.
 160, Jon King, Australia, 1,355.
 161, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,353.
 162 (tie), Christopher Sloan, Ireland, and Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,352.
 164 (tie), Calvin Sellers, Stratford, Conn.; Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla.; Brian Nicodemus, Akron, Ind., and Ken Truong, Canada, 1,351.
 168, Junia Yoshida, Japan, 1,350.
 169, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 1,349.
 170 (tie), Mike Armstrong Jr., Battle Ground, Wash., and Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 1,348.
 172, Russ Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,343.
 173, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,341.
 174, Kelvin Wiggins, Rocky Mt., N.C., 1,340.
 175, Wayne Garber, Modesto, Calif., 1,337.
 176, Jonathan Sellers, Stratford, Conn., 1,334.
 177 (tie), Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.; Jim Pratt, Glendale, Ariz., and Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,333.
 180, Alejandro Reyna, Costa Rica, 1,332.
 181, Will Garber, Modesto, Calif., 1,331.
 182, Marek Talpa, Czech Republic, 1,330.
 183 (tie), Chad Pojas, Wahiawa, Hawaii, and Clint Land, Richmond, Texas, 1,328.
 185, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 1,326.
 186 (tie), Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., and Stephen Carter, Australia, 1,324.
 188, Gabriel Sanchez, Puerto Rico, 1,319.

189 (tie), Jacob Heger, Spring, Texas, and Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,318.
 191 (tie), James Wallace, Hicksville, N.Y., and Matt Schermerhorn, El Segundo, Calif., 1,314.
 193, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 1,312.
 194 (tie), Raymond Watts, Orange, Calif.; Shigeo Saitoh, Japan, and Gustavo Viramontes Jr., Mexico, 1,309.
 197, Justin Stevens, Aiea, Hawaii, 1,307.
 198, Chris Watson, Australia, 1,304.
 199, Matt Villegas, Phoenix, 1,303.
 200 (tie), Scott Dull, Cresson, Texas; William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., and Jon Wheatley, Australia, 1,301.
 203, Keith Bullock, Moscow Mill, Mo, 1,298.
 204, Jay Hess, Ocoee, Fla., 1,296.
 205, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,290.
 206, Richard Lupo, St. Charles, Mo., 1,288.
 207, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 1,284.
 208 (tie), David Knight Jr., Folcroft, Pa., and Douglas Yu, Canada, 1,282.
 210, Matthew Graham, Emeryville, Calif., 1,277.
 211, Rob Shepherd, Sierra Vista, Ariz., 1,273.
 212, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 1,272.
 213, Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 1,269.
 214, Paul Nilsen Sr., Murrieta, Calif., 1,265.
 215 (tie), Alvaro Infante, Venezuela, and Kevin Kullman, Tinley Park, Ill., 1,252.
 217, Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 1,239.
 218, Josh Lewis, Asheville, N.C., 1,237.
 219, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,236.
 220, Cameron Zacher, Australia, 1,233.
 221, Dustin Sherman, Petaluma, Calif., 1,213.
 222, Ariachizu Kamalu, Chicago, 1,210.
 223, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 1,204.
 224, Kalani Dilliner, Las Vegas, 1,198.
 225, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 1,188.
 226, Gary Baker, England, 1,183.
 227, Vijay Krishnamoorthy, Kennesaw, Ga., 1,181.
 228, J.D. Sommers, San Jose, Calif., 1,165.
 229, Vladimir Sverchkov, Russia, 1,162.
 230, J.T. "Action" Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,153.
 231, Terrell Owens, Studio City, Calif., 1,138.
 232, Dave Nebe, Richmond, Va., 1,088.
 233, Joseph Costanzo, Bethpage, N.Y., withdrew
 234, Frankie Mazzella, Staten Island, N.Y., withdrew
 235, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., withdrew.

300 Games: Alan Mojada, DJ Archer, Johnathan Bower.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING STANDINGS (after 21 of 28 games; top 24 after Tuesday's Scorpion Championships qualifying round will advance to round-robin match play Wednesday and Thursday)

1, Dom Barrett, England, 5,046.
 2, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 4,905.
 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 4,836.
 4, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 4,834.
 5, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 4,804.

6, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4,786.
 7, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 4,780.
 8, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 4,778.
 9, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 4,761.
 10, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 4,751.
 11, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 4,747.
 12 (tie), Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., and Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 4,746.
 14, Paul Moor, England, 4,742.
 15, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 4,740.
 16, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 4,735.
 17, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 4,726.
 18 (tie), D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, and Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 4,721.
 20, Stuart Williams, England, 4,716.
 21, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 4,715.
 22, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 4,704.
 23 (tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 4,703.
 25, Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., 4,696.
 26, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4,683.
 27, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 4,676.
 28, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 4,675.
 29, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 4,668.
 30, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4,656.
 31, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 4,650.
 32, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 4,644.
 33, Patrick Girard, Canada, 4,639.
 34, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 4,633.
 35, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 4,631.
 36 (tie), Tom Baker, King, N.C., and Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 4,625.
 38, Dale Coleman, High Springs, Fla., 4,616.
 39, Kevin Gallagher, Torrance, Calif., 4,615.
 40, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 4,612.
 41, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 4,610.
 42, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 4,608.
 43, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 4,604.
 44, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 4,602.
 45, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 4,598.
 46 (tie), Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, and Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 4,596.
 48, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 4,579.
 49, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 4,577.
 50, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 4,575.
 51 (tie), Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., and Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 4,564.
 53, Bryan Viator, Friendswood, Texas, 4,560.
 54, Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 4,556.
 55, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 4,555.
 56, Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, 4,547.
 57, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 4,544.
 58, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 4,541.
 59, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 4,534.
 60, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 4,532.
 61, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 4,521.
 62, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 4,520.
 63, Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 4,515.

64 (tie), Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., and Timothy Tripp, Santa Clarita, Calif., 4,508.
 66 (tie), Travis Anderson, Washington, Ill., and Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 4,503.
 68, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 4,501.
 69, (tie) Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, and Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 4,500.
 71, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 4,498.
 72, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 4,497.
 73 (tie), Andres Gomez, Colombia, and Hadley Morgan, England, 4,493.
 75, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 4,492.
 76 (tie), Shota Kawazoe, Japan; Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., and Randy Pedersen, Clermont, Fla., 4,488.
 79, Luis Rovaina Jr., Venezuela, 4,486.
 80, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 4,483.
 81, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 4,482.
 82, Alan Mojado, Pala, Calif., 4,478.
 83, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 4,477.
 84, Clara Guerrero, Colombia, 4,473.
 85, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 4,465.
 86, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 4,462.
 87, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 4,461.
 88, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 4,459.
 89, Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 4,458.
 90, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 4,450.
 91, Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 4,438.
 92, Kim Bolleby, Sweden, 4,436.
 93, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 4,434.
 94, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 4,432.
 94, Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 4,432.
 96 (tie), Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., and B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 4,423.
 98, Andre Eubanks, Los Angeles, 4,416.
 99, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 4,409.
 99, Anthony Colosimo, Pembroke Pines, Fla., 4,409.
 101, David Stouffer, Lehigh Acres, Fla., 4,396.
 102, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 4,392.
 103, Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn., 4,385.
 104, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 4,384.
 105, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 4,382.
 106, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 4,381.
 107 (tie), Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., and Mike Bailey, Allen, Texas, 4,376.
 109 (tie), Keith Laing, Culver City, Calif., and Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 4,371.
 111, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 4,366.
 112, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 4,363.
 113, Ashley Warren, Australia, 4,362.
 114, Tommy Berish, Cordova, Tenn., 4,361.
 115, Jeff Roche, Dearborn, Mich., 4,354.
 116, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 4,353.
 117, Jim Pratt, Glendale, Ariz., 4,349.
 118, Christopher Sloan, Ireland, 4,347.
 119, Lee Rathjen Jr., Naples, Fla., 4,340.
 120, Hyun Bum Kim, Korea, 4,338.
 121 (tie), Curtis Woods Jr., Santa Rosa, Calif.; Sandra Andersson, Sweden, and Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 4,326.
 124 (tie), Will Garber, Modesto, Calif., and Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 4,325.

126 (tie), Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., and Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 4,322.
 128, Giorgio Clinaz Jr., Venezuela, 4,320.
 129, David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., 4,318.
 130 (tie), James McClelland, Venice, Fla., and Travis Celmer, Wernersville, Pa., 4,317.
 132, Vinny D'Ambrosio III, Staten Island, N.Y., 4,315.
 133, Hernan Ramirez, Venezuela, 4,313.
 134 (tie), Chad Pojas, Wahiawa, Hawaii, and Wayne Garber, Modesto, Calif., 4,311.
 136, Robert Lee, Japan, 4,309.
 137, Clint Land, Richmond, Texas, 4,304.
 138, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 4,301.
 139, Brian Nicodemus, Akron, Ind., 4,300.
 140, Kyle Paxson, Orlando, Fla., 4,294.
 141, Chad Lusche, Arvada, Colo., 4,287.
 142, Pat Nolan, Japan, 4,286.
 143, Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., 2,883.
 144 (tie), Meen Woo Kim, Korea, and Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 4,277.
 146 (tie), James Wallace, Hicksville, N.Y., and Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 4,267.
 148 (tie), Scott Halvarson, Lakewood, Wash., and Jacob Heger, Spring, Texas, 4,266.
 150 (tie), Bob Markiewicz, San Diego, and John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 4,249.
 152, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 4,247.
 153, Shigeo Saitoh, Japan, 4,245.
 154, T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 4,240.
 155, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 4,227.
 156, Gary Haines, West Babylon, N.Y., 4,225.
 157, Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 4,223.
 158, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 4,219.
 159 (tie), Clarence White, Tracy, Calif., and Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 4,218.
 161 (tie), Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., and David Maycock, Bermuda, 4,209.
 163, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 4,204.
 164, Ryan Appel, Cinnaminson, N.J., 4,202.
 165, Nick Morgan, Sacramento, Calif., 4,198.
 166, Kevin Beers, Reinholds, Pa., 4,197.
 167, Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 4,159.
 168, Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., 4,157.
 169, Calvin Sellers, Stratford, Conn., 4,152.
 170, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 4,143.
 171, Matt Watson, Australia, 4,139.
 172, Robert Piroozshad, Brooklyn, N.Y., 4,134.
 173, Mike Armstrong Jr., Battle Ground, Wash., 4,132.
 174 (tie), Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va.; Gustavo Viramontes Jr., Mexico, and Rameses Chambers, Kansas City, Mo., 4,130.
 177, Alejandro Reyna, Costa Rica, 4,125.
 178, Kelvin Wiggins, Rocky Mt., N.C., 4,120.
 179, Marek Talpa, Czech Republic, 4,118.
 180, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 4,114.
 181, Raymond Watts, Orange, Calif., 4,110.
 182, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 4,105.
 183 (tie), Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., and Junia Yoshida, Japan, 4,099.
 185, David Knight Jr., Folcroft, Pa., 4,094.
 186, Kalani Dilliner, Las Vegas, 4,092.
 187, Gabriel Sanchez, Puerto Rico, 4,086.
 188, Wesley Edwards, Blue Springs, Mo., 4,082.

- 189, Matt Schermerhorn, El Segundo, Calif., 4,079.
- 190, Jonathan Sellers, Stratford, Conn., 4,051.
- 191, Jon King, Australia, 4,032.
- 192, Mykhaylo Kalika, Ukraine, 4,029.
- 193, Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 4,024.
- 194, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 4,010.
- 195, Matt Villegas, Phoenix, 4,009.
- 196 (tie), Frank Guccione, Castle Rock, Colo., and Justin Stevens, Aiea, Hawaii, 4,001.
- 198, Douglas Yu, Canada, 3,996.
- 199, Stephen Carter, Australia, 3,983.
- 200, Kevin Kullman, Tinley Park, Ill., 3,981.
- 201, Russ Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 3,971.
- 202, Cameron Zacher, Australia, 3,969.
- 203, Dustin Sherman, Petaluma, Calif., 3,967.
- 204, Jay Hess, Ocoee, Fla., 3,926.
- 205, Jason Miller, San Antonio, 3,925.
- 206, Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 3,923.
- 207 (tie), Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., and Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 3,920.
- 209, Frankie Mazzella, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,319.
- 210, Josh Lewis, Asheville, N.C., 3,916.
- 211, Rob Shepherd, Sierra Vista, Ariz., 3,914.
- 212, Chris Watson, Australia, 3,912.
- 213, Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev., 3,911.
- 214, Gary Baker, England, 3,909.
- 215, Matthew Graham, Emeryville, Calif., 3,899.
- 216, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 3,893.
- 217, Ken Truong, Canada, 3,845.
- 218, Keith Bullock, Moscow Mill, Mo., 3,826.
- 219, Ed Cutter, Manassas Park, Va., 3,819.
- 220, Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 3,801.
- 221, Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 3,800.
- 222, Scott Dull, Cresson, Texas, 3,794.
- 223, Paul Nilsen Sr., Murrieta, Calif., 3,793.
- 224, Jon Wheatley, Australia, 3,786.
- 225, Richard Lupo, St. Charles, Mo., 3,782.
- 226, J.T. "Action" Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 3,744.
- 227, Ariachizu Kamalu, Chicago, 3,743.
- 228, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 3,667.
- 229, J.D. Sommers, San Jose, Calif., 3,636.
- 230, Vijay Krishnamoorthy, Kennesaw, Ga., 3,539.
- 231, Alvaro Infante, Venezuela, 3,507.
- 232, Vladimir Sverchkov, Russia, 3,466.
- 233, Dave Nebe, Richmond, Va., 3,432.
- 234, Terrell Owens, Studio City, Calif., 3,336.

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England's Barrett Takes First Round Lead in PBA Viper Championship

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 27, 2013) – England's Dom Barrett averaged 243 Sunday to take the first round lead in the Professional Bowlers Association's Viper Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge at South Point Bowling Center. The Viper Championship is the second of five PBA Tour events that compose the PBA World Series of Bowling V.

Barrett, who won his only PBA Tour title in the 2011 Scorpion Championship during PBA World Series of Bowling III at South Point, rolled games of 247, 223, 258, 289, 279 and 244 before struggling through a 161 game to close his round. The 28-year-old right-hander finished with a seven-game total of 1,701 pins and a 32-pi lead over PBA Tour rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., heading into Sunday night's seven-game semifinal round.

"It was a really good round," Barrett said. "We had a late night Saturday, and didn't get as much sleep as you'd like, but I had a good breakfast and got back to work. I had a good picture of how the lanes were playing, and I put four good games together. I was able to take advantage of a really good ball reaction, and that was the key to the round."

The top 24 players advanced to the semifinal round which began at 7:30 p.m. PT. The top four after 14 games will advance to the Viper Championship finals which will be conducted on Saturday, Nov. 2, for telecast on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 1 p.m. ET.

NFL all-pro wide receiver Terrell Owens, who is making is professional bowling debut in the World Series, averaged 145.71 on the Viper lane condition Sunday.

"Bad day," he said. "It's frustrating because I know I can do better, but it's all a learning process. I'm a competitive person. I'm not going to give up."

Combined seven-game qualifying scores from the Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion Championships will determine the 24 players who will advance to the PBA World Championship match play finals Wednesday and Thursday. After 14 games, xxx led World Championship qualifying with a xx total, xx pins ahead of xx.

Late Saturday night, PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III used a pair of 300 games in averaging 250.21 over 14 games to earn the top qualifying position for the Cheetah Championships, the first event in the World Series. Bohn, a 33-time PBA Tour winner and the defending PBA World Champion, topped fellow Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., by 49 pins for the top berth. Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, the 2013 U.S. Open champion, qualified third and Colombia native Clara Guerrero made PBA history as

the third woman ever to advance to a nationally-televised championship round, qualifying fourth. The Cheetah Championship finals will be contested on Saturday, Nov. 2, for telecast on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 1, at 1 p.m. ET.

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PBA VIPER CHAMPIONSHIP presented by PBA Bowling Challenge
South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Sunday

FIRST ROUND STANDINGS (after 7 games; top 24 advance to semifinal round Sunday at 7:30 p.m. PT)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 1,701.
- 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,669.
- 3, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 1,649.
- 4, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 1,641.
- 5, Stuart Williams, England, 1,623.
- 6, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,617.
- 7, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,597.
- 8, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,595.
- 9, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,593.
- 10, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,581.
- 11, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,579.
- 12, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,577.
- 13, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,570.
- 14, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,564.
- 15, Paul Moor, England, 1,561.
- 16, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 1,560.
- 17, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 1,553.
- 18, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 1,550.
- 19, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,548.
- 20, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,547.
- 20, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,547.
- 22, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,538.
- 23, Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 1,533.
- 24, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 1,530.

Other Cashers (after seven games)

- 25, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,526, \$800.
- 26 (tie), Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.; Dale Coleman, High Springs, Fla., and Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,525, \$753.
- 29 (tie), Thomas Larsen, Denmark, and Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 1,524, \$725.
- 31, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 1,523, \$710.
- 32, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,522, \$700.

Failed to Advance

- 33 (tie), David Stouffer, Lehigh Acres, Fla., and Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 1,521.
- 35, Jim Pratt, Glendale, Ariz., 1,519.
- 36, Kevin Gallagher, Torrance, Calif., 1,516.
- 37, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 1,512.
- 38, Hyun Bum Kim, Korea, 1,511.

39 (tie), Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., and Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 1,506.
 41 (tie), Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., and Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,505.
 43 (tie), Randy Pedersen, Clermont, Fla., and Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 1,502.
 45, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 1,501.
 46, Shigeo Saitoh, Japan, 1,498.
 47, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 1,497.
 48, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,495.
 49, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 1,494.
 50, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 1,493.
 51 (tie), Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., and Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 1,486.
 53, Christopher Sloan, Ireland, 1,478.
 54 (tie), Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., and Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 1,476.
 57, Hadley Morgan, England, 1,475.
 58 (tie), Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J.; Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich.; Sandra Andersson, Sweden, and Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 1,474.
 62, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., 1,472.
 63 (tie), Bryan Viator, Friendswood, Texas; Kyle Paxson, Orlando, Fla.; Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., and Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,471.
 67 (tie), Andres Gomez, Colombia, and Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,470.
 69 (tie), Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., and Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 1,467.
 71, Clint Land, Richmond, Texas, 1,461.
 72, Fumihiro Yoshida, Japan, 1,459.
 73, Kalani Dilliner, Las Vegas, 1,458.
 74 (tie), Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., and Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 1,457.
 76 (tie), Scott Halvarson, Lakewood, Wash., and Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 1,450.
 78, Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 1,445.
 79, David Maycock, Bermuda, 1,442.
 80, Wayne Garber, Modesto, Calif., 1,441.
 81 (tie), Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., and Andre Eubanks, Los Angeles, 1,440.
 83, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 1,438.
 84, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,437.
 85, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,434.
 86 (tie), Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., and Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,433.
 88, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 1,430.
 89, Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., 1,428.
 90 (tie), James Wallace, Hicksville, N.Y., and Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 1,427.
 92, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,426.
 93, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,424.
 94, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 1,423.
 95 (tie), Alan Mojado, Pala, Calif.; Ryan Appel, Cinnaminson, N.J., and Chad Pojas, Wahiawa, Hawaii, 1,422.
 98, Mike Bailey, Allen, Texas, 1,418.
 99, Timothy Tripp, Santa Clarita, Calif., 1,417.
 100, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 1,416.
 101, Anthony Colosimo, Pembroke Pines, Fla., 1,415.
 102, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,414.
 103 (tie), Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., and Keith Laing, Culver City, Calif., 1,413.
 105, Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 1,411.
 106, James McClelland, Venice, Fla., 1,409.
 107, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,407.
 108 (tie), Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., and Clara Guerrero, Colombia, 1,405.

110 (tie), Vinny D'Ambrosio III, Staten Island, N.Y., and PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 1,403.
 112 (tie), Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., and Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,402.
 114 (tie), Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., and Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 1,401.
 116, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 1,400.
 117, Travis Anderson, Washington, Ill., 1,395.
 118 (tie), Mike DeVaney, Winchester, Calif., and Will Garber, Modesto, Calif., 1,392.
 120, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,391.
 121, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 1,390.
 122, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 1,388.
 123, Jeff Roche, Dearborn, Mich., 1,387.
 124, Kevin Beers, Reinholds, Pa., 1,386.
 125, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,385.
 126, Tim Gillick, Milford, Conn., 1,384.
 127, Robert Lee, Japan, 1,381.
 128, Paul Nilsen Sr., Murrieta, Calif., 1,380.
 129, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 1,378.
 130 (tie), Rameses Chambers, Kansas City, Mo., and Lee Rathjen Jr., Naples, Fla., 1,377.
 132, Luis Rovaina Jr., Venezuela, 1,376.
 133 (tie), Kim Bolleby, Sweden, and Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,375.
 135, Bob Markiewicz, San Diego, 1,374.
 136, Carsten Hansen, Denmark, 1,372.
 137, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,370.
 138, Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 1,369.
 139, B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 1,368.
 140, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 1,367.
 141, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 1,366.
 142, Curtis Woods Jr., Santa Rosa, Calif., 1,364.
 143 (tie), Ashley Warren, Australia, and Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 1,363.
 145 (tie), Marek Talpa, Czech Republic, and Nick Morgan, Sacramento, Calif., 1,361.
 147 (tie), Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., and Hernan Ramirez, Venezuela, 1,360.
 149 (tie), Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., and Cameron Zacher, Australia, 1,355.
 151, David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., 1,354.
 152, Tommy Berish, Cordova, Tenn., 1,353.
 153, Gustavo Viramontes Jr., Mexico, 1,350.
 154 (tie), Brian Nicodemus, Akron, Ind., and Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,348.
 156, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,345.
 157 (tie), Giorgio Clinaz Jr., Venezuela; Wesley Edwards, Blue Springs, Mo.; Jon King, Australia, and Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,338.
 161, Chris Watson, Australia, 1,337.
 162, Justin Stevens, Aiea, Hawaii, 1,336.
 163 (tie), Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., and Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 1,330.
 165, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 1,328.
 166, Raymond Watts, Orange, Calif., 1,327.
 167, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 1,324.
 168, Meen Woo Kim, Korea, 1,323.
 169 (tie), Gary Haines, West Babylon, N.Y., and Matt Schermerhorn, El Segundo, Calif., 1,322.
 171, Junia Yoshida, Japan, 1,321.
 172, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,320.
 173 (tie), Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa; Jonathan Sellers, Stratford, Conn., and Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 1,319.
 176, Chad Lusche, Arvada, Colo., 1,311.
 177, William Keenan Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,309.

178, Kelvin Wiggins, Rocky Mt., N.C., 1,308.
 179 (tie), Travis Celmer, Wernersville, Pa.; T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., and Jonathan Hocsman, Argentina, 1,307.
 182, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 1,306.
 183, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,305.
 184, Alejandro Reyna, Costa Rica, 1,303.
 185, Pat Nolan, Japan, 1,300.
 186, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 1,299.
 187, Dustin Sherman, Petaluma, Calif., 1,298.
 188, Clarence White, Tracy, Calif., 1,297.
 189, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,294.
 190, Mike Armstrong Jr., Battle Ground, Wash., 1,286.
 191, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,284.
 192, Robert Piroozshad, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1,283.
 193, Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 1,282.
 194, Kevin Kullman, Tinley Park, Ill., 1,278.
 195, Mykhaylo Kalika, Ukraine, 1,276.
 196, Calvin Sellers, Stratford, Conn., 1,275.
 197, Jay Hess, Ocoee, Fla., 1,274.
 198, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 1,270.
 199 (tie), Frank Guccione, Castle Rock, Colo.; Joseph Costanzo, Bethpage, N.Y., and Adam Wilson, Reno, Nev., 1,269.
 202, Gabriel Sanchez, Puerto Rico, 1,266.
 203, Jacob Heger, Spring, Texas, 1,262.
 204, Gary Baker, England, 1,261.
 205, David Knight Jr., Folcroft, Pa., 1,260.
 206 (tie), Josh Lewis, Asheville, N.C., and Myles Duty, Modesto, Calif., 1,252.
 208, Matt Watson, Australia, 1,251.
 209, J.D. Sommers, San Jose, Calif., 1,250.
 210, Austin Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,247.
 211, Ed Cutter, Manassas Park, Va., 1,243.
 212, Scott Dull, Cresson, Texas, 1,240.
 213 (tie), Frankie Mazzella, Staten Island, N.Y., and Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 1,238.
 215, Ken Truong, Canada, 1,232.
 216, J.T. "Action" Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,231.
 217 (tie), Vijay Krishnamoorthy, Kennesaw, Ga., and Stephen Carter, Australia, 1,226.
 219, Russ Hunt, Kennewick, Wash., 1,222.
 220, Ariachizu Kamalu, Chicago, 1,221.
 221, Matthew Graham, Emeryville, Calif., 1,216.
 222 (tie), Glenn Morgan, Carson City, Nev.; Jason Miller, San Antonio, and Matt Villegas, Phoenix, 1,206.
 225, Douglas Yu, Canada, 1,205.
 226, Rob Shepherd, Sierra Vista, Ariz., 1,204.
 227, Keith Bullock, Moscow Mill, Mo., 1,190.
 228, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 1,175.
 229, Steve Ford, Seaside, Ore., 1,159.
 230, Richard Lupo, St. Charles, Mo., 1,158.
 231, Jon Wheatley, Australia, 1,155.
 232, Dave Nebe, Richmond, Va., 1,135.
 233, Alvaro Infante, Venezuela, 1,070.
 234, Terrell Owens, Studio City, Calif., 1,020.
 235, Vladimir Sverchkov, Russia, 848.

300 Games: none.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING (top 100 after 14 of 28 games; top 24 advance to World Championship match play)

- 1, Dom Barrett, England, 3,382.
- 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,357.
- 3, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,278.
- 4, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 3,259.
- 5, Kevin Gallagher, Torrance, Calif., 3,254.
- 6, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,247.
- 7, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 3,237.
- 8, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 3,236.
- 9, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 3,235.
- 10, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 3,234.
- 11, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,230.
- 12, Stuart Williams, England, 3,228.
- 13, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,222.
- 14, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3,221.
- 15, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 3,210.
- 16, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3,204.
- 17, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,201.
- 18, Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., 3,187.
- 19, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,186.
- 20, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,175.
- 21, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,172.
- 22 (tie), Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., and Paul Moor, England, 3,170.
- 24, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,165.
- 25, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 3,155.
- 26, Patrick Girard, Canada, 3,148.
- 27, Bryan Viator, Friendswood, Texas, 3,146.
- 28, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,135.
- 29, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 3,133.
- 30, Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, 3,129.
- 31, Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 3,128.
- 32, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 3,127.
- 33, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 3,123.
- 34, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,119.
- 35, Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 3,107.
- 36, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, 3,104.
- 37 (tie), D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, and Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3,103.
- 39 (tie), Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., and Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,102.
- 41, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 3,101.
- 42, Dale Coleman, High Springs, Fla., 3,099.
- 43, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 3,098.
- 44, Clara Guerrero, Colombia, 3,094.
- 45, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 3,093.
- 46, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 3,091.
- 47, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,090.
- 48, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,087.
- 49, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,084.
- 50, Randy Pedersen, Clermont, Fla., 3,081.
- 51, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 3,080.

- 52, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3,078.
- 53, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 3,076.
- 54 (tie), Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., and Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,073.
- 56, Travis Anderson, Washington, Ill, 3,069.
- 57 (tie), Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn.; John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., and Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala., 3,068.
- 60, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,062.
- 61 (tie), Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., and Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 3,061.
- 63, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 3,057.
- 64, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 3,048.
- 65, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 3,047.
- 66, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 3,045.
- 67 (tie), Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., and Joonas Jehkinen, Finland, 3,041.
- 69, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, 3,040.
- 70, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,039.
- 71, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 3,038.
- 72, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 3,036.
- 73, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 3,031.
- 74, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 3,028.
- 75 (tie), Andres Gomez, Colombia, and Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 3,027.
- 77, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,018.
- 78, Jim Pratt, Glendale, Ariz., 3,016.
- 79, Hadley Morgan, England, 3,005.
- 80, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3,001.
- 81, David Stouffer, Lehigh Acres, Fla., 2,997.
- 82 (tie), Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., and Christopher Sloan, Ireland, 2,995.
- 84, Will Garber, Modesto, Calif., 2,994.
- 85, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 2,993.
- 86, Kim Bolleby, Sweden, 2,992.
- 87, Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 2,989.
- 88, Timothy Tripp, Santa Clarita, Calif., 2,988.
- 89, Andre Eubanks, Los Angeles, 2,986.
- 90, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 2,984, \$100.
- 91, Chad Pojas, Wahiawa, Hawaii, 2,983.
- 92, Eric Forkel, Henderson, Nev., 2,982, \$100.
- 93, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 2,979.
- 94, Clint Land, Richmond, Texas, 2,976.
- 95, Wayne Garber, Modesto, Calif., 2,974.
- 96 (tie), Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, and Luis Rovaina Jr., Venezuela, 2,973.
- 98 (tie), Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., and Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2,968.
- 100, B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 2,965.

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Bohn Tops Cheetah Finalists as PBA World Series of Bowling Gets Underway

Colombia's Clara Guerrero becomes third woman to qualify for nationally-televised stepladder finals

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 26, 2013) – Defending Professional Bowlers Association World Champion Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., rolled a pair of 300 games Saturday on his way to earning the top qualifying position for the PBA Cheetah Championship finals at South Point Bowling Center while Colombia native Clara Guerrero became the third woman in PBA history to qualify for a nationally-televised stepladder final.

The Cheetah Championship is the first of five tournaments on the PBA World Series of Bowling V program which continues through Nov. 3.

Bohn, who won the 2012 World Championship during PBA World Series of Bowling IV, fired his 91st and 92nd career 300 games (one behind all-time leader Walter Ray Williams Jr., who has 93 perfect games in PBA competition) for a 14-game total of 3,503 pins and a 250.21 average. The 33-time PBA Tour champion won the top berth in the Cheetah stepladder finals by 49 pins over fellow PBA Hall of Famer and 37-time Tour champion Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo. Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, the 2013 U.S. Open champion, qualified third with 3,452 pins and Guerrero finished her climb from 10th place to claim the fourth berth in the finals with a 3,446 total.

Guerrero will join Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., and Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., as the third woman to reach the championship round of a PBA Tour event. Kulick went on to win the 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions to become the only woman to capture a PBA Tour title.

The Cheetah Championship finals will be conducted on Saturday, Nov. 2, on lanes installed in South Point's Exhibition Hall B and will air on ESPN on Sunday, Dec. 1, at 1 p.m. ET.

Bohn, who started the semifinal round in fifth place, found his comfort zone and ran away from the field.

"I don't have many issues with the Cheetah lane condition," Bohn said. "My speed allowed me to play it comfortably. The lanes were a little tighter than they were in practice, but once I got my speed dialed in, the ball did what it was supposed to do.

"I'm very, very happy," he added. "Now I get to bowl one game for the title, which is always a good thing. Even better, I'm way ahead of last year when I didn't have one top 16 finish in any of the animal pattern events, but I still won the World Championship."

Guerrero's charge out of 10th place was a surprise to everyone but her. Earlier in the day, she became the second woman in the five-year history of PBA World Series competition to finish among the top 24 in the 238-player, male-dominated event. Kulick finished 15th in the 2010 Shark Championship, seventh in the 2011 Chameleon Championship and 21st in the 2012 Viper Championship. Guerrero also joined an elite group of women who have won a PBA Regional title when she won her first PBA Southwest Region title in Austin, Texas, last October.

"It would be very nice to win a title here, too," she smiled. "I'd like to finish history the right way."

Guerrero started her final seven-game round with a 189 game, an ominous total in the high-scoring Cheetah contest, but followed with games of 244, 289, 213, 267, 278 and 277 to complete her stunning rally.

"I was a little stiff from the layoff between the first and semifinal rounds, but then I got my rhythm and made better shots," the former Wichita State University All-American said. "After the 189 start, I didn't think I could make it, but after a couple of big games, I saw I had a chance and in the last couple of games, I really went for it. Things came my way. I finished strong. It was great."

Guerrero, who has been a member of Colombia's national bowling team since 1995 when she qualified at age 13, is now a U.S. citizen, married and living in Pflugerville, Texas.

Earlier Saturday, National Football League all-pro wide receiver Terrell Owens made his professional bowling PBA debut in the Cheetah Championship, and struggled to finish with a 1,178 total, a 168.29 average. But he said he wasn't terribly disappointed.

"I got better as I bowled," Owens said. "I had 194 my last game, which was decent, and I didn't come in last."

"These are best bowlers in the world. By no means did I expect to come in here and crush the lanes," Owens added. "Obviously I have a lot of learning to do. But tomorrow is another day and I can only get better."

World Series competition continues Sunday with the Viper Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge. Qualifying squads will bowl seven games at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. PT, with the top 24 advancing to the seven-game semifinal round at 7:30 p.m. The final two animal pattern events – the Chameleon and Scorpion Championships – will be held on Monday and Tuesday, respectively.

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PBA CHEETAH CHAMPIONSHIP **South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas, Saturday**

SEMIFINAL ROUND STANDINGS (after 14 games; top 4 advance to stepladder finals on Nov. 2 at 1 p.m. PT for ESPN telecast on Dec. 1 at 1 p.m. ET)

- 1, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,503.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,454.
- 3, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,452.
- 4, Clara Guerrero, Colombia, 3,446.
- 5, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 3,426, \$4,000.
- 6, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,416, \$3,500.

- 7, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 3,413, \$3,000.
- 8, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 3,410, \$2,500.
- 9, Mike Fagan, Ft. Worth, Texas, 3,390, \$2,200.
- 10, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 3,351, \$2,000.
- 11, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 3,350, \$1,800.
- 12, Bryan Viator, Friendswood, Texas, 3,341, \$1,700.
- 13, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3,325, \$1,650.
- 14, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3,311, \$1,600.
- 15, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 3,305, \$1,550.
- 16, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3,290, \$1,500.
- 17 (tie), Dom Barrett, England, and Mike Moore, Oviedo, Fla., 3,256, \$1,425.
- 19, Kevin Gallagher, Torrance, Calif., 3,226, \$1,350.
- 20, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 3,207, \$1,300.
- 21, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 3,184, \$1,275.
- 22, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 3,171, \$1,250.
- 23, Travis Anderson, Washington, Ill, 3,141, \$1,225.
- 24, Jacob Heger, Spring, Texas, 3,004, \$1,200.

300 Games (9): Bryon Smith, Lonnie Waliczek, Parker Bohn III (2), Anthony Colosimo, Tom Hess, Eugene McCune, Eric Forkel, Pete Weber.

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"The World" Wins High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge to Kick Off PBA World Series of Bowling V

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 25, 2013) – "The World," a team of seven international stars, defeated an all-star team of American professionals Friday to win the High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge: USA vs. The World, a special event that kicked off PBA World Series of Bowling V at South Point Bowling Center.

The special event was webcast live on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

The international team won the Challenge with a 211-183 Baker team victory to conclude the special event, earning three points for the team win and a 4-2 victory in the competition with featured a singles match, an alternate-ball doubles match and a Baker trio match.

In the team finale, Finland's Osku Palermaa struck in the sixth frame, following a strike in the fifth frame by The World team captain, Jason Belmonte of Australia, to give his team the lead. Consecutive strikes by Venezuela's Amleto Monacelli, England's Dom Barrett and two more by Belmonte clinched the victory.

The USA had taken an early 2-1 lead when Chris Barnes defeated Finland's Mika Koivuniemi, 265-233, in the singles match and Sean Rash, Bill O'Neill and Mike Fagan won the Baker trios contest, 234-219, over an international team composed to Belmonte, Palermaa and Monacelli. England's Barrett and Stuart Williams defeated PBA Hall of Famers Pete Weber and Norm Duke, 257-166, in the doubles match.

The High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge: USA vs. The World was a preview for the 2014 PBA League season which gets underway on January 22 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich.

The PBA World Series officially begins when a capacity field of 240 players, representing 21 countries, bowl the Cheetah Championship qualifying and semifinal rounds Saturday. The Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion Championships – all named after distinct lane conditioning patterns used in the competition – will follow on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, respectively. Qualifying will begin at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. PT each day, with the top 16 players advancing to the semifinal round at 7:30 p.m.

The top 24 players based upon combined qualifying totals from the four animal pattern championships will advance to the PBA World Championship match play finals Wednesday and Thursday.

All of the preliminary rounds will be covered live on Xtra Frame, the PBA's subscription-based online television channel. A special World Series of Bowling Day Pass is available for \$5 per day. Monthly and full-year subscriptions also are available for \$7.99 or \$64.99, respectively. PBA fans also can follow the competition at no cost by watching "live scoring" on pba.com.

The World Series of Bowling V concludes with two full days of television finals on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 2-3, on special lanes installed in South Point's Exhibition Hall B.

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World's Top Professional Bowlers Return to Las Vegas for World Series V

Belmonte, Rash head sold-out field of 240 players from 20 countries

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 22, 2013) – Statistically speaking, the Jason Belmonte vs. Sean Rash rivalry will once again be the headline attraction as a sold-out field of 240 of the world's top professional bowlers return to South Point Bowling Center this week for the start of PBA World Series of Bowling V.

PBA fans around the world are invited to purchase a low-cost "ticket" to watch all of the qualifying and match play action on Xtra Frame, the PBA's exclusive online bowling channel (or track free live scoring free on pba.com). "Day Pass," monthly and annual Xtra Frame subscriptions are available by visiting pba.com and clicking on the Xtra Frame link.

In addition to following the action as it happens, PBA fans are invited to participate in a new "U Pick the Finalists" contests which offers prizes for picking the ESPN finalists in each event. For more information about the contest, click here: <http://www.pba.com/Resources/Contest>

The World Series, which got its start in suburban Detroit in 2009, is a multi-event competition on a variety of challenging lane conditions, leading up to a full weekend of ESPN television finals Nov. 2-3. At stake will be five PBA Tour titles, including the final major championship of the 2012-13 season – the 2013 PBA World Championship.

Over the first four World Series, Belmonte and Rash have earned their roles as World Series headliners based upon their past performances in the event. Belmonte – a two-handed power player from Australia – is the earnings leader with a composite total of \$191,190 in WSOB earnings, leads in ESPN television appearances (13) and is tied with Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., with most WSOB titles won (three).

Rash, also regarded as one of the PBA Tour's top power players, is right behind Belmonte in ESPN appearances (12), but has not yet won a WSOB title. He is the all-time WSOB average leader, scoring at a 223.19 pace for 475 games bowled, and in total pinfall (106,013 pins for 475 World Series games bowled). But he ranks "only" fourth in WSOB earnings (\$135,140) due, in part, to the absence of any first-place prize money.

Despite their overall dominance, neither Belmonte nor Rash leads in any of the traditional animal pattern championships which are hallmarks of the World Series. The animal pattern competitions are bowled on unique lane conditions named after animals – and the combined qualifying scores for those animal pattern events has been used as the qualifier for players to advance into the PBA World Championship match play final rounds. Rash is the World Championship's top qualifier over the past four years,

averaging 232.21 for 192 games – just over four pins higher than Belmonte (228.01) for the same number of games.

In animal pattern events, several other players have had significant success, including O'Neill, who ranks third in TV appearances (8) and shares the titles lead with Belmonte (3). Finland's two-handed star, Osku Palermaa; 37-time time PBA Tour champion Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., and Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., have each won two WSOB titles. Palermaa, Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, and Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, have made six TV finals.

There is also "international vs. United States" drama during the World Series. In 2011, international players won all seven singles titles contest; last year, U.S. players swept all five individual titles.

In animal pattern championships, the top two players in qualifying averages for each event, based upon a minimum of 40 games, are:

- Chameleon: Scott Norton 230.49; Jason Belmonte 225.38.
- Cheetah: Norm Duke 243.58, Eugene McCune 241.52.
- Scorpion: Dom Barrett 228.70, Jason Belmonte 222.87.
- Viper: Brad Angelo 222.60, Bill O'Neill 222.39.

The Cheetah Championship will lead off the WSOB V schedule on Saturday, Oct. 26, with seven qualifying games and an additional seven-game semifinal round for the top 24 qualifiers. The same format will apply for the Viper Championship on Oct. 27, the Chameleon Championship on Oct. 28 and the Scorpion Championship on Oct. 29. The top 24 players based upon 28 combined animal pattern qualifying games will advance to the PBA World Championship round robin match play on Oct. 30-31.

For each animal pattern event, the top four after 14 games advance to ESPN finals on Nov. 2 and for the World Championship, the top five after 52 qualifying and match play games advance to the ESPN finals on Nov. 3 – all in South Point's Exhibition Hall B.

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Rash Tops Koivuniemi to Win World Bowling Tour Thailand Title

Reigning PBA Player of the Year claims seventh career PBA title, second international title of 2012-13

BANGKOK, Thailand (Oct. 21, 2013) – Reigning Professional Bowlers Association Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., defeated top qualifier Mika Koivuniemi, a Finnish native now living in Hartland, Mich., 235-225, 245-228, to win the World Bowling Tour Thailand title Monday at Blu-O Paragon Bowling Center.

With the win, Rash claimed his seventh career PBA Tour title, his second World Tenpin Bowling Association/PBA International Tour title during the 2012-13 season, and a first prize worth US\$32,140. Rash's previous 2012-13 title was in the Kuwait Open, where he also defeated Koivuniemi for the title, but this time, because Koivuniemi entered the eight-player stepladder finals as the top qualifier, Rash had to beat him twice.

Koivuniemi was trying for his fourth WTBA/PBA International Tour title of the year. Earlier in October, he captured his 11th PBA Tour title in the Columbia 300 Vienna Open in Austria.

Rash and Koivuniemi may meet again in the World Bowling Tour Men's Finals, presented by the PBA, which will be conducted Nov. 3 as part of the PBA's ESPN television finals at South Point in Las Vegas. Rash will enter the WBT Men's Finals as top qualifier and will meet the winner of the preliminary match between No. 2 Koivuniemi and No. 3 Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas. The WBT Women's Finals field will include No. 1 Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J.; No. 2 Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., and defending women's champion Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif.

In the first three-player, shootout match in Bangkok, Thailand's Phoemphun Yakasem rolled a 256 game to advance over Korea's Kim Young Kwan (211) and Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y. (193).

In the second three-player match, Hong Kong's Michael Mak (238) eliminated Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas (182) and Yakasem (169). Mak then eliminated the only woman to finish in the top eight, Singapore's Daphne Tan, 258-211, but Mak's title hopes ended when he lost to Rash in the semifinal match, 242-219.

The WBT Thailand event was the final tournament prior to PBA World Series of Bowling V, which gets underway with the PBA Cheetah Championship Saturday at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas. All preliminary qualifying and match play rounds during WSOB V will be webcast live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For one-day, monthly or yearly subscription information, click on the Xtra Frame link on PBA's official website, pba.com.

WORLD BOWLING TOUR THAILAND

Blu-O Paragon, Bangkok, Thailand, Monday

Final Standings: 1, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$32,140. 2, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, \$12,129. 3, Michael Mak, Hong Kong, \$9,642. 4, Daphne Tan, Singapore, \$6,428. 5, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, \$3,214. 6, Phoemphun Yakasem, Thailand, \$2,893. 7, Kim Young Kwan, Korea, \$2,732. 8, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$2,572.

Stepladder Results: Match One – Yakasem (256) def. Kwan (211) and Ciminelli (193). Match Two – Mak (238) def. Fagan (182) and Yakasem (169). Match Three – Mak def. Tan, 258-211. Semifinal Match – Rash def. Mak, 242-219. Championship (Rash had to defeat Koivuniemi twice) – Rash def. Koivuniemi, 235-225, 245-228.

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Arizona's Ben Laughlin Wins PBA West/Northwest Regional Players Invitational Title

RENO, Nev. (Oct. 20, 2013) – Ben Laughlin of Chandler, Ariz., defeated Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz., 230-146, to win the Professional Bowlers Association West/Northwest Regional Players Invitational title Sunday, concluding two days of live Xtra Frame coverage from Reno's National Bowling Stadium.

Laughlin earned \$6,000, a paid entry into the PBA World Series of Bowling V – which he is unable to accept – and a berth in a new PBA RPI Finals which will be televised on ESPN. The regional title was Laughlin's 13th.

"Because of my work schedule, I will not be able to bowl the PBA World Series of Bowling V, but I am looking forward to bowling in the RPI Finals on ESPN," Laughlin said. With his winnings, however, Laughlin said he now is planning on bowling the West/Northwest Regional events in Hawaii in 2014.

The West/Northwest Region RPI was the sixth and final in a series of six PBA Regional championship events. The RPI winners will compete in the PBA RPI Finals that will be taped for delayed airing on ESPN as part of the WSOB V at South Point Exhibition Hall B on Nov. 3. The RPI finals will air on Sunday, Jan. 12, at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT). Players who previously qualified were Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla. (South Region); Dave Beres of Waukesha, Wis. (Midwest Region); Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas (Southwest Region); Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio (Central Region), and Brian LeClair of Albany, N.Y. (East Region).

Each RPI was open to 48 players who have qualified through a season-long points competition in their respective regions, and each RPI was being covered live from start to finish on PBA's exclusive bowling channel, Xtra Frame. Visit pba.com for Xtra Frame subscription information.

In a companion Sands Regency Non-Champions tournament on Friday, Adrian Anderson of Roseburg, Ore., posted a 3-3 match play record and a 14-game total of 2,956 pins to win \$1,100 and his first PBA Regional title.

The PBA West Region will host the All Regions Singles and Member/Non-Member Doubles tournaments during PBA World Series of Bowling V at South Point Bowling Center Nov. 1-3.

PBA WEST/NORTHWEST REGION PLAYERS INVITATIONAL
National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Sunday, Oct. 20

Championship:

Ben Laughlin, Chandler, Ariz. (\$6,000) def. Josh Blanchard Gilbert, Ariz. (\$3,500) 230-146.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$1,600):

Laughlin, def. Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 213-203.

Blanchard def. Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 246-196.

Round of 8 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,050 each):

Laughlin def. PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 3-1.

Blanchard def. Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3-0.

Norton def. Keith Laing, Los Angeles, 3-1.

Smith def. Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, Ariz., 3-2.

Round of 12 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$850 each):

Haugen def. Blaine Weninger, Happy Valley, Ore., 3-0.

Blanchard def. Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 3-1.

Laughlin def. David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3-0.

Laing def. Adrian Anderson, Roseburg, Ore., 3-0.

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$750 each):

Weninger def. Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 3-0.

Croucher def. Tracy Teeters, Albany, Ore., 3-1.

Anderson def. Stuart Williams, England, 3-2.

Haynes def. Chuck Tillson, Rohnert Park, Calif., 3-1.

PBA SANDS REGENCY CASINO NON-CHAMPIONS EVENT**National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Friday, Oct. 18****Final Match Play Standings (after 14 games, including match play bonus pins):**

1, Adrian Anderson, Roseburg, Ore., 3-3, 2,956, \$1,100. 2, Keith Laing, Los Angeles, 4-2, 2,950, \$700. 3, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 3-3, 2,919, \$600. 4, Brad Bufkin, Citrus Heights, Calif., 2-4, 2,899, \$550. 5, Jason Miller, Portland, Ore., 4-2, 2,859, \$525. 6, Mike Armstrong Jr., Battle Ground, Wash., 2-4, 2,745, \$500.

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Six-Time PBA Tour Titlist Dave D'Entremont Dies at Age 52

Six-time PBA Tour champion Dave D'Entremont of Middleburg Heights, Ohio, affectionately known as "Double D" during a nearly quarter century career on Tour, died Saturday at a Cleveland area hospital at age 52. Details regarding his death were not immediately available.

D'Entremont was a product of PBA's regional program, having honed his skills in PBA's former Headquarters (now Central) Region where he won 19 titles in addition to his six PBA Tour titles.

Probably his most cherished Tour win was his victory in the PBA's 1996 Brunswick World Tournament of Champions where he came from the fifth qualifying spot to win his only major. He defeated Dave Arnold, 215-202, in the championship match.

"Dave was never controversial and controversy was something he avoided," said long-time friend, PBA Hall of Famer Wayne Webb. "He just concentrated on the job he had to do and as a result became a great bowler.

"I think the important things that people will remember about Dave were that he was very gracious, had a big heart and in general lived life to the fullest. He was always there to help me on Tour."

D'Entremont's best year on Tour was in 1995 when he won two titles and won the Harry Smith Point Leader Award. He won his first title in the 1992 Fresno Open, 10 years after becoming a PBA member. His last tour title came in the 2002 Wichita Open which ended a five-year winless streak.

D'Entremont was a member of the Ohio State and Greater Cleveland Bowling Association Halls of Fame. He is survived by his wife Sylvia, mother Mami, brother Alan, nieces Marissa and Allie and nephew Michael. Funeral services will be held Friday, Oct. 18 at 10:30 a.m. ET at Chambers Funeral Home, 4420 Rock River Drive, Cleveland, OH. Visitations will be held at 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 17. Interment will be at Holy Cross Cemetery.

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New High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge to Kick Off PBA World Series

Special "USA vs. The World" Xtra Frame pay-per-view event set for Friday, Oct. 25

SEATTLE (Oct. 10, 2013) - A new event, the High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge: USA vs. The World, will kick off PBA World Series of Bowling V on Friday, Oct. 25, at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas as a special pay-per-view event on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

The special Xtra Frame PBA League Challenge webcast – and additional daily events held as part of the WSOB V – will be available for a special World Series of Bowling Day Pass fee of \$5. There will be no added cost for current Xtra Frame subscribers, but non-subscribers who would like to watch specific events on specific days will be able to sign up on a daily basis under the new program. Subscribers who sign up for Xtra Frame for the monthly fee of \$7.99 or the full-year fee of \$64.99 will be exempt from the special Day Pass fee(s).

To sign up for the High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge on Oct. 25 or for any of the "Day Pass" sessions Oct. 26-31, visit pba.com, click on the Xtra Frame link and head to the registration page by clicking on the "Sign Up" link underneath the Xtra Frame logo at the top of the page. Apps for mobile devices, allowing for easy access to Xtra Frame, are available for iPhones and Android devices.

The High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge: USA vs. The World will begin at 3 p.m. PT (6 p.m. ET) on Oct. 25. It will feature six United States Franchise Players from the 2013 PBA League season along with seven international players (including Franchise Players Jason Belmonte and Osku Palermaa) in a match that will preview PBA League match play competition during the 2014 season.

The special High 5 Gear event will showcase the singles, alternate-ball doubles, Baker trios and Baker team matches that will be part of the 2014 PBA League format. Each winner will earn one point for his team in each event except Baker team, which will award three points.

The U.S. Franchise Players will be Chris Barnes, Norm Duke, Mike Fagan, Bill O'Neill, Sean Rash (team captain) and Pete Weber. The International team will include England's Dom Barrett and Stuart Williams, Australia's Belmonte (team captain), Colombia's Andres Gomez, Finland's Palermaa and Mika Koivuniemi, and Venezuela's Amleto Monacelli. The participating international players are currently on 2014 PBA League rosters and each is a PBA Tour title holder.

The 2014 PBA League season will get underway on January 22 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich. Finals rosters for the eight-team league will be set on Sunday, Nov. 3, when the PBA League team managers will each select the final player during a player draft at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas. The draft will be covered live on Xtra Frame.

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Koivuniemi Wins Columbia 300 Vienna Open for 12th PBA Tour Title

PBA Player of the Year, World Bowling Tour races get tighter heading into Thailand event

VIENNA, Austria (Oct. 7, 2013) – The 2012-13 Professional Bowlers Association Player of the Year race got even more interesting Sunday when Mika Koivuniemi, a Finnish native now living in Hartland, Mich., won his third PBA International Tour title of the season, defeating fellow Finn Pasi Uotila, 258-237, in the title match of the Columbia 300 Vienna Open at Plus Bowling Center.

With his win, Koivuniemi became the first PBA Tour player to win three titles – all on foreign soil – during the 2012-13 season. He previously won the Round1 Japan Cup followed by the Qatar Open in back-to-back World Tenpin Bowling Association/PBA International Tour events in December 2012. Jason Belmonte, Australia (Bear Open and USBC Masters) and Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif. (Chameleon Open and Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship), are the only other multiple title winners this season with two each.

Koivuniemi, who owns 12 PBA Tour titles, also moved into second place in the WTBA's World Bowling Tour men's points standings and won a 7,000 Euro first prize (est. US\$9,500) to take the 2012-13 PBA Tour earnings lead with \$172,312 (roughly \$3,500 ahead of Belmonte).

The Vienna Open was the next-to-last World Bowling Tour qualifying event heading into the PBA World Series of Bowling. With his victory, Koivuniemi earned 50 WBT points and now ranks second with 534 points, trailing leader Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., who has 563 points after picking up 23 points for his seventh-place finish in Vienna. Trailing Koivuniemi and Rash on the men's points list are Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas (506); Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C. (494); Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas (491), and Belmonte (477).

The top three men and top three women on the WBT's rolling two-year competition points list will earn berths in the WBT Finals presented by the PBA, which will be held on Nov. 3 as the final event on the PBA World Series of Bowling V program. The top three WBT women have clinched berths. Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., is the leader with 647 points followed by Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y. (555) and Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif. (539).

The final WTBA/PBA International Tour tournament and final WBT qualifying event leading into the PBA World Series of Bowling V will be the WBT Thailand which will be held Oct. 14-21 at Bul-O Paragon in Bangkok, Thailand. WBT points at stake begin at 50, 40, 35, 30 and 25 for the top five players, respectively, with lesser points awarded based upon where players finish.

WSOB V is set for Oct. 25-Nov. 3 at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas. The WBT Men's and Women's Finals will be held on Nov. 3. Finalists in each gender division will bowl for \$20,000, \$10,000 and \$5,000 prizes.

Seven PBA Tour titles remain to be decided during the 2012-13 season: the WBT Thailand, four animal pattern championships (Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion) plus the PBA World Championship during WSOB V, and the season-ending Round1 Japan Cup in Tokyo.

COLUMBIA 300 VIENNA OPEN Plus Bowling Center, Vienna, Austria, Oct. 6

Final Standings:

- 1, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, €7,000 (est. US\$9,500).
- 2, Pasi Uotila, Finland, €5,000.
- 3, Dom Barrett, England, €3,500.
- 4, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, €2,500.

Stepladder Results:

Match One: Uotila def. Fagan, 242-207.

Semifinal Match: Uotila def. Barrett, 272-187.

Championship: Koivuniemi def. Uotila, 258-237.

Round Three Standings (after 12 games, top four advanced to stepladder finals):

- 1, Koivuniemi, 2,893.
- 2, Barrett, 2,876.
- 3, Uotila, 2,834.
- 4, Fagan, 2,790.
- 5, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 2,758, €2,000.
- 6, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 2,750, €1,900.
- 7, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2,732, €1,800.
- 8, Martin Paulsson, Sweden, 2,711, €1,700.
- 9, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,695, €1,600.
- 10, Anthony Pepe, U.S., 2,693, €1,500.
- 11, Christopher Sloan, Ireland, 2,691, €1,400.
- 12, Stuart Williams, England, 2,617, €1,300.
- 13, Paul Moor, England, 2,608, €1,200.
- 14, Mik Stampe, Denmark, 2,589, €1,100.
- 15, Jaroslav Lorenc, Czech Republic, 2,571, €1,100.
- 16, Markus Bergendorff, Denmark, 2,565, €1,000.
- 17, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, 2,530, €1,000.
- 18, Tobias Börding, Germany, 2,523, €1,000.

WORLD BOWLING TOUR STANDINGS (as of Oct. 6)

Men's Points Standings

- 1, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 563
- 2, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, 534
- 3, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, 506
- 4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 494
- 5, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 491
- 6, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 477

Women's Points Standings

- 1, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 647
- 2, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 555
- 3, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 539
- 4, Shannon Pluhowsky, Kettering, Ohio, 367
- 5, Diandra Asbaty, Chicago, 365
- 6, Jazreel Tan, Singapore, 303

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Brian LeClair Wins PBA East Regional Players Invitational Title

Hornell, N.Y. – Brian LeClair of Albany, N.Y., defeated Rick Graham of Lancaster, Pa., 222-169, to win the Professional Bowlers Association East Regional Players Invitational presented by Maple City Dodge Sunday, concluding two days of live Xtra Frame coverage from Maple City Bowl.

LeClair, 48, earned \$6,000, a paid entry into the PBA World Series of Bowling V in Las Vegas in late October and a berth in a new PBA RPI Finals which will be televised on ESPN. The regional title was LeClair's 15th.

"This is the biggest win I've ever had," LeClair said. "I've never won anything that is this special. It's been more than 10 years since I've last bowled on television and I never thought I'd be bowling on ESPN again.

"I've won at least one title in each of the past five years," he added, "but when you are 48 years old, you never know if you're going to ever win again. I like bowling on tougher conditions and I love it when I get a chance to bowl on wood lanes."

LeClair defeated Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y. in the semifinal round, 215-203, by throwing the first strike in the 10th frame.

LeClair had already entered this year's PBA World Series of Bowling V and admitted this would probably be his last time at the World Series, "but if I do well, you never know."

The East Region RPI was the fifth in a series of six PBA Regional championship events. The combined PBA West/Northwest Regions will host their RPI event at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev. the weekend of Oct. 18-20. Each RPI winner will advance to the PBA RPI Finals that will be taped for delayed airing on ESPN as part of the World Series of Bowling V at South Point Casino, Hotel and Bowling Center, Oct. 26-Nov. 3.

Each RPI is open to 48 players who have qualified through a season-long points competition in their respective regions, and each RPI is being covered live from start to finish on PBA's exclusive bowling channel, Xtra Frame. Visit pba.com for Xtra Frame subscription information.

PBA EAST REGION PLAYERS INVITATIONAL
presented by Maple City Dodge
Maple City Bowl, Hornell, N.Y., Sept. 22

Championship:

Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y. (\$6,000) def. Rick Graham, Lancaster, Pa., (\$3,500), 222-169.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$1,600):

LeClair def. Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 215-203.

Graham def. Adam Chase, West Babylon, N.Y., 195-151.

Round of 8 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,050 each):

LeClair def. Robert Mockenhaupt, Rutherford, N.J., 3-2.

Graham def. Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 3-0.

Chase def. Ray Edwards, Middle Island, N.Y., 3-2.

Ciminelli def. Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3-0.

Round of 12 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$850 each):

LeClair def. Tommy Dakouvanos, Belford, N.J., 3-1.

Graham def. Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 3-0.

Allen def. Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3-0.

Edwards def. Jeff Voght, Canajoharie, N.Y., 3-0.

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$750 each):

Graham def. Rusty Thomsen, Morgan, N.J., 3-2.

LeClair def. Jason Stadtler, Cherry Hill, N.J., 3-1.

Edwards def. Steve Haas, Enola, Pa., 3-0.

Shafer def. Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3-0.

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PBA World Series of Bowling V Expected to be Most Exciting Yet

New events, sold-out field, battles for 2012-13 top player honors on tap for Oct. 25-Nov. 3 in Las Vegas

SEATTLE (Oct. 4, 2013) – The Professional Bowlers Association’s World Series of Bowling was created in 2009 to provide the sport with its greatest international showcase and countless memorable moments have been recorded for the history books. But the fifth edition of the multi-event championships, scheduled for Oct. 25-Nov. 3 at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas, is likely to provide the most drama and excitement of all of them.

WSOB V will include new events, a sold-out field of 240 of the world’s most talented players representing a record 22 countries, and an end-of-season battle for the PBA’s most prestigious honors including Player of the Year, eligibility for the 2014 PBA League Draft, and much more as the extended, 14-month 2012-13 season draws to a close.

Bowling fans around the world will be able to follow the action by watching more than 60 hours of live online coverage on Xtra Frame, the PBA’s exclusive webcasts; live scoring on pba.com, and 14 hours of nationally-televvised coverage on ESPN over seven consecutive Sundays, starting Dec. 1.

The fifth edition of the World Series will retain its traditional roots. It will feature four animal pattern championships (the Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion Championships, conducted on the unique lane conditioning patterns that bear those animal names), and the qualifying rounds for the four animal events will determine the 24 finalists who will compete for the 2013 PBA World Championship. All five of the championship tournaments will be televised by ESPN. First prize in each animal pattern event is \$20,000; first prize in the PBA World Championship is \$50,000.

Also returning to the World Series schedule will be the World Tenpin Bowling Association’s World Bowling Tour Men’s and Women’s Finals, presented by the PBA. The top three men and the top three women, based upon a rolling two-year points competition in WBT events held around the world, will bowl in a three-player stepladder finals. Each champion will win \$20,000.

New to the World Series program will be a PBA50 Finals and a PBA Regional Players Invitational Finals, which will be contested on Nov. 3. The PBA50 Finals will feature the PBA50 Tour’s three top point-earners (PBA Hall of Famers Walter Ray Williams Jr., Amleto Monacelli and Pete Weber) in a stepladder final with a \$10,000 top prize at stake. The players will be seeded based on their rankings in the 2013 PBA50 competition points list. No. 2 Monacelli will bowl No. 3 Weber in the first match, with the winner advancing to meet No. 1 Williams.

The PBA RPI Finals will feature six RPI champions representing the PBA’s East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest and combined West/Northwest Regions. RPI finalists will be seeded for television based upon

their 28-game qualifying totals in the four animal pattern events. Players who rank second, fourth and sixth will bowl the opening match; players who rank first, third and fifth will bowl the second match. The two winners will then bowl for a \$6,000 first prize and a berth in the 2014 PBA Tournament of Champions.

Also new to the WSOB V program will be a special High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge Match: USA vs. The World that will kick off the World Series on Friday, Oct. 25, and provide Xtra Frame subscribers with a preview of the PBA League's new singles, doubles, trio and team format that will debut in late January. The Challenge Match also will be available to Xtra Frame non-subscribers for a special one-time pay-per-view cost of \$5. To subscribe to Xtra Frame, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

WSOB V will conclude with three days of ESPN television finals, Nov. 1-3, on special lanes installed in South Point's Exhibition Hall B. Tickets for all television events are available through PBA's official website, pba.com, and at the control counter at South Point Bowling Center.

The five PBA Tour events will have a major bearing on the 2012-13 Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year and Harry Golden Rookie of the Year races, along with the George Young Memorial High Average Award and Harry Smith Point Leader Award races. Heading into the World Series, Jason Belmonte is the leading contender for Player of the Year honors, but he's being chased by Mika Koivuniemi, Sean Rash, Wes Malott, Tommy Jones, Scott Norton and Pete Weber.

The final 2012-13 competition points standings will determine eligibility for the 2014 PBA League Draft, which will be held in South Point Bowling Center (and webcast live on Xtra Frame) on Sunday, Nov. 3, at 7 p.m. PT. All eight PBA League managers will draft one additional player for their 2014 rosters. The PBA League begins its second season of competition in late January at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich.

Throughout the World Series, PBA fans around the world will be able to follow all qualifying and match play rounds live on Xtra Frame, and by tracking "live scoring" on [pba.com](http://www.pba.com). For a complete roster of players, click here: <http://www.pba.com/Rosters/Details/1955>. One competitor fans will be watching with special interest is NFL all-star wide receiver and PBA League owner Terrell Owens, who will make his PBA debut in the World Series.

If all of these activities aren't enough, there also will be optional PBA All-Regions Singles and PBA West Region Member/Non-Member Doubles tournaments over the Nov. 1-3 weekend. And the Teen Masters Grand Championship will be decided on the television lanes in South Point's Exhibition Hall B on Friday, Nov. 1.

PBA WORLD SERIES OF BOWLING V SCHEDULE

South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas (ESPN finals in South Point Exhibition Hall B)

(All times Pacific)

Friday, Oct. 25

8:30 a.m. – Squad A practice session

12:30 p.m. – Squad B practice session

3 p.m. – High 5 Gear PBA League Challenge Match: USA vs. The World (covered live on Xtra Frame)

Saturday, Oct. 26

PBA Cheetah Championship

8 a.m. – A squad qualifying (7 games)

2 p.m. – B squad qualifying (7 games)

Top 24 advance to semifinal round

7:30 p.m. – Semifinal round (7 games)

Top four after 14 games advance to ESPN finals Nov. 2

Sunday, Oct. 27

PBA Viper Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge

8 a.m. – B squad qualifying (7 games)

2 p.m. – A squad qualifying (7 games)

Top 24 advance to semifinal round

7:30 p.m. – Semifinal round (7 games)

Top four after 14 games advance to ESPN finals Nov. 2

Monday, Oct. 28

PBA Chameleon Championship

8 a.m. – A squad qualifying (7 games)

2 p.m. – B squad qualifying (7 games)

Top 24 advance to semifinal round

7:30 p.m. – Semifinal round (7 games)

Top four after 14 games advance to ESPN finals Nov. 2

Tuesday, Oct. 29

PBA Scorpion Championship

8 a.m. – B squad qualifying (7 games)

2 p.m. – A squad qualifying (7 games)

Top 24 advance to semifinal round

7:30 p.m. – Semifinal round (7 games)

Top four after 14 games advance to ESPN finals Nov. 2.

Wednesday, Oct. 30

Top 24 based on 28 combined qualifying games from Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion championships advance to PBA World Championship round robin match play

11 a.m. – PBA World Championship round-robin match play (8 games)

6 p.m. – PBA World Championship round-robin match play (8 games)

Thursday, Oct. 31

12:30 p.m. – PBA All-Region and PBA West Member/Non-Member Doubles practice session

2-6 p.m. – PBA World Championship round-robin match play (8 games)

Top five advance to ESPN finals taping Nov. 3

Friday, Nov. 1

South Point Exhibition Hall B:

6 p.m. – Teen Masters Grand Championship finals

South Point Bowling Center:

8 a.m. – PBA All-Region Singles Squad A qualifying (8 games)

2 p.m. – PBA All-Region Singles Squad B qualifying (8 games)

Top 16 advance to best-of-five-game single-elimination match play

Saturday, Nov. 2

South Point Exhibition Hall B:

9:45 a.m. – PBA League Challenge (details to be announced).

1 p.m. – PBA Cheetah Championship four-player ESPN stepladder finals. ESPN telecast: Sunday, Dec. 1, 1 p.m. ET.

3 p.m. – PBA Viper Championship presented by PBA Bowling Challenge four-player ESPN stepladder finals. ESPN telecast: Sunday, Dec. 8, 1 p.m. ET.

5:30 p.m. – PBA Chameleon Championship four-player ESPN stepladder finals. ESPN telecast: Sunday, Dec. 15, 1 p.m. ET.

7 p.m. – PBA Scorpion Championship four-player ESPN stepladder finals. ESPN telecast: Sunday, Dec. 22, 1 p.m. ET.

South Point Bowling Center:

8 a.m. - PBA All-Region Singles Round of 16 best-of-five games match play

10 a.m. – PBA All-Region Singles Round of 8 best-of-three games match play

11 a.m. – PBA All-Region Singles Semifinals (one game)

11:30 a.m. – PBA All-Region Singles championship match (one game)

2 p.m. – PBA West Region Member/Non-Member Doubles qualifying (7 games)

Sunday, Nov. 3

South Point Exhibition Hall B:

10 a.m. – WTBA World Bowling Tour Men’s and Women’s finals presented by PBA. ESPN telecast: Sunday, Jan. 5, 1 p.m. ET.

12:30 p.m. - PBA World Championship five-player ESPN stepladder finals. ESPN telecast: Sunday, Dec. 29, 1 p.m. ET.

3:30 p.m. – PBA Regional Players Invitational Finals and PBA50 Tour Finals. ESPN telecast: Sunday, Jan. 12, 1 p.m. ET.

South Point Bowling Center:

8 a.m. – PBA West Region Member/Non-Member Doubles Round of 16 best-of-five match play

11 a.m. – PBA West Region Member/Non-Member Doubles Round of 8 best-of-three match play

1 p.m. – Semifinal match (one game)

1:45 p.m. – Championship match (one game)

7 p.m. - 2014 PBA League Draft (South Point Bowling Center), covered live on Xtra Frame.

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Kretzer Wins PBA Central Regional Players Invitational Title

Veteran PBA Tour champion tops Tom Smallwood to win World Series entry, RPI Finals berth

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Sept. 15, 2013) – Brian Kretzer of Kettering, Ohio defeated Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., 215-200, Sunday to win the Professional Bowlers Association Central Regional Players Invitational title at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Kretzer, a 47-year-old one-time PBA Tour title winner, earned \$6,000, a paid entry into the PBA World Series of Bowling V in Las Vegas in late October and a berth in a new PBA RPI Finals which will be televised on ESPN. The regional title was Kretzer's 16th and his second this year.

After qualifying third and earning byes for the first two rounds of single-elimination match play, Kretzer eliminated Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, 3-0, in the best-of-five-game Round of 8 and then defeated reigning Central Region Rookie of the Year Brandon Novak of Chillicothe, Ohio, 223-194, in the semifinal round.

The PBA Central RPI was covered live, from start to finish, on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. The title match can be watched on YouTube.com.

The Central Region RPI was the fourth in a series of six PBA Regional championship events. Each RPI winner advances to the PBA RPI Finals that will be taped for delayed airing on ESPN as part of the World Series of Bowling V at South Point Casino, Hotel and Bowling Center, Oct. 26-Nov. 3. Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla., won the South Region title in early August, Dave Beres of Waukesha, Wis., won the Midwest RPI title over Labor Day weekend and tour veteran Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas won the Southwest Region RPI title on Sept. 8.

The two remaining RPIs will be the East Region at Maple City Bowl, Hornell, N.Y., Sept. 20-22, and the combined West/Northwest RPI at the National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Oct. 18-20.

Each RPI is open to 48 players who have qualified through a season-long points competition in their respective regions.

PBA CENTRAL REGION PLAYERS INVITATIONAL Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 15

Championship

Brain Kretzer, Kettering, Ohio (\$6,000) def. Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich. (\$3,500), 215-200.

Semifinal Round (Losers earned \$1,600)

Smallwood def. Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 211-205.
Kretzer def. Brandon Novak, Chillicothe, Ohio, 223-194.

Round of 8 (Best of five games. Losers eliminated, earned \$1,050)

Smallwood def. Mika Koivuniemi, Howell, Mich., 3-1.
Kretzer def. Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3-0.
Novak def. Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 3-2.
Dombrowski def. Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3-0.

Round of 12 (Best of five games. Losers eliminated, earned \$850)

Novak def. Jeffrey Edwards, Sterling Heights, Mich., 3-1.
Koivuniemi def. Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 3-1.
Dombrowski def. Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3-1.
Loschetter def. Jeff Zaffino, Warren, Pa., 3-0.

Round of 16 (Best of five games. Losers eliminated, earned \$750)

Book def. Matt White, Warren, Pa., 3-1.
Dombrowski def. Eddie Graham, Centerville, Ohio, 3-1.
Loschetter def. Mason Brantley, Detroit, 3-2.
Edwards def. E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3-2.

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PBA Field Set for 2013 Round1 Japan Cup

Walter Ray Williams Jr. to keep streak alive with 27th appearance

SEATTLE (Sept. 13, 2013) – A field of 20 Professional Bowlers Association stars, led by points leader Jason Belmonte of Australia, and including record-setting PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr., will compete in the 27th Round1 Japan Cup Nov. 28-30 at Minami Suna Round1 Bowling Center in Tokyo.

The top 16 PBA members who qualified for the Japan Cup based upon competition points earned during the past season include Belmonte; Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas; Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.; Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo.; Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio; Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif.; Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa.; Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J.; Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C.; defending champion Mika Koivuniemi of Hartland, Mich.; Stuart Williams of England; Dan MacLelland of Canada; Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas; Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga.; Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, and Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla.

Four players invited by the Japan Cup organizing committee include Finland's Osku Palermaa; Rhino Page of Dade City, Fla.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., and Venezuela's Amleto Monacelli.

The 20 PBA qualifiers and invited players will be divided equally between Squads A and B for qualifying when the tournament gets underway

In addition, invitations were extended to PBA members to participate in a Pro Tour Qualifier where additional berths in the tournament will be earned. Players who accepted the PTQ invitation include Ronnie Russell of Marion, Ind.; Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y.; E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind.; Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz.; Anthony LaCaze of Melrose Park, Ill.; Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill.; Tom Hess of Urbandale, Iowa; Julio Cesar Blancas and Humberto Vazquez of Mexico, and John Furey of Freehold, N.J.

Koivuniemi, who defeated Japan's Yoshihiro Kaji for his second Round1 Japan Cup title and a \$71,700 first prize last December, is one of six multiple champions in the field. Bohn has won the Japan Cup four times. Jones is a three-time winner. Weber, Monacelli and W.R. Williams have each won the event two times. Barnes also has won the Cup once.

The Japan Cup, hosted by the Japan Professional Bowlers Association and PBA, and sponsored by Round1 Corporation, will be nationally televised in Japan. The finals will subsequently be webcast on a delayed basis by the PBA on its exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

ROUND1 JAPAN CUP SCHEDULE

Minami Suna Round1 Bowling Center, Tokyo, Japan (all times are local in Japan)

Wednesday, Nov. 13

9 a.m. – Practice session
1:30 p.m. – Pro Tournament Qualifier
4 p.m. – Press Conference (Shinagawa Prince Hotel)
5:30 p.m. – Welcome reception (Shinagawa Prince Hotel)

Thursday, Nov. 14

8:30 a.m. – Squad A, 10 qualifying games (top 32 from Squad A advance)
4:30 p.m. – Squad B, 10 qualifying games (top 32 from Squad B advance)

Friday, Nov. 15 (best of five games, single-elimination match play)

10:30 a.m. – Round of 64 (losers eliminated)
Noon – Round of 32 (losers eliminated)
5:40 p.m. – Round of 16 (losers eliminated)

Saturday, Nov. 16 (television finals, one-game matches)

11:45 a.m. – Round of 8, Match One
12:10 p.m. – Round of 8, Match Two
12:35 p.m. – Round of 8, Match Three
1 p.m. – Round of 8, Match Four
1:45 p.m. – Semifinal Round, Match One
2:10 p.m. – Semifinal Round, Match Two
2:35 p.m. – Championship Match

PAST JAPAN CUP CHAMPIONS

1985 – Ken Taniguchi
1986 – Pete Weber
1987 – Amleto Monacelli
1988 – Takeo Sakai
1989 – Randy Pedersen
1990 – Chris Warren
1991 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
1992 – Parker Bohn III
1993 – Pete Weber
1994 – Brian Voss
1995 – Amleto Monacelli
1996 – Steve Wilson
1997 – Doug Kent
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2001-02 – Bob Learn Jr.
2002-03 – Robert Smith
2003-04 – Chris Barnes
2004-05 – Tommy Jones
2005-06 – Tommy Jones
2006-07 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2007-08 – Mika Koivuniemi
2008-09 – Patrick Allen
2009-10 – Tommy Jones
2010-11 – not held

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Chris Barnes Wins PBA Southwest Regional Players Invitational Title

Veteran PBA Tour champion tops Mike Edwards to win World Series entry, RPI Finals berth

SHAWNEE, Okla. (Sept. 8, 2013) – Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, rallied from a 45-pin deficit after three games, throwing the final nine strikes to defeat Mike Edwards of Tulsa, Okla., 245-203, Sunday to win the Professional Bowlers Association Southwest Region's Regional Players Invitational title at FireLake Bowling Center.

Barnes, a 43-year-old 16-time PBA Tour title winner, earned \$6,000, a paid entry into the PBA World Series of Bowling V in Las Vegas in late October and a berth in a new PBA RPI Finals which will be televised on ESPN. The regional title was Barnes' 25th including two previous titles during the 2012-13 season.

After qualifying 10th for the single-elimination match play finals, Barnes eliminated George Brooks, Loveland, Colo., 3-0, in the Round of 16; fellow PBA Tour champion Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, 3-2, in the Round of 12; Chris Hibbitts of Fort Worth, Texas, 3-1, in the Round of 8, and Blake Starr of Oklahoma City, 223-186, in the semifinal round.

In the title match, Barnes failed to convert splits in the first and third frames while Edwards jumped into the early lead behind a string of three strikes. Barnes then switched to a ball he had used successfully a little earlier while Edwards was unable to put back-to-back strikes together during the rest of the match. One chopped spare attempt gave Barnes the margin he needed for the win.

The PBA Southwest RPI was covered live, from start to finish, on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. The title match can be watched on YouTube.com.

"I survived," Barnes said. "With a couple of games left against (Malott), I figured out how to play outside. I missed practice session because I was in Las Vegas watching my wife (Lynda) bowl in the USBC Queens finals. I started the tournament playing inside and I struggled.

"In my match against Wes, I got to the point where I didn't think I could strike any more playing where I was, so I moved to the right to try to find something and I was able to throw some strikes.

"Never was eligible to bowl for the Southwest Region title before," Barnes said, "so it's absolutely a nice win. You have to bowl the best guys in your region, and the extra benefits of winning a World Series spot is a great benefit."

The Southwest Region RPI was the third in a series of six PBA Regional championship events. The PBA Central, East and combined West/Northwest Regions also will host RPI events in the coming weeks, with

each RPI winner advancing to the PBA RPI Finals that will be taped for delayed airing on ESPN as part of the World Series of Bowling V at South Point Casino, Hotel and Bowling Center, Oct. 26-Nov. 3. Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla., won the South Region title in early August, and Dave Beres of Waukesha, Wis., won the Midwest RPI title over Labor Day weekend.

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The next RPI will be the PBA Central RPI at Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 13-15. The remaining RPI events include the East RPI at Maple City Bowl, Hornell, N.Y., Sept. 20-22, and the West/Northwest RPI at the National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Oct. 18-20.

PBA SOUTHWEST REGION PLAYERS INVITATIONAL
presented by Grand Casino and Hotel
FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Sept. 8

Championship

Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas (\$6,000) def. Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla. (\$3,500), 245-203.

Semifinal Round (Losers earned \$1,600)

Barnes def. Blake Starr, Oklahoma City, Okla., 246-236.

Edwards, def. Casey Powell, Dallas, Texas, 223-186.

Round of 8 (Best of five games. Losers eliminated, earned \$1,050)

Barnes def. Chris Hibbitts, Keller, Texas, 3-1.

Edwards def. Michael Austin, Magnolia, Texas, 3-1.

Powell def. Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3-2 .

Starr def. Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 3-2 .

Round of 12 (Best of five games. Losers eliminated, earned \$850)

Barnes def. Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3-2.

Powell def. Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 3-1.

Castillo def. Nathan Bohr, Derby, Kan., 3-1.

Austin def. Sean Lavery-Spahr, Pasadena, Texas, 3-0.

Round of 16 (Best of five games. Losers eliminated, earned \$750)

Barnes def. George Brooks, Loveland, Colo., 3-0.

Powell def. Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3-2.

Castillo def. Clint Dacy, Fort Worth, Texas, 3-0.

Austin def. Brett Cooper, Fort Worth, Texas, 3-1.

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Subject: PBA NEWS: Wisconsin's Dave Beres Wins PBA Midwest Regional Players Invitational Title

PERU, Ill. – Dave Beres of Waukesha, Wis., defeated Tom Hess of Urbandale, Iowa, 225-205, to win the Professional Bowlers Association Midwest Region's Regional Players Invitational title Monday, concluding two days of live Xtra Frame coverage from Illinois Valley Super Bowl.

Beres, 35, earned \$6,000, a paid entry into the PBA World Series of Bowling V in Las Vegas in late October and a berth in a new PBA RPI Finals which will be televised on ESPN. The regional title was Beres' sixth and his second in two weeks.

"Besides the added money and beating a strong field – which is always special – my mother got to watch me win on Xtra Frame," Beres said. "She had never seen me win a title before.

"I've been losing early in match play recently," he added, "so winning early here kind of helps you build momentum. I was lucky to get past Nathan (Michalowski, a fellow Wisconsin player), but it was a relief to be able to move on. You just never like to win like that."

Beres defeated Michalowski in the semifinal round, 201-195, by throwing two strikes and a nine-count in the 10th frame, followed by Michalowski failing to convert the 3-10 "baby split."

Beres admitted he hasn't bowled well in two previous World Series of Bowling appearances "but I'll practice a lot and hope I can do better this time."

The Midwest Region RPI was the second in a series of six PBA Regional championship events. The PBA East, Central, Southwest and combined West/Northwest Regions also will host RPI events in the coming weeks, with each RPI winner advancing to the PBA RPI Finals that will be taped for delayed airing on ESPN as part of the World Series of Bowling V at South Point Casino, Hotel and Bowling Center, Oct. 26-Nov. 3. Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla., was the first RPI winner, claiming the South Region title in Tavares, Fla., in early August.

Each RPI is open to 48 players who have qualified through a season-long points competition in their respective regions, and each RPI is being covered live from start to finish on PBA's exclusive bowling channel, Xtra Frame. Visit pba.com for Xtra Frame subscription information.

The next RPI will be the PBA Southwest Regional Players Invitational at FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., Sept. 6-8. The remaining RPI events include the Central RPI at Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 13-15; the East RPI at Maple City Bowl, Hornell, N.Y., Sept. 20-22, and the West/Northwest RPI at the National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Oct. 18-20.

PBA MIDWEST REGION PLAYERS INVITATIONAL Illinois Valley Super Bowl, Peru, Ill., Sept. 2

Championship:

Dave Beres, Waukesha, Wis. (\$6,000) def. Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, (\$3,500), 225-205.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$1,600):

Hess def. Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 227-187.
Beres def. Nathan Michalowski, Burlington, Wis., 201-195.

Round of 8 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,050 each):

Michalowski def. Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3-1.
Beres def. William Guszczo, Orland Park, Ill., 3-1.
Hess def. Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3-1.
Cunningham def. Jason Poli, West Des Moines, Iowa, 3-2.

Round of 12 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$850 each):

Michalowski def. T.P.Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 3-2.
Poli def. Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 3-2.
Beres def. Jeff Richgels, Madison, Wis., 3-0.
Buss def. Chris Glaz, Elmwood Park, Ill., 3-2.

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$750 each):

Michalowski def. Joe Zokal, Peru, Ill., 3-1.
Richgels def. Richard Kidd, El Paso, Ill., 3-0.
Glaz def. Chris Hill, Oak Creek, Wis., 3-1.
LaCaze def. Dan Perry, Cary, Ill., 3-1.

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Geoff Reiss Transitions to PBA Board, Tom Clark to Assume Daily Operations Responsibilities

SEATTLE (Sept. 2, 2013) – After nearly two years as Chief Executive Officer of the Professional Bowlers Association, Geoff Reiss announced today he is transitioning from his role to join the organization's board of directors, effective September 9. Commissioner Tom Clark will assume day-to-day management responsibility for the PBA.

"Tom's vast experience and passion for the sport of bowling give him a unique ability to see our turnaround through its final phase" Reiss said. "I look forward to continuing to work with Tom as we build on the momentum we've created the past year."

"We've got a big year ahead," Clark said. "Our dedicated staff and I will continue to build our fan base, create opportunities for our players and grow our relationships with partners and sponsors."

Reiss became the PBA's CEO and Clark assumed his role as Commissioner on Nov. 1, 2011.

The PBA will conclude its 2012-13 season with the PBA World Series of Bowling V at South Point Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center Oct. 25-Nov. 3 followed by the Round1 Japan Cup.

ESPN coverage of the multi-event World Series will be followed by the return of PBA League competition in early January from Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park Mich.

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Radical Bowling Joins PBA Registered Product Company Roster

Cardinale, Pinel, Brunswick form partnership to produce high-tech bowling balls

SEATTLE (Aug. 22, 2013) – The partnership between Brunswick and Radical Bowling Technologies – the high-tech ball company featuring the team of Phil Cardinale and Mo Pinel – has provided the opportunity for the newly re-branded company to become the newest member of the Professional Bowlers Association's Registered Product Company family.

The partnership agreement recently moved production of Radical bowling balls to the Brunswick manufacturing facility, and a number of exciting things have already taken place including an expansion in the worldwide distribution of Radical performance bowling balls. The expanded distribution base and increase in pro shop shelf space has created an opportunity for the Radical brand to make an investment and get the products in use for PBA national and regional competitions.

As a full PBA Registered Product Company, Radical Bowling will be able to take advantage of a wide range of promotional opportunities provided by the PBA at all levels of competition, including the PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour and the PBA's extensive regional program.

Approved Radical Bowling products will be eligible immediately for use in PBA competition, including upcoming PBA Regional Players Invitational events that will be webcast live on Xtra Frame, and in PBA Tour competition during the PBA World Series of Bowling V which gets underway Oct. 25 at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas. WSOB-V also will include hundreds of hours of live coverage on Xtra Frame, the PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, as well as five PBA Tour championship finals which will be nationally televised on ESPN.

"I'm thrilled to get the opportunity team up with Brunswick," said Cardinale. "This partnership is providing the Radical brand with a first-class manufacturing facility for our balls and the opportunity to expand our reach with improved sales and distribution to pro shops and consumers around the world. We have some outstanding products, and I look forward to seeing the Radical balls used in PBA competition."

Brian Graham, director of sales and marketing for Brunswick consumer products, concurred, saying, "Partnering with Phil and Mo to create Radical Bowling Technologies is a great example of how we're growing our overall position in the bowling consumer products business. This brand is allowing us to expand our product offerings to reach a new customer that is looking for a technological edge in their bowling balls."

For more information about Radical Bowling and its products, visit radicalbowling.com.

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Jabczenski, Monacelli Pace PBA50 Senior/Super Senior Doubles Classic After Round One

Exhausted Michigan Super Senior averages 227 to lead entire Decatur field

DECATUR, Ill. (Aug. 11, 2013) – Mitch Jabczenski of Novi, Mich., isn't sure how he did it, but one day shy of his 61st birthday, he found himself leading the entire field after the opening round of qualifying in the PBA50 Tour Senior/Super Senior Doubles Classic presented by Brunswick at Spare Time Lanes Sunday.

Jabczenski, who has never finished higher than ninth place in a PBA50 Tour event, fired games of 210, 233, 215, 222, 211, 234, 269 and 222 for a 1,816 pinfall total – a 227 average – to lead not only his fellow 60-and-older Super Senior players, but the younger 50-59 Senior field as well. PBA Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela led the Seniors with 1,796 pins on games of 187, 212, 232, 177, 260, 203, 278 and 247.

"Don't ask me how I did it," Jabczenski said. "When I walked in and saw how tough the scoring was, I wasn't very comfortable.

"I didn't get in to Decatur until this morning," he added. "I went to my niece's wedding (Saturday) and it was a seven-hour drive to get here. I was exhausted, but I laid down for an hour. Maybe it helped. I didn't throw ball very hard, but I guess I threw it hard enough."

If the standings stay the same after Monday's second eight-game qualifying round, Jabczenski would wind up as Monacelli's partner for the match play competition on Tuesday.

After qualifying, all pins will be dropped and the top 14 senior players will be paired in qualifying order with the top 14 super senior players for two Baker format round-robin match play rounds Tuesday. After 14 games of match play, the top four teams will advance to a Baker format stepladder finals starting at 7 p.m. CDT.

Monacelli hopes to stay on top in the Senior division because there are PBA50 Player of the Year points at stake, and this will be his last chance. He is bowling with Team Venezuela in the World Tenpin Bowling Association World Championships next week in Las Vegas, and will miss the final PBA50 Tour event in Welch, Minn. So finishing high in Decatur is important to him.

The 16-game qualifying totals in Decatur will be the basis for PBA50 Player of the Year points awarded for the doubles event. The top Senior qualifier will earn 16 points, second place eight points, third four points and fourth place two points. Reigning PBA50 Player of the Year Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala,

Fla., with 58 points, currently leads Monacelli by 18 points. Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., in third, 28 points behind Williams with 30 points. Lennie Boresch Jr. of Kenosha, Wis., is one point behind Weber.

The top three players in PBA50 Tour points also are competing for berths in the ESPN-televised PBA50 Tour Finals, a new special event that will be conducted during the PBA World Series of Bowling V at South Point Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center in Las Vegas in early November.

"After the first four games, I was only eight (pins) over (a 200 average), but then I got the right ball in my hand, the right grip and I bowled a lot better," Monacelli said. "I've had a great year. I led almost every week but in match play if you don't win, you don't get the points. But I'm still in good position to make the top three for the finals at the World Series, so that's my goal now."

The PBA50 Tour completes its 2013 season with the Treasure Island Resort and Casino Open presented by Motiv at Island Xtreme Bowl in Welch, Minn., Aug. 18-21.

**PBA50 SENIOR/SUPER SENIOR DOUBLES CLASSIC PRESENTED BY BRUNSWICK
Spare Time Lanes, Decatur, Ill., Sunday**

ROUND ONE (after 8 games)

Seniors (ages 50-59)

- 1, Amleto Monacelli, 1,796.
- 2, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,765.
- 3, Tom Adcock, Decatur, 1,754.
- 4, Dale Csuhta, 1,731.
- 5, Lennie Boresch Jr., 1,706.
- 6, Harry Sullins, 1,703.
- 7, Pete Weber, 1,690.
- 8, David Axon, 1,688.
- 9, Wayne Webb, 1,679.
- 10, Kevin Foley, 1,671.
- 11, Walter Ray Williams Jr., 1,651.
- 12, Scott Smith, 1,642.
- 13, Don Holmes, 1,640.
- 14, Kenny Parks, 1,620.
- 15, Todd Kjell, 1,615.
- 16 (tie), Mike Edwards and Darryl Bower, 1,614.
- 18, Tom Baker, 1,590.
- 19, Bob Learn Jr., 1,587.
- 20, Robert Harvey, 1,582.
- 21, Bryan Goebel, 1,575.
- 22, Kent Wagner, 1,553.
- 23, Paul McCordic, 1,538.
- 24, Michael Shequin, 1,525.
- 25, Bob Markiewicz, 1,523.
- 26, Brian Miller, 1,520.
- 27 (tie), Mark Williams and Al Pote, 1,502.
- 29, Bennie Holman, 1,489.
- 30, Roger Painter, 1,486.
- 31, Frank Miceli, 1,485.
- 32, Gene Davis, 1,458.
- 33, Tim Pierce, 1,449.

- 34, John Dudak, 1,425.
- 35, Tom Howison, 1,420.
- 36, Tom Carter, 1,418.
- 37, Chris Keane, 1,408.
- 38, Rick Woloszyn, 1,387.
- 39, Jamie Lynn Fox, 1,386.

Super Seniors (ages 60-older)

- 1, Mitch Jabczenski, 1,816.
- 2, Mike Chrzanowski, 1,685.
- 3, Marc Lineberry, 1,669.
- 4, Don Blatchford, 1,668.
- 5, Rick Minier, 1,663.
- 6, Gary Dickinson, 1,647.
- 7, Ted Staikoff, 1,640.
- 8, Emilio Mora Sr., 1,636.
- 9, Sal Borngiorno, 1,631.
- 10, Harv Pallas, 1,629.
- 11, Dick Selgo, 1,625.
- 12, Dave Bernhardt, 1,624.
- 13, Bill Henson, 1,608.
- 14, Don Sylvia, 1,606.
- 15, Roy Buckley, 1,600.
- 16, Tim Kauble, 1,581.
- 17, John Petraglia, 1,577.
- 18, Sam Perrotta, 1,575.
- 19 (tie), Patrick King and Dick Gran, 1,574.
- 21, Bill McCorkle, 1,548.
- 22, Jerry Lau, 1,530.
- 23, Kerry Painter, 1,516.
- 24, William Keenan, 1,510.
- 25, Lee Brosius, 1,508.
- 26, Ron Profitt, 1,498.
- 27, Galen Keas, 1,497.
- 28, Henry Gonzalez, 1,496.
- 29, Steve Stein, 1,494.
- 30, Dan Duskin Sr., 1,487.
- 31, Dennis Lane, 1,486.
- 32, Bill Idzior, 1,484.
- 33, Frankie May, 1,483.
- 34, Dale Eagle, 1,482.
- 35, Brendan Bierch, 1,476.
- 36, Larry Graybeal, 1,466.
- 37, Gene Vincent, 1,462.
- 38, Gary Hiday, 1,459.
- 39, Daniel Miner, 1,439.
- 40, Bob Kelly, 1,435.
- 41 (tie), Donald Breihan, and George Hall, 1,422.
- 43, George Lord, 1,412.
- 44, Ken Waters, 1,402.
- 45, Robert Holzbauer, 1,391.
- 46, Barry Witmer, 1,387.

47, Melvin Lingafelter, 1,382.
48, Robert Teeters, 1,373.
49, Allen Meskan, 1,367.
50, Kim Kirkpatrick, 1,365.
51, Walter Sova Sr., 1,326.
52, Peter Brainard, 1,283.
53, Dan Clausse, 1,250.
54, Hank Knisley, 1,154.

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Walter Ray Williams Jr. Tops Mark Williams for PBA50 South Shore Open Title

Indiana tournament features all-PBA Hall of Fame championship round

HAMMOND, Ind. (Aug. 8, 2013) – Reigning PBA50 Tour Player of the Year Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla., defeated Mark Williams – no relation – of Beaumont, Texas, 217-198, to win the PBA50 Tour South Shore Open presented by DV8 at Olympia Lanes Thursday.

Helped by Mark's pocket 7-10 split in the 10th frame, Walter Ray completed a come-from-behind victory to win his third PBA50 Tour title of the year, the seventh PBA50 Tour title of his career, and he expanded his points lead to 18 points over Venezuela's Amleto Monacelli in the PBA50 Player of the Year race with only two tournaments remaining in the 2013 season.

Walter Ray Williams, who owns a record 47-time PBA Tour titles, never led in the title match until throwing three strikes in a row in the eighth, ninth and 10th frames to erase Mark Williams's early lead. Mark had a chance to win with a strike and nine-count spare in his 10th frame, but left the so-called "impossible" split on a pocket hit on his first shot.

"That was the 15th time I left that split this week," Mark said, "but I guess there was room for one more. That shot could have struck, but maybe it was just the pressure of the moment."

"I bowled a great game and had a lot of nine counts, and Mark bowled a great game and had some bad breaks," Walter Ray said. "But that's part of bowling. For awhile it looked like I wasn't getting any good breaks, but in the end I got the break I needed."

Despite years of bowling against each other on the "junior tour," as the 50-and-older players refer to the regular PBA Tour, friendships and good-natured rivalries remain intense among the PBA50 players.

"We're all good friends. We've known each other for years, but we don't like to lose to each other," Walter Ray added. "I'm still competitive. I don't like to lose. I'm out here to get all the accolades I can, and win titles, and win a little money if I can."

In the semifinal round featuring four PBA Hall of Famers, Mark Williams started with six strikes and ran away with a 267-191 decision over Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., who left splits and failed to convert both the third and fifth frames. Walter Ray then set up the all-Williams title match with a 244-199 victory over Randy Pedersen of Clermont, Fla.

By picking up 16 points in the Player of the Year points race, Williams has an 18-point edge over Monacelli, but Monacelli isn't expected to bowl the final two PBA50 Tour events due to international

competitions as a member of Team Venezuela. Weber, a PBA50 Tour rookie, is third in the points competition with 30 points, and would need to win the final two tournaments – with Walter Ray adding no more than four points to his total – in order to win Player of the Year honors.

The top three players in PBA50 Tour points also competing for earn berths in the ESPN-televised PBA50 Tour Finals, a new special event that will be conducted during the PBA World Series of Bowling V at South Point Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center in Las Vegas in early November.

The PBA50 Tour completes its 2013 season with the Decatur Open presented by Brunswick at Spare Time Lanes in Decatur, Ill., Sunday through Tuesday, Aug. 13, followed by the Treasure Island Resort and Casino Open presented by Motiv at Island Xtreme Bowl in Welch, Minn., Aug. 18-21.

PBA50 SOUTH SHORE OPEN PRESENTED BY DV8 Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind., Thursday

Championship:

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla. (\$8,000) def. Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas (\$4,000), 217-198.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$2,500):

M. Williams def. Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 267-191.

W.R. Williams def. Randy Pedersen, Clermont, Fla., 244-199.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,700)

Weber def. Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., 2-0.

M. Williams def. Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 2-0.

W.R. Williams def. Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 2-0.

Pedersen def. Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 2-1.

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,300)

Weber def. Paul McCordic, Sugar Land, Texas, 3-0.

Bernhardt def. Jeff Richgels, Madison, Wis., 3-2.

Sullins def. Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 3-0.

M. Williams def. Rick Minier, Houston, Texas, 3-1.

Edwards def. Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 3-1.

W.R. Williams def. Christopher Keane, Cape Coral, Fla., 3-0.

Pedersen def. Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3-1.

Mohr def. Kerry Painter, Henderson, Nev., 3-1.

Round of 24 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,150)

McCordic def. Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3-1.

Bernhardt def. Tommy Martin, Arlington, Tenn., 3-2.

Boresch def. Tom Carter, Rockford, Ill., 3-1.

Minier def. Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 3-2.

Keane def. Charlie Tapp, Kalamazoo, Mich., 3-1.

Scarborough def. a-Rick Hara, Mount Prospect, Ill., 3-2.

Pedersen def. Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3-0.

Painter def. Rick Thomas, Willowbrook, Ill., 3-2.

Round of 32 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,025):

McCordic def. Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 3-2.

Bernhardt def. Robert Flaws, Chicago Ridge, Ill., 3-1.

Carter def. Bob Markiewicz, San Diego, 3-1.
Traber def. Bill Henson, Westerville, Ohio, 3-1.

Keane def. Jimmy Johnson, Bellevue, Neb., 3-1.
Hara def. Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 3-0.
Baker def. Dale Csuhta, Wadsworth, Ohio, 3-1.
Thomas def. Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 3-0.

PBA50 TOUR PLAYER OF THE YEAR POINTS STANDINGS

(Players earn 16 points for first place, 8 points for second, 4 points for third and 2 points for fourth)

- 1, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 58.
- 2, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 40.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 30.
- 4, Lennie Boresch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., 29.
- 5, Bob Learn Jr., Macomb, Mich., 20.
- 6, Randy Pedersen, Clermont, Fla., 18.
- 7, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 16
- 8, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 15.
- 9, Ron Mohr, Las Vegas, 12.
- 10, Five tied with 8.

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Tom Daugherty Wins PBA South Region Players Invitational Title

First of six PBA Regional Invitational titles includes berth in PBA World Series of Bowling V

TAVARES, Fla. – Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla., defeated Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga., 219-209, to win the Professional Bowlers Association South Region's Regional Players Invitational title Sunday, concluding two days of live coverage from Break Point Alley on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel.

Daugherty, who earned \$6,000, a paid entry into the PBA World Series of Bowling V in Las Vegas in late October and a berth in a new PBA RPI Finals which will be televised on ESPN. Daugherty won his only PBA Tour title in the Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship during the 2012 WSOB, ironically defeating Sterner, 199-177, in winning the first of his three matches en route to the Scorpion title. Sterner earned \$3,500 as the RPI runner-up.

"The best part about it was this event was on a grueling lane condition and I had to bowl against the best 48 guys in our region, so it was definitely a good win," Daugherty said.

"(The new RPI program) gives players a reason to bowl a couple more regionals," he added. "Any time you've got a \$6,000 prize and other benefits, it's really an incentive. I've had this tournament circled on my calendar for a long time. I bowled a couple of additional regionals I probably wouldn't have bowled because of it.

"I bowled in the World Series last year and come away with my first (PBA Tour) title," Daugherty continued, "so I'm looking forward to going back."

The South Region RPI was the first in a series of six PBA Regional championship events. The PBA East, Central, Midwest, Southwest and combined West/Northwest Regions also will host RPI events in the coming weeks, with each RPI winner advancing to the PBA RPI Finals that will be taped for delayed airing on ESPN as part of the World Series of Bowling V at South Point Casino, Hotel and Bowling Center, Oct. 26-Nov. 3. Each RPI is open to 48 players who have qualified through a season-long points competition in their respective regions, and each RPI will be covered live from start to finish on PBA's exclusive bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

Sterner started the tournament with a 300 game and had a chance to win it by throwing three strikes in the 10th frame of the title match, but only threw the first strike.

Sterner defeated Scott Newell of Deland, Fla., 185-172, and Daugherty won over Randy Weiss of Columbia, S.C., 229-217, in the semifinal round to set up the championship match.

The next RPI will be the PBA Midwest Regional Players Invitational at Super Bowl in Peru, Ill., Aug. 31-Sept. 2. The PBA South Region's next tournament will be Fayetteville, N.C., Aug. 23-25.

To watch each RPI in its entirety, subscribe to Xtra Frame, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

PBA SOUTH REGION PLAYERS INVITATIONAL
Break Point Alley, Tavares, Fla., Sunday, Aug. 4

Championship:

Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., (\$6,000) def. Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga. (\$3,500), 219-209.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$1,600):

Daugherty def. Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 229-217.

Sterner def. Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 185-172.

Round of 8 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$1,050 each):

Daugherty def. Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 3-1.

Sterner def. Jeremy Mooney, West Palm Beach, Fla., 3-1.

Newell def. Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C. 3-1.

Weiss def. Dave O'Sullivan, Oviedo, Fla., 3-1.

Round of 12 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$850 each):

O'Sullivan def. Gary Faulkner, Norfolk, Va., 3-0.

Sterner def. Kip Roberts, Glen Allen, Va., 3-2.

Newell def. B.J. Moore, Apex, N.C., 3-2.

Troup def. Chris Collins, Fayetteville, N.C., 3-2.

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers eliminated and earned \$750 each):

Sterner def. Jeff Schrum, Cherryville, N.C., 3-1.

Collins def. Blane Anderson, Valdosta, Ga., 3-2.

Moore def. Kelvin Wiggins, Rocky Mt., N.C., 3-1.

O'Sullivan def. Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 3-1

300 Games: Jason Sterner.

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Changes in Store as PBA League Prepares for Second Season

Revamped team lineups, new managers, new competition format, MVP award on tap for 2014

SEATTLE (Aug. 2, 2013) – When team owner Billie Jean King raised the Elias Cup over her head with the help of her victorious New York City WTT KingPins presented by GEICO bowlers last April on ESPN, the first season of the Professional Bowlers Association League was complete – and work on improving the groundbreaking team concept began.

The second season of the PBA League, set to begin January 1 in Allen Park, Mich., will include a variety of enhancements, including revamped team lineups, the addition of team managers, new competition formats, and a special new Mark Roth PBA League MVP Award, PBA Commissioner Tom Clark announced today.

“The PBA League, in its inaugural season, achieved every goal we could have hoped for,” Clark said, “and it has provided us with a solid foundation to build the PBA League into the kind of dynamic, exciting new aspect of the PBA we envisioned. Some of the new concepts will be unveiled as we enter our second year of PBA League competition.”

Among the changes for the 2014 PBA League season:

The eight original teams and owners will be back, and each team's franchise players will be retained. A new manager will be added to each team who will have responsibilities for acquiring players, negotiating trades and determining lineups for competition, among other duties:

- **BROOKLYN STyLES** (owner Jesse Williams, Grey's Anatomy actor; manager Johnny Petraglia, PBA Hall of Famer; franchise player Sean Rash).
- **Dallas Strikers** (owner Terrell Owens, NFL All-Pro wide receiver; franchise player/manager Norm Duke).
- **L.A. X** (owner Chris Paul, L.A. Clippers all-star point guard; manager Andrew Cain, PBA member and United States Bowling Congress President; franchise player Jason Belmonte).
- **Motown Muscle** (owner Jerome Bettis, retired Pittsburgh Steelers fullback and Super Bowl star; manager Del Ballard Jr., PBA Hall of Famer; franchise player Mike Fagan).
- **New York City WTT KingPins** (owner Billie Jean King, women's sports icon; manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, women's bowling hall of famer; franchise player Pete Weber).
- **Philadelphia Hitmen** (owner Kevin Hart, actor/comedian; manager Jason Couch, PBA Hall of Famer; franchise player Bill O' Neill).
- **Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits** (owner LaMarr Woodley, Pittsburgh Steelers All-Pro linebacker; manager Tim Mack, international bowling champion and coach; franchise player Osku Palermaa).

- Silver Lake (Ca.) Atom Splitters (owner Chris Hardwick, Internet entrepreneur/comedian; manager Mark Baker, four-time PBA Tour titlist and renowned bowling instructor; franchise player Chris Barnes).

Each PBA League team will have a five-player roster. Teams will have the right to re-sign up to three players from their 2013 rosters between Aug. 1 and Aug. 31.

- Players who are not re-signed by Aug. 31 will become free agents. If the free agents do not sign with another team by Oct. 1 (maximum number of players signed through the free agency period is four including the franchise player), free agents will enter the 2014 player draft along with any player from the top 50 players based upon the 2012-13 PBA competition points list not on a team.

- Players who are eligible for the draft will have until Nov. 3 to declare themselves for the draft.

- The 2014 PBA League player draft will be held on Nov. 4, at the completion of the PBA World Series of Bowling V in Las Vegas.

- Draft order will be in reverse order to how teams finished in the 2013 PBA League points competition (No. 8 Pittsburgh will draft first followed by Philadelphia, Silver Lake, Los Angeles, Brooklyn, Dallas, Motown and New York City).

- Trades will be allowed, subject to the PBA Commissioner's approval, up to Nov. 17. Allowances also will be made for players who are injured and unable to participate.

- Teams have a base payment cap they must work within to build their squad.

"There will be a few changes to the program next season, but one thing that won't change is the outcome," said Weber, the PBA Hall of Famer who led the New York City WTT KingPins to the inaugural Elias Cup title. "I had the best team last year, and I'll have the best team next season, too.

"The PBA League was great fun, a great experience," he added. "I'm really looking forward to defending our title in 2014."

PBA League competition in 2014 will feature head-to-head team competition featuring four singles matches, two alternate-ball doubles matches, a Baker trios match and a four-player Baker team match. In the round-robin team competition, every team will bowl each of the other teams.

- All preliminary round matches will take place Jan. 1-7 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich

- Teams will earn points for each match to secure positions for the PBA League Playoffs which will be conducted as part of USBC Masters week, Feb. 22-23, at Brunswick Zone Carolier in North Brunswick, N.J.

- The Elias Cup finals will follow the live ESPN-televised finals of the PBA Tournament of Champions at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis on Sunday, April 6, and will air on Sunday, April 13.

PBA League television coverage on ESPN will feature selected matches to-be-determined during the singles/doubles/trios/team rounds. The first round airs live on ESPN, Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014. The PBA's Xtra Frame online streaming video service will provide full coverage of all matches.

All players selected to participate in the 2014 PBA League will receive prize fund compensation based upon their position (1-5) on the team (\$600,000 total in base pay) in addition to competing for shares of \$300,000 in prize money. The winning team will earn a total of \$130,000, the runner-up will earn \$80,000, the third-place team \$50,000 and the fourth-place team \$40,000.

The player who accumulates the most points during the PBA League season will be awarded the Mark Roth PBA League Most Valuable Player Award, named after the revolutionary PBA Hall of Famer.

Looking ahead to the 2015 season, the PBA League may retain the same eight team names and owners or expand. The term "franchise player" will be eliminated; team members will be designated as 1-5 based upon their position in the draft. All teams will re-draft their entire rosters from a pool of 50 players that

will be based on a rolling point system beginning with the 2013 World Series V and continuing through the 2014 Summer Swing. Any rostered PBA League player from 2014 who doesn't make the top 50 also will be included in the draft pool.

Complete 2014 PBA League rules, base pay team cap information, 2013 team rosters, schedule and television details are posted at:

<http://www.pba.com/content/images/forms/2014%20PBA%20LEAGUE.pdf>

"During the offseason, fans will be able to strategize along with the team managers in how they would construct a team," Clark said. "As players are secured with clubs or picked up through free agency, that news will be made public."

2014 PBA LEAGUE QUALIFYING ROUND SCHEDULE

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Jan. 1-7

(Each team match will include four singles, two alternate-ball doubles, one Baker trios, one four-player Baker team matches and total pins plus bonus pins for wins)

ROUND ONE

New York City WTT KingPins vs. Motown Muscle
BROOKLYN STyLES vs. Dallas Strikers
L.A. X vs. Silver Lake Atom Splitters
Philadelphia Hitmen vs. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits

ROUND TWO

Silver Lake Atom Splitters vs. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits
L.A. X vs. Philadelphia Hitmen
Motown Muscle vs. Dallas Strikers
New York City WTT KingPins vs. BROOKLYN STyLES

ROUND THREE

L.A. X vs. Dallas Strikers
New York City WTT KingPins vs. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits
Philadelphia Hitmen vs. BROOKLYN STyLES
Motown Muscle vs. Silver Lake Atom Splitters

ROUND FOUR

BROOKLYN STyLES vs. Silver Lake Atom Splitters
Philadelphia Hitmen vs. Motown Muscle
New York City WTT KingPins vs. L.A. X
Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits vs. Dallas Strikers

ROUND FIVE

Philadelphia Hitmen vs. New York City WTT KingPins
Dallas Strikers vs. Silver Lake Atom Splitters
BROOKLYN STyLES vs. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits
L.A. X vs. Motown Muscle

ROUND SIX

Motown Muscle vs. BROOKLYN STyLES
Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits vs. L.A. X
Dallas Strikers vs. New York City WTT KingPins
Silver Lake Atom Splitters vs. Philadelphia Hitmen

ROUND SEVEN

Dallas Strikers vs. Philadelphia Hitmen
Silver Lake Atom Splitters vs. New York City WTT KingPins
Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits vs. Motown Muscle
BROOKLYN STyLES vs. L.A. X

POSITION ROUND (Feb. 22, North Brunswick, N.J.)

Match One: #7 Seed vs. #8 Seed
Match Two: #5 vs. #6
Match Three: #3 vs. #4
Match Four: #1 vs. #2

PBA LEAGUE PLAYOFFS (Feb. 23, North Brunswick, N.J.)

Match One: #7 Seed vs. #6 Seed
Match Two: Winner Match One vs. #5 Seed
Match Three (two Baker games, total pinfall): Winner Match Two vs. #4 Seed

ELIAS CUP FINALS (April 6, Indianapolis)

Match One: Winner of Match Three vs. #3 Seed
Semifinal Match: Winner of Match One vs. #2 Seed
Championship (two Baker games, total pinfall): Winner of Semifinal Match vs. #1 Seed

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South Region Kicks Off New PBA Regional Invitational Tournament Series

Break Point Alley in Tavares, Fla., to host inaugural PBA Regional championship event this weekend

SEATTLE (July 31, 2013) – Break Point Alley in Tavares, Fla., will host the first in a series of new Professional Bowlers Association Regional Players Invitational tournaments this weekend, launching a series of six events that will be covered live on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, and will reward winners with berths in a new ESPN-televised event during PBA World Series of Bowling V in early November.

The new tournament series, which will be conducted in the PBA's East, South, Central, Midwest, Southwest and joint West-Northwest Regions, will provide more than 200 top regional players with international media exposure via Xtra Frame; include attractive prize funds in excess of \$25,000 each with \$6,000 to the winner and a 1:2 payout ratio, and provide the six winners with paid entries into the World Series. In addition, the winner of the RPI Finals telecast will earn a berth in the 2014 PBA Tournament of Champions.

The RPI schedule includes the South RPI at Break Point Alley, Tavares, Fla., Aug. 2-4; the Midwest RPI at Super Bowl in Peru, Ill., Aug. 31-Sept. 2; the Southwest RPI at FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Sept. 6-8; the Central RPI at Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 13-15; the East RPI at Maple City Bowl, Hornell, N.Y., Sept. 20-22, and the West/Northwest RPI at the National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Oct. 18-20.

Connor Pickford of Charlotte, N.C., a 23-year-old two-time South Region champion during the points period, is the South's leading points qualifier.

Tom Hess of Urbandale, Iowa, led the Midwest Region in points. Hess, 44, is the 2011 USBC Masters champion.

Former Wichita State University star Nathan Bohr, a 16-time PBA Regional title winner, won three of those titles during the past season to top the Southwest points list.

PBA Tour rookie E.J. Tackett, 21, of Huntington, Ind., topped the Central points list. A one-time Central Region winner, Tackett made his PBA television debut during the GEICO PBA Summer Swing in Milwaukee followed by a sixth-place finish in the U.S. Open.

Four-time PBA Tour titlist Ryan Shafer of Horseheads, N.Y., is the East Region's points leader, thanks in part to two East Region victories that boosted his career total to 21 PBA Regional titles.

The joint West/Northwest points leader is 49-year-old Northwest Region veteran Chris Warren of Grants Pass, Ore., who won a pair of titles over the past season while 28-year-old PJ Haggerty of Roseville, Calif., led the West Region, thanks in part to winning a pair of titles.

In order to qualify for their respective RPIs, PBA members were required to qualify among the top 48 in competition points within their own regions during a season-long points race. The top 15 in points as of July 15 receive a free entry into their respective RPIs. Players who finished 16-32 in points are invited, but must pay a \$220 entry fee. The next 16 spots will go to players on the points list who have participated in a minimum of 50 percent of the region's tournaments during the year. If any spots remain open, invitations will be extended based upon players' rankings on their home region's points list.

Special rules apply to the joint West-Northwest RPI. The West Region's top 10 and the Northwest's top five will earn the free entries. West Region leaders 11-23 and Northwest Region points leaders 6-9 are eligible for the \$220 berths. The balance of the field will be offered to the next 12 West Region and next four Northwest Region players who meet the participation rule.

Each RPI will consist of a Friday pro-am and two six-game qualifying rounds on Saturday. The top 16 qualifiers will advance to three rounds of best-of-five-game elimination matches and two rounds of one-game eliminations on Sunday. Saturday's top four qualifiers will earn two bye rounds and qualifiers five through eight will earn one bye round.

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

Bowling fans can watch the exclusive live start-to-finish coverage of each RPI event on Xtra Frame on Saturdays and Sundays. A full-year subscription is \$64.99 and will include not only the RPI events, but the PBA50 Tour's season-ending Treasure Island Resort and Casino Open from Welch, Minn., plus hundreds of hours of coverage from WSOB-V from Las Vegas, qualifying and match play rounds for many of the PBA's 2014 tournaments and more. To sign up, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

iPhone, iPad and Android users can also download an Xtra Frame app to their mobile devices to catch all the action. Visit the Apple App store and search for PBA Xtra Frame. Android users need to search Google Play or, using a mobile device Play Store, search PBA or Xtra Frame.

"We are excited to bring this RPI series to Xtra Frame," Clark added. "Subscribers will see start-to-finish action featuring the best players from every region for six weeks. It's a great value and I know PBA fans will enjoy watching things unfold."

During the World Series at South Point Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center in early November, the six RPI champions will compete in a one-hour RPI Finals event that will air on ESPN. All six players will bowl in the opening one-game match with the three highest scoring players advancing to the title match. The winner of RPI Finals will earn the 2014 PBA Tournament of Champions berth (if already qualified, he/she will advance to the top of the TOC eligibility list).

Below are the top 15 points leaders who have earned free entries into their respective RPI events. For complete points lists for each region, click on the Regional Tour tab under the Schedules tab on pba.com, and then click on the region of interest to find the complete points list:

PBA SOUTH REGION TOP 15 RPI QUALIFIERS

Break Point Alley, Tavares, Fla., Aug. 2-4

- 1, Connor Pickford, Charlotte, N.C., 116,208 points.
- 2, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 112,997.
- 3, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 111,020.
- 4, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 97,659.
- 5, David Shinn, West Columbia, S.C., 97,361.
- 6, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 96,967.
- 7, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 79,004.
- 8, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 76,443.
- 9, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 70,361.
- 10, Kip Roberts, Glen Allen, Va., 64,779.
- 11, Richard Horsley, Morrisville, N.C., 64,900.
- 12, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 643,476.
- 13, Mike Williams, Montgomery, Ala., 61,101.
- 14, Chris Johnson, Nashville, N.C., 59,823.
- 15, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 54,033.

PBA MIDWEST REGION TOP 15 RPI QUALIFIERS**Super Bowl, Peru, Ill., Aug. 31-Sept. 2**

- 1, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 129,469.
- 2, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 82,136.
- 3, Christopher Hill, Oak Creek, Wis., 66,717.
- 4, Matthew Tomsu, Omaha, Neb., 64,361.
- 5, Jeff Richgels Madison, Wis., 61,791.
- 6, Nathan Michalowski, Burlington, Wis., 59,373.
- 7, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 57,431.
- 8, Thomas Patton, Olathe, Kan., 55,674.
- 9, David Traber, Hebron, Ill., 55,079.
- 10, William Guszczo, Orland Park, Ill., 54,642.
- 11, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 53,225.
- 12, David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., 52,131.
- 13, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 49,228.
- 14, Richard Kidd, El Paso, Ill., 47,268.
- 15, Aaron O'Brien, St. Louis, 39,335.

PBA SOUTHWEST REGION TOP 15 RPI QUALIFIERS**FireLake Bowling Center, Shawnee, Okla., Sept. 6-8**

- 1, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 121,727.
- 2, Chris Hibbits, Keller, Texas, 96,044.
- 3, Sean Lavery-Spahr, Denton, Texas, 95,512.
- 4, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 85,503.
- 5, Tyler Jensen, Ft. Worth, Texas, 79,635.
- 6, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 75,549.
- 7, Mike Bailey, Allen, Texas, 74,808.
- 8, Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 74,525.
- 9, Andy Patterson, Tyler, Texas, 74,207.
- 10, Jay Futrell, Derby, Kan., 60,305.
- 11, David Anthony, Austin, Texas, 59,610.
- 12, Clint Dacy, Fort Worth, Texas, 56,370.
- 13, Charlie Mills, Pasadena, Texas, 50,567.
- 14, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 50,000.
- 15, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 48,762.

PBA CENTRAL REGION TOP 15 RPI QUALIFIERS**Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Sept. 13-15**

- 1, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 132,219.
- 2, Riga Kalfas, Florence, Ky., 100,912.
- 3, Patrick Dombrowski, Parma, Ohio, 90,744.
- 4, Nick Kokenos, St. Clair Shores, Mich., 83,935.
- 5, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 81,981.
- 6, Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 69,562.
- 7, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 61,446.
- 8, Todd Book, Wapakoneta, Ohio, 60,957.
- 9, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 59,454.
- 10, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 57,130.
- 11, BJ Satkowski, Jackson, Mich., 56,300.
- 12, Mason Brantley, Detroit, 54,624.
- 13, Larry Verble, Mason, Mich., 51,903.
- 14, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind. 50,479.
- 15, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 48,160.

PBA EAST REGION TOP 15 RPI QUALIFIERS**Maple City Bowl, Hornell, N.Y., Sept. 20-22**

- 1, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 112,933.
- 2, Adam Chase, West Babylon, N.Y., 54,473.
- 3, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 49,701.
- 4, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 48,019.
- 5, Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 47,347.
- 6, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 44,806.
- 7, Joe Ciccone, Buffalo, N.Y., 43,316.
- 8, Ken Yokobosky, Fredon, N.J., 43,044.
- 9, Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 42,310.
- 10, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 40,963.
- 11, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 37,393.
- 12, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 36,281.
- 13, Gary Haines, West Babylon, N.Y., 35,708.
- 14, Travis Celmer, Wernersville, Pa., 35,502.
- 15, Michael Houtz, Myerstown, Pa., 33,139.

PBA WEST/NORTHWEST REGION TOP 15 RPI QUALIFIERS**National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nev., Oct. 18-20**

- 1, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore, 162,923 (Northwest).
- 2, PJ Haggerty, Roseville, Calif., 153,850 (West).
- 3, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 147,053 (West).
- 4, Wayne Garber, Modesto, Calif., 133,073 (West).
- 5, Jeff Frankos, Daly City, Calif., 125,661 (West).
- 6, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 122,597 (West).
- 7, Scott Norton, Costa Mesa, Calif., 100,868 (West).
- 8, Ben Laughlin, Chandler, Ariz., 98,711 (West).
- 9, Dean Bollinger, Portland, Ore., 97,596 (Northwest).
- 10, Eddie Van Daniker, Chatsworth, Calif., 97,060 (West).
- 11, Mike Danielson, Portland, Ore., 96,069 (Northwest).
- 12, Blaine Weninger, Happy Valley, Ore., 88,175 (Northwest).
- 13, Jason Miller, Portland, Ore., 88,054 (Northwest).

14, Leo DiBenedetto, Rancho Cordova, Calif., 79,230 (West).

15, David Haynes, Las Vegas, Nev., 78,851 (West).

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Clutch 10th-Frame Performance Helps Duke Win GEICO PBA King of Swing

Hall of Famer wins four matches, avenges Milwaukee Open loss to Barnes with two strikes in final frame

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Norm Duke successfully concluded the GEICO PBA Summer Swing with a clutch 10th-frame performance for a bittersweet 222-213 victory over Chris Barnes in the GEICO King of the Swing special event.

It was the kind of performance that has made Duke one of the PBA's most popular players.

The final event in the GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil telecasts aired Tuesday on CBS Sports Network.

Duke, a 49-year-old Clermont, Fla., resident, defeated four Summer Swing event champions in impressive style after earning his way into the King of the Swing field as the "wild card," the highest point-getter without a title.

As the No. 5 qualifier for the stepladder finals, Duke began his climb up the stepladder by defeating Badger Open titlist Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill., 220-190; Bear Open winner Jason Belmonte of Australia, 258-226, and Wolf Open champ Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, 207-205. Those victories set up a championship re-match against Barnes, who had defeated Duke, 246-237, in the title match of the Milwaukee Open earlier in the Summer Swing.

Bowling on the same Badger lane condition Barnes had selected for the Milwaukee Open finals – a right the Double Oak, Texas, resident had earned as Summer Swing points leader - Duke successfully turned the tables on Barnes.

In the Milwaukee Open, Barnes won when he threw two strikes in the 10th, surviving to claim his 15th career title when Duke struck on his first shot in the 10th, but left a 10 pin on his second attempt.

In the King of the Swing finale, Barnes' string of four strikes ended when the 9 pin stood on his second shot in the 10th frame. Duke, working on a double heading into his 10th frame, needed two more strikes to win, and he got what he needed.

"I realize it's not a PBA Tour title, but it still feels good," Duke said. "I'll go home without a title, and that's disappointing because I'm here to win titles, but I did win an event."

"I needed to spend some time on TV. I haven't been on TV in a while, and when I got there and didn't perform the way I wanted in the Wolf and Milwaukee Opens, it was just because we haven't had any tournaments for a while," Duke continued. "It takes a little time just to get comfortable. In the Wolf Open, I was scared and nervous, but today was a walk in the park."

Duke was unhappy with a couple of shots he made in the previous events that, in his mind, probably cost him titles. But converting the 1-2-4-10 washout after making a bad shot in the 10th frame against Peters in the opening match of the King of the Swing finals was a key moment.

"When you bowl a lot of games on TV, there are going to be some shots you're not real proud of, but I was about 90 percent happy with the shots I made today," he said. "I had to make that washout against Jake Peters to win, and I did it."

He also was happy to beat Barnes on the Badger pattern, a lane condition he wouldn't have picked if he had the choice.

"I'd have picked the Wolf pattern," Duke said. "I'll bowl all day on the Wolf against those high-rev guys, but my job is to not have a favorite pattern. When you have a favorite, you also have a least-favorite pattern and that's a problem; it's conceding you have a weakness and I don't like to say that out loud."

"In my mind, this was Barnes' place," he added. "Barnes led (the Summer Swing). He won the Milwaukee Open, which was the most important one, I believe. I'd love to have that shot back (10 pin in 10th frame of title match), but he'd love to have a couple of shots back as well. He earned it."

"When I get home and reflect on the Summer Swing, one of the things I'll probably congratulate myself on was my ability to keep a strong focus on what I needed to do. I feel pretty good about that."

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**GEICO PBA KING OF THE SWING presented by Lucas Oil
AMF Bowlero, Wauwatosa, Wis. (non-title special event)**

Final Standings: 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., \$10,000. 2, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, \$6,000. 3, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, \$4,000. 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$3,000. 5, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., \$2,000.

Stepladder Results: Match One – Duke def. Peters, 220-190. Match Two – Duke def. Belmonte, 258-226. Semifinal Match – Duke def. Loschetter, 207-205. Championship – Duke def. Barnes, 222-213.

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Chris Barnes Out-Duels Norm Duke to Win Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open

10 pin in 10th frame decides title after Duke edges Weber in another classic match

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – In a battle that went down to the second ball in the final frame, Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, out-duelled Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., 246-237, to win his 15th PBA Tour title in the Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open at AMF Bowlero.

The fourth of five GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil telecasts aired Tuesday on CBS Sports Network.

The Milwaukee Open, featuring the top qualifiers from the PBA Badger, Wolf and Bear Open tournaments held earlier in the Summer Swing, came down to a pair of classic matches involving three of the six members of the elite PBA "Triple Crown" club – Barnes, Duke and PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo. (Billy Hardwick, Johnny Petraglia and Mike Aulby are the other three Triple Crown winners; Weber is the only player to win all three major championships – U.S. Open, PBA World Championship and PBA Tournament of Champions – twice).

After Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, defeated Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga., 198-182, to start the Milwaukee Open finals, Duke eliminated Fagan in the second match, 238-194.

That win set up a semifinal match between Duke and Weber, who are tied for third place on the all-time PBA Tour titles list with 37 each, and who have met each other in televised matches only three previous times in their 30-plus-year careers. In those matches – each in a different decade – Weber held a 2-1 edge (he beat Duke in the 1986 St. Louis Open semifinal match, 247-234; lost to Duke in the 1997 Ebonite Challenge title match in Windsor Locks, Conn., 236-194, and beat Duke, 260-227, in the semifinal match of the 2001 Greater Louisville Open).

Duke evened the score in a match that was never more than 10 pins apart, 225-217, when Weber left a solid 9 pin on his second shot in the 10th frame after striking on his first ball in the 10th.

But Barnes ruined Duke's bid to break his titles tie with Weber in an equally exciting title match. Barnes struck on five of his first six shots, building a 20-pin lead after five frames, but Duke responded with a string of four strikes to take a 188-187 lead after eight frames. Barnes struck in the ninth and on his first two shots in the 10th frame, finishing with a nine-count. Duke ran his strike string to four on his first attempt in the 10th frame, but left a 10 pin on his second shot to give Barnes the victory.

"My matches with Norm have always been interesting, going back to 2000 when the winner (of the MSN Open in Tucson) was probably the difference in who won Player of the Year," Barnes said (Duke beat Barnes in that title match, 236-228, and went on to win PBA Player of the Year).

"I won today, but I wouldn't say I evened things with Norm," he added. "And you hate to win on another guy's bad break. (Duke) put every shot in the pocket down the stretch, like he always does, and leaving that 10 pin was a bad break.

"But I have figured out a way to finish matches," Barnes added. "I think that's been a big change in my game over the past few years. I don't feel like I need to be ahead going into the 10th frame; I just need a chance to force the other guy to make a shot, and this time it worked out."

Barnes said retired PBA Tour champion Mark Baker detected a flaw in Barnes' approach that helped him correct his well-known television woes.

"There were some mistakes I was making on TV, and when I started working with Mark Baker, he noticed whenever I'd get to a point where I really needed to make a shot to put the match away, I'd get forward with my spine tilt and it would change the result into something bad. Right after that, I went win, win and was a stone 8 pin away from a third title in four weeks. Ever since then, Mark Baker's been my coach."

The GEICO King of the Swing – a special event concluding the GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil - will air next Tuesday, July 9, at 7 p.m. ET. The field of players who advanced to the finals included the Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Open champions plus a "wild card" player, all seeded in the stepladder finals based upon Summer Swing points. The "King of the Swing" field will include Barnes, the top qualifier and Milwaukee Open winner; Wolf Open winner Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio; Bear Open winner Jason Belmonte of Australia; Badger Open winner Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill., and Duke, the wild card qualifier as high points-getter in the Summer Swing without a title.

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LUCAS OIL MILWAUKEE OPEN AMF Bowlero, Wauwatosa, Wis.

Final Standings: 1, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, \$15,000. 2, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., \$8,000. 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$7,000. 4, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, \$6,000. 5, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results: Match One – Fagan def. Sterner, 198-182. Match Two – Duke def. Fagan, 238-194. Semifinal Match – Duke def. Weber, 225-217. Championship – Barnes def. Duke, 246-237.

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Perfect Finish Helps Belmonte Win Lucas Oil PBA Bear Open for Seventh Title

Australian two-handed star throws final seven strikes to defeat Barnes

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Australia's Jason Belmonte finished with a string of seven strikes to rally past Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, 235-211, and capture his seventh Professional Bowlers Association Tour title in the Lucas Oil PBA Bear Open at AMF Bowlero.

The third of five GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil telecasts aired Tuesday on CBS Sports Network.

Belmonte, who failed to convert the 2-4 in the second frame, trailed Barnes by nine pins in the fifth frame, but reeled off seven straight strikes to overtake Barnes for the title and a berth in the GEICO Summer King of the Swing special event that will conclude the Milwaukee summer series.

"I just needed to calm down," the 29-year-old two-handed power player said. "I think I came out of the gate pressing a little, trying to get an early lead. (Barnes) opened a couple of times, and I thought that would be my chance to jump on him, but I threw the ball a little too quick.

"After he started to strike, I could see his ball motion was much slower than mine, so I said, you know what – he's moved left and slowed down a little bit, and that's exactly what I'm going to do, too. Once I let the ball do its thing, it looked amazing going through the pins. It looked like if there were 20 pins down there, it would have struck."

It was the second time Belmonte has met Barnes in a title match, and his second win. He also defeated Barnes for the 2011 Shark Open title during the PBA World Series of Bowling III in Las Vegas, 243-213.

"Chris Barnes, in my opinion, is one of the greatest bowlers on the planet for the last five years," Belmonte said. "It makes the win just a little more important for me.

"I enjoy playing against guys like Chris," Belmonte added. "You want to walk off the lanes feeling like you've beaten the ultimate. It's very rewarding."

The Bear Open was contested on a flat 40-foot lane conditioning pattern, a scoring environment similar to the U.S. Open which is traditionally the most challenging event in PBA Tour competition.

With his second title of the 2012-13 season, Belmonte has established himself as a leading contender in the PBA Player of the Year race. He won the United States Bowling Congress Masters earlier in the

season, and also finished second in two other major championships, the PBA World Championship and Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions.

"Player of the Year is on my radar, but it's a little dot that is very faint and very far away at this point," he said. "There's still a lot of bowling left, including the U.S. Open and the entire World Series of Bowling this fall. Anything can happen. After being so close last year (Belmonte finished second in Player of the Year voting to Sean Rash), I'm certainly not going to count my chickens before they hatch. If I win the U.S. Open and a couple of times at the World Series, I'll put it beyond doubt and relax a little."

Canada's Dan MacLelland, bidding for his first PBA Tour title, started the Bear Open finals with a 197-169 victory over 2011 USBC Masters winner Tom Hess of Urbandale, Iowa, and eliminated newly-crowned Wolf Open champ Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, 223-200, in the second match. Barnes ended MacLelland's bid to become the third consecutive first-time titlist – and first Canadian ever to win a PBA Tour title – in the semifinal match, 214-187.

The finals of the Lucas Oil Milwaukee Open, the fourth event in the GEICO PBA Summer Swing series, will air next Tuesday, July 2, at 7 p.m. ET. The qualifying rounds of the Badger, Wolf and Bear Opens determined the players who advanced to the match play finals of the Milwaukee Open at AMF Bowlero. Match play rounds were contested on the Bear, Wolf and Badger lane conditions. Advancing to the stepladder finals after a total of 59 games were top qualifier Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas; Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo.; Norm Duke of Clermont, Okla.; Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, and Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga.

"Encore" presentations of the Bear Open will air on CBS Sports Network Saturday at 2 p.m. ET and Saturday, July 6, at 3 p.m. ET.

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LUCAS OIL BEAR OPEN AMF Bowlero, Wauwatosa, Wis.

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Stepladder Results: Match One – MacLelland def. Hess, 197-169. Match Two – MacLelland def. Loschetter, 223-200. Semifinal Match – Barnes def. MacLelland, 214-187. Championship – Belmonte def. Barnes, 235-211.

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Focused Jake Peters Wins First Title in Lucas Oil PBA Badger Open

Second-year PBA Tour competitor out-battles ex-Wichita State teammate Josh Blanchard

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill., who had never finished higher than 19th place in a previous Professional Bowlers Association Tour event, defeated former Wichita State University teammate Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz., 245-212, to win his first PBA Tour title in the Lucas Oil PBA Badger Open at AMF Bowlero.

The first of five GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil telecasts aired Tuesday on CBS Sports Network.

Peters, a 24-year-old second-year PBA Tour competitor, used a high level of inward focus to bowl a pair of near-perfect games en route to his first win. He started the semifinal match against newly-crowned USBC Intercollegiate Singles Champion Aaron Lorincz of Belleville, Mich., with six strikes – and nine strikes on his first 10 attempts – for a 265-174 victory, and started the title match against Blanchard with another five strikes.

"I told myself all last night and today that I was going to be slow, stay focused, stay in the moment and see what happened," Peters said. "I told myself if I could keep the ball on line, if it strikes, it strikes. If not, there's nothing I could do. The hardest thing to do, once you get a few in a row, is to not get amped up and that's why I looked down a lot.

"It was fortunate the first six struck, and then the first five in the title match. That never happens."

The victory fulfilled a lifelong dream for the former two-time Junior Team USA member.

"It's something I wanted so bad, something I wanted forever," Peters added. "I told my fiancé (Melissa Hurst) this morning that I'm ready for this. I told her this is the one moment I've practiced for forever. Since I was five years old I've been throwing mock shots in front of a mirror to win a title. I've done this a million times; it's just that no one else has seen me do it.

"I've bowled Josh in match play before. I know how good he is, and that if I didn't put shots on line, I wasn't going to win. He wasn't going to give me anything. If I had lost, I would have been perfectly okay with that. I know he's going to win, but I'm kinda glad it didn't happen today."

Peters said the money he won wasn't the reason for his jubilation.

"I got the check, but that didn't mean much until I got to hold the trophy," he grinned. "That's really what it's all about."

Reminded that he also becomes eligible for the PBA Tournament of Champions for the first time, Peters responded, "Wow. I never even thought about that. That's really awesome."

Blanchard, the 2011-12 PBA Rookie of the Year, was disappointed he missed his chance for his first title, but was happy for his ex-Wheatshocker teammates.

"It's nice to see (Jake) win. Obviously you want to win yourself, but it's nice to see guys who have worked as hard as he has win," Blanchard said. "He bowled a great game, but I'll get there eventually."

The Badger Open, bowled on a 52-foot lane conditioning pattern – the longest ever used in PBA Tour competition – was the first ever televised by CBS Sports Network. In the opening match, Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix defeated Kurt Pilon of Warren, Mich., 224-180. Lorincz eliminated Haugen in the second match, 215-170, before losing to Peters.

The finals of the Lucas Oil Wolf Open, the second event in the GEICO PBA Summer Swing series, will air next Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m. ET. The preliminary rounds of the Wolf Open was contested on a 32-foot lane condition pattern – the shortest of the eight PBA "animal patterns" – at AMF West. Advancing to the finals at AMF Bowlero were top qualifier Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio; PBA Hall of Famer and 37-time Tour champion Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla.; 20-year-old rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind.; PBA Hall of Famer and 37-time titlist Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., and four-time Tour winner Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa.

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LUCAS OIL WOLF OPEN AMF Bowlero, Wauwatosa, Wis.

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Stepladder Results: Match One – Haugen def. Pilon, 224-180. Match Two – Lorincz def. Haugen, 215-170. Semifinal Match – Peters def. Lorincz, 265-174. Championship – Peters def. Blanchard, 245-212.

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PBA Tour to Debut on CBS Sports Network on Tuesday

GEICO PBA Summer Swing's Lucas Oil Badger Open will be first of five two-hour telecasts

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (June 6, 2013) – The Professional Bowlers Association will make its debut on CBS Sports Network on Tuesday, June 11, at 7 p.m. ET. The Lucas Oil Badger Open will be the first of five two-hour telecasts of finals conducted during the GEICO PBA Summer Swing.

The GEICO PBA Summer Swing, presented by Lucas Oil, will continue for five consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET, including the Lucas Oil Wolf Open on June 18; the Lucas Oil Bear Open on June 25; the Lucas Oil Milwaukee Open on July 2, and the GEICO Summer King of the Swing presented by Lucas Oil special event on July 9.

To find the channel and service in your area that carries CBS Sports Network, visit:
<http://www.cbssportsnetwork.com/channel-finder>.

The Summer Swing featured the introduction of three distinctively different lane conditioning patterns and competition at three different Milwaukee area bowling centers. The Badger Open conducted at AMF Waukesha featured a 52-foot oiling pattern, the longest application of oil in PBA Tour history. The Wolf Open at AMF West in Milwaukee featured a 32-foot oiling pattern, the shortest of the PBA's eight "animal patterns." The Bear Open at AMF Bowlero is Wauwatosa used a 40-foot flat condition, very similar to the challenging oil pattern used in the U.S. Open. The Milwaukee Open used a combination of all three patterns.

All tournaments will be covered by the veteran PBA team of announcer Dave Ryan and color analyst/PBA Hall of Famer Randy Pedersen. NFL all-star wide receiver and PBA League team owner Terrell Owens will make a visit to the broadcast booth during one of the telecasts.

The Badger Open finals will feature three players who have never won a PBA Tour title (top qualifier and 2011-12 PBA Rookie of the Year Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz.; second-year player Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill.; and Saginaw Valley State collegiate star Aaron Lorincz of Belleville, Mich., the 2013 USBC Intercollegiate Singles Champion); three-time PBA Tour titlist Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix, and Kurt Pilon of Warren, Mich., who won his only PBA Tour title in the 2001 Peoria Open, the first tournament under the PBA's "new" ownership group.

The Wolf Open finals will feature two players seeking their first PBA Tour titles (nine-year journeyman and top qualifier Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, and 20-year-old rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind.), two PBA Hall of Famers who are tied for third place on the list of all-time PBA Tour title winners with 37

each (Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., and Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo.), and one of the Tour's rising stars, former Saginaw Valley State collegiate star and four-time PBA Tour winner Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa.

The Bear Open finalists include PBA Player of the Year contender Jason Belmonte, a two-handed player from Australia; 14-time PBA Tour winner Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas; two non-titlists (Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio and Dan MacLelland of Montreal, who hopes to become the first Canadian ever to win a PBA Tour title); and Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, who won his only PBA Tour title in the 2011 USBC Masters.

The Milwaukee Open stepladder field will include Barnes, the top qualifier; Hall of Famers Weber and Duke; four-time titlist Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, and Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga., who won his first PBA Tour title by rolling a 299 game in the title match of the 2013 Don Carter Classic.

The field for the GEICO Summer King of the Swing presented by Lucas Oil telecast will be decided at the conclusion of the first four events. The King of the Swing field will include the four event winners (runner-up if any player wins more than one event), plus a "wild card" player (the Summer Swing points leader). The winner of the special event will collect a \$10,000 prize, but it is not a PBA Tour title event.

GEICO PBA SUMMER SWING PRESENTED BY LUCAS OIL TELEVISION LINEUP

CBS SPORTS NETWORK ON TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 7 P.M. ET

Lucas Oil PBA Badger Open

- 1, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz.
- 2, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill.
- 3, a-Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich.
- 4, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix.
- 5, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich.

CBS SPORTS NETWORK ON TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 7 P.M. ET

Lucas Oil PBA Wolf Open

- 1, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio.
- 2, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla.
- 3, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo.
- 5, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa.

CBS SPORTS NETWORK ON TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 7 P.M. ET

Lucas Oil PBA Bear Open

- 1, Jason Belmonte, Australia.
- 2, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas.
- 3, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio.
- 4, Dan MacLelland, Canada.
- 5, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa.

CBS SPORTS NETWORK ON TUESDAY, JULY 2, 7 P.M. ET

Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open

- 1, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo.

- 3, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla.
- 4, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas.
- 5, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga.

CBS SPORTS NETWORK ON TUESDAY, JULY 9, 7 P.M. ET

GEICO PBA Summer King of the Swing presented by Lucas Oil

(NOTE: The stepladder order among event winners will be based upon how each player ranked on the Summer Swing competition points list; if any player wins more than one event, the runner-up in that event will earn a berth in the King of the Swing stepladder finals. Chris Barnes, as points leader for the Summer Swing, is guaranteed a berth in the King of the Swing finals)

Badger Open winner

Wolf Open winner

Bear Open winner

Milwaukee Open winner

Wild Card: GEICO PBA Summer Swing points leader

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Chris Barnes Tops Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open Stepladder Field

Hall of Famers Weber, Duke qualify second and third

WAUWATOSA, Wis. (May 30, 2013) – Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, started the final round of match play in the Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open Thursday night with a 300-237 victory over E.J. Tackett and raced away from the field to capture the top qualifying berth for Sunday's Milwaukee Open stepladder finals at AMF Bowlero.

Barnes, a 43-year-old 14-time PBA Tour champion, defeated PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., in his second match and toppled Weber from the lead one game later. Barnes, who hasn't won a PBA title in the U.S. since the 2011 PBA World Championship, won seven of his eight matches in the Badger match play round to finish with a 59-game average of 228.83 and a total of 14,011 pins, topping Weber by 289 pins.

Weber, who led the field after the morning Wolf round, lost his first six matches, but had a big enough margin to hold onto second place with a total of 13,722 pins, 39 ahead of his long-time rival and fellow 37-time PBA Tour title winner, Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla. Duke won his first five Badger round matches to lock himself into the stepladder finals.

Barnes qualified for his second television final in the GEICO PBA Summer Swing series. He also was No. 2 qualifier for the Bear Open finals. Duke and Weber had previously qualified for Saturday's Lucas Oil Wolf Open finals in the No. 2 and No. 4 spots, respectively.

"I'm the young guy among the top three, so I came out of the tournament in pretty good shape," Barnes said. "I'm a practice guy anyway, so all of the games didn't really bother me."

As top qualifier, Barnes earned the right to select the lane condition that will be used in the stepladder finals, and he selected the Badger pattern.

"Tonight was pretty good. It played a lot tighter here on the synthetic lanes than it did on the natural wood at AMF Waukesha," Barnes said. "There's not 10 other guys who can adjust ball speed as well as I can, so I was able to keep my ball speed down without losing my rev rate. Combine that with a new ball I used, and things worked out pretty well."

Barnes has historically struggled as the top qualifier, but he said that is no longer a problem.

"When you look at my whole history, when I started working with Mark Baker a few years ago, he caught a flaw that was happening to me on TV and since then, my record on TV has improved significantly. If

not my record, at least my confidence has improved significantly. There was a time where there was a lot of baggage with being the top qualifier, but now I know who I am, where I come from and where my mistakes come from. I'm comfortable in my own skin now."

Seven players battled throughout the final round for the final two berths in the Milwaukee Open finals before Mike Fagan of Fort Worth, Texas, and Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga., won their position round matches – despite a 10-minute power blackout – to clinch the No. 4 and No. 5 berths. Sterner threw two strikes in the 10th frame to outlast Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix, 216-206, in the final match.

The Milwaukee Open was contested on a combination of three challenging "animal" lane conditions introduced for the four-tournament GEICO PBA Summer Swing: a 40-foot Bear lane conditioning pattern similar to the demanding U.S Open lane condition, a 32-foot Wolf pattern (the shortest application of oil of any of the eight PBA animal patterns), and a 52-foot Badger pattern (the longest oil condition the PBA has ever used). Milwaukee Open finalists qualified during the Badger, Wolf and Bear Open tournaments held over the previous 10 eight days at AMF Waukesha, AMF West and AMF Bowlero, respectively.

The stepladder finals for the Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Opens will be contested Saturday at 11 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. respectively. The GEICO Summer King of the Swing special event will follow the Milwaukee Open finals Sunday at 3:30 p.m. The Summer Swing finals will air on five consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET beginning June 11.

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Final Match Play Standings (after 59 games, top five advance to stepladder finals at noon Sunday at AMF Bowlero):

- 1, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 16-6-2, 14,011.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 14-10, 13,722.
- 3, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 16-8, 13,683.
- 4, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, 12-11-1, 13,590.
- 5, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 17-7, 13,508.
- 6, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 12-12, 13,459, \$4,000.
- 7, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 13-10-1, 13,444, \$3,600.
- 8, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 14-10, 13,431, \$3,000.
- 9, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 10-13-1, 13,370, \$2,700.
- 10, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 12-11-1, 13,337, \$2,400.
- 11, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 10-14, 13,271, \$2,200.
- 12, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 13-11, 13,258, \$2,100.
- 13, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 13-11, 13,236, \$2,000.
- 14, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 10-14, 13,224, \$1,900.
- 15, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 12-12, 13,118, \$1,850.
- 16, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 9-15, 13,071, \$1,800.
- 17, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 11-13, 13,063, \$1,750.
- 18, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 11-13, 12,974, \$1,700.
- 19, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 15-9, 12,942, \$1,650.
- 20, Patrick Girard, Canada, 10-14, 12,941, \$1,700.
- 21, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 9-15, 12,901, \$1,650.
- 22, x-Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3-5, 12,829, \$1,500.
- 23, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 6-18, 12,678, \$1,450.
- 24, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 8-16, 12,650, \$1,500.
- 25, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 9-7, 11,246, \$1,000.

x-Palermmaa replaced Jones, who withdrew due to injury.

300 Games: Chris Barnes, Jason Sterner.

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Pete Weber Storms into Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open Lead

Hall of Famer wins first seven matches, overtakes Barnes by 23 pins

WAUWATOSA, Wis. (May 29, 2013) – Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., won his first seven matches in the Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open Wednesday night at AMF Bowlero to storm into a 23–pin lead over Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, heading into Thursday’s final two match play rounds.

Weber, who entered the opening round of Milwaukee Open match play in fifth place, steadily moved up to finish the day with a 43-game total of 9,792 pins, including 210 match play bonus pins. His only loss came in his final match against fellow 37-time PBA Tour titlist Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., 213-201. Barnes, a 14-time PBA Tour winner, held the lead early in the round and finished with 9,769 pins.

Canada’s Dan MacLelland, who is trying for his first PBA Tour title and the first ever by a Canadian, was in third place with 9,615 pins followed by Duke with a 9,603 total and three-time Tour winner Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., with 9,588 pins.

The first round of Milwaukee Open match play was contested on the challenging 40-foot Bear lane conditioning pattern, a scoring environment similar to the U.S Open lane condition which is considered the most difficult in bowling. Weber has won the U.S. Open a record five times, so he embraced the challenge.

“I don’t mind this pattern at all,” he grinned.

“The lanes were a little different today than they were yesterday (for the Bear Open),” he added. “I started the day with a 160 game, so I changed to a ball I figured wouldn’t work, and I shot 240, 230, 230, 230 in the last four games of qualifying.

“Tonight I tried another ball I didn’t think would work, used it for three games on the left lane along with a different ball on the right lane, and I felt good about it.

“I got to move inside to the fourth and fifth arrow, and I like playing in there. My arm swing was loose and when your arm swing is loose, good things happen.”

Wednesday, the Milwaukee Open match play finals conclude with an eight-game round on the 32-foot Wolf Open pattern at 11 a.m. and eight games on the 52-foot Badger lane condition at 5:30 p.m. The top five players after 59 games will advance to the Milwaukee Open stepladder finals Sunday at noon.

The Milwaukee Open is the fourth and final event in the GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil. Finalists in the Milwaukee Open qualified during the Badger, Wolf and Bear Open tournament,

conducted on three different lane conditions over the past eight days at AMF Waukesha, AMF West and AMF Bowlero, respectively.

The Milwaukee Open match play rounds are being covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

The stepladder finals for the Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Opens will be contested Saturday at 11 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. respectively. The GEICO Summer King of the Swing special event will follow the Milwaukee Open finals Sunday at 3:30 p.m. The Summer Swing finals will air on five consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET beginning June 11.

LUCAS OIL PBA MILWAUKEE OPEN AMF Bowlero, Milwaukee, Wis., May 29

Match Play Round One (after 43 games, top five after 59 games advance to stepladder finals):

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 7-1, 9,792.
- 2, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 5-3, 9,769.
- 3, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 6-2, 9,615.
- 4, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 6-2, 9,603.
- 5, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 4-4, 9,588.
- 6, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, 3-4-1, 9,562.
- 7, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3-4-1, 9,545.
- 8, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 4-4, 9,517.
- 9, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 2-6, 9,515.
- 10, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 2-6, 9,427.
- 11, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 4-4, 9,396.
- 12, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 5-3, 9,391.
- 13, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 4-4, 9,387.
- 14, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 5-3, 9,383.
- 15 (tie), Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 5-3, and Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3-5, 9,380.
- 17, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 4-4, 9,352.
- 18, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 4-4, 9,333.
- 19, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 5-3, 9,314.
- 20, Patrick Girard, Canada, 3-5, 9,225.
- 21, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 2-6, 9,204.
- 22, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2-6, 9,157.
- 23, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3-5, 9,131.
- 24, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 4-4, 9,103.

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Belmonte Charges From 10th to First in Lucas Oil PBA Bear Open

Iowa's Tom Hess fires tournament's only 300 game to reach stepladder finals

WAUWATOSA, Wis. (May 28, 2013) – Australia's Jason Belmonte won six of his final eight matches and tied another to charge out of 10th place and capture the top stepladder finals berth for the Lucas Oil PBA Bear Open Tuesday night at AMF Bowlero.

Belmonte, who is trying for his seventh PBA Tour title, averaged a modest 215.65 for a 26-game total of 5,952 pins, including match play bonus, to complete a move that began when he dropped to 24th place after the first two games of match play Tuesday. Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, finished second with 5,891 pins followed by Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, with a 5,855 total; Canada's Dan MacLelland with 5,819 pins and Tom Hess of Urbandale, Iowa, with a 5,811 total.

"I bowled really, really well tonight," the Aussie two-handed star said. "After sitting in 24th place two games into match play, I was just hoping to maybe break into the top 10. Then I got closer, and I drilled a new ball that gave me a lot better look down the lane. It carried so much better, and that was the difference."

Belmonte finished seventh in the Badger Open last week at AMF Waukesha, the first of the fourth GEICO PBA Summer Swing tournaments, but then finished 69th in the Wolf Open at AMF West – a performance that knocked him out of the Milwaukee Open field.

"My goal when I came over here was to do well on all of the patterns," Belmonte said. "I just missed on the first one (Badger). The second one (Wolf) was – what's a good word – disaster? But I never give up, even in the Wolf."

"It was just like today," he continued. "I needed to dig a little deeper and I'm a whole lot happier now than I was last week. Hopefully I can cap it off with one more good game on TV and add another "W".

Barnes will be trying for his 15th title in the Bear Open finals. Loschetter, who led the tournament heading into the final eight games, is trying for his first title after nine years on Tour. He also is top qualifier for the Wolf Open finals. MacLelland, also a non-titlist, hopes to become the first Canadian ever to win a PBA Tour title. Hess, who won his only title in the 2011 United States Bowling Congress Masters, made a huge move when he bowled the tournament's only 300 game in the sixth game of the final round, and then jumped from eighth to fifth with a 268-210 victory over collegiate star Aaron Lorincz of Belleville, Mich., in the final position round match.

The Bear Open was conducted on a flat 40-foot oiling pattern – similar to the demanding scoring environment used for the U.S. Open. It is the third of four events that compose the GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil. The Bear Open stepladder finals will be conducted at 6 p.m. Saturday at AMF Bowlero and will air on CBS Sports Network on June 25 at 7 p.m. ET.

The PBA Summer Swing continues Wednesday when the top 28 qualifiers from the Badger, Wolf and Bear “animal pattern” events compete in the five-game Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open cashers round on the Bear pattern at 11 a.m. at Bowlero. Based on 35-game pinfall totals, the top 24 will advance to three eight-game match play rounds Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. (Bear pattern), Thursday at 11 a.m. (Wolf pattern) and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. (Badger pattern). The top five after 59 games will advance to the Milwaukee Open finals at 11 a.m. Sunday at Bowlero. There will be no competition on Friday.

The Milwaukee Open cashers round and match play rounds Wednesday and Thursday will be covered live, exclusively on PBA’s online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

The stepladder finals for the Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Opens will be contested Saturday at 11 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. respectively. The GEICO Summer King of the Swing special event will follow the Milwaukee Open finals Sunday at 2:30 p.m. The Summer Swing finals will air on five consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET beginning June 11.

LUCAS OIL PBA BEAR OPEN

AMF Bowlero, Wauwatosa Wis., May 28

FINAL MATCH PLAY STANDINGS (after 26 games, including match play bonus pins; top five advance to Bear Open stepladder finals on Saturday, June 1, at 6 p.m. CT at AMF Bowlero)

- 1, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 11-4-1, 5,952.
- 2, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 9-7, 5,891.
- 3, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 10-6, 5,855.
- 4, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 10-6, 5,819.
- 5, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 10-6, 5,811.
- 6, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 9-7, 5,764, \$1,800.
- 7, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 8-8, 5,741, \$1,700.
- 8, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 9-6-1, 5,724, \$1,600.
- 9, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 10-6, 5,708, \$1,550.
- 10, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 8-8, 5,691, \$1,500.
- 11, Dom Barrett, England, 10-5-1, 5,676, \$1,450.
- 12, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 7-9, 5,662, \$1,400.
- 13, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 9-7, 5,627, \$1,350.
- 14, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 7-9, 5,607, \$1,300.
- 15, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 9-7, 5,606, \$1,250.
- 16, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 8-8, 5,600, \$1,200.
- 17, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 8-8, 5,589, \$1,150.
- 18, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 6-10, 5,467, \$1,100.
- 19, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 6-9-1, 5,429, \$1,050.
- 20, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 6-10, 5,349, \$1,000.
- 21, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 5-11, 5,306, \$950.
- 22, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 6-10, 5,256, \$900.
- 23, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 4-12, 5,217, \$850.
- 24, Patrick Girard, Canada, 5-11, 5,071, \$800.

300 Game: Tom Hess.

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Dave Wodka Averages 237 to Pace PBA Bear Open Field

O'Neill leads field of 28 into Lucas Oil PBA Milwaukee Open cashers round

WAUWATOSA, Wis. (May 27, 2013) – Dave Wodka of Henderson, Nev., emerged at the top of the qualifying pile after six lead changes in the final six games in the Lucas Oil PBA Bear Open Monday at AMF Bowlero, averaging 223.5 to lead the field of 24 players who advanced to Tuesday's match play rounds.

Wodka, 42, is trying for his first title since he won the 1999 Greater Detroit Open for his only PBA Tour win. He finished qualifying in front of a packed house at AMF Bowlero with a 10-game total of 2,235 pins on a demanding lane condition, rolling games of 229, 210, 216, 206 and 246 Monday night to take a 27-pin lead over Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas.

Qualifying third was PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., with 2,000 pins followed by 2013 Intercollegiate Singles Champion Aaron Lorincz of Belleville, Mich., with a 2,195 total and Mike Fagan of Dallas with 2,184 pins.

"I really had only one bad game," Wodka said. "I finished the first round with a 176. After that, I came in with a game plan of doing nothing other than making one good shot at a time. I know you're always supposed to do that, but I really focused on that, and I only had two opens in the second block. Both of those were in the same game, but I still bailed out a 205 and that's just as important when scores are like they were as anything."

Wodka would love to end his 14-year winless drought, but isn't getting ahead of himself.

"It's been a lot of years (since I won), but there are a lot of games left," he said. "It's going to be a long day (Tuesday) and winning matches is going to be of utmost importance. Getting those 30 bonus pins for winning matches when the scores are as low as they are will be huge."

The Bear Open is being contested on a flat 40-foot oiling pattern which is similar to the U.S. Open lane condition, considered the most challenging scoring environment on the PBA Tour schedule. The Bear Open is the third of four events that compose the GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil, and it was the final qualifying event for the Milwaukee Open which begins Wednesday at AMF Bowlero.

The top 28 qualifiers based on total pinfall after 30 qualifying games from the Badger, Wolf and Bear "animal pattern" events advance to the five-game Milwaukee Open cashers which will be contested on the Bear pattern at 11 a.m. Wednesday. Based on 35 games, the top 24 will then advance to three eight-game match play rounds at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday (Bear pattern), and 11 a.m. (Wolf pattern) and 5:30 p.m. (Badger pattern) on Thursday. There will be no competition on Friday.

Leading the Milwaukee Open qualifiers was Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., who averaged 229.1 for a 30-game total of 6,873 pins. Surviving the cut in 28th place was reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., who qualified 27th. The 28th and final berth in the Milwaukee Open went to Andrew Graff of Las Vegas by seven pins over Brett Cunningham of Clay, N.Y.

Five-player stepladder finals for the Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Opens, plus the GEICO Summer King of the Swing special event, will be taped over two days by the CBS Sports Network Saturday and Sunday at AMF Bowlero for airing on five consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET beginning June 11.

The GEICO Summer King of the Swing will include the four Summer Swing event champions plus the next highest points leader who hasn't won a title. Those five will compete in a \$25,000 stepladder final for a \$10,000 first prize, concluding the summer series on June 2.

LUCAS OIL PBA BEAR OPEN

AMF West, Milwaukee, Wis., May 27

FINAL QUALIFYING STANDINGS (after 10 games, top 24 advance to round robin match play Tuesday at 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. CT)

LUCAS OIL PBA MILWAUKEE OPEN STANDINGS

- 1, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 2,235.
- 2, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,208.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2,200.
- 4, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 2,195.
- 5, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 2,184.
- 6, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 2,169.
- 7, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 2,167.
- 8, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2,165.
- 9, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 2,155.
- 10, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 2,149.
- 11, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 2,148.
- 12, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 2,146.
- 13, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 2,129.
- 14, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2,117.
- 15, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,109.
- 16, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 2,100.
- 17, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 2,099.
- 18, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 2,098.
- 19, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 2,095.
- 20, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 2,090.
- 21, Patrick Girard, Canada, 2,086.
- 22, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 2,085.
- 23, Dom Barrett, England, 2,082.
- 24, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 2,075.

Failed to advance:

- 25, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 2,068, \$600.
- 26, Kenneth Kempf, Appleton, Wis., 2,059.
- 27, Mike Dole, Loves Park, Ill., 2,056.
- 28, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 2,052.
- 29, William Guszczko, Orland Park, Ill., 2,040.

30, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2,037.
 31, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 2,032.
 32, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 2,031.
 33, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 2,024.
 34, Andrew DeCaluwe, Mt. Prospect, Ill., 2,022.
 35, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 2,017.
 36, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 2,016.
 37, Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 2,014.
 38 (tie), Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., and Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 2,013.
 40, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 2,010.
 41, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2,005.
 42, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 2,000.
 43, Bill Monce, Waukesha, Wis., 1,997.
 44, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 1,991.
 45, Christopher Glaz, Elmwood Park, Ill., 1,989.
 46, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 1,985.
 47, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,983.
 48, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,980.
 49, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,979.
 50 (tie), Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga.; Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., and Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 1,978.
 53, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 1,972.
 54, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,970.
 55, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,968.
 56, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,959.
 57, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,954.
 58, Shannon Buchan, Waterloo, Iowa, 1,953.
 59, T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 1,951.
 60, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 1,947.
 61, Joseph Tomassoni, Iron Mountain, Mich., 1,939.
 62, David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., 1,935.
 63, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 1,934.
 64, Greg Thomas, Oak Creek, Wis., 1,931.
 65, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 1,902.
 66, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 1,899.
 67, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 1,891.
 68, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 1,889.
 69, Matt Beyer, Manawa, Wis., 1,879.
 70, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,875.
 71, Jonathan Russell, Rockwood, Tenn., 1,874.
 72, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 1,863.
 73, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 1,858.
 74, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,857.
 75, Erik Gulbrandson, Superior, Wis., 1,854.
 76, Paul Moor, England, 1,849.
 77, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,836.
 78, Gary Exner Jr., Racine, Wis., 1,822.
 79, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 1,808.
 80, Scott Radtke, Milwaukee, 1,808.
 81, Jacob Rubach, West Bend, Wis., 1,788.
 82, Michael Zylius, Highland Park, Ill., 1,786.
 83, Riley Smith, Kenosha, Wis., 1,784.

- 84, Van McNeil, West Allis, Wis., 1,766.
- 85, Dale Renken, St. Jacob, Ill., 1,759.
- 86, Quinton Bohlen, Decorah, Iowa, 1,740.
- 87, Andrew Glass, Racine, Wis., 1,738.
- 88, Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 1,737.
- 89, Sam Figarino, Sussex, Wis., 1,726.
- 90, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 1,711.
- 91, Zack Carter, Chicago, 1,710.
- 92, Scott Weber, La Salle, Ill., 1,704.
- 93, Nick Kruml, Downers Grove, Ill., 1,699.
- 94, Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 1,683.
- 95, Brandon Gronwoldt, LeRoy, Minn., 1,647.
- 96, Ron Williams, Austin, Texas, 1,635.
- 97, Lindell Woolard, Tallahassee, Fla., 1,614.
- 98, Ralleigh Grandberry III, Maryland Hts., Mo., 1,524.

FINAL QUALIFYING STANDINGS (after 30 games in Badger, Wolf and Bear Opens; top 28 advance to cashers round on Wednesday, May 28, at AMF Bowlero)

- 1, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 6,873.
- 2, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 6,829.
- 3, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 6,812.
- 4, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 6,752.
- 5, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 6,738.
- 6, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 6,710.
- 7, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 6,709.
- 8, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 6,705.
- 9, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 6,693.
- 10, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 6,626.
- 11, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 6,612.
- 12, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 6,608.
- 13, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 6,604.
- 14, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 6,602.
- 15 (tie), Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., and Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 6,583.
- 17, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 6,578.
- 18, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 6,544.
- 19, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 6,537.
- 20, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 6,534.
- 21, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 6,531.
- 22, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 6,528.
- 23 (tie), Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., and Patrick Girard, Canada, 6,513.
- 25, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 6,509.
- 26, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 6,472.
- 27, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6,452.
- 28, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 6,428.

Failed to advance:

- 29, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 6,421.
- 30, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 6,412.
- 31, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 6,407.
- 32 (tie), Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 6,400.
- 34, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 6,398.
- 35, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 6,389.

- 36, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 6,364.
- 37, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 6,353.
- 38, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 6,351.
- 39, William Guszczko, Orland Park, Ill., 6,331.
- 40, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 6,328.
- 41, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 6,327.
- 42, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 6,320.
- 43, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 6,316.
- 44, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 6,302.
- 45, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 6,297.
- 46, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 6,286.
- 47, Dom Barrett, England, 6,267.
- 48, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 6,246.
- 49, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 6,232.
- 50, Mike Dole, Loves Park, Ill., 6,231.
- 51, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 6,202.
- 52, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 6,173.
- 53, Kenneth Kempf, Appleton, Wis., 6,167.
- 54, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 6,164.
- 55, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 6,125.
- 56, T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 6,070.
- 57 (tie), Greg Thomas, Oak Creek, Wis., and Paul Moor, England, 6,057.
- 59, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 6,030.
- 60, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 6,019.
- 61, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 5,989.
- 62, David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., 988.
- 63, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 5,982.
- 64, Christopher Glaz, Elmwood Park, Ill, 5,947.
- 65, Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 5,936.
- 66, Andrew DeCaluwe, Mt. Prospect, Ill., 5,901.
- 67, Erik Gulbrandson, Superior, Wis., 5,876.
- 68, Quinton Bohlen, Decorah, Iowa, 5,837.
- 69, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 5,798.
- 70, Gary Exner Jr., Racine, Wis., 5,767.
- 71, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 5,764.
- 72, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 5,756.
- 73, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 5,678.
- 74, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 5,674.
- 75, Dale Renken, St. Jacob, Ill., 5,639.
- 76, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 5,614.
- 77, Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 5,563.
- 78, Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 5,481.
- 79, Matt Beyer, Manawa, Wis., 5,467.
- 80, Jonathan Russell, Rockwood, Tenn., 5,397.
- 81, Van McNeil, West Allis, Wis., 5,222.
- 82, Lindell Woolard, Tallahassee, Fla., 5,062.
- 83, Ralleigh Grandberry III, Maryland, Hts., Mo., 4,995.
- 84, Brandon Gronwoldt, LeRoy, Minn., 4,898.

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Nine-year journeyman holds off field on 33rd birthday in bid for first PBA Tour title

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (May 24, 2013) – Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, trying for his first Professional Bowlers Association Tour title after nine years, held off PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke by two pins to earn the top stepladder berth for the June 1 Lucas Oil PBA Wolf Open finals at AMF West Friday night.

Loschetter, who has finished second four times in his career, led the tournament from the second game, fighting off challenges all day Friday and clinging to the No. 1 position when Duke left a solid 8 pin in the 10th frame of his final game.

Loschetter celebrated his 33rd birthday by finishing the Wolf Open, the second of four tournaments in the GEICO PBA Winter Swing presented by Lucas Oil with a 26-game total of 6,617 pins, including match play bonus pins, and a feeling that it's finally time to win his first PBA Tour title.

"I'm definitely due," he said. "I feel like I deserve a title more than anybody out here. I've worked hard. I deserve it. I hope this time it happens. I've had some horrible breaks on TV, but I think the time has come."

Loschetter will meet the winner of a stepladder field that includes Duke in second place; 20-year-old rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind., in third place with 6,554 pins; PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., in fourth place with a 6,477 total, and Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., in fifth with 6,436 pins.

As relieved as Loschetter was to hold onto the lead, Duke was stunned over his bad break.

"That ball could have struck," he said of the 8 pin that stood on a solid pocket hit. "Unbelievable. That was the third solid 8 pin I left in the last three games. They cost me 70 pins.

"Mentally I'm exhausted," he continued. "Physically I'm fine except my right thumb wants to fall off. I'm a little frustrated, but I'll tell you what, a lot of other guys are frustrated, too."

Missing the top position for the Wolf Open stepladder finals means there can't be a showdown match for the title between Duke and Weber, each of whom owns 37 PBA Tour titles, tied for third best in PBA history behind Walter Ray Williams Jr. (47) and Earl Anthony (43). But the two hall of famers could meet in the semifinal match.

"We haven't bowled each other on TV in a long time," Duke said, "but Pete and I have had some barn burners over the years. Pete's one of the best that ever lived. We're dear friends. We're both aware of where we are in our careers, and to be mentioned in the same breath with him is really special."

Tackett, a two-time member of Junior Team USA, will be making his first television appearance in the Wolf Open finals on Saturday, June 1, at 2:30 p.m. CT. O'Neill is trying for his fifth PBA Tour title.

The GEICO PBA Summer Swing now moves to AMF Bowlero in nearby Wauwatosa for the Lucas Oil Bear Open. Following a day off on Saturday, players will bowl practice and pro-am events Sunday followed by two five-game qualifying rounds on Monday. The top 24 will then advance to two eight-game match play rounds on Tuesday.

The Bear Open is the final qualifying leg leading into the Lucas Oil Milwaukee Open which will be held Wednesday and Thursday, also at AMF Bowlero. The Milwaukee Open will feature the top 28 qualifiers based on total pinfall after 30 qualifying games from the Badger, Wolf and Bear "animal pattern" events. O'Neill leads the Milwaukee Open qualifying field after 20 games.

Stepladder finals for all four PBA Tour events, plus the GEICO Summer King of the Swing special event, will be taped over two days by the CBS Sports Network June 1-2 at Bowlero for airing on five consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET beginning June 11.

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LUCAS OIL PBA WOLF OPEN AMF West, Milwaukee, Wis., May 24

FINAL MATCH PLAY STANDINGS (after 26 games, including match play bonus pins; top five advance to Wolf Open stepladder finals on Saturday, June 1, at 2:30 p.m. CT at AMF Bowlero)

- 1, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 8-7-1, 6,617.
- 2, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 12-4, 6,615.
- 3, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 11-5, 6,554.
- 4, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 11-5, 6,477.
- 5, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 8-8, 6,436.
- 6, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 9-7, 6,391, \$1,800.
- 7, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 11-5, 6,345, \$1,700.
- 8, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 11-4-1, 6,319, \$1,600.
- 9, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 9-7, 6,314, \$1,550.
- 10, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 8-7-1, 6,301, \$1,500.
- 11, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 8-8, 6,264, \$1,450.
- 12, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 5-10-1, 6,216, \$1,400.
- 13, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 10-6, 6,175, \$1,350.
- 14, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 6-9-1, 6,170, \$1,300.
- 15, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 8-8, 6,145, \$1,250.
- 16, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 7-8-1, 6,112, \$1,200.
- 17, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 7-9, 6,068, \$1,150.
- 18, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 7-9, 6,013, \$1,100.
- 19, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 5-11, 6,001, \$1,050.
- 20, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 7-9, 5,988, \$1,000.
- 21, Kenneth Kempf, Appleton, Wis., 8-8, 5,940, \$950.

22, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 7-9-0, 5,761, \$900.
23, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 4-12, 5,736, \$850.
24, William Guszczko, Orland Park, Ill., 2-14, 5,384, \$800.

300 Games: Mike Wolfe.

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Chris Loschetter Leads PBA Wolf Open Field into Match Play

Nine-year PBA Tour veteran averages 250 in bid for first PBA Tour title

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (May 23, 2013) – Nine-year Professional Bowlers Association veteran Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, averaged 250 over 10 games of qualifying Thursday at AMF West to lead the field of 24 players who advanced to Friday's match play finals in the Lucas Oil PBA Wolf Open.

The Wolf Open, bowled on a 32-foot oiling pattern – the shortest ever in the PBA's collection of "animal" lane conditioning patterns – is the second of four events that compose the GEICO PBA Summer Swing presented by Lucas Oil.

In his nine-season career on Tour, Loschetter has yet to win a title, but he has finished second four times and had his best title shot of the 2012-13 season on another short oiling pattern in the Alka Seltzer Cheetah Championship where he finished fourth during the World Series of Bowling in November.

On Thursday, Loschetter jumped into the lead in the five-game morning round and added games of 248, 268, 214, 259 and 238 in the evening session for a 10-game total of 2,508 pins, finishing 41 pins ahead of PBA Tour rookie E.J. Tackett of Huntington, Ind. Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., qualified third with 2,454 pins followed by a pair of left-handers, Patrick Allen of Wesley Chapel, Fla., at 2,445, and Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y., with a 2,392 total.

After struggling on the longest oiling pattern in PBA history, the 52-foot Lucas Oil Badger Open pattern, earlier in the week at AMF Waukesha, Loschetter was looking forward to attacking the Wolf.

"I really felt positive coming into this tournament," Loschetter said. "I generally get a much better ball reaction on the shorter patterns and struggle a little bit on the longer ones.

"Coming into this tournament I admit I was a little rusty, but this is a good confidence-builder. I'm getting sharper with every game so hopefully I'm going in the right direction for the rest of the tournament."

Tackett, 20, is a two-time Junior Team USA member who joined under the pro tour under the organization's PBA24 low-cost membership program for aspiring young players. The former Indiana Purdue-Ft. Wayne student converted to full-time membership prior to the Detroit Winter Swing. His best finish in professional competition was 20th place in the 2011 U.S. Open in North Brunswick, N.J.

"I'm not surprised I've done so well this week," Tackett said. "I've always bowled well on the shorter patterns in Junior Gold tournaments and such. I was a little worried about this pattern only being 32 feet long, but after practice, I thought I'd be all right."

The short Wolf pattern proved to be a significant challenge for some of the PBA Tour's most prominent power players, however. Missing the cut to match play finalists were Player of the Year contenders Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., who finished qualifying in 54th place and Australia's Jason Belmonte, who finished 69th in the 90-player field.

Following Thursday's Wolf Open match play rounds, the GEICO PBA Summer Swing moves to AMF Bowlero in nearby Wauwatosa for the Lucas Oil Bear Open, the final qualifying leg leading into the Lucas Oil Milwaukee Open May 29-30, also at AMF Bowlero. The Milwaukee Open will feature the top 28 qualifiers based on total pinfall after 30 qualifying games from the Badger, Wolf and Bear "animal pattern" events.

After 20 of the 30 animal pattern qualifying games, O'Neill led the Milwaukee Open qualifiers with a 4,821 total, 111 pins ahead of Anthony LaCaze of Melrose Park, Ill.

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LUCAS OIL PBA WOLF OPEN AMF West, Milwaukee, Wis., May 23

FINAL QUALIFYING STANDINGS (after 10 games, top 24 advance to round robin match play Friday at 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.)

- 1, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 2,508.
- 2, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 2,467.
- 3, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 2,454.
- 4, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2,445.
- 5, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2,392.
- 6, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 2,371.
- 6, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 2,371.
- 8, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,367.
- 9, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 2,353.
- 10, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 2,347.
- 11 (tie), Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., and Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 2,340.
- 13, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 2,339.
- 14, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 2,327.
- 15, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 2,308.
- 16, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2,304.
- 17, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 2,299.
- 18, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 2,273.
- 19, William Guszczko, Orland Park, Ill., 2,266.
- 20, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 2,262.
- 21, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 2,254.
- 22, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2,251.

- 23, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 2,249.
24, Kenneth Kempf, Appleton, Wis., 2,244.

Failed to advance:

- 25, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 2,238, \$600.
26, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 2,233.
26, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 2,233.
28, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 2,231.
29, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 2,228.
30, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 2,219.
31, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 2,209.
32, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 2,204.
33, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 2,197.
34, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 2,194.
35, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 2,186.
36, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,179.
37, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 2,164.
38 (tie), Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., and Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 2,148.
40, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 2,146.
41, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 2,145.
42, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 2,139.
43, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2,119.
44, Patrick Girard, Canada, 2,113.
45, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 2,110.
46, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 2,099.
47, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 2,089.
48, Brian Traber, Waterford, Wis., 2,088.
49, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 2,073.
50, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 2,072.
51, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 2,060.
52, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 2,055.
53, James Knoblauch, Waukesa, Wis., 2,054.
54, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2,047.
55, Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 2,043.
56 (tie), Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., and David Labinski, Milwaukee, 2,037.
58, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2,035.
59 (tie), Dom Barrett, England, and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2,016.
61, Greg Thomas, Oak Creek, Wis., 2,015.
62, Paul Moor, England, 2,005.
63, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 2,004.
64, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,998.
65 (tie), Dale Renken, St. Jacob, Ill., and Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 1,990.
67, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,972.
68, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 1,965.
69, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,959.
70, Matt Beyer, Manawa, Wis., 1,950.
71, T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 1,939.
72, Gary Exner Jr., Racine, Wis., 1,926.
73, Scott Radtke, Milwaukee, 1,894.
74, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 1,892.
75, Quinton Bohlen, Decorah, Iowa, 1,885.
76, Mike Dole, Loves Park, Ill., 1,867.

- 77, Andrew DeCaluwe, Mt. Prospect, Ill., 1,860.
- 78, Rob Lange, Waukesha, Wis., 1,847.
- 79, Erik Gulbrandson, Superior, Wis., 1,836.
- 80, Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 1,835.
- 81, Christopher Glaz, Elmwood Park, Ill, 1,810.
- 82, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 1,785.
- 83, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 1,780.
- 84, Ralleigh Grandberry III, Maryland Hts., Mo., 1,708.
- 85, Van McNeil, West Allis, Wis., 1,706.
- 86, Jonathan Russell, Rockwood, Tenn., 1,651.
- 87, Lindell Woolard, Tallahassee, Fla., 1,629.
- 88, Brandon Gronwoldt, LeRoy, Minn., 1,624.
- 89, Mike Larson, Menomonee Falls, Wis., 800.
- 90, Mo Collins, Oxford, Mich., 760.

300 Games: E.J. Tackett, Chris Barnes.

LUCAS OIL PBA MILWAUKEE OPEN STANDINGS

ROUND FOUR (after 20 games; top 28 after 30 qualifying games in Badger, Wolf and Bear Open tournaments advance to cashers round on Wednesday, May 28, at AMF Bowlero)

- 1, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 4,821.
- 2, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 4,710.
- 3, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 4,645.
- 4, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 4,634.
- 5, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 4,625.
- 6, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 4,606.
- 7, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 4,605.
- 8, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 4,604.
- 9, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 4,597.
- 10, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 4,591.
- 11, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 4,588.
- 12, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 4,580.
- 13, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 4,574.
- 14, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 4,546.
- 15, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 4,543.
- 16, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 4,506.
- 17, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4,493.
- 18, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 4,489.
- 19, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 4,481.
- 20, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 4,478.
- 21, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 4,469.
- 22, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 4,457.
- 23, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 4,442.
- 24, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 4,439.
- 25, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 4,429.
- 26, Patrick Girard, Canada, 4,427.
- 27, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 4,419.
- 28, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 4,411.
- 29, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 4,390.
- 30, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 4,388.
- 31, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 4,384.

32, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 4,367.
 33, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 4,362.
 34, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 4,356.
 35, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 4,353.
 36, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 4,339.
 37, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 4,338.
 37, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 4,338.
 39, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 4,320.
 40, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 4,315.
 41, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 4,312.
 42, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 4,310.
 43, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 4,308.
 44, William Guszczo, Orland Park, Ill., 4,291.
 45, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 4,280.
 46, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 4,214.
 47, Paul Moor, England, 4,208.
 48, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 4,201.
 49, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 4,195.
 50, Dom Barrett, England, 4,185.
 51, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 4,184.
 52, Mike Dole, Loves Park, Ill., 4,175.
 53, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 4,140.
 54, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 4,137.
 54, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 4,137.
 56, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 4,128.
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 65, Christopher Glaz, Elmwood Park, Ill, 3,958.
 66, Gary Exner Jr., Racine, Wis., 3,945.
 67, Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 3,922.
 68, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 3,909.
 69, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 3,899.
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 72, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 3,873.
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 77, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 3,778.
 78, Mike Larson, Menomonee Falls, Wis., 2,712.
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 80, Jonathan Russell, Rockwood, Tenn., 3,523.
 81, Ralleigh Grandberry III, Maryland, Hts., Mo., 3,471.
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Ex-Wichita State Teammates Blanchard, Peters Top PBA Badger Open Stepladder Finals Field

Intercollegiate Singles Champion Lorincz also makes TV field in first of four GEICO PBA Summer Swing events

WAUKESHA, Wis. (May 21, 2013) – Former Wichita State University teammates Josh Blanchard of Gilbert, Ariz., and Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill., claimed the top two positions for the Professional Bowlers Association Badger stepladder finals Tuesday night at AMF Waukesha.

Blanchard, the 2011-12 PBA Rookie of the Year, won seven of his eight matches Tuesday night to post a 26-game total of 6,426 pins, clinching the top berth in the June 1 Badger Open stepladder finals by 10 pins over Peters. Peters, who started the day in first place, plunged to 18th after the morning match play round, but surged back into contention by also winning seven of his final eight matches for a 6,416 total.

Blanchard and Peters, who won a pair of Intercollegiate Men's Team Championships with Wichita State in 2009 and 2010, are both trying for their first PBA Tour titles.

Saginaw (Mich.) Valley State collegiate bowler Aaron Lorincz of Belleville, Mich., the 2013 Intercollegiate Singles Champion, qualified third with 6,327 pins. Rounding out the stepladder finals in the first of four GEICO PBA Summer Swing tournaments will be Michael Haugen Jr. of Phoenix and Kurt Pilon of Warren, Mich.

"I told my wife last week I thought I could be really strong on this pattern," Blanchard said of the 52-foot Badger lane condition, the longest oil pattern the PBA Tour has ever used. "I really felt like I could win on it. I haven't won yet, but... The longer we went tonight, the stronger I got. I could have gone another eight games."

Blanchard said the most valuable lesson he has learned in his first full year as a PBA Tour player has been "creating loft in my game. It worked tonight. I was able to keep my ball straighter and carry better, and that was the difference."

Peters, also a second-year PBA Tour player, had never finished higher than 19th place, but despite his roller coaster performance, he was elated.

His plunge in the standings "was really exhausting," he said, "but it might have really helped because after the way I bowled in the morning, I had nothing to lose and I made some really aggressive moves I probably wouldn't have made had I not bowled so bad."

"As bad as I bowled in the morning, I was only 160 pins out of the TV show, and my fiancé and ball reps told me to just hang in there and see what happens. So I never gave up."

Lorincz. 23, was surprised to make his first PBA TV finals, but said, "You practice and practice to get to this moment and to get here is awesome. I've been running out shots with these guys since I was 10 years old."

Making the CBS Sports Network finals on June 1, however, will disrupt his plans.

"I'm scheduled to bowl (the United States Bowling Congress Open Championships in Reno, Nev.) on June 1," he said. "I think I'm going to have nine unhappy teammates."

The GEICO PBA Summer Swing now moves to AMF West in Milwaukee for the Wolf Open with practice and pro-ams scheduled for Wednesday, two five-game qualifying rounds Thursday and two eight-game match play rounds Friday The Bear Open follows Sunday through Tuesday at AMF Bowlero, followed by the Milwaukee Open May 29-30, also at AMF Bowlero. The Milwaukee Open will feature the top 28 qualifiers based on total pinfall after 30 qualifying games from the three animal pattern events.

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PBA BADGER OPEN

AMF Waukesha, Waukesha, Wis., Tuesday

Final Match Play Standings (after 26 games, including match play bonus pins; top five advance to stepladder finals on June 1 at AMF Bowlero)

- 1, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 12-4, 6,426.
- 2, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 10-6, 6,416.
- 3, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 10-6, 6,327.
- 4, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 10-6, 6,319, \$100.
- 5, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 8-8, 6,294.
- 6, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 8-8, 6,262, \$1,800.
- 7, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 11-5, 6,250, \$1,700.
- 8, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 8-8, 6,237, \$1,600.
- 9, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 10-6, 6,230, \$1,550.
- 10, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 8-7-1, 6,214, \$1,500.
- 11, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 8-7-1, 6,201, \$1,450.
- 12, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 9-7, 6,137, \$1,400.
- 13, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 7-9, 6,131, \$1,450.
- 14, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 8-8, 6,114, \$1,300.
- 15, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 6-10, 6,092, \$1,250.
- 16, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 8-8, 6,088, \$1,300.
- 17, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 7-9, 6,078, \$1,150.
- 18, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 5-11, 6,072, \$1,100.
- 19, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 9-7, 6,040, \$1,050.
- 20, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 8-8, 6,025, \$1,000.
- 21, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 6-10, 5,957, \$1,150.

22, Patrick Girard, Canada, 4-12, 5,945, \$1,000.
23, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 6-10, 5,924, \$850.
24, Mike Dole, Loves Park, Ill., 5-11, 5,744, \$800.

300 Games: Michael Haugen Jr., Bill O'Neill, Mika Koivuniemi.

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Jake Peters Averages 241 to Lead GEICO PBA Summer Swing's Badger Open Qualifiers

Former Junior Team USA member passes Sean Rash in final game

WAUKESHA, Wis. (May 20, 2013) – Former Junior Team USA member Jake Peters, a second-year Professional Bowlers Association member from Decatur, Ill., overtook reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash in the final game Monday to take the qualifying lead in the PBA Badger Open at AMF Waukesha.

Peters, who has yet to win a PBA title at any level, averaged 241.1 for 10 qualifying games Monday, finishing with a 2,411 total and a 19-pin lead over Rash on a new 52-foot Badger lane conditioning pattern, the longest application of oil the PBA has used in years.

The Badger Open is the first of four tournaments in the GEICO PBA Summer Swing that is being held at three Milwaukee area bowling centers. It also is the first PBA Tour event being contested in a bowling center with natural wood lanes in several years.

"That was exciting. I've never led a PBA event before," Peters said.

"Every event I've bowled in the PBA has been on synthetic lane surfaces, so it was pretty exciting to bowl on natural wood lanes," Peters added. "I was pretty eager about it. I've seen the old animal patterns a bunch of times, and I've had a tough time on them, so it was interesting to see something new. I was pretty eager to try it.

"I called my father last night and told him I thought the Badger was going to be my toughest pattern. I thought I was going to have to move way left on the lane, but they held up pretty good and I didn't have to move nearly as far as I thought."

Peters, who has never finished higher than 19th place in a PBA Tour event, was thrilled to be in the lead.

"When you're growing up, you know it's going to be hard to compete out here," he said, "but it has been a thousand times harder than I thought it would be. The support I've had behind me from my family has been great. It's nice to finally have some success."

Peters was fifth after Monday's first five-game round, but fired games of 256, 226, 243, 259 and 257 in the evening session to overtake Rash. Rash, who finished with a 2,392 total, is trying for his seventh career title and second of the 2012-13 season.

Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., started the day with 21 consecutive strikes for games of 300 and 279, and held the first round lead. He finished the day in third place with 2,367 pins, Anthony LaCaze of Melrose Park, Ill., was fourth at 2,363 and non-pro Aaron Lorincz of Belleville, Mich., was fifth with a 2,339 total.

The top 24 qualifiers advanced to Tuesday's 16 games of round robin match play. The top five players after Tuesday's 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. match play rounds will advance to the stepladder finals on Saturday, Jan. 1, at AMF Bowlero in nearby Wauwatosa.

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PBA BADGER OPEN

AMF Waukesha, Waukesha, Wis., Tuesday

Final Qualifying Standings (after 10 games; top 24 advance to round robin match play Tuesday)

- 1, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 2,411.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2,392.
- 3, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 2,367, \$100.
- 4, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 2,363.
- 5, Aaron Lorincz, Belleville, Mich., 2,339.
- 6, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 2,331.
- 7, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 2,318.
- 8, Patrick Girard, Canada, 2,314, \$100.
- 9, Mike Dole, Loves Park, Ill., 2,308.
- 10, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 2,307, \$100.
- 11, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 2,296.
- 12, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 2,272.
- 13, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 2,271.
- 14, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 2,262.
- 15, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 2,252.
- 16, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 2,251.
- 17, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 2,247.
- 18 (tie), Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., and Jason Belmonte, Australia, 2,242.
- 20, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,237.
- 21, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 2,234.
- 22, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 2,232.
- 23, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 2,227.
- 24, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 2,224.

Failed to advance:

- 25, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2,219, \$600.

26, Quinton Bohlen, Decorah, Iowa, 2,212.
 27, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 2,204.
 28 (tie), Paul Moor, England, and Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 2,203.
 30, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2,196.
 31, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 2,193.
 32, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2,189.
 33, Erik Gulbrandson, Superior, Wis., 2,186.
 34, T.P. Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 2,180.
 35, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 2,171.
 36, Dom Barrett, England, 2,169.
 37, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2,168.
 38, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 2,161.
 39, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 2,160.
 40, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 2,159.
 41, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 2,158.
 42, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2,153.
 43, Christopher Glaz, Elmwood Park, Ill., 2,148.
 44, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 2,144.
 45, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 2,112.
 46 (tie), Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Greg Thomas, Oak Creek, Wis., 2,111.
 48, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 2,110.
 49 (tie), E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., and Dan MacLelland, Canada, 2,107.
 51, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 2,103.
 52, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2,102.
 53, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,101.
 54, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 2,098.
 55, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 2,081.
 56, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 2,079.
 57, Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., 2,072.
 58, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 2,069.
 59, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2,064.
 60, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 2,056.
 61, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 2,051.
 62, Jonathan Schalow, Evansville, Wis., 2,050.
 63, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 2,049.
 64, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 2,038.
 65, William Guszczo, Orland Park, Ill., 2,025.
 66 (tie), Andrew DeCaluwe, Mt. Prospect, Ill., and Gary Exner Jr., Racine, Wis., 2,019.
 68, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 2,001.
 69, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 1,999.
 70, Joe Alivo, Lannon, Wis., 1,996.
 71 (tie), Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., and Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 1,982.
 73, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 1,981.
 74 (tie), David Beres, Waukesha, Wis., and Armando Santacruz, Ecuador, 1,963.
 76, Aaron Ramsden, Pleasant Valley, Mo., 1,944.
 77, Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 1,932.
 78, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,927.
 79, Mike Larson, Menomonee Falls, Wis., 1,912.
 80, Dale Renken, St. Jacob, Ill., 1,890.
 81, Jonathan Russell, Rockwood, Tenn., 1,872.
 82, Kenneth Kempf, Appleton, Wis., 1,864.
 83, Lindell Woolard, Tallahassee, Fla., 1,819.

- 84, Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 1,783.
- 85, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,780.
- 86, Ralleigh Grandberry III, Maryland, Hts., Mo., 1,763.
- 87, Van McNeil, West Allis, Wis., 1,750.
- 88, Matt Beyer, Manawa, Wis., 1,638.
- 89, Brandon Gronwoldt, LeRoy, Minn., 1,627.
- 90, Mo Collins, Oxford, Mich., 1,458.

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PBA Player of the Year Race Heats Up as Players Head to Milwaukee for GEICO PBA Summer Swing

Leading contenders, dark horse candidates hope to improve positions in wide-open 2012-13 race

SEATTLE (May 14, 2013) – The Professional Bowlers Association's 2012-13 Player of the Year race may take a decisive turn during the final two weeks of May when four PBA Tour titles are decided during the GEICO PBA Summer Swing in the Milwaukee.

With the Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Open titles at stake in the Milwaukee series, a hotly-contested six-man race for PBA Player of the Year honors could quickly change in favor of one of the leading contenders. Or it could move a couple of dark horse candidates into position to challenge for the end-of-season honor.

The Player of the Year will be selected in balloting by the PBA membership and members of the bowling news media at the close of the season. Key criteria most voters use are titles won, competition points, earnings, averages and television finals. Major titles won, or championship round appearances, are commonly factors that will tip the scales if voting is close.

The 2012-13 Player of the Year competition will be based upon overall performance over an expanded 14-month campaign which began with the 2012 PBA World Series of Bowling IV and will conclude on Dec 31, 2013, as the PBA heads toward a return to a traditional calendar year schedule beginning on Jan. 1, 2014.

Heading into the GEICO PBA Summer Swing, the Player of the Year leaders, in alphabetical order, are:

- Jason Belmonte, Australia: won the 2013 USBC Masters for his only 2012-13 title, leads the PBA Tour in competition points and average (234.97), and ranks third in earnings (\$131,586). Finished second in the PBA World Championship and PBA Tournament of Champions, and has three other TV appearances.
- Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J.: won the 2012 PBA World Championship for his only 2012-13 title, ranks fifth in competition points, and seventh in earnings (\$77,688) and average (228.91). He also finished fourth in the USBC Masters.
- Mika Koivuniemi, Finland/Hartland, Mich.: has won two 2012-13 titles, both on the PBA International Tour (Round1 Japan Cup and Qatar Open), ranks seventh in points, first in earnings (\$158,412) and sixth in average (228.99). Koivuniemi also finished fifth in the USBC Masters.

- Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif.: has won two 2012-13 titles (Chameleon Open and Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship), and ranks fourth in points, fifth in earnings (\$87,970) and eighth in average (228.85).

- Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.: reigning PBA Player of the Year's only title this season is Kuwait Open. He ranks third in points, second in earnings (\$145,472) and third in average (232.58), and is tied with Belmonte with five TV appearances, including finishing third in PBA World Championship and PBA Tournament of Champions.

- Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo.: won a PBA-record 10th major title in the PBA Tournament of Champions at age 50. Ranks 13th in points, sixth in earnings (\$82,306) and fourth in average (229.97).

Heading the "dark horse" list includes Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., a one-time title winner in 2012-13 who ranks sixth in points and fourth in earnings, and non-winner Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, who is second in points and average and eighth in earnings. Other players who have won one title during the 2012-13 season are Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa.; Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y.; Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla.; Andres Gomez, Colombia; Michael Haugen Jr., Carefree, Ariz.; Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., and Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.

The GEICO PBA Summer Swing begins with the Badger Open May 19-21 at AMF Waukesha, followed by the Wolf Open May 22-24 at AMF West, Bear Open May 26-28 at AMF Bowlero, Milwaukee Open May 29-30 at Bowlero, and two days of CBS Sports Network stepladder finals June 1-2 at Bowlero.

Thus far in 2012-13, the PBA Tour has conducted 16 individual tournaments in the United States and around the world and the extended 14-month season will include 14 more PBA Tour and International Tour events – including the four Milwaukee title events – before it ends.

REMAINING 2013 PBA TOUR EVENTS

May 20-June 2 – GEICO PBA Summer Swing (Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Open), AMF Waukesha, AMF West and AMF Bowlero, Milwaukee, Wis.

July 7-13 - It's Daejeon International Open Bowling Tournament, Daejeon, Korea

July 21-27 – U.S. Open, Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus Western Bowl, and Holiday Lanes, Columbus, Ohio

Oct. 1-6 – 11th annual Columbia 300 Vienna Open, Plus Bowling Center, Vienna, Austria

Oct. 14-21 – 2013 World Bowling Tour Thailand, Bul-O Paragon, Bangkok, Thailand

Oct. 25-Nov. 3 – PBA World Series of Bowling V (Cheetah, Viper, Chameleon and Scorpion Championships plus PBA World Championship), South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas

Nov. 28-30 – Round1 Japan Cup, Tokyo Port Bowl, Tokyo, Japan

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PBA Unveils Badger, Wolf, Bear "Animal Patterns" for GEICO Summer Swing

Milwaukee area tournaments to feature first new "animal" lane conditioning patterns in eight years

MILWAUKEE (May 7, 2013) – The Professional Bowlers Association has unveiled three distinct new lane conditioning patterns that will debut during the GEICO PBA Summer Swing in the Milwaukee area May 20-June 2, expanding the PBA's current library of "animal pattern" lane conditions.

The new lane conditioning patterns, named the Badger, Wolf and Bear, are a continuation of the animal pattern theme the PBA introduced in 2005 to not only test the versatility of the players and demonstrate the variety of scoring challenges PBA players face, but to give PBA members, grassroots league bowlers and fans an easier way to identify specific types of conditions.

The Badger will be the longest animal pattern ever (52 feet). Conversely, the Wolf will be the shortest animal pattern ever (32 feet). The Bear will be a flat pattern of medium length (40 feet), similar to what has been used at the U.S. Open in recent years and characterized as the most difficult test in professional bowling.

The way lane oil is applied (in shape and volume) to the 60-foot playing surface of a lane is a strong factor in the scoring pace of a professional bowling tournament, testing the skills necessary for success and the strategic approach the players must take.

"We listened to players and fans looking for more diversity in our lane maintenance program and have developed patterns that will give everyone fresh looks," said PBA Commissioner Tom Clark. "These new animal patterns have dramatically different, uniquely challenging characteristics."

The original animal pattern system, featuring the Chameleon, Cheetah, Scorpion, Shark and Viper patterns, eventually became the foundation for the PBA Experience League program which allows grassroots United States Bowling Congress league bowlers across America a chance to bowl on the same lane conditions PBA players compete on in national and regional tournaments. The original animal patterns will be used again at this fall's PBA World Series of Bowling V in Las Vegas.

All eight animal patterns, in addition to PBA major tournament patterns, will be used and available for future PBA national, PBA50 and PBA regional tournaments plus PBA Experience league play. All of the new patterns are USBC Sport Bowling-compliant, which generally means flatter ratios of oil across the lane and demanding more precision by players than on more typical "house" conditions found in bowling.

Clark said there was a lot of synergy in debuting the new PBA patterns at the upcoming GEICO Summer Swing in Milwaukee. The Swing features four events in three different bowling centers and will be the first time the PBA airs on the CBS Sports Network.

"The best players in the world will develop fresh strategies to attack the lanes and fans will be entertained by the results," Clark said.

The Badger condition will be applied on the wood-based lane surfaces at AMF Waukesha in Waukesha for the qualifying and match play rounds for the PBA Badger Open, May 20-21. The Wolf condition will be applied to the synthetic lanes at AMF West in Milwaukee for the PBA Wolf Open, May 23-24. The Bear condition will be used on synthetic lanes at AMF Bowlero in Wauwatosa for the PBA Bear Open May 27-28.

A combination of the three patterns will be used for the culminating PBA Milwaukee Open. The "cashers" round, featuring the top qualifiers based on total pins from the three previous events, will employ the Bear pattern. The three subsequent match play rounds will feature the Bear, Wolf and Badger patterns, respectively. Whoever is high qualifier for the PBA Milwaukee Open stepladder finals will select the pattern for the TV finals. Five TV shows (including the special GEICO King of The Swing event) will be taped June 1-2 at Bowlero for airing on consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET beginning June 11 on the CBS Sports Network.

The PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame will have live coverage of every GEICO Summer Swing event's qualifying and match play portions.

A complete description of the new animal patterns, along with graphs illustrating how oil is applied for each pattern for PBA members, will be available on pba.com under the "resources" tab. Along with the new patterns, the PBA has created a new series of animal pattern logos which will be used in conjunction with each pattern.

More information about the GEICO PBA Summer Swing, including entry and ticket information, is available at pba.com.

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North Carolina's Joe Scarborough Rolls First 900 Series in PBA History

Senior "rookie" starts PBA50 Sun Bowl at The Villages with three consecutive 300 games

THE VILLAGES, Fla. (April 21, 2013) – Joe Scarborough of Charlotte, N.C., rolled three consecutive 300 games to start the first round of qualifying in the PBA50 Sun Bowl at The Villages at Spanish Springs Lanes Sunday, recording the first 900 series in Professional Bowlers Association history.

Scarborough, who turned 50 in October 2012, is bowling in only his second PBA50 Tour event. He qualified 38th in the re-named PBA Senior Tour's season-opener in New Port Richey, Fla., last week, but lost his first best-of-three-game single-elimination match.

The self-employed electrical contractor threw another strike to start his fourth game, but his streak ended at 37 in a row when he left a split on his 38th shot. Three straight sub-200 games then toppled him out of the lead and into a tie for 12th place with 1,921 pins, 77 pins behind leader PBA Hall of Famer Mark Williams of Beaumont, Texas, who averaged 249.75 for eight games to lead the field of 159 bowlers with a 1,998 total.

"I'm pretty surprised," Scarborough said. "I had the shot, I took my time and it worked out. To be honest, no, I wasn't nervous. I was pretending I was at home practicing, and I blocked out the crowd and focused on executing every shot.

"After the first three games, I moved to the other end of the house where the lanes were drier and I just couldn't get the ball down the lane the same way. It wasn't the pressure.

"It's unbelievable, especially to be the first in the PBA to do it," he added. Scarborough said his previous high three-game series was an 838 and he had 14 previous 300 games.

"It's interesting that I used a different ball to start practice, but I switched (to a Storm IQ Tour Pearl) and I threw six strikes in a row to end practice. So I decided to start with that ball. I knew I had something good, but not this good.

"I'm proud of what I've done so far," he added, "but I've still got work to do."

Scarborough's perfect start set PBA50 Tour records for consecutive 300 games (the previous record was two by Norb Wetzel of Fond du Lac, Wis., in Albany, N.Y., in 1998 and by Rohn Morton of Portland, Ore., in Tucson, Ariz., in 2005), and highest three-game series. He also tied the record for most 300s by an individual in a PBA50 Tour tournament, shared by Ron Mohr of Eagle River, Alaska (Columbus, Ohio, 2010) and Bob Kelly of Dayton, Ohio (Mooresville, N.C., 2010).

Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla., bowled three consecutive 300s in a standard PBA Tour event in North Brunswick, N.J., in 1996, but the performance didn't count as a 900 series because he ended one round with two perfect games and started the next round with the third perfect game.

Williams, who rolled games of 269, 234, 259, 268, 204, 279, 268 and 217, said he had his only open frame in the 204 game.

"The conditions were really good," Williams said. "There was a lot of oil in the front, some hold area and the carry was good. But there are a lot of games to go, so we'll see how things go."

The PBA50 Sun Bowl in The Villages produced another record when 87-year-old Darrell Ducat of Perrysville, Ohio, became the oldest player to compete in a PBA tournament.

Qualifying continues Monday at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., with the top 32 advancing to match play on Tuesday. Match play rounds are scheduled for 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday, followed by a four-player stepladder final at 7 p.m.

PBA's online bowling channel Xtra Frame is providing start to finish coverage of the PBA50 Sun Bowl. For subscription and schedule information visit the pba.com homepage and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

PBA50 SUN BOWL AT THE VILLAGES **Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla., Sunday**

First Round Qualifying (after 8 games)

- 1, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1,998.
- 2, Ron Dixon, Boynton Beach, Fla., 1,993.
- 3, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,982.
- 4, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,978.
- 5, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 1,970.
- 6, Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,960.
- 7, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,949.
- 8, Steve Ferraro, Kingston, N.Y., 1,945.
- 9, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 1,939.
- 10, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 1,934.
- 11, a-Larry Barwick, Wauchula, Fla., 1,931.
- 12 (tie), Steve Neff, Homosassa Springs, Fla., and Joe Scarborough, Charlotte, N.C., 1,921
- 14, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 1,920.
- 15, a-Philip Frey, Lutz, Fla., 1,918.
- 16, Rick Minier, Houston, Texas, 1,916.
- 17 (tie), Don Blatchford, Santa Monica, Calif., and Keith Sharp, Orlando, Fla., 1,915.
- 19, Hugh Miller, Seattle, 1,906.
- 20, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,902.
- 21, Richard McDaniel, Coconut Creek, Fla., 1,901.
- 22, Bob Learn Jr., Erie, Pa., 1,898.
- 23, Paul Lemond, Jasper, Ind, 1,892.
- 24, Dale Traber, Cedarburg, Wis., 1,886.
- 25, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 1,882.
- 26, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,865.
- 27 (tie), Michael Henry, Brunswick, Ohio, and Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,860.
- 29, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 1,856.
- 30, John Shreve Sr., Elyria, Ohio, 1,855.

31, Darrell Adams, Flintstone, Ga., 1,853.
 32, Gene Morrison, Spring Lake, N.C., 1,848.
 33, Christopher Keane, New City, N.Y., 1,844.
 34, a-Duane Podgorski, Lakeland, Fla., 1,843.
 35, Darryl Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,842.
 36, Don Sylvia, Lady Lake, FL, 1,841.
 37, Wayne Bolin, Lumberton, N.C., 1,836.
 38, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 1,834.
 39, Timothy Kauble, Marion, Ohio, 1,826.
 40 (tie), Ted Staikoff, Black Hawk, S.D., and a-Howard Crowder, Tamarac, Fla., 1,824.
 42, Bob Brady, Santa Monica, Calif., 1,815.
 43, Bob Handley, Winter Park, Fla., 1,812.
 44, Leif Sjoberg, Sweden, 1,810.
 45, Gary Hiday, Indianapolis, 1,807.
 46, a-Bob Caputo Sr., The Villages, Fla., 1,804.
 47, Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 1,803.
 48, Daniel Miner, East Moline, Ill., 1,802.
 49, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp, Mich., 1,798.
 50, Terry Metzner, Kentwood, Mich., 1,797.
 51 (tie), Tom Kennedy, Shepherdsville, Ky., and Nick Morgan, Sacramento, Calif., 1,795.
 53, Mark Scime, Winter Garden, Fla., 1,793.
 54, Patrick King, Yankton, S.D., 1,792.
 55 (tie), David Taylor, Seminole, Fla., and Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 1,790.
 57 (tie), a-Roger Kossert, Lithia, Fla.; Robert Harvey, Boise, Idaho, and Kevin Foley, Reno, Nev., 1,788.
 60, Ron Mohr, Eagle River, Alaska, 1,782.
 61, William Peters, Dayton, Ohio, 1,781.
 62 (tie), Thomas Ream, Tampa, Fla., and Charlie Tomey, Spartanburg, S.C., 1,780.
 64, Tommy Kress, Rochester, N.Y., 1,778.
 65 (tie), Gary Morgan, Marietta, Ga.; Kenny Parks, Hammond, Ind., and Henry Gonzalez, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1,777.
 68 (tie), a-Lucy Sandelin, Tampa, Fla., and Bill McCorkle, Westerville, Ohio, 1,776.
 70 (tie), Frank Gallo Jr., Jacksonville, Fla., and Kevin Humble, Lake Mary, Fla., 1,764.
 72, Dale Eagle, Tavares, Fla., 1,763.
 73, Ron Jacobson, Jupiter, Fla., 1,758.
 74 (tie), Fred Ferreira, Kings Park, N.Y., and Pete Couture, Titusville, Fla., 1,751.
 76, Andy Ippolito, Forest Hills, N.Y., 1,745.
 77, Jim Pitts, Elmira, N.Y., 1,742.
 78, Rich Giragosian, Charlotte, N.C., 1,737.
 79, Jim Lesiuk, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., 1,734.
 80, a-huck Richardson, The Villages, Fla., 1,733.
 81, Dan Howsmon, Lutz, Fla., 1,727.
 82 (tie), Lennie Boesch Jr., Kenosha, Wis., and Marc Lineberry, Camanche, Iowa, 1,725.
 84 (tie), Bob Kelly, Dayton, Ohio, and Dennis Rakauskas, Apopka, Fla., 1,721.
 86, Dennis Farris, The Villages, Fla., 1,719.
 87, Todd Haney, Spartanburg, S.C., 1,716.
 88 (tie), Brian Cooper, Henderson, Nev., and Jerry Lau, St. Peters, Mo., 1,714.
 90, Ed Cutter, Manassas Park, Va., 1,711.
 91, Guppy Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,709.
 92, Steve Lang, Indianapolis, Ind., 1,708.
 93, Tom Carter, Rockford, Ill., 1,707.
 94, Emilio Mora Sr., Defiance, Ohio, 1,706.
 95, Danny Gould, Palm Bay, Fla., 1,705.

96 (tie), Vince Mazzanti Jr., Levittown, Pa.; Doug O'Bryant, Jasper, Ga., and Larry Graybeal, Elizabethton, Tenn., 1,704.
 99, Bill Argenbright, Fishersville, Va., 1,701.
 100, Ron Profitt, Brookville, Ohio, 1,698.
 101, Jim Knoblauch, Waukesha, Wis., 1,697.
 102, Peter Knopp, Germany, 1,696.
 103, Robert Callari, Bloomfield, N.Y., 1,694.
 104, Lee Rucker, Fort Myers, Fla., 1,690.
 105, Randy Robertson, Evansville, Ind., 1,686.
 106, Jim Price, Harrisburg, N.C., 1,684.
 107 (tie), Dan Ahlquist, Sweden, and Tom Howison, Chillicothe, Ohio, 1,683.
 109, a-Robert Vega, The Villages, Fla., 1,680.
 110, Randy Rose, Gloucester, Va., 1,676.
 111, a-Roger Tramp, Deltona, Fla., 1,675.
 112, a-Edward Roberts, Braintree, Mass., 1,674.
 113 (tie), Steve Bova, Massapequa, N.Y., and William Keenan, Jr., Orlando, Fla., 1,671.
 115, a-Widmar Vargas, Riverview, Fla., 1,666.
 116, Dave Paquin, Knapolis, N.C., 1,656.
 117, Lee Brosius, Ashburn, Va., 1,654.
 118, J.C. Quintana, Miami, 1,641.
 119, Chuck Best, Buda, Texas, 1,640.
 120, Larry Williams, St. Augustine, Fla., 1,636.
 121 (tie), Garry Blanton, Owensboro, Ky., and Larry Felts Jr., Moore, S.C., 1,632.
 123, Bob Chamberlain, The Villages, Fla., 1,628.
 124 (tie), Bob Andersen, Forest City, N.C., and Steve Stein, Staten Island, N.Y., 1,616.
 126, a-Gerald Teel, The Villages, Fla., 1,614.
 127, Nick Panicaro, Ocala, Fla., 1,610.
 128, Todd Kjell, Roscoe, Ill., 1,601.
 129, a-John Pullen, Oyster Bay, NY, 1,598.
 130, Steven Boxerman, University City, Mo., 1,594.
 131, a-Ed Fenstermacher, Summerfield, FL, 1,589.
 132, Michael Owen, Gainesville, Fla., 1,588.
 133, Jeffrey Herman, Bonaire, Ga., 1,585.
 134 (tie), George Lord, Lakeland, Fla., and Ron Glick, Morganville, N.J., 1,583.
 136, a-Patrick Trudeau, St. Petersburg, Fla., 1,578.
 137 (tie), Bill Ursillo, Bluffton, S.C., and Dale Lee, Brandon, Fla., 1,568.
 139, Timothy Bates, Orlando, Fla., 1,565.
 140, Brian Miller, Springfield, Ohio, 1,564.
 141, a-Mike Schmid St. Paul, Minn., 1,561.
 142 (tie), Dave Bernhardt, Romeo, Mich., and Don Michaelson Sr., Plant City, Fla., 1,557.
 144, a-Gene Masterson Jr., Port Orange, Fla., 1,549.
 145, a-Edgar Gomez, Colombia, 1,540.
 146, Sal Bongiorno, Hollywood, Fla., 1,527.
 147, Larry Montgomery, Safety Harbor, Fla., 1,513.
 148, Dennis Amato, Pine Brook, N.J., 1,503.
 149, Ken Waters, Kingsport, Tenn., 1,484.
 150, Ray Randall, Dearborn, Mich., 1,469.
 151, Stephen Lippman, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,468.
 152, Scott Ettinger, Westfield, N.J., 1,066 (WD).
 153, Sam Perrotta, Lincoln Park, N.J., 1,436.
 154, Lindell Woolard, Tallahassee, Fla., 1,433.
 155, Patsy DellaPenna, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,416.

156, Richard Felten, Rockville, Md., 1,403.
157, a-Ricky Bolatto, Sebring, Fla., 1,362.
158, Dave Schultz, Jackson, Wis., 1,322.
159, a-Darrell Ducat, Perrysburg, Ohio, 1,177.

300 Games: Don Batchford, Wayne Webb, Joe Scarborough (3), Christopher Keane.

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BowlU Unveils PBA Player Development Program

Camps to be held in seven PBA regions beginning this summer

SEATTLE (April 16, 2013) – The Professional Bowlers Association, in partnership with BowlU founder Rick Benoit, will conduct a series of PBA Player Development Camps this summer, providing current and future PBA competitors advanced insights into PBA-level competition.

"Player development is extremely important to the PBA for its present and future," said PBA Commissioner Tom Clark. "In order for our players to grow, education and attention are critical. There are few people more qualified through his experience, perspective, talent and vision to help lead PBA player development than Rick Benoit.

"We are happy to be partnering with Rick on his efforts through BowlU," Clark added. "We also are pleased that our players will have access to his knowledge and teaching ability so they can be the best they can be and serve as inspiration for generations to come in this incredibly difficult but rewarding sport."

Benoit is a former bowling ball manufacturer's representative and one of the sport's most respected instructors. He founded BowlU three years ago and has been designing a specific program to help elite-level players improve ever since.

"What you will see are training opportunities that shed a new light on the athleticism of our sport," Benoit said. "The plan is to devote a calendar month to a specific PBA Region where I intend to conduct two training weekends and at least a week of individual training opportunities."

Five categories of development - Skill Development, Strategic Development, Practice Mode, Competition Mode and Monitoring the Elite Athlete – will be key elements to the program. Enrollment fee for the camps will be \$200 per person for the weekend camps with individual training sessions during the week available for \$65 per hour. PBA members in good standing will receive a \$50 discount.

In addition, BowlU will provide continued training opportunities for camp attendees for a full year through its BowlU.com website for \$75.

The preliminary schedule of PBA Player Development Camps includes the following. The PBA Midwest Region has not yet been scheduled:

- June: West Region, Double Decker Lanes, San Francisco (contact: Curtis Woods);
- July: East Region, Brad Angelo Lanes, Lockport, N.Y. (contact: Brad Angelo);

- August: Northwest Region, Ten Down Bowling & Entertainment Center, Roseburg, Ore. (contact: Bryon Smith);
- September: Central Region, All-Star Lanes, Indianapolis (contact: Dan Smith);
- October: South Region, center to be announced, Orlando, Fla. (contact: Sara Vargas);
- November: Southwest Region, location to be announced (contact: Rick Benoit).

In addition to the training camps, Benoit also will attend all PBA Tour events – including the upcoming GEICO PBA Summer Swing in Milwaukee – where he will host player development activities and be available at no charge to all entrants at practice sessions and throughout tournaments.

For additional information, visit bowluclassroom.com/home; call Benoit at 785-215-2571 or send him an email message at rickbenoit@bowlu.com.

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Dave Ryan, Randy Pedersen to Announce PBA Summer Swing Series on CBS Sports Network

Veteran PBA Tour announcing team to cover five events from Milwaukee

SEATTLE (April 11, 2013) – Veteran Professional Bowlers Association announcer Dave Ryan returns as play-by-play announcer for the PBA, partnering with color analyst Randy Pedersen, for the five-event GEICO PBA Summer Swing series on CBS Sports Network.

Ryan, who served as Voice of the PBA for five years (2002-07), joined CBS Sports Network in 2009 and has spent the past four years covering college football, basketball and baseball, college and professional lacrosse, as well as professional tennis.

Ryan is a graduate of Syracuse University with a degree in broadcast journalism.

Pedersen, a 13-time PBA Tour champion and 2011 PBA Hall of Fame inductee, is currently in his 12th season as color analyst for PBA Tour telecasts.

The GEICO PBA Summer Swing will feature five two-hour telecasts on CBS Sports Network – the Badger, Wolf and Bear Opens, the Milwaukee Open and the GEICO Summer King of the Swing – which will air on consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m. ET beginning June 11.

The GEICO PBA Summer Swing will be held at three different Milwaukee area bowling centers – AMF Waukesha, AMF West and AMF Bowlero – May 20-June 2. PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, will provide wall-to-wall coverage of all preliminary rounds of the Summer Swing. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

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NYC WTT KingPins Win Inaugural PBA League Elias Cup

Closing string of seven strikes breaks open tight match with Motown Muscle in historic PBA team contest

INDIANAPOLIS – With owner Billie Jean King on the bench cheering every shot, the New York City WTT KingPins presented by GEICO finished the inaugural Professional Bowlers Association League championship match with a string of seven consecutive strikes to defeat the Motown Muscle, 440-407, and claim the Elias Cup at Woodland Bowl.

The PBA League Elias Cup finals aired Sunday on ESPN.

The KingPins, the top qualifiers among eight teams that competed in five preliminary rounds earlier in the season in Detroit, put together a string of five strikes to take a 202-181 lead after the first game of the two-game, total pinfall championship match. But the Motown Muscle, owned by former Pittsburgh Steelers star Jerome Bettis, rallied to tie the match after five frames of game two.

In the Baker format contest, where each of the five team member bowls two frames to complete a game, the tide turned when the two teams switched lanes after five frames. After struggling to strike on the right lane, the KingPins didn't miss in their final five frames on the left lane. Consecutive strikes by Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C.; Jack Jurek of Lackawanna, N.Y.; John Szczerbinski of North Tonawanda, N.Y.; Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., and newly-crown Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions winner Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., locked up the title for King's team.

After throwing the decisive strike in the 10th frame, Weber benched himself and brought in KingPins' supplemental draft pick Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., to finish off the match. The only woman in the PBA League field threw two more strikes to conclude the contest.

"We knew the Muscle had to come back on the right lane after five frames and they hadn't bowled on that lane in 10 frames," Weber said. "We ate up some oil and they just didn't make the adjustments.

"My team is the best team. I knew from the start we were going to be hard to beat," he added. "We started communicating in Detroit and I knew at that point we were going to be something special.

"It's an honor and a privilege to have Billie Jean King as our team owner," Weber continued, "and it's an honor and a privilege to give her the first Elias Cup trophy."

King, who admitted she doesn't know a great deal about bowling, was an avid cheerleader for her team.

"I was so calm playing tennis, but I was not so calm watching today," she said. "I was dying. The match was so close.

"I loved my team right from the start," King added. "I watched them on ESPN; I even watched one match on a Jet Blue flight, but I could tell they worked together great. I was very happy to be here for the finals.

"I love it; it's exactly what I believe in. If you watch a World Team Tennis match, you'll see my philosophy on life: it's men and women working together, because we're in this world together and we have to help each other."

In the opening match of the finals, Terrell Owens watched his Dallas Strikers (Bryon Smith of Roseburg, Ore.; Amleto Monacelli of Venezuela; Rhino Page of Dade City, Fla.; Mike Machuga of Erie, Pa., and Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla.) strike on five of their final six shots to defeat actor Jesse Williams' BROOKLYN STyLES (Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla.; Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga.; Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y.; Ryan Shafer of Horseheads, N.Y., and Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.), 217-172.

Motown (DJ Archer of Friendswood, Texas; Jesse Buss of Belvidere, Ill.; Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich.; Ronnie Russell of Indianapolis, and Mike Fagan of Dallas) then eliminated the Strikers, 216-190. Fagan threw three strikes in the 10th frame to force the Strikers' Duke to throw two strikes in his 10th frame, but the PBA Hall of Famer left a 4-6-7 split on his first shot to give Motown the win.

The Elias Cup was named in honor of the PBA's founder and long-time leader, Eddie Elias. Elias' wife, Peggy, and daughter Annie Elias made the trophy presentation in Indianapolis. The winners shared a \$75,000 team prize.

PBA League competition will resume during the 2013 PBA World Series of Bowling V at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas Oct. 25-Nov. 3.

The PBA Tour will return to action in the GEICO PBA Summer Swing May 20-June 2 in a four-tournament event hosted by three Milwaukee area bowling centers: AMF West, AMF Waukesha and AMF Bowlero in suburban Wauwatosa, Wis. The finals of the Badger, Wolf, Bear and Milwaukee Open tournaments – along with a GEICO Summer King of the Swing special event – will be televised by CBS Sports Network.

PBA LEAGUE ELIAS CUP FINALS **Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, March 31 (aired April 7)**

Final Standings:

- 1, NYC WTT KingPins presented by GEICO (Tommy Jones, Jack Jurek, John Szczerbinski, Scott Norton, Pete Weber, Kelly Kulick), \$75,000.
- 2, Motown Muscle (DJ Archer, Jesse Buss, Tom Smallwood, Ronnie Russell, Mike Fagan, Mike Scroggins), \$30,000.
- 3, Dallas Strikers (Bryon Smith, Amleto Monacelli, Rhino Page, Mike Machuga, Norm Duke, Mike Wolfe), \$20,000.
- 4, BROOKLYN STyLES (Walter Ray Williams Jr., Jason Sterner, Ryan Ciminelli, Ryan Shafer, Sean Rash, Tom Hess), \$10,000.

Stepladder Finals (Baker format):

Match One – Dallas Strikers def. BROOKLYN STyLES, 217-172.

Semifinal Match - Motown Muscle def. Dallas Strikers, 216-190.

Championship (two games, total pinfall - New York City WTT KingPins (202-238) def. Motown Muscle (181-226), 440-407.

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PBA Announces Tony Reyes Community Service Award

New award to recognize PBA member's role in giving back to the public

INDIANAPOLIS (April 1, 2013) – The Professional Bowlers Association has created a new Tony Reyes Community Service award to honor the memory of the late PBA Tour player's service to the bowling community.

The award will be presented to a PBA member in good standing, based upon the extraordinary community service, charitable and/or educational contributions the nominee has made.

The award was announced by PBA Commissioner Tom Clark during the PBA Hall of Fame induction dinner Saturday night at the Indianapolis Marriott North. 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. He was 38 and left behind his wife Nicole and one-year-old daughter Gianna.

"Tony Reyes lived his life with a smile on his face, and with a desire to help others who were less fortunate than he was," Clark said. "He was a talented bowler, but he was a lot more than that, and there are a lot of other PBA members who share those traits.

"By creating the Tony Reyes Community Service Award, it's our intention to perpetuate Tony's memory by recognizing the unselfish contributions of other PBA players. I have no doubt that this will become one of the most coveted awards a PBA member can win."

The postmark deadline for nominations will be Nov. 15. Nominees must be current PBA members in good standing. The winner will be selected by a PBA committee and announced along with the 2014 PBA Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award winners.

Nominations can be made by anyone. A nomination form will be available on pba.com.

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Weber Wins Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions, Adds to History

Completes PBA "Triple Crown" for second time, ties Earl Anthony for most PBA major titles

INDIANAPOLIS (March 31, 2013) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., wrote another chapter in bowling history Sunday when he defeated Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte, 224-179, to win the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions at Woodland Bowl.

The victory made Weber the first player to complete the PBA Triple Crown for a second time and tied bowling legend Earl Anthony for most major PBA titles with 10.

Weber, who was considered one of the professional tour's power players when he won his first PBA Tournament of Champions with his unique high back swing back in 1978, is now 50 – the oldest player ever to win the Tournament of Champions – and affectionately called "Gramps" by his younger opponents.

He won his second TOC title to go along with five U.S. Open titles and two PBA World Championships to complete the PBA's Triple Crown a second time, a feat no other bowler has accomplished. He also owns a PBA Touring Players Championship for his other major. His win Sunday was his 37th, tying him for third place on the PBA all-time titles list with Norm Duke, behind Walter Ray Williams Jr. (47) and Anthony (43).

"I don't know what it is," Weber said. "I get up for the majors, but there's one eluding me and the Weber family – the USBC Masters. I really want that one, and I'm not done yet. I'm not slowing down. I have no plans to retire."

Weber won Sunday with three doubles, four spares and help from Belmonte, who left the 4-10 split three times – failing to convert it twice.

"I woke up today and said my dream would be to bowl Pete and win by a pin," Belmonte said. "I got half of it right. I bowled Pete, but I lost by 60.

"Pete is the most talented bowler the world has ever seen, and may ever see," Belmonte added. "To bowl him in the finals and see him break records like he has broken is really special. If I could achieve half of what he has done by the time my career is over, I'll be ecstatic."

Belmonte eliminated defending champion Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 229-171, in the semifinal match. Belmonte started with five strikes while Rash threw only one strike in his first six frames. When

Belmonte left the 1-2-4-6-10 in the eighth frame and failed to convert, he gave Rash a glimmer of hope, but Rash was unable to close the gap.

In the second match, Rash followed a first-frame spare with five strikes to build a 34-pin lead over Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., after Jones left and failed to convert the 3-4-6-7-10 split in his second frame. Despite striking on eight of his last nine shot, Jones was unable to overcome his early mistake against Rash's error-free game.

Jones started the stepladder finals with a 217-189 victory over Finland's two-handed star, Osku Palermaa. Jones had a double in the second and third frames which gave him the lead and Palermaa, unable to double the entire game, couldn't catch up.

The PBA Tour's winter season ends next Sunday (April 7) when the finals of the Elias Cup, the concluding event of the inaugural PBA League season, airs on ESPN at 1 p.m. ET. The New York City WTT KingPins, owned by women's sports legend Billie Jean King, is the top-qualifying team for the finals. Other finalists include the Motown Muscle, owned by former Pittsburgh Steelers star Jerome Bettis; the BROOKLYN STyLES, owned by Grey's Anatomy actor Jesse Williams, and the Dallas Strikers, owned by former NFL great Terrell Owens.

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Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Sunday

Final Standings

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., \$50,000.
- 2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$25,000.
- 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$15,000.
- 4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., \$12,000.
- 5, Osku Palermaa, Finland, \$10,000.

Stepladder Results

Match One: Jones def. Palermaa, 217-189.

Match Two: Rash def. Jones, 247-233.

Semifinal Match: Belmonte def. Rash, 229-171.

Championship: Weber def. Belmonte, 224-179.

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Weber Wins No. 1 Berth for Sunday's PBA Tournament of Champions Finals

Hall of Famer needs TOC win for record-tying 10th major, second "Triple Crown"

INDIANAPOLIS (March 29, 2013) – Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., defeated Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte in their final match Friday night, 226-183, to claim the top qualifying position for Sunday's Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions stepladder finals at Woodland Bowl.

The 50-year-old Weber, who is trying for a record-tying 10th major title and a chance to complete the PBA's Triple Crown for an unprecedented second time, traded leads with Belmonte throughout Friday's competition before reclaiming the lead in the final game. Weber averaged 236.71 and won 15 of his 24 matches to finish with a 48-game total of 11,812 pins, topping Belmonte by 46 pins for first place.

Weber, who ranks fourth on the all-time PBA Tour titles list with 36, can tie the late Earl Anthony for most PBA major titles if he wins Sunday's title match. Weber has won the U.S. Open a record five times and the PBA World Championship twice; those events are the other two legs in the PBA Triple Crown.

"When we're done Sunday, I'll talk about those things," Weber said. "I thought I was pulling away from everyone, but all of a sudden, here comes Belmo. I would have been content with second, but I'm happy I only have to bowl one game Sunday."

Weber credited his older brother Rich for identifying a minor fix in his timing, which made a big difference in the way he has bowled the past two months.

"(Rich) watches me bowl a lot and he never says anything if I'm bowling well," Weber said. "He hasn't said anything to me in a couple of months, so I must be doing things right."

Belmonte, who won his sixth career title and first major title in the United States Bowling Congress Masters in February, had a 14-9-1 match play record and posted a 11,766 pinfall total.

Reigning PBA Player of the Year and defending Tournament of Champions winner Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., qualified third with 11,661 pins. Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., advanced from 12th place at the start of play Friday to qualify fourth, 25 pins ahead of Finland's Osku Palermaa. Palermaa defeated Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., in their final match, 198-194, to hold onto the fifth berth in Sunday's finals.

The Tournament of Champions finals will air live on ESPN Sunday at 2:30 p.m. ET. First prize is \$50,000.

BARBASOL PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS
Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Friday

Final Match Play Standings (after 48 games, including match play bonus pins; top five advance to ESPN stepladder finals Sunday at 2:30 p.m. ET)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 15-9, 11,812.
- 2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 14-9-1, 11,766.
- 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 15-9, 11,661.
- 4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 16-7-1, 11,500.
- 5, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 12-11-1, 11,475.
- 6, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 14-10, 11,437, \$8,000.
- 7, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 15-9, 11,320, \$7,000.
- 8, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 13-9-2, 11,269, \$6,500.
- 9, Stuart Williams, England, 13-11, 11,217, \$6,000.
- 10, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., 12-11-1, 11,204, \$5,500.
- 11, Dom Barrett, England, 12-12, 11,180, \$5,000.
- 12, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 12-12, 11,149, \$4,800.
- 13, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 12-12, 11,116, \$4,600.
- 14, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 11-13, 11,013, \$4,400.
- 15, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 8-16, 10,998, \$4,200.
- 16, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 13-11, 10,991, \$4,000.
- 17, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 10-14, 10,977, \$3,900.
- 18, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 10-14, 10,932, \$3,800.
- 19, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 9-15, 10,856, \$3,700.
- 20, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 12-12, 10,825, \$3,600.
- 21, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 9-15, 10,778, \$3,500.
- 22, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 9-14-1, 10,764, \$3,400.
- 23, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 10-14, 10,694, \$3,300.
- 24, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 8-15-1, 10,515, \$3,200.

300 Game: Andres Gomez.

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Belmonte Takes PBA Tournament of Champions Lead into Final Round

Weber needs TOC win for record-tying 10th major, second "Triple Crown"

INDIANAPOLIS (March 29, 2013) – Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte, with a 279 final game, jumped into the lead as the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions field headed into the final round of match play Friday at Woodland Bowl.

Belmonte, who won his sixth career title and first major title in the United States Bowling Congress Masters in February, spent the fifth round in either second or third place before overtaking Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., by seven pins in the final game of the fifth round. Belmonte averaged 238.05 for 40 games, posting a modest 8-7-1 match play record and a 9,777 pinfall total.

"It's such a long format, I find myself slowing down in the middle, missing a few spares that I'm not proud of," Belmonte said, "but I refocused and went back to my basics, made good shots and I was proud of the way I finished the round.

"I'm finishing every round strong, which gives me a lot of confidence heading into the final eight games," he added. "I feel like I'll be able to throw that big game if I need it."

Weber, who is trying for a record-tying 10th major title and a chance to complete the PBA's Triple Crown for an unprecedented second time, had a 10-6 match play record and 9,770 pins. Weber ranks fourth on the all-time PBA Tour titles list with 36, and his nine major titles is second only to the late Earl Anthony's 10 major wins. He has won the U.S. Open a record five times and the PBA World Championship twice; those events are the other two legs in the PBA Triple Crown.

Finland's Osku Palermaa, who led after four rounds, fell to third place with a 9,643 total followed by reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., at 9,585 and Colombia's Andres Gomez at 9,495.

The top five players after Friday night's final eight-game match play round will advance to the ESPN stepladder finals on Sunday.

Friday's final match play round (and the PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Saturday night) will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com.

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Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Friday

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

- 1, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 8-7-1, 9,777.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 10-6, 9,770.
- 3, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 8-7-1, 9,643.
- 4, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 8-8, 9,585.
- 5, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 10-6, 9,495.
- 6, Dom Barrett, England, 9-7, 9,448.
- 7, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 11-4-1, 9,415.
- 8, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 9-7, 9,385.
- 9, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 7-9, 9,363.
- 10, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 8-7-1, 9,350.
- 11, Stuart Williams, England, 8-8, 9,347.
- 12, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 8-8, 9,314.
- 13, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 8-8, 9,255.
- 14, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., 7-9, 9,199.
- 15, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 10-6, 9,174.
- 16, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 8-8, 9,150.
- 17, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 7-9, 9,135.
- 18, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 8-8, 9,129.
- 19, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 7-9, 9,088.
- 20, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 7-9, 9,045.
- 21, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 6-9-1, 8,958.
- 22, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 5-11, 8,948.
- 23, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 6-9-1, 8,863.
- 24, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 6-10, 8,836.

300 Game: Andres Gomez.

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Finland's Palermaa Leads Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions After Four Rounds

Two-handed player converts 7-10 to start day, retains 29-pin lead when Weber leaves 7-10 to end his day

INDIANAPOLIS (March 28, 2013) – Finland's Osku Palermaa left a 7-10 split on his first shot of the day, converted the so-called impossible split and carried that momentum into the lead after four rounds of the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions Thursday at Woodland Bowl.

Ironically, Palermaa retained a 29-pin lead over Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., when Weber left a 7-10 split in the 10th frame of his final match Thursday night, which he was unable to convert, costing him a chance to overtake the Finnish two-handed star.

Palermaa, a three-time PBA Tour champion and winner of the 2011 PBA World Championship, averaged 240.56 through his first 32 games, but struggled through his the opening round of match play Thursday night, winning four of his eight matches to finish with a total of 7,818 pins. Weber, who can tie the PBA record for most major championships if he wins his 10th major title this week, posted a 5-3 match play record and finished with 7,789 pins.

"I left a 7-10 split in my first frame and converted it, and that's the way my day started," Palermaa said. "It was a good omen. To be honest, I've probably converted the 7-10 more times than I have bowled 300 games - and I have a few of those - but it was a good day.

"I felt like I bowled better physically Wednesday, but I scored better today," he added. "Yesterday I made the right moves, but I didn't make big enough moves. Today the moves were smaller, but I made them pair to pair and I stayed right on top of things."

But Palermaa saw his 146-pin third-round lead over Australia's Jason Belmonte shrink to 29 pins in the evening session.

"I made a few bad shots," Palermaa said. "I felt like I had no ball reaction, but I got away with three wins. I should have bowled better."

Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., was in third place with 7,724 pins followed by Belmonte with a 7,688 total and Dick Allen of Columbia, S.C., with a 7,536 total.

All-time PBA titles leader Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla., saw hopes for a 48th title fade. He sat in 19th place with 16 match play games remaining on Friday, 372 pins away from the fifth spot in Sunday's

stepladder finals. Williams needs to win the Tournament of Champions to become the eighth player to complete the PBA Triple Crown (Tournament of Champions, U.S. Open and PBA World Championship) and the third to complete the Grand Slam (Triple Crown plus USBC Masters).

The Tournament of Champions continues Friday with the final two match play rounds at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. After 48 games, the top five players will advance to Sunday's live ESPN stepladder finals at 2:30 p.m. ET.

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Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Thursday

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

- 1, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 4-4, 7,818.
- 2, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 5-3, 7,789.
- 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 5-3, 7,724.
- 4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3-4-1, 7,688.
- 5, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 5-3, 7,536.
- 6, Stuart Williams, England, 4-4, 7,477.
- 7, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 6-2, 7,476.
- 8, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 5-3, 7,463.
- 9, Dom Barrett, England, 5-3, 7,436.
- 10, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 5-2-1, 7,428.
- 11, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., 4-4, 7,412.
- 12, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 5-3, 7,387.
- 13, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3-5, 7,370.
- 14, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3-5, 7,301.
- 15, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3-5, 7,300.
- 16, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-5, 7,267.
- 17, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 5-3, 7,245.
- 18, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 3-5, 7,180.
- 19, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 3-5, 7,164.
- 20, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2-6, 7,160.
- 21, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3-5, 7,089.
- 22, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 3-5, 7,088.
- 23, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 3-5, 7,080.
- 24, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 5-3, 7,070.

Other Cashers (after 24 games):

- 25, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 5,315, \$2,800.
- 26, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 5,313, \$2,700.
- 27, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 5,299, \$2,600.
- 28, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 5,291, \$2,500.
- 29, Jason Couch, Clermont, Fla., 5,290, \$2,400.
- 30, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 5,268, \$2,350.
- 31, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 5,262, \$2,300.
- 32, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 5,260, \$2,250.
- 33, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 5,257, \$2,200.
- 34, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 5,251, \$2,150.

35, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 5,247, \$2,200.
36, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 5,245, \$2,050.
37, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 5,237, \$2,000.
38 (tie), Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, and Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 5,220, \$1,925.
40, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 5,215, \$1,850.
41, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 5,201, \$1,800.
42, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 5,175, \$1,750.
43, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 5,133, \$1,700.
44, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 5,097, \$1,650.
45, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 5,079, \$1,600.
46, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 5,071, \$1,550.
47, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 5,064, \$1,500.
48, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 5,063, \$1,450.
49, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 5,056, \$1,400.
50, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 5,019, \$1,400.
51, George Branham III, Indianapolis, 4,857, \$1,400.
52, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, withdrew, \$1,400.
53, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, withdrew, \$1,400.

300 Games: Jason Belmonte, Sean Rash.

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Palermmaa, Belmonte Advance in PBA Tournament of Champions

Two-handed players lead field of 24 into Thursday night's opening round robin of match play

INDIANAPOLIS (March 28, 2013) – Finland's Osku Palermmaa and Australia's Jason Belmonte, the top two-handed bowlers in the world, led the field of 24 finalists into the opening round of match play in the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions Thursday at Woodland Bowl.

Palermmaa, a three-time PBA Tour champion and winner of the 2011 PBA World Championship, averaged 244.88 for his 24 qualifying games, finishing with a total of 5,877 pins to lead Belmonte by 146 pins. Belmonte, who entered the final qualifying round in eighth place, averaged 265.87 for his first seven games in round three before finishing with a 169 game, but he held onto second place with a 5,731 total, 15 pins ahead of Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo.

"I felt tired this morning, but I started well anyway," Palermmaa said. "I left a 7-10 split in my first frame and converted it, and that's the way it started. To be honest, I've probably converted the 7-10 more times than I have bowled 300 games - and I have a few of those - but it was a good way to start the day.

"Scores were high today, but I made the right guesses," Palermmaa continued. "I felt like I bowled better physically yesterday, but I scored better today. Yesterday I made the right moves, but I didn't make big enough moves. Today the moves were smaller, but I made them pair to pair and I stayed right on top of things."

Weber, who is trying for a record-tying 10th major championship, had 5,716 pins for third place. He was followed by reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash in fourth with a 5,599 total and Stuart Williams of England with 5,570 pins.

All-time PBA titles leader Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla., kept his hopes for a 48th title alive, advancing to match play in 19th place. Williams needs to win the Tournament of Champions to become the eighth player to complete the PBA Triple Crown (Tournament of Champions, U.S. Open and PBA World Championship) and the third to complete the Grand Slam (Triple Crown plus USBC Masters).

The Tournament of Champions continues Thursday night when the top 24 players bowl the first of three eight-game round of match play. The final two match play rounds will be held Friday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. After 48 games, the top five players will advance to Sunday's live ESPN stepladder finals at 2:30 p.m. ET.

All match play rounds of the Tournament of Champions (and the PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Saturday night) will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com.

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Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Thursday

Round Three (after 24 qualifying games; top 24 advance to round robin match play)

- 1, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 5,877.
- 2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 5,731.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 5,716.
- 4, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 5,599.
- 5, Stuart Williams, England, 5,570.
- 6, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 5,556.
- 7, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., 5,552.
- 8, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 5,522.
- 9, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 5,493.
- 10, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 5,478.
- 11, Dom Barrett, England, 5,449.
- 12, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 5,446.
- 13, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 5,443.
- 14, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 5,424.
- 15, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 5,403.
- 16, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 5,401.
- 17, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 5,394.
- 18, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 5,393.
- 19, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 5,368.
- 20, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 5,344.
- 21, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 5,334.
- 22, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 5,322.
- 23, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 5,320.
- 24, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 5,317.

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- 35, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 5,247, \$2,200.
- 36, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 5,245, \$2,050.
- 37, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 5,237, \$2,000.
- 38 (tie), Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, and Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 5,220, \$1,925.
- 40, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 5,215, \$1,850.
- 41, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 5,201, \$1,800.
- 42, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 5,175, \$1,750.
- 43, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 5,133, \$1,700.

- 44, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 5,097, \$1,650.
- 45, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 5,079, \$1,600.
- 46, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 5,071, \$1,550.
- 47, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 5,064, \$1,500.
- 48, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 5,063, \$1,450.
- 49, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 5,056, \$1,400.
- 50, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 5,019, \$1,400.
- 51, George Branham III, Indianapolis, 4,857, \$1,400.
- 52, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, withdrew, \$1,400.
- 53, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, withdrew, \$1,400.

300 Games: Jason Belmonte.

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Pete Weber Charges into Lead in PBA Tournament of Champions

Weber hopes to tie Earl Anthony for most major championships, complete Triple Crown for second time

INDIANAPOLIS (March 27, 2013) – Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., in his bid to tie the late Earl Anthony for the most Professional Bowlers Association major titles won, charged into the second round lead in the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions Wednesday night at Woodland Bowl.

Weber, at age 50, averaged 242.19 including the only 300 game in the second round to finish with a 16-game total of 3,875 pins. With eight more qualifying games remaining Thursday before the cut to the top 24 for round-robin match play, the PBA Hall of Weber held a 41-pin lead over reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.

Weber, a 36-time PBA Tour titlist, ranks fourth on the all-time PBA Tour titles list behind Walter Ray Williams Jr. (47), Earl Anthony (43) and Norm Duke (37). He is trying for his 10th major championship to equal Anthony's record and his 37th overall title to tie Duke for third place on the career titles list. He won two of his major titles – the 1991 U.S. Open and 1992 Touring Players Championship – at Woodland Bowl.

"I kinda like it here. I have always enjoyed bowling here," Weber said. "Winning this one would let me complete the Triple Crown for the second time (he has won the other two legs of the Triple Crown multiple times; the U.S. Open a record five times and the PBA World Championship twice)."

No player has ever won all three PBA Triple Crown events twice.

"I've bowled well all year, but something was missing," Weber added. "My brother Rich straightened it out. It was just a smidgeon in my timing, but it worked. I just feel a lot more confident, and when you have a good reaction and good carry, it just loosens the swing up that much more."

History is on the line, but Weber isn't concerned about it.

"I don't think about the majors. That's the least thing I worry about," he said. "It's not Sunday. I'm thinking about making the top 24 first, and then if I make it to the TV show on Sunday, I'll think about winning. Not now."

Rash, with 3,834 pins, was followed by Osku Palermaa of Finland with a 3,825 total; first-round leader Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., in fourth place with 3,812 and Stuart Williams of England in fifth place with 3,757 pins.

The Tournament of Champions continues Thursday with the final eight-game qualifying round at 10 a.m. The top 24 players based on 24-game pinfall totals will then advance to an eight-game round-robin match play round at 5 p.m. The final two eight-game match play rounds will be held Friday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. After 48 games, the top five players will advance to Sunday's live ESPN stepladder finals at 2:30 p.m. ET.

All qualifying and match play rounds of the Tournament of Champions (and the PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Saturday night) will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com.

BARBASOL PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Wednesday

Round Two (after 16 qualifying games)

- 1, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,875.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,834.
- 3, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,825.
- 4, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3,812.
- 5, Stuart Williams, England, 3,757.
- 6 (tie), Dom Barrett, England, and Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,703.
- 8, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,701.
- 9, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 3,676.
- 10, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,675.
- 11, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., 3,671.
- 12, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 3,668.
- 13, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 3,651.
- 14, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,648.
- 15, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,644.
- 16, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,639.
- 17, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 3,631.
- 18 (tie), Andres Gomez, Colombia, and Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,617.
- 20, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 3,606.
- 21, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 3,602.
- 22 (tie), Mike Fagan, Dallas, and Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,588.
- 24, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,586.
- 25, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,564.
- 26 (tie), Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,551.
- 28, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 3,541.
- 29 (tie), Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., and Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 3,537.
- 31, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 3,534.
- 32, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 3,521.
- 33, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 3,516.
- 34 (tie), Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., and Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 3,504.
- 36, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 3,500.
- 37, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 3,496.
- 38, Jason Couch, Clermont, Fla., 3,469.
- 39, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 3,466.
- 40, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 3,465.
- 41, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,455.
- 42, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,450.
- 43, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3,438.

44, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 3,436.
45 (tie), Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, and Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,419.
47, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,415.
48, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 3,401.
49, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 3,367.
50, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,361.
51, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,345.
52, George Branham III, Indianapolis, 3,247.
53, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, withdrew, injury.

300 Games: Mike Scroggins, Scott Norton, Scott Newell, Pete Weber.

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Scott Norton Averages 252 for First Round Lead in Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions

Williams in second place in bid to complete Triple Crown, Grand Slam

INDIANAPOLIS (March 27, 2013) – Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., threw back-to-back games of 300 and 296, and averaged 252.25 for eight games to take the first round lead in the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions lead Wednesday at Woodland Bowl.

Norton, who is trying for his third title of the 2012-13 season, and his first major win, said "my pin carry today was ridiculous. It wasn't a case of the conditions favoring left-handers. It was a matter of, if I hit the 1-2 pocket, I got a strike. It didn't matter if I was high in the pocket, light or whatever, the pins fell.

"But if you're going to win out here, you have to have days like that. Lord knows I've had enough of the other kind."

Norton finished the opening round of qualifying with a total of 2,018 pins for a 37-pin lead over the all-time PBA Tour titles leader, Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla. Williams, a 47-time titlist, has never won the Tournament of Champions. If he can win this week, he'll become the eighth player in PBA history to complete the "Triple Crown" (Tournament of Champions, U.S. Open and PBA World Championship), and the third ever to complete the "Grand Slam" (Triple Crown plus USBC Masters).

Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., was in third place with 9,159 pins followed by Osku Palermaa of Finland with a 1,940 total and Dick Allen of Columbia, S.C., in fifth place with 1,932 pins.

The 2013 continues with the second of three eight-round qualifying squads today at 5 p.m. ET. After a third eight-game qualifying round Thursday at 10 a.m., the top 24 players based on 24-game pinfall totals will advance to round-robin match play. Match play rounds will be held Thursday at 5 p.m., and Friday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. After a total of 48 games, the top five players will advance to Sunday's live ESPN stepladder finals at 2:30 p.m. ET.

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BARBASOL PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS
Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, Wednesday

Round One (after 8 qualifying games)

- 1, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 2,018.
- 2, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 1,981.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,959.
- 4, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,940.
- 5, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,932.
- 6, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,918.
- 7, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 1,891.
- 8, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,884.
- 9, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,881.
- 10, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,876.
- 11, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,875.
- 12, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., 1,874.
- 13 (tie), Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., and Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 1,867.
- 15, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 1,847.
- 16, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,838.
- 17 (tie), Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., and Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,837.
- 19, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 1,836.
- 20, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,829.
- 21 (tie), Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,820.
- 23, Dom Barrett, England, 1,812.
- 24, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 1,811.
- 25, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 1,808.
- 26, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,807.
- 27, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 1,788.
- 28, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 1,787.
- 29, Stuart Williams, England, 1,786.
- 30, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 1,783.
- 31, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 1,777.
- 32, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 1,774.
- 33, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,771.
- 34, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1,770.
- 35, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,768.
- 36, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 1,758.
- 37, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 1,756.
- 38, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,755.
- 39, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1,746.
- 40, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 1,745.
- 41, Jason Couch, Clermont, Fla., 1,743.
- 42 (tie), Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, and Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,726.
- 44 (tie), George Branham III, Indianapolis, and Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 1,712.
- 46, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,703.
- 47, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 1,699.
- 48, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,692.
- 49, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,673.
- 50, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 1,654.
- 51, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1,645.
- 52, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,642.
- 53, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, withdrew, injury.

300 Games: Mike Scroggins, Scott Norton, Scott Newell.

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Russell's Dramatic Victory in Germany Finalizes Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions Field

Indianapolis native wins first time in final qualifying event, returns home for PBA's signature event

INDIANAPOLIS (March 25, 2013) – Indianapolis area native Ronnie Russell waited until the last possible event, but ended a 10-year quest to win his first Professional Bowlers Association Tour title Sunday in Munich, Germany, and today is heading home, ready to bowl in the PBA's signature tournament for the first time.

Russell's 224-210 victory over Sweden's James Gruffman in the Brunswick Euro Challenge Sunday qualified him for the exclusive field of 48 PBA Tour champions and five past TOC winners who will begin competition in the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions Wednesday at Woodland Bowl on Indianapolis' north side. While Woodland Bowl has hosted almost every major PBA Tour major championship event over the years, it will host the TOC for the first time.

The only previous time the Tournament of Champions was held in Indianapolis was the very first event in 1962. That tournament, won by the late PBA Hall of Famer Joe Joseph, was held at Play Bowl – a bowling center that no longer exists.

The 2013 TOC begins with eight-round qualifying squads for all players on Wednesday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. After a third eight-game qualifying round Thursday at 10 a.m., the top 24 players based on 24-game pinfall totals will advance to round-robin match play. Match play rounds will be held Thursday at 5 p.m., and Friday at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. After a total of 48 games, the top five players will advance to Sunday's live ESPN stepladder finals at 2:30 p.m. ET.

At stake is a \$50,000 first prize and the PBA's third major championship of the 2012-13 season.

As part of Tournament of Champions week, the PBA will host its Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Indianapolis Marriott North, when Doug Kent of Newark, N.Y., and Danny Wiseman of Baltimore, will join the ranks of the PBA's greatest players.

All qualifying and match play rounds of the Tournament of Champions (and the PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremonies Saturday night) will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com.

Following Sunday's live TOC finals, the PBA will conduct its inaugural PBA League Elias Cup finals at 6 p.m. The four teams that earned the most points during a five-round qualifying series in Detroit in

January – the New York City WTT KingPins led by franchise player Pete Weber and owned by Billie Jean King, the Motown Muscle led by franchise player Mike Fagan and owned by Jerome Bettis, the BROOKLYN STyLES led by franchise player Sean Rash and owned by Jesse Williams and the Dallas Strikers led by franchise player Norm Duke and owned by Terrell Owens – will bowl for the first Elias Cup title and a team prize of \$76,000. The Elias Cup finals will air on ESPN on Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m. ET.

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(Top 48 in order of eligibility based upon most current title plus past TOC champions who have accepted invitations to participate, as of March 17):

- 1, Ronnie Russell, Indianapolis, Brunswick Euro Challenge
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2013 Kuwait Open
- 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 2013 USBC Masters
- 4, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 2013 Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship
- 5, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 2013 Don Carter Classic
- 6, Michael Haugen Jr., Carefree, Ariz., 2013 Mark Roth Classic
- 7, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 2013 Carmen Salvino Classic
- 8, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 2013 International Bowling Championship 2013 supported by DHC
- 9, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 2013 Qatar Open
- 10, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2012 PBA World Championship
- 11, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2012 Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship
- 12, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 2012 Alka Seltzer Plus Cold Cheetah Championship
- 13, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2012 Vienna Open
- 14, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2012 XF PBA Dick Weber Playoffs
- 15, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 2012 Brunswick Euro Challenge
- 16, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 2012 Kuwait Open
- 17, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2012 U.S. Open
- 18, Scott Newell, Daytona Beach, Fla., 2012 XF Ricart Ford Open
- 19, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 2012 PBA XF Cheetah Open
- 20, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2011 Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles
- 21, Dom Barrett, England, 2011 Scorpion Open
- 22, Stuart Williams, England, 2011 Bayer Viper Open
- 23, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 2011 Dick Weber PBA Playoffs
- 24, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 2011 Bayer USBC Masters
- 25, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2011 One A Day Earl Anthony Memorial Classic
- 26, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2010 Go RVing Match Play Championship
- 27, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 2010 Etonic Don Johnson Eliminator
- 28, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 2010 USBC Masters
- 29, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions
- 30, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 2010 Earl Anthony Memorial Classic
- 31, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2009 PBA World Championship
- 32, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 2009 Shark Championship
- 33, Mike DeVaney, San Diego, 2009 Scorpion Championship
- 34, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 2009 Viper Championship
- 35, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2009 Dydo Japan Cup
- 36, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 2008 Chameleon Championship
- 37, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 2008 Ultimate Scoring Championship
- 38, Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 2008 PBA Exempt Doubles Classic
- 39, Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill., 2005 PBA Dexter Tournament of Champions
- 40, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 2005 Jackson Hewitt Tax Service Open
- 41, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 2003 Empire State Open
- 42, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 2003 Odor-Eaters Open
- 43, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 2003 ABC Masters

- 44, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 2001 Peoria Open
- 45, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 1999 Greater Detroit Open
- 46, Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore., 1992 Florida Open
- 47, Jason Couch, Clermont, Fla., 2011 Plastic Ball Championship
- 48, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 2007 Denny's World Championship

Past TOC champions who have elected to participate:

- 49, George Branham III, Indianapolis, 1993 Firestone Tournament of Champions
- 50, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 1998 Brunswick World Tournament of Champions
- 51, Johnny Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 1971 Firestone Tournament of Champions
- 52, Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio, 1980 Firestone Tournament of Champions
- 53, Mark Williams, Beaumont, Texas, 1988 Firestone Tournament of Champions

BARBASOL PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS SCHEDULE
Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis, March 26-31

Tuesday, March 26

1-3 p.m. – Official practice session

Wednesday, March 27

10 a.m. – 8 qualifying games, all players

5 p.m. – 8 qualifying games, all players

Thursday, March 28

10 a.m. – 8 qualifying games, all players

Field cut to the top 24 players for round robin match play

5 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play

Friday, March 29

10 a.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play

5 p.m. – Top 24, 8 games round robin match play

Top five after 48 games advance to stepladder finals

Saturday, March 30

9:30 a.m., noon, 2:30 p.m. - Pro-am squads

7 p.m. – PBA HOF induction ceremonies and dinner (Indianapolis Marriott North)

Sunday, March 31

3 p.m. - ESPN five-player stepladder finals (live)

6 p.m. – PBA League Elias Cup finals (four teams, Baker format stepladder finals taped to air on ESPN on Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m. ET)

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Indianapolis' Ronnie Russell Wins Brunswick Euro Challenge for First PBA Tour Title, Berth in Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions

Last-chance victory in Munich, Germany knocks Cincinnati's Brian Himmeler out of TOC

MUNICH, Germany (March 24, 2013) – After 10 years and 142 tournaments, Indianapolis area native Ronnie Russell captured his first Professional Bowlers Association Tour title Sunday, earning a berth in the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions which gets underway Wednesday at Woodland Bowl in his home town.

Russell, a 33-year-old right-hander, defeated Sweden's James Gruffman, 224-210, to win the Brunswick Euro Challenge at Dream Bowl Palace. The tournament is part of the World Tenpin Bowling Association-PBA International Tour. It was the final event leading into the Tournament of Champions.

Russell jumped out to an early lead in the title match, starting with three strikes, but the tall Swedish left-hander fought his way back. Russell got a big break when Gruffman left the 4-6-10 split late in the game. With a strike on his first ball in the 10th frame, Russell locked up the title.

With his win, Russell became eligible to compete in the PBA Tournament of Champions for the first time, eliminating Cincinnati's Brian Himmeler, who held the 48th and final berth among eligible PBA Tour champions. The Barbasol PBA TOC features an exclusive field of the 48 most recent PBA Tour champions along with any past TOC champions who elect to enter. The tournament will conclude next Sunday with a five-player stepladder final airing live on ESPN at 2:30 p.m. ET.

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Scott Norton Wins Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship

Back-to-back splits prove costly to challenger Sean Rash in title match

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., defeated reigning Professional Bowlers Association Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 219-181, to win the Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship at Thunderbowl Lanes for his third career title and second of the 2012-13 season.

The Anthony PBA Players Championship finals aired Sunday on ESPN.

Back-to-back unconverted 4-9 and 4-6-7 splits in the fifth and sixth frames put Rash in a 35-pin hole. He rebounded with a string of three strikes, but Norton continued to fill frames to maintain the lead. When Rash failed to strike in the 10th, Norton only needed seven pins in his 10th frame and the California left-hander threw three strikes to seal the victory.

"I knew Earl Anthony when I was a kid. My mother (women's professional hall of famer Virginia Norton) bowled on tour at about the same time, so I got to know him," Norton said. "To win the tournament named in his honor is really special.

"I thought it was a lot to get one title in a year, let alone two," Norton added. "I don't even have the words. I knew I was throwing the ball well. I knew I was in a good place mentally. Last year I knew what it took to win, but this year, I just decided I'm out here because I love to bowl and compete, and for no other reason."

Norton was frustrated that he was unable to put the match away early, given opportunities by Rash, but he said he has new-found confidence that he can ultimately get the job done.

"Every time (Rash) gave me an opening, I couldn't close the door," he said, "but I have a little more determination now than I've had in the past. Every time I'm on that big stage, I know what I need to do."

Norton, a practicing attorney when he isn't bowling on Tour, knows it's very early to start thinking about the PBA Player of the Year race, but moving into a tie with Mika Koivuniemi as the only two-time winners so far in 2012-13 at least puts him in the conversations.

"If I win POY that's great," he said. "That's everyone's goal, but I can only do what I can do and the rest isn't up to me."

PBA competition resumes with the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions and PBA League Elias Cup finals Wednesday-Sunday at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis. The two-hour, five-player Tournament of Champions stepladder finals will air live on ESPN next Sunday at 2:30 p.m. ET.

PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel will cover all qualifying and match play rounds of the Tournament of Champions, Wednesday-Friday. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

EARL ANTHONY PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP
Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Championship

Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif. (\$25,000), def. Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill. (\$13,000), 219-181.

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New York City WTT KingPins Earn Top Berth for PBA League Elias Cup Finals

L.A. X captures final PBA League Earl Anthony round, but misses berth in finals by two points

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – L.A. X, a team of Professional Bowlers Association stars owned by Los Angeles Clippers all-star guard Chris Paul, struck on seven of its first eight shots to build an insurmountable lead over the top qualifiers, Terrell Owens' Dallas Strikers, to win the PBA League Anthony round, 257-214, but it wasn't enough to earn the team a berth in the PBA League Elias Cup finals.

L.A. X made its ESPN debut in the fifth and final qualifying round of PBA League competition, but missed the Elias Cup finals by two points. The Anthony team round aired Sunday on ESPN.

"It was a game of near misses for us all week," L.A. X franchise player Jason Belmonte said. "We felt like there was always one game that seemed to get away from us, even in qualifying. The same thing was happening to us in the Clash eliminator rounds.

"I'm always the optimist, so I figured if we got on the main show, we'd take it and today we did. The guys bowled awesome. I'm really proud of them," he added. "We moved up to fifth in the Elias Cup standings, but we still missed the finals. It was another near miss."

L.A. X advanced to the Anthony round finals with a 207-206 victory over Chris Hardwick's Silver Lake Atom Splitters. After L.A. X's Dave Wodka missed a 10 pin in the eighth frame to give Silver Lake a 10-pin lead, Belmonte struck in the ninth and anchor Parker Bohn III threw three strikes in the 10th frame to put L.A. X back in front. Needing three strikes in his 10th frame to win by one pin, Silver Lake's Chris Barnes threw two strikes, but left the 4-7 standing on his final shot. The Atom Splitters needed to win the Anthony round to advance to the Elias Cup finals by two points over the Dallas Strikers.

In the opening team match, Silver Lake was nearly perfect in running away with a 279-215 victory over Jerome Bettis' Motown Muscle. The only flaw in Silver Lake's 11-strike performance was a 10 pin left by Dom Barrett in the fourth frame, which he converted.

The New York City WTT KingPins, owned by women's sports legend Billie Jean King, earned the top stepladder berth for the PBA League Elias Cup finals by winning two qualifying rounds during the PBA Detroit Winter Swing and compiling 45 points to out-distance Jerome Bettis' Motown Muscle by seven points. The BROOKLYN STyLES, owned by actor Jesse Williams, captured the No. 3 berth in the Elias Cup finals thanks to their win in the opening round. The STyLES will meet the Dallas Strikers in the Elias Cup opening match. Dallas claimed the final berth in the finals thanks to its second-place finish in the Anthony round.

PBA competition resumes with the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions and PBA League Elias Cup finals next week at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis. The two-hour Tournament of Champions finals will air live on ESPN next Sunday at 2:30 p.m. ET and the Elias Cup finals will air on Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m. ET.

PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel will cover all qualifying and match play rounds of the Tournament of Champions, Wednesday-Friday. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA LEAGUE EARL ANTHONY ROUND **Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.**

Final Match (five-player Baker team format)

L.A. X (Wes Malott, Andres Gomez, Dave Wodka, Jason Belmonte, Parker Bohn III) def. Dallas Strikers (Bryon Smith, Mike Machuga, Norm Duke, Amleto Monacelli, Rhino Page), 257-214.

Semifinal Match (Baker team)

L.A. X def. Silver Lake Atom Splitters (Stuart Williams, Nathan Bohr, Josh Blanchard, Dom Barrett, Chris Barnes), 207-206.

Match One (Baker team)

Silver Lake Atom Splitters def. Motown Muscle (Ronnie Russell, Jesse Buss, Tom Smallwood, Mike Scroggins, Mike Fagan), 279-215.

Clash Eliminator (in order of players eliminated based on low one-ball total per round; last surviving player's team advanced to stepladder finals):

Round One – Josh Blanchard, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, seven pins.

Round Two – Ryan Ciminelli, BROOKLYN STyLES; Dom Barrett, Silver Lake Atom Splitters; Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES, nine pins.

Round Three – Stuart Williams, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, nine pins.

Round Four – none (all strikes).

Round Five – Thomas Larsen, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, six pins.

Round Six – John Szczerbinski, New York City WTT KingPins, nine pins.

Round Seven – Martin Larsen, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, seven pins.

Round Eight – Patrick Allen, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, nine pins.

Round Nine – Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, eliminated Mika Koivuniemi, Philadelphia Hitmen, 8-7.

FINAL ELIAS CUP QUALIFYING STANDINGS

(After five rounds, top four teams advance to Elias Cup finals)

1, New York City WTT KingPins (owner Billie Jean King), 45 points

2, Motown Muscle (owner Jerome Bettis), 38.

3, BROOKLYN STyLES (owner Jesse Williams), 36.

4, Dallas Strikers (owner Terrell Owens), 28.

Did not advance:

5, L.A. X (owner Chris Paul), 26.

6, Silver Lake Atom Splitters (owner Chris Hardwick), 24.

7, Philadelphia Hitmen (owner Kevin Hart), 20.

8, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits (owner LaMarr Woodley), 10.

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Sean Rash Wins Kuwait Open for First PBA International Tour Title

Reigning PBA Player of the Year denies Koivuniemi's bid for victory in 21st different country

KUWAIT CITY, Kuwait (March 18, 2013) – Reigning Professional Bowlers Association Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., defeated Finnish-American Mika Koivuniemi of Hartland, Mich., 234-201, to win the Kuwait Open at Cozmo Bowling Center Sunday.

The victory was the sixth of Rash's career and his first in PBA International Tour competition. Rash earned \$25,000 and denied Koivuniemi's bid to add Kuwait to the list of countries where he has won titles. A week earlier, Koivuniemi won the Kingdom of Bahrain International Open – a non-PBA International Tour event – for the 20th different country where he has won titles.

Koivuniemi advanced to the title match with a 238-228 victory over fellow Finn and defending champion Osku Palermaa after Palermaa eliminated Sweden's Sandra Andersson in match two, 279-176. In the opening stepladder finals match, Anderson ended Ronnie Russell's bid to earn a berth in the upcoming Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions, defeating the Indianapolis resident, 226-185.

The final PBA International Tour event prior to the Tournament of Champions is the Brunswick Euro Challenge, Tuesday-Sunday, at Dream Bowl Palace in Munich, Germany. Mike Fagan of Dallas is the defending champion. The Brunswick Euro Challenge will be covered live on the Internet by bowlingdigital.com.

The Kuwait Open and Brunswick Euro Challenge are also World Tenpin Bowling Association World Bowling Tour qualifying events.

The Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions will take place March 27-31 at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis, concluding with the live, five-player, two-hour stepladder finals on ESPN at 2:30 p.m. ET. The PBA League Elias Cup finals, featuring the top four teams based on PBA Detroit Winter Swing qualifying rounds, will be held at 6 p.m. on March 31 at Woodland Bowl for telecast on ESPN on Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m. ET.

All qualifying and match play rounds of the TOC will be covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. For subscription information, visit pba.com.

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PBA and CBS Sports Network Sign Multi-Year Television Agreement

Coverage to debut with new GEICO PBA Summer Swing series in Milwaukee in June

SEATTLE (March 11, 2013) – The Professional Bowlers Association and CBS Sports Network have entered into a multi-year television agreement that features a series of five telecasts originating from the new GEICO PBA Summer Swing in Milwaukee in June.

The agreement, announced Tuesday by PBA CEO Geoff Reiss and Dan Weinberg, Senior Vice President, Programming, CBS Sports Network, includes five two-hour telecasts featuring stepladder finalists from four PBA Summer Swing events, and concludes with a GEICO PBA Summer King of the Swing special event featuring the top five competition points leaders from the Summer Swing events.

Summer Swing telecasts debut Tuesday, June 11 (7:00 PM, ET) on CBS Sports Network and continue for five consecutive Tuesdays at 7:00 PM, ET.

"We're thrilled at how committed CBS Sports Network is to the PBA and we're looking forward to their telecasts of the debut of the Summer Swing," Reiss said. "The PBA's long-term success is predicated on developing great partnerships and we're looking forward to working with everyone at CBS Sports Network to grow both the PBA and the Network."

"We're excited to partner with the PBA and showcase the world's best bowlers," Weinberg said. "The PBA has a storied history and an established fan base and we're pleased to add it to our extensive lineup of event programming."

The GEICO PBA Summer Swing is a new series of PBA Tour events which will be contested on three new "animal pattern" lane conditions that will debut in Milwaukee. The qualifying segments of the PBA Badger Open, PBA Wolf Open and PBA Bear Open will be hosted by three different Milwaukee area bowling centers (AMF Waukesha, AMF West and AMF Bowlero) between May 19-30. The cumulative pinfall totals from the three animal pattern events will qualify players for the Milwaukee Open, the fourth event in the series, and the GEICO PBA Summer King of the Swing will feature the top five points leaders based on the four previous events.

The Badger Open finals will air on June 11, the Wolf Open on June 18, the Bear Open on June 25, the Milwaukee Open on July 2 and the GEICO PBA Summer King of the Swing on July 9. All will be two-hour, five-player stepladder finals.

CBS Sports Network, the 24-hour home of CBS Sports, is available to 100 million homes nationwide through local cable, video and telco providers including Verizon FiOS (Channel 94) and AT&T U-Verse (Channel 643, 1643 in HD) and via satellite on DirecTV (Channel 613) and Dish Network (Channel 158).

Len DeLuca of LD Associates served as an advisor to the PBA in completing the CBS Sports Network agreement.

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About CBS Sports Network

CBS Sports Network is the 24-hour cable home of CBS Sports. The Network covers more than 350 live games annually, showcasing more than 30 men's and women's sports, in addition to a variety of studio shows, documentaries and original programs. CBS Sports Network's live programming is highlighted by college sports and also features professional lacrosse, Professional Bull Riding (PBR), the sports news and commentary shows ROME and LEAD OFF, the weekly studio show NFL Monday QB and the Tim Brando Show. CBS Sports Network is available across the country through local cable, video and telco providers and via satellite on DirecTV Channel 613 and Dish Network Channel 158. For more information, and to access the CBS Sports Network channel finder, go to www.cbssportsnetwork.com.

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Georgia's Sterner Rolls 299 to Win First Title in PBA Don Carter Classic

10 pin on final ball prevents bid for place in PBA history

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga., who had never finished higher than seventh place in a Professional Bowlers Association Tour event before the 2012-13 season, won his first PBA Tour title in the Don Carter Classic with a nearly-perfect 299-235 victory over top qualifier Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, at Thunderbowl Lanes.

The Don Carter Classic and PBA League Carter team finals aired Sunday on ESPN.

Sterner, who lost a 199-177 decision to eventual champion Tom Daugherty in his only previous PBA television appearance in the Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship during the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling earlier in the season, lost his chance at the 23rd nationally-televised 300 game in PBA history when he left a solid 10 pin on his final shot.

He also lost a bid to join Bob Benoit of Topeka, Kan., as only the second player to win his first PBA Tour title with a 300 game. Benoit won the 1988 Quaker State Open in Grand Prairie, Texas, for his first title in his first PBA television appearance.

"The biggest thing I learned from my first show was getting rid of the nerves, and to trust your decisions," Sterner said. "It's a little added pressure to bowl on TV, but once you get comfortable, and trust your decisions, it's a lot easier.

"I felt very confident," he added. "I had the right ball, I knew what moves I needed to make and it was just a matter of going through my routine and believing in it. After the first couple of shots, I could see how the lanes were changing, and it just came easy. It was definitely a great feeling.

"When I realized the match was done, I realized I had a shot at 300, and the pins just kept falling," Sterner continued. "I don't think I've ever bowled that good of a game under pressure, ever.

"The last shot, I liked. I thought it was a great shot, but at that point I was so ready to celebrate the win, the 300 game wasn't even important."

With his first title, Sterner also earned his first opportunity to compete in the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions, March 26-31 at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis.

The Don Carter Classic was the third of four PBA Tour events held during the PBA Detroit Winter Swing. The Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship will conclude the Winter Swing on ESPN on Sunday, March

24 at 3 p.m. ET when top qualifier Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., meets challenger Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif. The telecast also will include the PBA League Earl Anthony round, the final qualifying round heading into the Elias Cup finals. The Anthony PBA League round qualifiers are Terrell Owens' Dallas Strikers, Chris Paul's L.A. X, Jerome Bettis' Motown Muscle and a fourth team that will advance from the Clash eliminator round.

PBA DON CARTER CLASSIC

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Championship

Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga. (\$15,000) def. Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas (\$7,500), 299-235.

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New York City WTT KingPins Go on Strike Binge to Win PBA League Don Carter Round

Billie Jean King's team clinches berth in inaugural Elias Cup Finals in Indianapolis

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – The New York City WTT KingPins' Tommy Jones, Jack Jurek, Pete Weber, Scott Norton and John Szczerbinski struck on eight of their first nine shots to run away from Jesse Williams' BROOKLYN STyLES, 243-199, in the title match of the PBA League Don Carter round at Thunderbowl Lanes.

The PBA League Carter round finals, and the championship match of the Don Carter Classic, aired Sunday on ESPN.

The KingPins, owned by women's sports legend Billie Jean King, clinched a berth in the inaugural PBA League Elias Cup Finals with their win in the Carter round. The top four of eight PBA League teams, based upon points earned in five preliminary rounds, will compete for the first PBA League championship on Sunday, March 31, at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis as part of Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions week. The Elias Cup Finals will air on ESPN on April 7 at 1 p.m. ET.

"I think I'm liking my team a lot," KingPins franchise player Pete Weber beamed after making a surprise lineup change that worked to his team's advantage. He moved Norton, a left-hander who had been a dominant player in previous PBA League rounds, to the No. 4 position in the lineup and he placed Team USA member and former Wichita State collegiate star John Szczerbinski in the anchor position.

"I know Scott was bowling well (in the anchor position), but Szczerbinski averaged 257 on the Don Carter lane condition in qualifying, so I talked it over with the team and they all agreed to make the change and have John bowl anchor," Weber said. "It isn't me; this is our whole team agreeing to what we're doing. After every shot we communicate and try to help each other.

"I have all the confidence in the world in all of my players. We got a few breaks, but without breaks you don't win. Tomorrow we might not get them, but today we did and we took advantage of them."

In the semifinal match between the KingPins, who won the Salvino round earlier in the PBA League series, and the Roth round-winning Motown Muscle, neither team put together consecutive strikes until the KingPins started a string of seven strikes in the sixth frame to run away with a 249-192 win.

In the opening match, owner Jerome Bettis' Motown team got a string of four strikes from Tom Smallwood, Mike Scroggins, Ronnie Russell and Mike Fagan to take the lead, and they held on for a 210-

199 victory over Chris Hardwick's Silver Lake Atom Splitters when Silver Lake anchor Chris Barnes was unable to double in the 10th frame.

With their second PBA League stepladder win, the KingPins have earned 44 points to lock up no worse than the No. 2 stepladder position for the Elias Cup finals. The PBA League Anthony round – the final qualifying round heading into the Elias Cup finals - will include Terrell Owens' Dallas Strikers, Chris Paul's L.A. X, Jerome Bettis' Motown Muscle and a fourth team that will advance from the Clash eliminator round. The Anthony round and the championship match of the Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship between top qualifier Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., and Norton will air on ESPN on Sunday, March 24, at 1 p.m. ET.

PBA LEAGUE DON CARTER ROUND **Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.**

Final Match (five-player Baker team format)

New York City WTT KingPins (Tommy Jones, Jack Jurek, Pete Weber, Scott Norton, John Szczerbinski) def. BROOKLYN STyLES (Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ryan Ciminelli, Ryan Shafer, Sean Rash, Jason Sterner), 243-199.

Semifinal Match (Baker team)

New York City WTT KingPins def. Motown Muscle (Mike Fagan, Jesse Buss, Tom Smallwood, Mike Scroggins, Ronnie Russell), 249-192.

Match One (Baker team)

Motown Muscle def. Silver Lake Atom Splitters (Nathan Bohr, Stuart Williams, Dom Barrett, Josh Blanchard, Chris Barnes), 210-199.

Clash Eliminator (in order of players eliminated based on low one-ball total per round; last surviving player's team advanced to stepladder finals):

Round One – Norm Duke, Dallas Strikers, seven pins.

Round Two – Jason Belmonte, L.A. X, seven pins.

Round Three – Parker Bohn III, L.A. X; Bryon Smith, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, eight pins.

Round Four – Amleto Monacelli, Dallas Strikers, seven pins.

Round Five – none (all strikes).

Round Six – Rhino Page, Dallas Strikers, five pins.

Round Seven – none (all strikes).

Round Eight – Dan MacLelland, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, six pins.

Round Nine – Mike DeVaney, Philadelphia Hitmen, nine pins.

Round 10 – Wes Malott, L.A. X, six pins.

Round 11 – none (all strikes).

Round 12 – none (all strikes).

Round 13 - Mike Scroggins, Motown Muscle, eliminated Osku Palermmaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 10-8.

ELIAS CUP POINTS STANDINGS (after four of five rounds)

1, New York City WTT KingPins, 44.

2 (tie), Motown Muscle and BROOKLYN STyLES, 33.

4, Dallas Strikers, 20.

5 (tie), Philadelphia Hitmen and Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 18.

7, L.A. X, 14.

8, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 6.

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AUSTRALIA'S JASON BELMONTE WINS 2013 USBC MASTERS TITLE

NORTH BRUNSWICK, N.J. – Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte picked up his first major title and became just the second foreign player to win the United States Bowling Congress Masters on Sunday in front of a capacity crowd at Brunswick Zone Carolier.

Belmonte defeated Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, 258-245, to win the \$50,000 first-place prize and a major title on the Professional Bowlers Association Tour. The victory was his sixth career PBA Tour title.

"This is without a doubt the greatest feeling I've ever had on a pair of the lanes," said Belmonte, who joined Finland's Mika Koivuniemi as the only foreign players to win the Masters. "You come out on the PBA Tour, the hardest tour in the world with the greatest players in the world, and at the top of that tree are the majors. To finally get atop one and check the view out for the first time is golden. It's absolutely beautiful."

The title match was filled with drama in the final frame as Belmonte delivered three strikes, including a heart-stopping second shot in the 10th when a pin darted across to take out the 10 pin at the last second.

Belmonte's perfect 10th frame, capping a string of six strikes in a row, forced Malott to match him with three strikes of his own to take the title by one pin. Malott's first shot barely struck with the 4 pin falling late, but his second shot went high and left the 3-6-10, giving the title to Belmonte.

"Watching that 4 pin fall at first I was like 'oh no,' but then I had an overwhelming feeling that if it was meant to be it would be," said Belmonte, who went undefeated in the double-elimination match-play bracket to earn the top seed for the finals. "It was like the tension just doubled, and there was already a lot of tension. I can assure you the last thing I thought I was going to see was Wes not get the ball to the pocket."

After the loss, Malott said a distraction caught his eye on the second shot in the 10th and caused him to pull the ball left.

"Someone in the crowd caught me in the 11th frame. I don't want to say anything against the fans in New Jersey because they've been great, and it happened to some other guys during the week, but it's a bummer, a heart-breaker," Malott said. "It happened during the biggest tournament of my career, when I had a chance to win, but I'll take the positives from this week and move forward. That's all I can do."

Malott, who entered the day as the No. 3 seed, advanced to the title match with a 202-185 victory over England's Stuart Williams in the semifinal. Malott took down Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., 255-248, in his first match of the day.

The stepladder finals started with a bang as Bohn opened the first game with the first eight strikes against Koivuniemi in a 278-246 victory.

The Masters, which featured a total prize fund of \$325,000, is part of the World Tenpin Bowling Association World Bowling Tour. A sold-out field of 468 players from 13 countries started the week in their quest to take home the trophy.

For more information on the Masters, visit BOWL.com/Masters.

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UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS MASTERS Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.Y., Sunday

Final standings

- 1, Jason Belmonte, Australia 258 (one game), \$50,000
- 2, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 702 (three games), \$25,000
- 3, Stuart Williams, England, 185 (one game), \$18,000
- 4, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 526 (two games), \$13,000
- 5, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, 246 (one game), \$10,000

Stepladder results

Match One – Bohn def. Koivuniemi, 278-246
Match Two – Malott def. Bohn, 255-248
Match Three – Malott def. Williams, 202-185
Championship – Belmonte def. Malott, 258-245

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AUSTRALIA'S BELMONTE EARNS NO. 1 SEED FOR USBC MASTERS FINALS

NORTH BRUNSWICK, N.J. – Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte completed a sweep of six three-game matches Saturday at Brunswick Zone Carolier to earn the No. 1 seed for Sunday's stepladder finals in the United States Bowling Congress Masters.

Belmonte, a five-time Professional Bowlers Association title winner, is seeking his first major championship. He defeated Stuart Williams of England, 750-616, in a contest between the two remaining unbeaten players to complete his perfect record in the double-elimination, match-play bracket. Williams will be the No. 2 seed for Sunday's ESPN finals, which will air live at 3 p.m. ET.

In his previous matches, Belmonte defeated Brian Ziesig, Levittown, N.Y., 674-646; Dan MacLelland of Canada, 749-711; Hall of Famers Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla., 761-685, and Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 642-632; and Michael Machuga of Erie, Pa., 687-686.

Earlier in the 2012-13 season, Belmonte finished second in the PBA World Championship when he lost to Bohn in the title match, 254-227. A year ago, Belmonte finished third in the U.S. Open at Brunswick Zone Carolier for his previous high finish in a major championship.

"I have unfinished business. I want that major title so bad, but every bowler does," Belmonte said. "I'm extremely proud of my performances in the big events. I've made TV shows in five of the last six majors over the past two seasons. I've given myself the opportunities, but I have to put the experiences I've had – good and bad – together this time."

Rounding out Sunday's ESPN stepladder field will be Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas; Bohn and Finnish native Mika Koivuniemi of Hartland, Mich. Malott won the four-player final elimination match with a 773 series to earn the No. 3 seed for the finals. Bohn was second with 732 and Koivuniemi was third with 704. Machuga shot 692 and was eliminated.

Earlier Saturday, Koivuniemi, the 2000 Masters champion and a two-time PBA Player of the Year, ended Walter Ray Williams' bid for a record-tying third Masters title in the seventh elimination round, 753-676.

Bohn, who won the 2001 Masters, is hoping to become the seventh player in PBA history – and the first since Norm Duke in 2007-08 – to win two major titles in the same season. Duke won the PBA World Championship and U.S. Open during the 2007-08 campaign.

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UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS MASTERS
Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.Y., Saturday

THREE-GAME, DOUBLE-ELIMINATION MATCH PLAY

WINNERS BRACKET ROUND THREE

Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, def. Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 740-614.
Stuart Williams, England, def. John Janawicz, Lake Wales, Fla., 687-667.
Jason Belmonte, Australia, def. Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 642-632.
Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., def. Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 638-630.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND FIVE
(Losers eliminated, earn \$3,400)

Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., def. Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 714-586.
Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., def. Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 741-726.
Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., def. Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 768-656.
Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., def. Matt McNiel, Prior Lake, Minn., 740-681.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND SIX
(Losers eliminated, earn \$4,000)

Kretzer def. Daugherty, 630-605.
Bohn def. Jones, 671-649.
Koivuniemi def. Janawicz, 717-715.
W.R. Williams def. Otalora, 731-681.

WINNERS BRACKET ROUND FOUR

Belmonte def. Machuga, 687-686.
S. Williams def. Malott, 711-664.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND SEVEN
(Losers eliminated, earn \$5,000)

Bohn def. Kretzer, 782-509.
Koivuniemi def. W.R. Williams, 753-676.

WINNERS BRACKET ROUND FIVE
(Winner earns No. 1 seed for Sunday's ESPN finals; loser is No. 2 seed)

Belmonte def. S. Williams, 750-616.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND EIGHT
(Three highest scores advance to ESPN finals, high score is No. 3 seed, second high is No. 4, third high is No. 5, lowest score is eliminated, earns \$7,000)
Malott 773, Bohn 732, Koivuniemi 704, Machuga 692.

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From: Bill Vint [Bill.Vint@pba.com]
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HALL OF FAMER PARKER BOHN III HEADS FIELD OF EIGHT UNBEATEN PLAYERS AT USBC MASTERS

NORTH BRUNSWICK, N.J. – Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III from nearby Jackson, N.J., leads a group of eight players who made it through three rounds of matches undefeated Friday at the 2013 United States Bowling Congress Masters.

The 33-time Professional Bowlers Association winner and 2001 Masters champion lives just 45 minutes from Brunswick Zone Carolier and used that home-town feel to go 3-0 in the opening rounds of the double-elimination match-play bracket.

A total of 16 players remain in the bracket with eight players undefeated and eight players in the elimination bracket. Another series of matches Saturday will determine the five players who will advance to the live ESPN finals on Sunday at 3 p.m. Eastern.

"When you look at the 16 players who are left, regardless of whom you bowl, all of these guys know what they are doing and know their ball motion well," said Bohn, who defeated Matt McNiel of Prior Lake, Minn., 700-688, in the third round. "There are no easy matches left."

Bohn will take on two-hander Jason Belmonte of Australia in the winners bracket Saturday morning. Other winners bracket matches include top qualifier Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, against Manuel Otalora of Colombia; John Janawicz of Winter Haven, Fla., vs. Stuart Williams of England; and Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, vs. Mike Machuga of Erie, Pa.

Janawicz, a four-time Team USA member, and Otalora, a member of the Colombian national team, are the only non-professional bowlers left in the winners bracket.

"You always have to have confidence you can win, but these guys are the best in the world," said Janawicz, who blew past Mike Edwards of Tulsa, Okla., 692-555, in his third match. "I have tremendous respect for the guys who do this for a living. It just feels good to be able to come in and compete alongside them."

Defending champion Mike Fagan of Dallas was eliminated Friday after losing his first two matches. He lost to Malott in the opening round, 770-695, and then fell to Martin Larsen of Sweden, 749-718.

Among the players still alive in the elimination portion of the bracket is Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, who would join Norm Duke and Mike Aulby as the only players to complete the PBA's Grand Slam with a victory this week. The Grand Slam is made up of the four majors on the PBA Tour - the USBC Masters, PBA Tournament of Champions, U.S. Open and the PBA National/World Championship.

Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla., who also is still alive in the elimination bracket, has a chance to join Aulby as only the second player to win three Masters titles.

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UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS MASTERS

Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.Y., Friday

(Three games total pinfall, double-elimination match play)

OPENING ROUND

- (1) Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, def. (64) Mike Fagan, Dallas, 770-675.
- (33) Allen Rice II, Salem, Ala., def. (32) Martin Larsen, Sweden, 737-683.
- (48) Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., def. (17) Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 642-595.
- (49) John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., def. (16) John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 739-678.
- (9) Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., def. (56) Gary Faulkner, Norfolk, Va., 710-623.
- (41) Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, def. (24) Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 755-607.
- (40) Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., def. (25) Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 636-576.
- (57) Manuel Otalora, Colombia, def. (8) Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 723-719.

- (60) Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., def. (5) Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 703-666.
- (28) John Janawicz, Winter Haven, Fla., def. (37) Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 610-565.
- (21) Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., def. (44) Matt Gasn, Laurel, Md., 695-611.
- (53) Michael Markis, Tafton, Pa., def. (12) Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 715-640.
- (13) Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., def. (52) Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 728-562.
- (20) D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, def. (45) Timothy Foy Jr., Salisbury, Md., 651-599.
- (29) Stuart Williams, England, def. (36) Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 628-626.
- (4) Mike Moore, Orlando, Fla., def. (61) Adam Chase, Seaford, N.Y., 644-634.

- (3) Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., def. (62) Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 666-621.
- (30) Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., def. (35) Andres Gomez, Colombia, 615-535.
- (46) Michael Haugen Jr., Carefree, Ariz., def. (19) Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 731-718.
- (14) Matt McNiel, Prior Lake, Minn., def. (51) Devin Golden, Coopersburg, Pa., 630-609.
- (11) Dan MacLelland, Canada, def. (54) Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 782-638.
- (22) Jason Belmonte, Australia, def. (43) Brian Ziesig, Levittown, N.Y., 674-646.
- (27) Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., def. (38) Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 699-694.
- (59) Daniel Dunleavy, Staten Island, N.Y., def. (6) Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 719-682.

- (58) Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, def. (7) Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 669-608.

(26) Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., def. (39) Jeff Kubasak, Staten Island, N.Y., 651-585.
(42) Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., def. (23) Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 690-604.
(10) Osku Palermmaa, Finland, def. (55) Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 666-656.
(50) Tyson Branagan, Bedford, Texas, def. (15) Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 696-685.
(47) Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., def. (18) Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 655-632.
(31) Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., def. (34) Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 697-596.
(63) Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., def. (2) Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 710-641.

WINNERS BRACKET ROUND ONE

Malott def. Rice, 732-668.
Brockland def. Bohr, 684-676.
Norton def. Scroggins, 729-591.
Otalora def. D. Kent, 643-598.
Janawicz def. D. Allen, 670-627.
Edwards def. Mackis, 645-547.
Daugherty def. Archer, 700-687.
S. Williams def. Chase, 832-709.

Bohn def. Weber, 725-651.
McNiel def. Haugen, 731-661.
Belmonte def. MacLelland, 749-711.
W.R. Williams def. Dunleavy, 601-585.
Kretzer def. Shafer, 622-618.
P. Allen def. Palermmaa, 658-621.
Branagan def. Vanderhoef, 695-669.
Machuga def. McCune, 642-618.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND ONE (Losers eliminated, earn \$1,700)

Larsen def. Fagan, 749-718.
Barnes def. LeMond, 655-616.
Sternier def. Szczerbinski, 671-626.
Bigelow def. Faulkner, 611-582.
M. Kent def. LeClair, 631-563.
Jones def. Moore, 718-682.
Ciminelli def. Gasn, 727-562.
Russell def. Foy, 688-650.

Gomez def. Kobayahsi, 700-569.
Koivuniemi def. Castillo, 721-701.
Blanchard def. Golden, 777-563.
Loschetter def. Ziesig, 626-590.
Page def. Kubasak, 656-560.
Book def. Ruiz, 736-609.
VanHees def. VanDaniker, 769-685.
Rash def. Newell, 709-643.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND TWO (Losers eliminated, earn \$2,000)

Haugen def. Larsen, 684-678.
Barnes def. MacLelland, 730-677.
Sternier def. Weber, 683-591.

Bigelow def. Dunleavy, 643-578.
Palermmaa def. M. Kent, 688-682.
Jones def. Vanderhoef, 747-608.
Ciminelli def. Shafer, 720-664.
Russell def. McCune, 758-652.

Gomez def. Bohr, 703-614.
Koivuniemi def. Scroggins, 658-577.
Rice def. Blanchard, 709-669.
D. Kent def. Loschetter, 671-657.
Page def. Markis, 665-664.
Archer def. Book, 732-622.
VanHees def. D. Allen, 698-677.
Rash def. Chase, 781-562.

WINNERS BRACKET ROUND TWO

Malott def. Brockland, 741-636.
Otalora def. Norton, 639-618.
Janawicz def. Edwards, 692-555.
S. Williams def. Daugherty, 682-647.
Bohn def. McNiel, 700-688.
Belmonte def. W.R. Williams, 761-685.
Kretzer def. P. Allen, 646-618.
Machuga def. Branagan, 532-531.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND THREE

(Losers eliminated, earn \$2,400)

Barnes def. Haugen, 696-594.
Sternner def. Bigelow, 603-592.
Jones def. Palermmaa, 647-590.
Ciminelli def. Russell, 712-611.
Koivuniemi def. Gomez, 620-609.
D. Kent def. Rice, 698-695.
Archer def. Page, 740-681.
Rash def. VanHees, 694-644.

ELIMINATION BRACKET ROUND FOUR

(Losers eliminated, earn \$2,800)

Barnes def. Edwards, 678-597.
Daugherty def. Sternner, 702-604,
Jones def. Brockland, 677-640.
Ciminelli def. Norton, 630-557.
Koivuniemi def. Branagan, 783-523.
P. Allen def. D. Kent, 733-602.
W.R. Williams def. Archer, 764-563.
McNiel def. Rash, 693-643.

SATURDAY'S PAIRINGS (9 a.m. Eastern)

WINNERS BRACKET, ROUND THREE

Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas vs. Manuel Otalora, Colombia.
John Janawicz, Lake Wales, Fla. def. Stuart Williams, England.

Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., vs. Jason Belmonte, Australia.
Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, vs. Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa.

ELIMINATION BRACKET, ROUND FIVE

Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, vs. Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla.
Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., vs. Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y.
Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., vs. Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla.
Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., vs. Matt McNeil, Prior Lake, Minn.

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MALOTT EARNS NO. 1 SEED AS USBC MASTERS HEADS INTO MATCH PLAY ELIMINATIONS

NORTH BRUNSWICK, N.J. – Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, earned high qualifier honors Thursday at the United States Bowling Congress Masters, and will become the No. 1 seed entering the three-game, double-elimination match play bracket competition starting Friday morning.

Malott finished the 15 games of qualifying with a total pinfall of 3,518 (234.53 average) to lead the field of 468 of the top bowlers in the world at Brunswick Zone Carolier. The Masters, which features a total prize fund of \$325,000, will conclude with the live ESPN finals on Sunday at 3 p.m. Eastern.

In the final round of qualifying, Malott fired his biggest total of the tournament finishing with a five-game tally of 1,247. He had games of 230, 267, 246, 289 and 215 to move into the top spot.

"I haven't been practicing a lot lately because of my knee injury and today I finally started to feel better physically," said Malott, who has seven career Professional Bowlers Association Tour titles. "It usually takes a day or two to get all the kinks worked out and start feeling good. I also drilled another ball today and that helped."

Malott leads the field of 63 qualifiers who will join defending champion Mike Fagan of Dallas into the double-elimination match-play bracket. Fagan finished qualifying in 210th place but was guaranteed a spot in the bracket as the reigning champion. As a result of his qualifying finish, he will assume the No. 64 seeded position and face Malott in his opening-round match.

Todd Book of Russells Point, Ohio, finished in second place with 3,501, while Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., took third at 3,498.

Weber and Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, who qualified eighth, are looking to join Mike Aulby and Norm Duke by completing the PBA's Grand Slam. The Grand Slam is made up of the four majors on the PBA Tour - the USBC Masters, PBA Tournament of Champions, U.S. Open and the PBA National/World Championship.

PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla., who qualified 27th, has a chance to join Aulby as only the second player to win three Masters titles.

Bracket play will take place all day Friday and continue until Saturday afternoon when the final five surviving players will advance to Sunday's live two-hour championship round on ESPN.

The Masters, which features a first-place prize of \$50,000, is a major event on the PBA Tour and is part of the World Tenpin Bowling Association World Bowling Tour for the third consecutive season.

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UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS MASTERS Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.J., Thursday

FINAL QUALIFYING STANDINGS (after 15 games; top 63 plus defending champion Mike Fagan of Dallas advance to three-game, double-elimination match play; all position ties are broken based upon highest five-game round totals)

- 1, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 3,518.
- 2, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 3,501.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3,498.
- 4, Mike Moore, Orlando, Fla., 3,458.
- 5, Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 3,450.
- 6, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 3,432.
- 7, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 3,430.
- 8, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3,421.
- 9, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 3,418.
- 10, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 3,417.
- 11, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 3,415.
- 12, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,409.
- 13, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,397.
- 14, Matt McNiel, Prior Lake, Minn., 3,376.
- 15, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 3,372.
- 16, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 3,357.
- 17, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 3,356.
- 18, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 3,353.
- 19, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 3,345.
- 20, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 3,341.
- 21, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 3,332.
- 22, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,329.
- 23, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 3,326.
- 24, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 3,323.
- 25, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 3,319.
- 26, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 3,317.
- 27, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 3,316.
- 28, John Janawicz, Winter Haven, Fla., 3,315.
- 29, Stuart Williams, England, 3,307.
- 30, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 3,297.
- 31, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 3,296.
- 32, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 3,295.
- 33, Allen Rice II, Salem, Ala., 3,292.
- 34, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 3,287.

35, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 3,282.
 36, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 3,275.
 37, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 3,275.
 38, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 3,274.
 39, Jeff Kubasak, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,271.
 40, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 3,268.
 41, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3,267.
 42, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 3,262.
 43, Brian Ziesig, Levittown, N.Y., 3,262.
 44, Matt Gasn, Laurel, Md., 3,259.
 45, Timothy Foy Jr., Salisbury, Md., 3,258.
 46, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 3,255.
 47, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 3,251.
 48, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 3,244.
 49, John Brockland, St. Charles, Mo., 3,241.
 50, Tyson Branagan, Bedford, Texas, 3,235.
 51, Devin Golden, Coopersburg, Pa., 3,235.
 52, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3,229.
 53, Michael Markis, Tafton, Pa., 3,229.
 54, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 3,229.
 55, Eddie VanDaniker Jr., Chatsworth, Calif., 3,224.
 56, Gary Faulkner, Norfolk, Va., 3,215.
 57, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 3,214.
 58, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 3,210.
 59, Daniel Dunleavy, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,207.
 60, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 3,203.
 61, Adam Chase, Seaford, N.Y., 3,200.
 62, Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 3,196.
 63, Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., 3,194.
 64, d-Mike Fagan, Dallas, 2,972.

Other Cashers:

65, Troy Lint, Leola, Pa., 3,192, \$1,500.
 66, Dom Barrett, England, 3,189, \$1,350.
 67, Vinny D'Ambrosio III, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,187, \$1,350.
 68, Frankie Calca, Elmont, N.Y., 3,185, \$1,350.
 69, Gerald Marrs, Huntley, Ill., 3,185, \$1,350.
 70, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3,181, \$1,300.
 71, Shigeo Saitoh, Japan, 3,180, \$1,300.
 72, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 3,178, \$1,300.
 73, R.J. Pollard, Versailles, Ind., 3,177, \$1,300.
 74, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3,174, \$1,250.
 75, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 3,172, \$1,250.
 76, Isao Yamamoto, Japan, 3,169, \$1,250.
 77, Tommy Dakouvanos, Belford, N.J., 3,168, \$1,250.
 78, Robert Andersson, Sweden, 3,164, \$1,200.
 79, Matthew O'Grady, South Amboy, N.J., 3,163, \$1,200.
 80, Missy Parkin, Fullerton, Calif., 3,163, \$1,200.
 81, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 3,160, \$1,200.
 82, Rusty Thomsen, Morgan, N.J., 3,157, \$1,175.
 83, Bryan Viator, Friendswood, Texas, 3,157, \$1,175.
 84 (tie), Casey Creutz, Jackson, N.J., and Charles Anderson, Sloatsburg, N.Y., 3,153, \$1,175.

86 (tie), Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., and Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 3,151, \$1,150.
 88, Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 3,147, \$1,150.
 89, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 3,146, \$1,150.
 90, Kyle Paxson, Orlando, Fla., 3,146, \$1,125.
 91, Thomas Coco, Cortland Manor, N.Y., 3,144, \$1,125.
 92, Frank Guccione, Castle Rock, Colo., 3,141, \$1,125.
 93, Oleksandr Kalika, Ukraine, 3,139, \$1,125.
 94, Steve Novak, Bay City, Mich., 3,138, \$1,100.
 95, Ryan Friend, Staten Island, N.Y., 3,138, \$1,100.
 96, Robert Mockenhaupt, Rutherford, N.J., 3,137, \$1,100.
 97, Walter McKnight, Brick, N.J., 3,136, \$1,100.
 98, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,136, \$1,075.
 99, Mike Taylor, Havertown, Pa., 3,135, \$1,075.
 100, Jeff Piroozshad, Coral Springs, Fla., 3,131, \$1,075.
 101, Jim Wolcott, Hendersonville, Tenn., 3,130, \$1,075.
 102 (tie), Jeff Leaphart, Columbia, S.C., and Joe Paluszczek, Bensalem, Pa., 3,123, \$1,050.
 104, Jimmy Johnson, Wilmington, Del., 3,122, \$1,050.
 105, Joe Novara, Holtsville, N.Y., 3,120, \$1,050.
 106, Hugh McGahey, Baltimore, 3,119, \$1,025.
 107, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 3,116, \$1,025.
 108, Geoffrey Young, Bel Aire, Kan., 3,113, \$1,025.
 109, Craig Auerbach, Sunrise, Fla., 3,111, \$1,025.
 110, Stephen Hardy, Raymond, N.H., 3,108, \$1,025.
 111, Kyle King, Glendale, Ariz., 3,106, \$1,025.
 112, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 3,106, \$1,000.
 113 (tie), Anthony Pepe, Jackson Heights, N.Y., and Danny Wiseman, Baltimore, 3,105, \$1,000.
 115, Zachary Wilkins, Canada, 3,101, \$1,000.
 116, Kris Koeltzow, Wheat Ridge, Colo., 3,097, \$1,000.
 117, Jack Castellano, Centereach, N.Y., 3,096, \$1,000.
 118, Bill Crane III, Mishawaka, Ind., 3,096, \$1,000.

Failed to Cash:

119, Mykhaylo Kalika, Ukraine, 3,095.
 120, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 3,094.
 121, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3,093.
 121, Williams Pautz, LeSueur, Minn., 3,093.
 123, Bryan Goebel, Shawnee, Kan., 3,092.
 124, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 3,088.
 125, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,087.
 126, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 3,083.
 126, Joe Costanzo, Bethpage, N.Y., 3,083.
 128, Aaron Groendyk, Grandville, Mich., 3,082.
 128, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 3,082.
 130, Alejandro Reyna, Costa Rica, 3,081.
 131, Jimmy Clark, Corinna, Maine, 3,080.
 132, Kevin Kullman, Tinley Park, Ill., 3,075.
 132, Jason Howard, Baltimore, 3,075.
 134, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 3,074.
 135, Jaime Gonzalez, Colombia, 3,073.
 135, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.Va., 3,073.
 137, Ray Edwards, Middle Island, N.Y., 3,070.
 137, Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 3,070.

139, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 3,069.
 140, Nobuhito Fujii, Japan, 3,067.
 140, David McGowan, Ringgold, Ga., 3,067.
 140, Matt Russo, Millstone Township, N.J., 3,067.
 143, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 3,063.
 144, Josh Chambliss, Hanahan, S.C., 3,061.
 145, Jonathan Crowder, Edison, N.J., 3,058.
 146, John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 3,056.
 147, Brian Himmler, Cincinnati, 3,055.
 147, Jack Zuniga, Tulsa, Okla., 3,055.
 147, Steven Badovinac, Parker, Colo., 3,055.
 150, E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 3,054.
 151, Rick Steelsmith, Wichita, Kan., 3,053.
 151, John Nolen, Waterford, Mich., 3,053.
 153, Adam Barta, Girard, Ohio, 3,052.
 154, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 3,051.
 155, Paul Moor, England, 3,049.
 156, Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 3,046.
 157, Paul Smith, Clinton, Conn., 3,041.
 158, Eric Cornog, Cherry Hill, N.J., 3,040.
 159, Mark Sullivan, Indianapolis, 3,039.
 159, Greg Young, Viera, Fla., 3,039.
 159, Jazreel Tan, Singapore, 3,039.
 159, Matt Meyer, Alexandria, Minn., 3,039.
 163, Wayne Porr, Sinking Springs, Pa., 3,038.
 163, Stephen Haas, Enola, Pa., 3,038.
 163, Travis Celmer, Wernersville, Pa., 3,038.
 166, Mitch Sacks, Jersey City, N.J., 3,037.
 167, Tony Ament, Monroe, N.J., 3,036.
 167, David Kipperman, Rocky Hill, Conn., 3,036.
 167, Joseph Bofrone, Columbia, Md., 3,036.
 170, Joe Scianna, Oakdale, N.J., 3,035.
 171, Evan Nash, Kennewick, Wash., 3,034.
 172, Brian Boghosian, Agawam, Mass., 3,032.
 173, Mike Albert, Little River, S.C., 3,029.
 174, Fero Williams, Adelphi, Md., 3,028.
 175, Sam Maccarone, Glassboro, N.J., 3,026.
 176, Jimmie Dillingham, Bonney Lake, Wash., 3,025.
 176, Alex Cavagnaro, Massapequa, N.Y., 3,025.
 178, Tomoyuki Sasaki, Japan, 3,023.
 179, William Barlow, Edgewood, Md., 3,020.
 179, Toby Sambueno, Saginaw, Mich., 3,020.
 179, Tommy Gollick, Oberlin, Pa., 3,020.
 182, Tim Davidsson, Sweden, 3,017.
 183, Martin Paulsson, Sweden, 3,016.
 184, Tony Todd, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 3,015.
 185, Michael Calhoun, Wyandotte, Mich., 3,014.
 186, Yoichi Nakayama, Japan, 3,012.
 187, Carl Zbranek, Beachwood, N.J., 3,010.
 188, Tony Reynaud, Harwinton, Conn., 3,009.
 188, Mike McDonnell, Chesterfield, Va., 3,009.
 190, Rob Gotterbarn Jr., Garden City South, N.Y., 3,007.

191, Paul Pinto, Philadelphia, 3,001.
 192, Quentin Collins, Jamaica, N.Y., 3,000.
 193, Victor Hnatczenko Jr., Philadelphia, 2,995.
 194, Jeffery Hicks, Allen Park, Mich., 2,994.
 195, Anthony Trethewey, Lexington, Ky., 2,992.
 196, Zack Brown, Raleigh, N.C., 2,991.
 196, Ron Dixon, Boynton Beach, Fla., 2,991.
 198, Austin Boulds, Wichita, Kan., 2,990.
 199, Mike Carmean, Georgetown, Del., 2,985.
 199, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 2,985.
 201, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 2,984.
 201, Chris Fisher, Brooklyn, N.Y., 2,984.
 203, Marty Berke, Allentown, Pa., 2,982.
 204, Miles Coplan, Manchester, N.H., 2,980.
 205, Noel Vega, Forest Hills, N.Y., 2,978.
 205, Christopher Keane, New City, N.Y., 2,978.
 207, Michael Askins, Gainesville, Ga., 2,977.
 208, Mike Dolan, Fond du Lac, Wis., 2,976.
 208, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 2,976.
 210, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 2,975.
 211, Diandra Asbaty, Chicago, 2,971.
 212, Jim Rogers, Brick, N.J., 2,968.
 213, Dale Barszewski Jr., Keansburg, N.J., 2,965.
 214, Brian Chec, Wheatland, Pa., 2,963.
 215, Ernest Lukacs Jr., Manville, N.J., 2,962.
 216, Bobby Benton, Accident, Md., 2,961.
 216, Sean McAuliffe, Staten Island, N.Y., 2,961.
 218, Brad Muri, Billings, Mont., 2,960.
 218, Mike Centrone, Carmel, N.Y., 2,960.
 220, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 2,959.
 220, Jim Emens Jr., Rochester, N.Y., 2,959.
 222, Gary Faulkner Jr., Memphis, Tenn., 2,958.
 222, Matthew Paine, Richfield, Minn., 2,958.
 224, Scott Halvarson, Lakewood, Wash., 2,957.
 224, Rob Hoffman, Freehold, N.J., 2,957.
 226, Ron Papp, Bordentown, N.J., 2,954.
 226, Michael Austin, Magnolia, Texas, 2,954.
 228, Michael Murtha, West Des Moines, Iowa, 2,952.
 229, Carl Kurilich, Parma, Ohio, 2,950.
 229, Kevin Beers, Reinholds, Pa., 2,950.
 231, Christopher Blackmore, Fairfax, Va., 2,947.
 232, Dean Richards, Tacoma, Wash., 2,946.
 233, Garret Maxey, Greeley, Colo., 2,945.
 233, Allen Nichols, Loganville, Ga., 2,945.
 235, Ronnie Horton, Christiansburg, Va., 2,944.
 236, Jessica Abel, Wichita, Kan., 2,942.
 236, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 2,942.
 238, Miguel Lopez, Wichita, Kan., 2,940.
 239, Drew Balta, Swisher, Iowa, 2,936.
 240, Nick Kokenos, St. Clair Shores, Mich., 2,934.
 241, Brian Knauer, Federalsburg, Md., 2,933.
 241, Sammy Ventura, Syracuse, N.Y., 2,933.

241, Woody Ross II, Warner Robins, Ga., 2,933.
 244, Rick Banister, Vandenburg, Calif., 2,930.
 245, William Bittenbender, Burlington, N.J., 2,926.
 246, Duane Steinmetz, Evans, Colo., 2,924.
 246, Leon Platt, Summerville, S.C., 2,924.
 248, David O'Sullivan, Sanford, Fla., 2,920.
 249, Billy Bertuch III, Yonkers, N.Y., 2,919.
 250, Ricky Schissler, Henderson, Colo., 2,918.
 251, Timothy Gillick, Milford, Conn., 2,917.
 251, Brian O'Mara, Webster, N.Y., 2,917.
 253, Joseph Nawn, Upper Darby, Pa., 2,916.
 253, Jason Ciszewski, Parlin, N.J., 2,916.
 255, Cassandra Leuthold, Black Hawk, S.D., 2,914.
 256, Joe Krajcovich, North Brunswick, N.J., 2,912.
 257, Keith Laing, Los Angeles, 2,911.
 258, Ernest Lukacs, Manville, N.J., 2,910.
 259, Mike Hastings, Millsboro, Del., 2,909.
 260, Billy Trudell, Coventry, R.I., 2,907.
 260, Brian Waliczek, Birch Run, Mich., 2,907.
 262, Eric Copping, Websterville, Vt., 2,906.
 263, David Shinn, West Columbia, S.C., 2,904.
 263, Andrew Suscreba, Clifton, N.J., 2,904.
 265, Richard Holmes, Culpeper, Va., 2,903.
 266, Chris Williams, North Las Vegas, Nev., 2,902.
 267, Rodney Alston, Philadelphia, 2,901.
 268, Steven Arehart, Chesapeake, Va., 2,900.
 269, Robert Smith, Voorhees, N.J., 2,899.
 270, Richard Avery, Simpsonville, S.C., 2,898.
 271, Clay Adams, Carmel, N.Y., 2,896.
 272, Chris Kramer, Richlandtown, Pa., 2,894.
 273, Ryan Pudlowski, North Versailles, Pa., 2,893.
 274, Kenneth Gray, North East, Md., 2,889.
 275, Randy Kenny, Maple Shade, N.J., 2,887.
 275, Matt Taylor, Knightdale, N.C., 2,887.
 277, Kevin Brophy, Oakhurst, N.J., 2,886.
 278, Takashi Kudoh, Japan, 2,885.
 279, Eddie Santiago, Tuckahoe, N.Y., 2,882.
 280, Elysia Current, Ephrata, Pa., 2,880.
 281, Joseph Vrobel, Crest Hill, Ill., 2,878.
 281, Andrew Stewart, Galloway Twp., N.J., 2,878.
 283, Joe Biscardi, Wantagh, N.Y., 2,876.
 284, Ryan Yelle, South Easton, Mass., 2,875.
 284, Kelvin Wiggins, Rocky Mount, N.C., 2,875.
 286, Dale Aivaz Jr., Yonkers, N.Y., 2,871.
 286, Frank Verni, Bronx, N.Y., 2,871.
 288, Justin Lesser, LaPorte, Ind., 2,870.
 289, Tim McAuliffe, Staten Island, N.Y., 2,869.
 290, Mike Klosin, Windham, N.H., 2,867.
 291, Greg Ostrander, Freehold, N.J., 2,866.
 292, Ken Simard, Greenville, S.C., 2,864.
 293, Hayward Marlow, Bronx, N.Y., 2,863.
 293, Van Tilley, Debary, Fla., 2,863.

295, Yuta Shirahama, Japan, 2,860.
 296, Kenny Ryan, Ocean, N.J., 2,858.
 297, Thomas Parker III, Columbus, 2,856.
 298, Geoff Wetzler, Tolland, Conn., 2,855.
 298, Fabrizio Cerutti, Plainview, N.Y., 2,855.
 300, Robert Fusik III, East Windsor, N.J., 2,853.
 301, Monte Baker, Bozeman, Mont., 2,849.
 302, John Pierce, Denton, Texas, 2,848.
 303, Clara Guerrero, Colombia, 2,847.
 304, Aaron Williams, Pennsauken, N.J., 2,844.
 305, Robert Lee, Japan, 2,842.
 305, Mike Armstrong Jr., Battle Ground, Wash., 2,842.
 307, Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 2,841.
 308, Michael Norris, Melvindale, Mich., 2,836.
 309, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 2,835.
 310, Bryson Rogers, Durham, N.C., 2,829.
 311, Jonathan Sellers, Stratford, Conn., 2,828.
 312, Luke Walker, Dumont, Colo., 2,819.
 313, Kamron Doyle, Brentwood, Tenn., 2,816.
 314, Greg Rottengen, Washington, N.J., 2,811.
 315, Brandon Boyer, Hudson Falls, N.Y., 2,810.
 315, Brandon Robertson, Spotswood, N.J., 2,810.
 317, Kevin Magnan, Canada, 2,809.
 318, Chris DosSantos, Fairhaven, Mass., 2,807.
 319, Chris Thornhill, Salisbury, Md., 2,806.
 320, J.T. "Action" Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 2,805.
 321, Kenneth Bland Jr., Lorton, Va., 2,804.
 321, Josh Schneidman, Bay Shore, N.Y., 2,804.
 323, Darryl Carreon, Woodbridge, Va., 2,802.
 324, James Grago, Rome, N.Y., 2,801.
 325, Charles Bonis Jr., Port Chester, N.Y., 2,800.
 326, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 2,799.
 326, Philip Karwoski Sr., South Hadley, Mass., 2,799.
 328, Mike Deckelman, Milford, Del., 2,795.
 328, Doug Scheidig, Royersford, Pa., 2,795.
 330, Justin Warhol, Sound Beach, N.Y., 2,794.
 331, Noel Pabilonia, Jersey City, N.J., 2,791.
 332, Fran Luzzi, Port Jervis, N.Y., 2,790.
 333, Herbert High Jr., Bailey, N.C., 2,789.
 334, Melissa Kammerer, Staten Island, N.Y., 2,787.
 334, Hideaki Aizawa, Japan, 2,787.
 336, Charles Hayslett III, Apple Valley, Minn., 2,786.
 337, Takayoshi Akiba, Japan, 2,785.
 337, Dan Furman, Schenectady, N.Y., 2,785.
 339, Dave Shampner, East Brunswick, N.J., 2,784.
 340, Ken Yokobosky, Fredon, N.J., 2,783.
 341, Brandon Hinderer, York, Pa., 2,781.
 341, Shane Reid, Enfield, Conn., 2,781.
 341, Evan Ruoti, West Valley City, Utah, 2,781.
 344, Gary Smalling, Johnson City, Tenn., 2,778.
 344, Gary Goldberg, Paxton, Mass., 2,778.
 346, Jeremy Domingo, Sewell, N.J., 2,775.

347, John Wenman, Middletown, Md., 2,774.
 348, Brian Sulzbach, Levittown, N.Y., 2,773.
 349, Donald Beck, Fishers Island, N.Y., 2,771.
 350, Andrew Diley, Conway, S.C., 2,770.
 351, Megan Kelly, Dayton, Ohio, 2,769.
 352, Ryan Wyandt, West Lawn, Pa., 2,768.
 353, Tony Bennett, Worcester, Mass., 2,760.
 353, Conan Mackey, Oskaloosa, Iowa, 2,760.
 355, George Gohagan III, Roswell, Ga., 2,758.
 356, Frankie Mazzella, Staten Island, N.Y., 2,756.
 356, Thomas McLane, Lusby, Md., 2,756.
 356, Michael LoBianco, Brick, N.J., 2,756.
 359, Michael Stevens, Howell, N.J., 2,755.
 359, Bradley Powell, Fox River Grove, Ill., 2,755.
 359, David Knight Jr., Folcroft, Pa., 2,755.
 362, Steven Maruffi, Brooklyn, N.Y., 2,752.
 363, Richard Horsley, Morrisville, N.C., 2,748.
 364, Ryan Chall, East Brunswick, N.J., 2,747.
 365, Frank Szabo, Lawrenceville, Ga., 2,743.
 366, Alexander Marx, Toms River, N.J., 2,742.
 367, Brian DiCicco, Agawam, Mass., 2,739.
 368, Kevin Bandrowski, Lancaster, Pa., 2,738.
 369, Jason Nicholas, Wantagh, N.Y., 2,737.
 370, Adam Kirtley, Apopka, Fla., 2,735.
 371, Jack Cook, Denville, N.J., 2,731.
 372, Jeffrey Smith, Annville, Pa., 2,730.
 372, Kenji Kawashima, Japan, 2,730.
 372, Craig Coplan, Manchester, N.H., 2,730.
 372, Jerry Anderson, Smithton, Ill., 2,730.
 372, Richard Salcedo, Elmhurst, N.Y., 2,730.
 377, Gary Matten, Westminster, Colo., 2,729.
 377, Robert Greene, Oxford, Conn., 2,729.
 377, David Pelkey, Burke, N.Y., 2,729.
 380, Geordin Krupski, Newtonville, N.J., 2,727.
 381, Billy Young Jr., Edgewood, Md., 2,725.
 382, Michael Houtz, Myerstown, Pa., 2,724.
 383, Duteche Aine, North Brunswick, N.J., 2,723.
 384, Rob Sperling, Livingston, N.J., 2,721.
 385, Kazumi Shioyama, Japan, 2,716.
 386, Darian LeMay, East Brunswick, N.J., 2,715.
 387, Scott Falatovich, Hillsborough, N.J., 2,714.
 388, Cody Vaughn, Arvada, Colo., 2,710.
 389, Kyle King, Canton, S.D., 2,702.
 390, Ed Cutter, Manassas Park, Va., 2,701.
 390, Steven Stayrook, Berwyn, Pa., 2,701.
 390, Brian Lohse, Corinth, Texas, 2,701.
 390, Jason Smalling, Bluff City, Tenn., 2,701.
 394, Michael Dutkiewicz, Nicholson, Pa., 2,696.
 395, Michael Vella, Coram, N.Y., 2,693.
 396, Joseph Truchan Jr., Ringwood, N.J., 2,692.
 397, Connor LeClair, Athens, N.Y., 2,691.
 398, Ralph Ehrlich, N. Massapequa, N.Y., 2,688.

399, Josh Malanoski, West Mifflin, Pa., 2,685.
 400, Dave Penfold, Hebron, Ind., 2,682.
 401, Joseph Marinucci, Gaithersburg, Md., 2,681.
 402, Shawn Aiello, Hawthorne, N.J., 2,680.
 403, Damar Been, Eastchester, N.Y., 2,679.
 404, John Barrett, Hazlet, N.J., 2,677.
 405, Emmanuel Rigas, Sarasota, Fla., 2,674.
 406, Danny Buchman, Maple Shade, N.J., 2,666.
 407, Tyler Coplan, Manchester, N.H., 2,657.
 407, Rich Poznanski, Union, N.J., 2,657.
 409, John Conroy, Mahopac, N.Y., 2,655.
 410, Matt Blackstone, Hot Springs, Ark., 2,654.
 410, Brian Turschman, Cary, Ill., 2,654.
 412, Pedro Agapito, Monticello, N.Y., 2,647.
 413, Mauricio Chaparro, Colombia, 2,644.
 414, Benjamin Zakrocki, Philadelphia, 2,637.
 415, Troy Long, Northumberland, Pa., 2,632.
 416, Raphael Morin, Canada, 2,628.
 417, Lowell Schoonmaker, Middletown, N.Y., 2,627.
 418, Eric Laflam, Milton, Vt., 2,626.
 419, Clifford (Phoenix) White, Great Mills, Md., 2,624.
 420, Robert Butler Jr., Staten Island, N.Y., 2,620.
 421, Michael Smith, Howell, N.J., 2,614.
 422, Michael Robey, Morrisville, Pa., 2,612.
 423, Matthew Carpenter, Woonsocket, R.I., 2,604.
 424, Patrick Donohoe Jr., Hampstead, N.H., 2,603.
 425, Nobuyuki Fukuchi, Japan, 2,595.
 426, Ryan Ool, Middletown, N.Y., 2,593.
 427, Artavius Clark, Oxen Hill, Md., 2,592.
 428, Ken Karamichael, New Brunswick, N.J., 2,591.
 429, Robert Lint, Johnstown, Pa., 2,590.
 430, Leo Mulligan, Columbia, N.J., 2,583.
 431, Ercillo Costa, Denver, 2,582.
 432, Michael Gibbons, Randolph, Mass., 2,581.
 432, Zach Simon, Scottsdale, Ariz., 2,581.
 432, Steve Creech, Corbin, Ky., 2,581.
 435, Leon DeMasi, Rose Valley, Pa., 2,580.
 436, Mark Cornelius, Peru, Ind., 2,578.
 437, Kevin Dziuba, Howell, N.J., 2,575.
 438, Jerome Olson, Denver, 2,570.
 439, Scott Salem, Oradell, N.J., 2,564.
 440, Shawn Fallon, Cranbury, N.J., 2,558.
 441, Greg Eskow, Syosset, N.Y., 2,552.
 442, Eddie Wu, New York, 2,549.
 443, Lee Groscost, Mentor, Ohio, 2,547.
 443, Mike Gossman, Emmaus, Pa., 2,547.
 445, Rashad Franze, Baltimore, 2,541.
 446, Bruce Smallacombe, Jermyn, Pa., 2,533.
 446, Nicholas Biglasco, Clark, N.J., 2,533.
 448, Steven Green, Brooklyn, N.Y., 2,532.
 449, Collin Raineri, Gilbertsville, Pa., 2,523.
 450, Alex Quesada, Brooklyn, N.Y., 2,512.

451, Joseph Caloger, Milford, Pa., 2,497.
452, Ric Licardo, Ft. Belvoir, Va., 2,494.
452, Steven Fred, Williamstown, N.J., 2,494.
454, Thomas Paisley Jr., Hazleton, Pa., 2,493.
455, Brian Horton, Hastings on the Hudson, N.Y., 2,481.
456, Stanley Harris, Chesapeake Beach, Md., 2,480.
457, Jonathan Glattstein, North Bergen, N.J., 2,476.
457, Domenico Curra, Mahopac, N.Y., 2,476.
459, Rich Kaluzny, Parlin, N.J., 2,461.
460, Joseph Ferrazzano, Beaver Falls, Pa., 2,441.
461, Bill Kempton, Cohasset, Mass., 2,394.
462, Shawn Tucker, New Brunswick, N.J., 2,369.
463, Ricky LaRue, Tuscaloosa, Ala., 2,248.
464, Nicholas Vieta, Portage, Mich., 2,162.
465, Jonathan Burke, Wappingers Falls, N.Y., withdrew.
466, Atef Darghali, Warren, Mich., withdrew.
467, Ed Rabbitt, South Norwalk, Conn., withdrew.
468, Neil Senkowsky, Worton, Md., withdrew.

300 Games: Stuart Williams, Devin Golden, Matt O'Grady, Chris Barnes.

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RASH TAKES SECOND-ROUND LEAD AT USBC MASTERS

NORTH BRUNSWICK, N.J. – Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., surged to the top of the leader board Wednesday after two rounds of qualifying at the 2013 United States Bowling Congress Masters.

The 2007 Masters champion has a 10-game pinfall total of 2,381 (238.1 average) to lead a field of 468 of the top bowlers in the world at Brunswick Zone Carolier. The Masters, which features a total prize fund of \$325,000, will conclude with the live ESPN finals on Sunday at 3 p.m. Eastern.

Rash put together his second consecutive strong day to start the Masters. After firing 1,218 in Tuesday's opening round, Rash came back with 1,163 in the second round. He closed out Wednesday's block with games of 233 and 259 to take the lead.

"The pattern is starting to get flatter and with that the lanes are going to get tougher," said Rash, who is the reigning Professional Bowlers Association Player of the Year. "Shot making becomes important and spare shooting becomes important. I had a great game plan from practice, I bowled good yesterday and had another good block today."

With one more round of qualifying to go Thursday, Rash said he will try to gather as much information as possible before the Masters heads to match play.

"I get to bowl on fresh (oil) tomorrow again and most of match play is going to be on fresh," Rash said. "I want to know as much as possible, and I'm still trying to learn. Tomorrow's a different day with different ball motions and following different people. I still have to make great shots and fill frames."

Finland's Osku Palermaa, who had a share of the lead after the first round, sits in second place with 2,376. Hall of Famer Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., sits in third with 2,344, while Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla., is fourth with 2,326.

All competitors will bowl 15 games of qualifying over three days before the field is cut to the top 63 plus defending champion Mike Fagan of Dallas for the double-elimination match-play bracket starting Friday.

The top five players at the conclusion of the bracket competition will compete in the live two-hour championship round on ESPN.

The Masters, which features a first-place prize of \$50,000, is a major event on the PBA Tour and is part of the World Tenpin Bowling Association World Bowling Tour for the third consecutive season.

All qualifying and match play rounds of the Masters are being covered live on Xtra Frame, the PBA's online bowling channel. For subscription information, visit pba.com.

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At Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.J.

Wednesday's Results

QUALIFYING – ROUND 2

(10 games)

- 1, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 2,381.
- 2, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 2,376.
- 3, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 2,344.
- 4, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2,326.
- 5, Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 2,318.
- 6, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 2,314.
- 7, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 2,305.
- 8, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 2,298.
- 9, Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 2,288.
- 10, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 2,284.
- 11, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 2,281.
- 12, Michael Haugen Jr., Phoenix, 2,279.
- 13, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 2,277.
- 14, Brian LeClair, Albany, N.Y., 2,273.
- 15, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 2,271.
- 16, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 2,268.
- 17, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 2,263.
- 18, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 2,262.
- 19, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 2,260.
- 20, Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., 2,257.
- 20, Allen Rice II, Salem, Ala., 2,257.
- 22, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 2,255.
- 23, Mike Moore, Orlando, Fla., 2,254.
- 24, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 2,244.
- 25, Matt McNiel, Prior Lake, Minn., 2,238.
- 26, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 2,236.
- 26, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 2,236.
- 28, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 2,233.
- 28, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 2,233.
- 30, Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 2,224.

31, Devin Golden, Coopersburg, Pa., 2,216.
 31, Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., 2,216.
 33, Shigeo Saitoh, Japan, 2,211.
 33, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 2,211.
 35, Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 2,210.
 35, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 2,210.
 37, Walter McKnight, Brick, N.J., 2,206.
 38, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 2,204.
 39, Jeff Kubasak, Staten Island, N.Y., 2,201.
 40, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,199.
 41, Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 2,194.
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 43, Manuel Otalora, Colombia, 2,193.
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 65, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 2,147.
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 74, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 2,124.
 75, Geoffrey Young, Bel Aire, Kan., 2,123.
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Fagan's 10th-frame spare, strike enough to pull out two-pin victory

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – Motown Muscle anchor bowler Mike Fagan's nine-count spare and strike in the 10th frame was just enough to salvage a 195-193 victory for hometown favorite Jerome Bettis' team in the Professional Bowlers Association League's Mark Roth round at Thunderbowl Lanes, preventing the New York City WTT KingPins from winning back to back titles.

The PBA League Mark Roth round, and the Mark Roth Classic title match, aired Sunday on ESPN.

In the PBA League final match, the KingPins' Tommy Jones, Pete Weber and anchor bowler Scott Norton put together a string of three strikes to help their team take a one-pin lead after seven frames. After trading open-frame splits in the eighth frame and strikes in the ninth, the match came down to Fagan vs. Norton in the 10th frame.

Fagan's inability to strike on his first shot gave Norton an opening. Needing a strike on his first shot for the win, Norton left a 3 pin, handing Motown 12 points in the PBA League Elias Cup race. The KingPins earned nine Elias Cup points as runners-up.

"It was good TV," Fagan grinned of his team's close call. "I was hoping for a little better performance, but I got what I needed when it counted. I figured I'd take the responsibility (of bowling anchor). I feel good on these lanes. I've got a good ball reaction, but maybe I was a little over-aggressive.

"Getting 12 (Elias Cup) points is big. We lost our first match in the Salvino round, but we're getting a little more comfortable with the TV set and the atmosphere, so we think we can make a run for the Cup."

After a sluggish start in the semifinal match, the KingPins' Jones, Weber and Norton also combined for a string of three strikes to clinch a 211-162 victory over Kevin Hart's Philadelphia Hitmen. The KingPins got help from three Hitmen open frames and they advanced to their second straight title match.

In the opening match, consecutive strikes by Philadelphia's Mike DeVaney, Bill O'Neill and Mika Koivuniemi, combined with back-to-back opens in the ninth and 10th frames by Jesse Williams' BROOKLYN STyLES were keys to the Hitmen's 214-176 victory. DeVaney got the Hitmen into the stepladder finals by surviving the Clash eliminator round.

Next Sunday, ESPN will air the two-hour live finals of the United States Bowling Congress Masters from Brunswick Zone Carolier in North Brunswick, N.J., starting at 3 p.m. ET.

PBA League coverage continues on Sunday, March 3 at 3 p.m. ET with the title match of the Don Carter Classic between top qualifier Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, and challenger Jason Sterner of McDonough, Ga., and the PBA League Carter round featuring the BROOKLYN STyLES, the New York City WTT KingPins, Chris Hardwick's Silver Lake Atom Splitters and the team that advances from the Clash eliminator round.

PBA LEAGUE MARK ROTH ROUND
Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Final Match (five-player Baker team format)

Motown Muscle (Ronnie Russell, Jesse Buss, Tom Smallwood, Mike Scroggins, Mike Fagan) def. New York City WTT KingPins (John Szczerbinski, Jack Jurek, Tommy Jones, Pete Weber, Scott Norton), 195-193.

Semifinal Match (Baker team)

New York City WTT KingPins def. Philadelphia Hitmen (Chris Loschetter, Dick Allen, Mike DeVaney, Bill O'Neill, Mika Koivuniemi), 211-162.

Match One (Baker team)

Philadelphia Hitmen def. BROOKLYN STyLES (Walter Ray Williams Jr., Jason Sterner, Ryan Shafer, Ryan Ciminelli, Sean Rash), 214-176.

Clash Eliminator (in order of players eliminated based on low one-ball total per round; last surviving player's team advanced to stepladder finals):

Round One – Chris Loschetter, Philadelphia Hitmen, six pins.

Round Two – Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen, eight pins.

Round Three – Nathan Bohr, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, eight pins.

Round Four – Michael Machuga, Dallas Strikers; Mika Koivuniemi, Philadelphia Hitmen; Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, nine pins.

Round Five – none (all strikes).

Round Six – Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits; Parker Bohn III, L.A. X; Rhino Page, Dallas Strikers, six pins.

Round Seven – Mike DeVaney, Philadelphia Hitmen, eliminated Dom Barrett, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 10-9.

ELIAS CUP POINTS STANDINGS (after three of five rounds)

1, New York City WTT KingPins, 32.

2, Motown Muscle, 27.

3, BROOKLYN STyLES, 25.

4, Philadelphia Hitmen, 17.

5, Dallas Strikers, 16.

6, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 13.

7, L.A. X, 11.

8, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 4.

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Michael Haugen Jr. Wins Third Career Title in PBA Mark Roth Classic

Back-to-back "Big Four" splits doom Norton's chances

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – Michael Haugen Jr. of Carefree, Ariz., was a man on a mission, and survived a battle that wasn't resolved until the final frame in defeating Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., 215-194, to win his third Professional Bowlers Association Tour title in the Mark Roth Classic at Thunderbowl Lanes.

The Mark Roth Classic title match, and the PBA League Mark Roth round finals, aired Sunday on ESPN.

Haugen, 46, won both of his previous PBA titles in 2008, but came into the 2012-13 season without the support of a bowling ball company sponsor and felt snubbed because he wasn't one of the 48 players selected to participate in the new PBA League. He vowed it would take 10 quality shots by Norton to beat him for the Roth title, and Norton fell short, leaving back-to-back 4-6-7-10 splits in the ninth and 10th frames which turned a tight battle into an easy win for Haugen.

"Being able to stay in the moment and make the shot you need to make is very rewarding, and I was able to do that today," Haugen said. "Scott and I both felt there wasn't going to be a 250 game on those conditions, so it was a matter of staying clean. I was just very fortunate today that Scott got a couple of bad breaks. You never expect a guy that talented to make shots like that."

Being overlooked in the inaugural PBA League draft also provided incentive for Haugen.

"I've been at this (PBA competition) for 14 years. I've made a TV show every year, and done ok in stats, but I didn't get picked," he said. "I don't know why, but that was motivation for me, too. It feels really good."

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PBA MARK ROTH CLASSIC

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Championship

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Barbasol to Sponsor PBA Tournament of Champions

PBA Tour's signature event set for March 27-31 at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis

SEATTLE (Feb. 15, 2013) – Barbasol, a men's shaving product with a heritage as rich and enduring as the Professional Bowlers Association itself, has been retained as titled sponsor for the Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions which will be held in the city where Barbasol was invented – Indianapolis.

The Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions is scheduled for March 27-31 at Woodland Bowl, and will conclude with a two-hour live stepladder final on ESPN on Sunday, March 31, at 2:30 p.m. ET.

Barbasol, invented by MIT professor Frank Shields in 1919, was the first men's shaving cream that did not have to be worked into a lather by hand. Since its introduction, Barbasol has gone through many refinements and versions, but remains one of the world's most popular shaving creams, easily identified by its red-and-white striped can – designed to mimic a barber's pole.

"We are very excited and proud to continue our partnership with the PBA," said Dustin Abels, Vice President-Business Development. "Barbasol's rich legacy of sports sponsorships and strong American heritage are a great fit with the PBA and its loyal fan base."

Owned by Dublin, Ohio-based Perio, Inc., Barbasol has been involved in sponsorships with the Professional Golf Association, National Basketball Association, and Major League Soccer, as well as numerous movie and television placements. During its formative years, product spokesmen included baseball legends Babe Ruth, Rogers Hornsby and Notre Dame coach Knute Rockne.

"Barbasol's longevity and rich history align perfectly with the traditions and history of the PBA Tournament of Champions," said PBA CEO Geoff Reiss. "The fact that the product was created in Indianapolis, a city that has hosted dozens of major PBA championships, makes this new partnership even more special."

The Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions will return to its traditional roots this year, featuring an elite field of 48 PBA Tour champions (plus any past TOC champions who elect to participate).

The 2013 Tournament of Champions will get underway on Wednesday, March 27, with two eight-game qualifying rounds. After a third eight-game round on Thursday, the top 24 players will advance to eight-game match play rounds Thursday evening and Friday. The top five after 48 games advance to Sunday's ESPN finals.

A pro-am program and the PBA Hall of Fame induction dinner, honoring newly-elected hall of famers Doug Kent and Danny Wiseman, will highlight Saturday's schedule.

PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, will provide live coverage of all activities leading up to the ESPN finals. For Xtra Frame subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

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FAGAN LOOKS TO ACCOMPLISH RARE FEAT AT USBC MASTERS

ARLINGTON, Texas – Some of the greatest players to ever throw a bowling ball have won the United States Bowling Congress Masters over the years, but it's been nearly five decades since a player has successfully defended his title.

This year, that daunting task belongs to Mike Fagan of Dallas. The 32-year-old won his first major title last year when he defeated Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, 246-213, to take the Masters title at Sunset Station's Strike Zone Bowling Center in Henderson, Nev.

More than 410 of the world's top amateur and professional bowlers will look to dethrone Fagan when the 63rd USBC Masters takes place next week at Brunswick Zone Carolier in North Brunswick, N.J.

"The Masters is tough to win because of the format and being a dominant player in that environment is extremely tough," Fagan said. "But if the lanes are as challenging as they have been in the past for the Masters, then I like my chances. I'm on my game right now and feeling good."

Should Fagan find the trophy in his arms again this year, he would become the first player to successfully defend his title since Belly Welu hoisted the trophy in 1965. Dick Hoover won consecutive titles in 1956 and 1957.

One advantage for Fagan is that he automatically makes the 64-player double-elimination match-play bracket as the defending champion. He will bowl qualifying to try to earn the highest seeding position possible.

"I'm definitely not upset that I get to be in the bracket already," Fagan said. "The fact that there are so many entries pouring in means it could be tough just to make the bracket. Making that cut is one less thing off my mind and it allows me to focus more on strategy."

The Masters will have some minor format changes this year, allowing all players to bowl 15 qualifying games (instead of 10 games in previous years, with only the cashers bowling 15 games). After 15 games, the top 63 players will join Fagan in the unique three-game, double-elimination match-play bracket.

The top five players at the conclusion of the bracket competition will compete in the live two-hour championship round on ESPN on Sunday, Feb. 24, at 3 p.m. ET.

To accommodate the change from four to five players making the television show, the final match in the Masters elimination bracket will consist of four players battling for the final three spots on the show. The four players will bowl one three-game match on the same pair of lanes on Saturday afternoon with the high score earning the No. 3 seed, the second high score No. 4 and third high score No. 5. The lowest scoring player will be eliminated.

The top two seeds on the TV finals will be awarded to the final two players in the winners bracket who then will bowl a three-game match to determine the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds.

The Masters, which features a first-place prize of \$50,000 and a total prize fund of at least \$300,000, is a major event on the Professional Bowlers Association Tour and is part of the World Tenpin Bowling Association World Bowling Tour for the third consecutive season.

For more information on the Masters, visit BOWL.com/Masters.

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2013 USBC MASTERS

At Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, N.J.

SCHEDULE

(All times Eastern)

Monday, Feb. 18

10:30-11:45 a.m. – Practice session (players with last names A-K)

1:15-2:30 p.m. – Practice session (players with last names L-Z)

Tuesday, Feb. 19

8 a.m. – Round 1, 5 qualifying games (Squad A)

Noon – Round 1, 5 qualifying games (Squad B)

5 p.m. – Round 1, 5 qualifying games (Squad C)

Wednesday, Feb. 20

8 a.m. – Round 2, 5 qualifying games (Squad B)

Noon – Round 2, 5 qualifying games (Squad C)

5 p.m. – Round 2, 5 qualifying games (Squad A)

Thursday, Feb. 21

8 a.m. – Round 3, 5 qualifying games (Squad C)

Noon – Round 3, 5 qualifying games (Squad A)

5 p.m. – Round 3, 5 qualifying games (Squad B)

(Top 63 players and defending champion Mike Fagan advance to three-game, double-elimination match-play bracket)

Friday, Feb. 22

9 a.m. – Double-elimination match play, three games total pinfall (five rounds)

Saturday, Feb. 23

9 a.m. – Double-elimination match play, three games total pinfall (two rounds)

1:30 p.m. – Winners bracket final match (two surviving undefeated players, three games to determine No. 1 and No. 2 seeds for ESPN stepladder finals)

2:45 p.m. – Three-game match, final four losers bracket survivors (top three players advance to ESPN stepladder finals as No. 3, No. 4 and No. 5 seeds based upon pinfall totals)

Sunday, Feb. 24

3 p.m. – Five players, ESPN stepladder finals (live)

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Andres Gomez Wins Back-to-Back PBA Carmen Salvino Classic Titles

Native Colombian denies Archer's bid for first PBA Tour title

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – Colombia native Andres Gomez, who won his first Professional Bowlers Association Tour title in the 2012 Carmen Salvino Classic at age 38, successfully defended his title with a 246-197 victory over top qualifier D.J. Archer of Friendswood, Texas, at Thunderbowl Lanes.

The Salvino Classic, conducted during the PBA Detroit Winter Swing, aired Sunday on ESPN.

Gomez, a long-time international competitor before deciding to become a full-time PBA Tour competitor, started the title match with six strikes and was never seriously challenged in winning his second career PBA Tour title.

"It's incredible," Gomez said. "I knew it was going to be a tough match, but I started striking and that was it.

"I don't know if the second title feels better than the first," he added. "Everyone says winning the first title is the toughest. I bowled against one of the best in the world (Wes Malott) to win the first time, but this one – because there were only two spots just to get to the TV shows – was very tough as well."

Archer, who made his second career television appearance, has never won a PBA Tour title. His best previous finish was fourth in the 2004 United States Bowling Congress Masters.

Next Sunday's 3 p.m. ET ESPN telecast will feature the Mark Roth Classic title match between top qualifiers Michael Haugen Jr. of Carefree, Ariz., and Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif.

PBA CARMEN SALVINO CLASSIC

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Championship

Andres Gomez, Colombia (\$15,000) def. D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas (\$7,500), 246-197.

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New York City WTT KingPins Win PBA League Carmen Salvino Round

Consecutive strikes by Jones, Weber and Norton topple Philadelphia Hitmen

ALLEN PARK, Mich. – Behind consecutive strikes by Tommy Jones, Pete Weber and Scott Norton, Billie Jean King's New York City WTT KingPins defeated the top qualifying team, Kevin Hart's Philadelphia Hitmen, 222-198, to win the PBA League Carmen Salvino round at Thunderbowl Lanes.

The second of five rounds of PBA League competition aired Sunday on ESPN.

With their win in the Salvino round, the KingPins (John Szczerbinski, Jack Jurek, Jones, Weber and Norton) earned 12 points toward the Elias Cup finals, which will be held March 31 at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis. After two events, the KingPins lead Jesse Williams' BROOKLYN STyLES in the points race, 24-20.

"This was a blast for me," Weber, the KingPins' franchise player, said. "There was no choice but to have Scott (Norton) bowl anchor. He was the hottest bowler in the building during the Detroit Winter Swing. And I wanted John (Szczerbinski) to lead off because he's that good. He showed us where we needed to throw the ball and that's what we fed off of."

Szczerbinski is an experienced team competitor as a Team USA member and a former collegiate All-American at Wichita State.

In the semifinal match, Jurek, Jones, Weber and Norton put together a string of four strikes which helped the KingPins topple the hometown-favorite Motown Muscle, 225-192.

In the opening match, Norton struck in the fifth frame and three times in the 10th to lock up a 223-191 win over Terrell Owens' Dallas Strikers. The Strikers, who finished eighth in the Salvino qualifying round, earned their berth in the stepladder finals when Rhino Page out-last-ed a field of 11 in the Clash eliminator, where each player threw one ball and the lowest scoring player was eliminated until only one player remained. Page nipped the Silver Lake Atom Splitters' Chris Barnes, 10-9, in the final round to win the elimination event.

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PBA LEAGUE CARMEN SALVINO ROUND

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Final Match (five-player Baker team format)

New York City WTT KingPins (John Szczerbinski, Jack Jurek, Tommy Jones, Pete Weber, Scott Norton) def. Philadelphia Hitmen (Chris Loschetter, Dick Allen, Mike DeVaney, Bill O'Neill, Mika Koivuniemi), 222-198.

Semifinal Match (Baker team)

New York City WTT KingPins def. Motown Muscle (Ronnie Russell, Jesse Buss, Tom Smallwood, Mike Scroggins, Mike Fagan), 225-192.

Match One (Baker team)

New York City WTT KingPins def. Dallas Strikers (Bryon Smith, Norm Duke, Amleto Monacelli, Mike Machuga, Rhino Page), 223-191.

Clash Eliminator (in order of players eliminated based on low one-ball total per round; last surviving player's team advanced to stepladder finals):

Round One – Andres Gomez, L.A. X, six pins.

Round Two – Parker Bohn III, L.A. X, seven pins.

Round Three – Dom Barrett, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, and Jason Belmonte, L.A. X, nine pins.

Round Four – Wes Malott, L.A. X, six pins.

Round Five – Walter Ray Williams Jr., BROOKLYN STyLES, nine pins.

Round Six – none (all strikes).

Round Seven - Sean Rash, BROOKLYN STyLES; Dan MacLelland, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, and Stuart Williams, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, nine pins.

Round Eight – Rhino Page, Dallas Strikers, eliminated Chris Barnes, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 10-9.

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1, New York City WTT KingPins, 24.

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PBA Bowling Challenge Tops One Million Google Play Installs

New version of PBA bowling game for mobile devices soars to No. 1 free sports game

SEATTLE (Feb. 6, 2013) – In only two weeks after its debut on Google Play, the PBA Bowling Challenge sports game has surpassed one million installs on mobile devices, topping highly-successful games such as Tiger Woods Golf and Madden NFL, Concrete Software CEO Keith Pichelman has announced.

Currently available live exclusively on Google Play, the newest version of PBA Bowling Challenge features improved graphics, updated physics, and a robust tournament system. With more bowling balls, venues and PBA stars than previous titles, PBA Bowling Challenge expands on every aspect of game content while still retaining core elements that fans of the franchise have come to expect.

Since its debut on Jan. 15, the newly-improved PBA game hit 1,017,900 installs on Jan. 31 to become the No. 1 free sports game on Google Play and the No. 1 top grossing sports game.

The game's "approval rating" also came in at 4.6 out of a possible 5, "the highest we've seen of all of our games," Pichelman said. He also noted that the typical PBA Bowling Challenge player visiting Google Play through the banner ad on pba.com plays the game 40 percent longer than the average user, and players play an average of 49 game sessions, far surpassing the average of seven game sessions for other products.

"We have been thrilled with the fantastic response we've received from the launch of PBA Bowling Challenge," Pichelman added. "People love the many tournaments to choose from and playing against real PBA players. Teaming with the PBA again has been a great experience. We are happy the game meets the high expectations of the PBA brand."

Pichelman also said that while the current game runs on Android devices only on Google Play, the next launch will be via Amazon (for Android devices and the Kindle Fire) followed by Barnes & Noble (for the Nook tablets). A launch for iOS devices is still "a couple of months away" and Concrete is evaluating rollouts to other platforms such as Windows Phone, BlackBerry 10 and others.

To order the PBA game in a version to fit your mobile device, visit play.google.com and enter "PBA Bowling Challenge" in the search bar.

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Michael Haugen Jr. to Face Scott Norton for PBA Mark Roth Classic Title

Smallwood helps Motown Muscle claim top team berth in PBA League qualifying round

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Jan. 23, 2013) – Michael Haugen Jr. of Carefree, Ariz., who won both of his Professional Bowlers Association Tour titles in 2008, will get a chance to end his nearly five-year dry spell when he meets Scott Norton of Mission Viejo, Calif., in the Mark Roth Classic championship match.

Haugen, after qualifying for the Roth Classic match play finals in fifth place earlier Wednesday at Thunderbowl Lanes in Detroit, won seven of his nine match games, tied another, and averaged 241.94 over a span of 17 games to finish with 4,338 total pins, 114 pins ahead of Norton. Norton, who won his second career title earlier this season in the PBA Chameleon Open, overtook reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., by 32 pins in the final game.

"It's been too long. There are two guys on the show and 135 guys who tried to get there, so the odds weren't too good," Haugen said. "I didn't bowl well Tuesday. Today I made some changes, and I did what I needed to do. It's been too long. You don't forget how to win, but we'll see what happens. If (Norton) beats me, it's not going to be because I gave him the title. He's going to have to earn it.

"I came out this year as a free agent (without a bowling ball manufacturers' contract), but to be honest, the most motivation I had was not getting drafted in the PBA League. I had the credentials; I can bowl in this building, but for whatever reason, I got overlooked, so the best way to show them was to get on the television show. That was my plan.

"It's very difficult to be one of two guys to make it to television, but I've gotta tell you, it feels sweet."

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PBA MARK ROTH CLASSIC

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Jan. 23

Final Match Play Standings (after 17 games, including match play bonus pins; top two advance to championship match)

- 1, Michael Haugen Jr., Carefree, Ariz., 7-1-1, 4,338.
- 2, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 7-2, 4,224.

Other Match Play Cashers:

- 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 4-5, 4,192, \$6,000.
- 4, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 5-4, 4,125, \$4,500.
- 5, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, 4-4-1, 4,065, \$4,000.
- 6, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 4-4-1, 4,056, \$3,500.
- 7, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 6-3, 4,017, \$3,000.
- 8, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 4-4-1, 4,012, \$2,500.
- 9, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-5-1, 3,984, \$2,200.
- 10, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 2-6-1, 3,972, \$2,000.
- 11, Dom Barrett, England, 4-3-2, 3,971, \$1,900.
- 12, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 5-4, 3,968, \$1,800.
- 13, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3-6, 3,951, \$1,800.
- 14, Ronnie Sparks JR, Ecorse, Mich., 4-5, 3,944, \$1,600.
- 15, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 2-7, 3,927, \$1,650.
- 16, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 4-5, 3,788, \$1,500.

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- 26, Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 3,554.
- 27, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3,545.
- 28, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 3,544.
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- 30, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 3,538.
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 5, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, Silver Lake, Calif. (owner Chris Hardwick), 17,615.
 6, L.A. X., Los Angeles (owner Chris Paul), 17,555.
 7, Dallas Strikers, Dallas (owner Terrell Owens), 17,397.
 8, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, Pittsburgh, Pa. (owner LaMarr Woodley), 17,341.

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Smallwood Helps Motown Muscle Top Roth PBA League Qualifying Round

BROOKLYN STyLES team leader Sean Rash leads top 16 Mark Roth Classic qualifiers into match play

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Jan. 23, 2013) – Michigan native Tom Smallwood, who launched his Professional Bowlers Association career at Thunderbowl Lanes in 2009, helped his Motown Muscle team claim the top stepladder position in the Mark Roth PBA League qualifying round Wednesday.

Smallwood, a Saginaw resident who lost his job at General Motors during the auto industry's economic downturn in 2009 and turned his unemployed status into a victory in the PBA World Championship later that same season, averaged 232.25 for an eight-game total of 1,858 pins to help the Motown Muscle team – owned by Detroit native and former Pittsburgh Steelers star running back Jerome Bettis – to the No. 1 berth in the Mark Roth round stepladder finals by 182 pins over Billie Jean King's New York City WTT KingPins. The BROOKLYN STyLES, owned by actor Jesse Williams, and led by Mark Roth Classic qualifying leader Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., locked up the third team stepladder berth with 8,991 pins.

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"The PBA League is a good concept," Smallwood said. "The players are still a little up in the air about it because it's so new, but it's a cool concept. It'll make for good TV. Actually, I feel more pressure bowling for the team than myself because you don't want to let your team down."

Smallwood, now 35, began chasing his bowling dream in 2009 after being laid off at GM. He decided to enter the PBA's "exempt tour" qualifying tournament at Thunderbowl, won a chance to bowl full-time on tour during the 2009-10 season, and turned that opportunity into a major championship with a \$50,000 payday. A year later, he finished second in the PBA Tournament of Champions, earning another \$100,000. Since becoming a full-time professional bowler in 2009, Smallwood has earned nearly \$300,000 in PBA Tour competition.

"It's nice to come back here," he said of returning to Thunderbowl. "If we had 40-50 tournaments a year here, I'd make a great living. It's almost like home for me. It's really nice to have a big crowd behind."

In addition to Smallwood, Motown Muscle team leader Mike Fagan contributed 1,770 pins to the team total while Mike Scroggins added 1,888, Ronnie Russell 1,827 and Jesse Buss 1,875, including one of the two 300 games bowled in the qualifying round.

Rash, the PBA's reigning Player of the Year, led the field of 16 players who advanced to the Mark Roth Classic match play finals Wednesday night, bowling at a 253.63 pace for a 2,029 total and a 108-pin lead over Finnish-American star Mika Koivuniemi, who makes his home in nearby Hartland, Mich. After nine games of round robin match play, the top two players after 17 games will advance to the Mark Roth Classic championship match.

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- 12, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,852.
- 13, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 1,843.
- 14, Dom Barrett, England, 1,840.
- 15, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 1,834.
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Failed to Cash:

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34, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,794.
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36, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 1,791.
37, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,786.
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39, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 1,780.
40, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,777.
41, Justin Neiman, Warren, Mich., 1,775.
42, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala, 1,772.
43, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,771.
44, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 1,770.
45, Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 1,769.
46, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,766.
46, Joe Ciccone, Buffalo, N.Y., 1,766.
48, Rick Graham, Lancaster, Pa., 1,763.
49, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,756.
50, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 1,752.
51, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 1,749.
52, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 1,748.
53, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,742.
54, Corey Miller, Grand Blanc, Mich, 1,740.
55 (tie), Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., and Jesse Smith, Garfield Heights, Ohio, 1,736.
57, Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,728.
58, Martin Larsen, Sweden, 1,727.
59 (tie), Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., and Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,723.
61, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,721.
62, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 1,715.
63 (tie), Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., and Mason Brantley, Detroit, 1,714.
65 (tie), Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, and Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.V., 1,710.
67, Kirby Allen, Ironton, Ohio, 1,708.
68, Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 1,706.
69, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 1,704.
70, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 1,700.
71 (tie), Bob Learn Jr., Macomb, Mich., and Sean Swanson, Springfield, Mo., 1,696.
73 (tie), Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., and John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,695.
75, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,694.
76, Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 1,693.
77, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 1,681.
78, Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 1,678.
79 (tie), Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., and Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,675.
81 (tie), Michael Stocks, Leesburg, Va.; Jim Pratt, Glendale, Ariz.; Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., and Kevin Brophy, Oakhurst, N.J., 1,672.
85, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 1,671.
86, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,669.

- 87, Jeff Roche, Dearborn, Mich., 1,668.
- 88, Jeffrey Edwards, Sterling Heights, Mich., 1,664.
- 89, Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 1,663.
- 90, Christopher Colosimo, Elkhorn, Wis., 1,660.
- 91, Chad Reiffer, Kentwood, Mich., 1,659.
- 92, Keith Caldwell, Detroit, 1,655.
- 93, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 1,646.
- 94, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 1,641.
- 95 (tie), David Tullos, Spring, Texas, and Dan MacLelland, Canada, 1,637.
- 97, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 1,633.
- 98, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 1,632.
- 99, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,631.
- 100, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,629.
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- 104, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,619.
- 105, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 1,616.
- 106, Ryan Appel, Cinnaminson, N.J., 1,614.
- 107, Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., 1,611.
- 108, Tyler Wilds, Three Rivers, Mich., 1,610.
- 109, Jerry Sikora, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., 1,594.
- 110, Stuart Williams, England, 1,590.
- 111, J.T. "Action" Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,584.
- 112, Michael Calhoun, Wyandotte, Mich., 1,582.
- 113, Tony Campagna Jr., Hendersonville, Tenn., 1,575.
- 114, BJ Satkowski, Jackson, Mich, 1,567.
- 115, Josh Lewis, Asheville, N.C., 1,566.
- 116, Justin Stevens, Aiea, Hawaii, 1,565.
- 117, Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 1,564.
- 118, Jonathan Russell, Rockwood, Tenn., 1,561.
- 119, Phillip Vallar, Southgate, Mich., 1,560.
- 120, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,559.
- 121, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 1,550.
- 122, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,541.
- 123, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 1,531.
- 124, Andrew Horodecki, Norcross, Ga., 1,528.
- 125, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 1,526.
- 126, Diandra Asbaty, Chicago, 1,524.
- 127, Nick Kokenos, St. Clair Shores, Mich., 1,521.
- 128, David Shinn, West Columbia, S.C., 1,505.
- 129, Kasey Normandin, Canada, 1,497.
- 130, Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 1,484.
- 131, Kenneth Bland Jr., Germany, 1,449.
- 132, Dustin Baker, Melbourne, Ky, 1,402.
- 133, Mitch Beasley, Nashville, Tenn., withdrew.
- 134, Gradie Merritt-Foster, Park Forest, Ill., withdrew.

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Philadelphia Hitmen Top Inaugural Qualifying Round as PBA League Makes Debut

D.J. Archer to bowl defending champ Andres Gomez in quest for first title in Carmen Salvino Classic

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Jan. 22, 2013) – D.J. Archer of Friendswood, Texas, will bowl defending champion Andres Gomez of Colombia in his quest for his first Professional Bowlers Association Tour title in the Carmen Salvino Classic finals Saturday at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Archer, a 32-year-old former West Texas A&M collegiate star, assured himself of his highest finish in a PBA Tour event when he led the field in the match play finals of the Salvino Classic Tuesday night, posting a 5-1-3 match play record and a 17-game total of 4,381 pins, 76 ahead of Gomez. Gomez, who started match play in eighth place, won his only PBA Tour title in the 2012 Carmen Salvino Classic in Las Vegas.

Earlier Tuesday, in the opening event of the multi-tournament PBA Detroit Winter Swing, Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., helped his Philadelphia Hitmen team earn the top qualifying position in the inaugural round of PBA League competition.

The Detroit Winter Swing features a unique PBA competition, with the field of 135 players competing for individual titles while eight teams of five players each also are using their qualifying scores to help their teams qualify in PBA League competition.

Archer averaged 246.24 for 17 games Tuesday to earn the top qualifying position in the Salvino Classic finals. His previous best PBA Tour finish was fourth place in the 2004 United States Bowling Congress Masters in his only prior PBA television appearance.

"It's kind of a monkey off my back, but it's been so long since my first TV show, I'm just very excited," Archer said. "Hopefully the outcome will be a lot better than it was before."

"With only two people making a show, the odds are kind of like winning the lottery. It's something I've been working toward. I'd like to win. I absolutely never gave up the dream."

"I'll keep bowling until it's no fun anymore," he added. "I love the game, I love the challenges, I love to compete, so adding a win would be excellent."

The Salvino Classic title match will conclude the ESPN telecast that will include the Salvino PBA League stepladder finals. The finals will be conducted Saturday at Thunderbowl at noon ET for delayed telecast on ESPN on Sunday, Feb. 10, at 1 p.m. ET.

During Tuesday's afternoon qualifying round, O'Neill led his balanced five-player Philadelphia Hitmen team – owned by actor/comedian Kevin Hart) – into the top position for the PBA League stepladder finals that will precede the Salvino Classic championship match Saturday. The Hitmen finished with a combined total of 9,094 pins to earn the top berth by 123 pins over the Motown Muscle, owned by Detroit native and former Pittsburgh Steelers star Jerome Bettis. Billie Jean King's New York City WTT KingPins clinched the No. 3 berth in the stepladder finals. The other five teams will bowl a one-ball "Clash Match" eliminator round to determine the fourth berth in the stepladder finals.

O'Neill, who posted an eight-game total of 1,915 pins, got help from Hitmen teammates Mika Koivuniemi (1,817), Chris Loschetter (1,797), Mike DeVaney (1,845) and Dick Allen (1,720).

"It was way different than bowling other PBA events," O'Neill said. "I bowled a couple of pairs away from (Hitmen teammates Mike) DeVaney and (Dick) Allen, so I was kind of watching them. We're bowling against each other for the Salvino title, but I'm still cheering for them. We want to win the team thing. That would be awesome."

The Salvino Classic finals and PBA League stepladder matches will be contested on Saturday at noon ET at Thunderbowl.

The Detroit Winter Swing continues Wednesday at Thunderbowl Lanes with qualifying and match play rounds in the Mark Roth Classic along with the second day of PBA League competition.

All preliminary rounds of Winter Swing competition are being covered live, exclusively on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. To subscribe to Xtra Frame, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA CARMEN SALVINO CLASSIC

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Jan. 22

Final Match Play Standings (after 17 games, including match play bonus pins; top two advance to championship match)

- 1, D.J. Archer, Friendswood, Texas, 5-1-3, 4,381.
- 2, Andres Gomez, Colombia, 6-2-1, 4,305.

Other Match Play Cashers:

- 3, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 5-3-1, 4,240, \$6,000.
- 4, Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif., 6-2-1, 4,213, \$4,500.
- 5, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6-3, 4,173, \$4,000.
- 6, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 5-4, 4,133, \$3,500.
- 7, Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 5-3-1, 4,110, \$3,000.
- 8, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 5-4, 4,056, \$2,500.
- 9, Scott Norton, Mission Viejo, Calif., 4-4-1, 4,052, \$2,200.
- 10, Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla., 2-4-3, 4,026, \$2,000.
- 11, Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind., 3-5-1, 3,957, \$1,900.
- 12, Scott Newell, Deland, Fla., 5-4, 3,900, \$1,800.
- 13, Frankie Calca, Elmont, N.Y., 4-5, 3,854, \$1,700.
- 14, Michael Machuga, Erie, Pa., 2-7, 3,825, \$1,600.
- 15, Tyler Wilds, Three Rivers, Mich., 2-7, 3,750, \$1,550.
- 16, Lee Vanderhoef, Greenville, S.C., 1-8, 3,667, \$1,500.

Other Cashers (after 8 games):

- 17, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, 1,817, \$1,000.

- 18, Mason Brantley, Detroit, 1,808, \$950.
- 19, Dom Barrett, England, 1,806, \$900.
- 20, Brett Spangler, Niles, Ohio, 1,805, \$850.
- 21, Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y., 1,801, \$820.
- 22, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, 1,797, \$800.
- 23 (tie), Jim Pratt, Glendale, Ariz., and Kyle Bigelow, Troy, Ohio, 1,796, \$785.
- 25, Stuart Williams, England, 1,790, \$770.
- 26, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 1,789, \$760.
- 27, Joe Paluszek, Bensalem, Pa., 1,786, \$750.
- 28, Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill., 1,784, \$740.
- 29, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,783, \$730.
- 30, Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev., 1,782, \$720.
- 31, Gregory Thompson Jr., Dublin, Calif., 1,781, \$710.
- 32, Craig Nidiffer, Trenton, Mich., 1,779, \$700.

Failed to Cash:

- 33, Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 1,768.
- 34 (tie), Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., and Jeffrey Edwards, Sterling Heights, Mich., 1,767.
- 36 (tie), Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., and Mike Fagan, Dallas, 1,764.
- 38 (tie), Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan.; Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., and Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 1,763.
- 41, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 1,758.
- 42, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 1,756.
- 43, Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 1,750.
- 44, Sean Swanson, Springfield, Mo., 1,747.
- 45, B.J. Moore II, Apex, N.C., 1,746.
- 46, David Haynes, Las Vegas, 1,740.
- 47, Harry Sullins, Chesterfield Twp., Mich., 1,734.
- 48, Nick Kokenos, St. Clair Shores, Mich., 1,730.
- 49, Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 1,726.
- 50 (tie), Joe Ciccone, Buffalo, N.Y., and Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., 1,725.
- 52 (tie), Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, and Randy Weiss, Columbia, S.C., 1,723.
- 54, Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., 1,720.
- 55 (tie), Kevin Brophy, Oakhurst, N.J.; Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz., and E.J. Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,718.
- 58, Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela, 1,713.
- 59, Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio, 1,709.
- 60, Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,708.
- 61 (tie), Martin Larsen, Sweden, and Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore., 1,707.
- 63, Michael Haugen Jr., Carefree, Ariz., 1,704.
- 64, John Szczerbinski, North Tonawanda, N.Y., 1,702.
- 65, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, 1,696.
- 66, Justin Bychkowski, Fairfield, Conn., 1,695.
- 67, Jake Peters, Decatur, Ill., 1,692.
- 68, Bob Learn Jr., Macomb, Mich., 1,687.
- 69, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,686.
- 70, Ryan Appel, Cinnaminson, N.J., 1,682.
- 71, Jerry Sikora, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., 1,679.
- 72, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 1,676.
- 73, Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I., 1,674.
- 74, Kurt Pilon, Warren, Mich., 1,673.
- 75 (tie), Corey Miller, Grand Blanc, Mich., and Dan MacLelland, Canada, 1,670.

77, Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill., 1,669.
 78, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 1,668.
 79, Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind., 1,663.
 80, Julio Cesar Blancas, Mexico, 1,660.
 81, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 1,653.
 82, John Furey, Freehold, N.J., 1,652.
 83, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 1,648.
 84 (tie), Justin Neiman, Warren, Mich., and Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 1,646.
 86 (tie), Thomas Larsen, Denmark, and Keith Caldwell, Detroit, 1,643.
 88, Rick Graham, Lancaster, Pa., 1,640.
 89, Craig LeMond, Jasper, Ind., 1,637.
 90, Jesse Smith, Garfield Heights, Ohio, 1,634.
 91 (tie), Josh Lewis, Asheville, N.C., and Carleton Chambers, Detroit, 1,628.
 93, Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y., 1,624.
 94 (tie), Michael Calhoun, Wyandotte, Mich.; Darren Andretta, New Hyde Park, N.Y., and Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 1,623.
 97, Brett Cunningham, Clay, N.Y., 1,616.
 98, Mitch Beasley, Nashville, Tenn., 1,612.
 99, Mike Williams II, Montgomery, Ala, 1,606.
 100 (tie), Justin Stevens, Aiea, Hawaii; Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., and Chad Reiffer, Kentwood, Mich., 1,600.
 103, Brad Miller, St. Charles, Mo., 1,599.
 104, Tom Baker, King, N.C., 1,598.
 105, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,594.
 106, Andrew Graff, Las Vegas, 1,593.
 107, David Shinn, West Columbia, S.C., 1,592.
 108, Mike Keily, Golden, Colo., 1,582.
 109, Michael Stocks, Leesburg, Va., 1,576.
 110, Humberto Vazquez, Mexico, 1,575.
 111, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,570.
 112, Christopher Colosimo, Elkhorn, Wis, 1,568.
 113, Kasey Normandin, Canada, 1,563.
 114, Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill., 1,561.
 115, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 1,559.
 116, Tony Campagna Jr., Hendersonville, Tenn., 1,556.
 117, Chris Cundiff, Lake Station, Ind., 1,555.
 118, Rick Zakrajsek, Lorain, Ohio, 1,544.
 119, Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa., 1,543.
 120, Diandra Asbaty, Chicago, 1,533.
 121, Stephen Pavlinko Jr., Sewell, N.J., 1,530.
 122, Jeff Roche, Dearborn, Mich., 1,525.
 123, Kirby Allen, Ironton, Ohio, 1,521.
 124, Kenneth Bland Jr., Germany, 1,519.
 125, BJ Satkowski, Jackson, Mich, 1,509.
 126, Eric Tackett, Huntington, Ind., 1,499.
 127 (tie), Jonathan Russell, Rockwood, Tenn., and David Tullos, Spring, Texas, 1,482.
 129, Andrew Horodecki, Norcross, Ga., 1,473.
 130, Brian Robinson, Morgantown, W.V., 1,447.
 131, Dustin Baker, Melbourne, Ky, 1,421.
 132, J.T. (Action) Jackson, Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1,361.
 133, Gradie Merritt-Foster, Park Forest, Ill., 1,349.

134, Phillip Vallar, Southgate, Mich., 1,292.
135, Thomas Biniek Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 840.

300 Games: Patrick Allen, Bill O'Neill.

PBA LEAGUE QUALIFYING STANDINGS (after 8 games; top three teams advance to Baker format stepladder finals, teams four-eight will bowl a one-ball Clash Match eliminator round for the fourth stepladder position)

1, Philadelphia Hitmen, 9,094 (Bill O'Neill 1,915, Mika Koivuniemi 1,817, Chris Loschetter 1,797, Mike DeVaney 1,845, Dick Allen 1,720).
2, Motown Muscle, 8,971 (Mike Fagan 1,764, Tom Smallwood 1,953, Mike Scroggins 1,726, Ronnie Russell 1,859, Jesse Buss 1,669).
3, New York City WTT KingPins, 8,930 (Pete Weber 1,874, Tommy Jones 1,789, Scott Norton 1,941, Jack Jurek 1,624, John Szczerbinski 1,702).
4, L.A. X, 8,896 (Jason Belmonte 1,758, Wes Malott 1,708, Andres Gomez 1,881, Parker Bohn III 1,767, Dave Wodka 1,782).
5, Silver Lake Atom Splitters, 8,840 (Chris Barnes 1,763, Dom Barrett 1,806, Josh Blanchard 1,718, Stuart Williams 1,790, Nathan Bohr 1,763).
6, BROOKLYN STyLES, 8,756 (Sean Rash 1,886, Ryan Ciminelli 1,668, Ryan Shafer 1,801, Walter Ray Williams Jr. 1,676, Jason Sterner 1,725).
7, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 8,749 (Osku Palermaa 1,783, Martin Larsen 1,707, Dan MacLelland 1,670, Patrick Allen 1,946, Thomas Larsen 1,643).
8, Dallas Strikers, 8,659 (Norm Duke 1,648, Rhino Page 1,600, Amleto Monacelli 1,768, Bryon Smith 1,707, Mike Machuga 1,936).

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Tommy Jones Successfully Defends International Bowling Championship Title in Japan

7-10 split in ninth frame proves costly to PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash

INAZAWA CITY, Japan - Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., successfully defended his International Bowling Championships title Saturday at Inazawa Futsal Stadium, defeating reigning Professional Bowlers Association Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 209-204, for the \$75,000 first prize.

The International Bowling Championships 2013 supported by DHC was a World Tenpin Bowling Association-World Bowling Tour "major" championship, and awarded Jones a PBA International Tour title, his 14th career PBA Tour title, and double points in the rolling two-year WBT points standings.

In the women's division, Singapore's Shayna Ng defeated PBA Tour champion Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., 248-201, also earning \$75,000 for first place.

Rash and Kulick, as runners-up, each earned an estimated \$37,500.

In the men's title match, Rash led Jones by eight pins going into the ninth frame, but left a 7-10 split and opened. Rash then missed the headpin on his first shot in the 10th frame, converted the spare and struck to finish with 204. Jones, needing a spare and good count to win, converted a 4 pin and struck for a five-pin margin of victory.

The International Bowling Championships finals began with five-player "eliminator" matches where all five players bowled the first game, and the two lowest scores were eliminated. In the men's division, 16-year-old Malaysian star Rafiq Ismail led the field with a 268. Jones followed with 261 and Rash with 215 while Japan's Hiroki Suzuki (190) and PBA star Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas (180) were eliminated.

In the semifinal round, Rash rolled a 247 game and Jones a 229 to advance to the title match, eliminating Ismail (200).

In the women's finals, Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., joined Kulick and Ng in advancing out of the opening match, but Johnson was eliminated in the semifinal round.

At the conclusion of the International Bowling championships, Mike Fagan of Dallas held the lead in the men's World Bowling Tour points list with 464 points. Mika Koivuniemi of Finland dropped out of the lead and into second place with 453. Rash was third with 438 and Jones was fourth with a 401 total. American players dominated the women's standings, led by Kulick with 524 points, Missy Parkin of Lake Forest, Calif., with 441 and Johnson with 365 in the top three positions.

INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013
supported by DHC
Inazawa Futsal Stadium, Inazawa City, Japan, Jan. 19

Men's Final Standings:

- 1, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, \$75,000.
- 2, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$37,500.
- 3, Rafiq Ismail, Malaysia, \$16,700.
- 4, Hiroki Suzuki, Japan, \$8,900.
- 5, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, \$6,700.

Eliminator Match Results:

Eliminator Round 1 (two lowest scores eliminated): Ismail 268, Jones 261, Rash 215, Suzuki 190), Barnes 180.

Eliminator Round 2 (lowest score eliminated): Rash 247, Jones 229, Ismail 200.

Championship: Jones def. Rash, 209-204.

Women's Final Standings:

- 1, Shayna Ng, Singapore, \$75,000.
- 2, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., \$37,500.
- 3, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$16,700.
- 4, Zandra Aziela, Malaysia, \$8,900.
- 5, Miki Nishimura, Japan, \$6,700.

Eliminator Match Results:

Eliminator Round 1 (two lowest scores eliminated): Johnson 237, Ng 218, Kulick 214, Aziela 212, Nishimura 195.

Eliminator Round 2 (lowest score eliminated): Ng 252, Kulick 236, Johnson 201.

Championship: Ng def. Kulick, 248-201.

WORLD BOWLING TOUR MEN'S POINTS LEADERS
(Top 10 based on two-year rolling points system)

- 1, Mike Fagan, Dallas, 464.
- 2, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland, 453.
- 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 438.
- 4, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 401.
- 5, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 380.
- 6, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 335.
- 7, Dan MacLelland, Canada, 253.
- 8, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 230.
- 9, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 227.
- 10, Dom Barrett, England, 216.

WORLD BOWLING TOUR WOMEN'S POINTS LEADERS
(Top 10 based on two-year rolling points system)

- 1, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 524.
- 2, Missy Parkin, Lake Forest, Calif., 441.
- 3, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 365.
- 4, Diandra Asbaty, Chicago, 273.
- 5, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, Keller, Texas, 240.
- 6, Sandra Andersson, Sweden, 234.

- 7, Shannon Pluhowsky, Kettering, Ohio, 225.
- 8, Shayna Ng, Singapore, 162.
- 9, Birgit Pöppler, Germany, 152.
- 10, Zandra Aziela, Malaysia, 139.

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Finland's Koivuniemi Dons Glasses, Wins Second Japan Cup

Kaji falls short in bid to become first Japanese winner in 24 years

TOKYO, Japan – Finnish native Mika Koivuniemi won his second Round1 Japan Cup and a \$71,700 first prize at Round1 Stadium Diver City Tokyo Plaza Bowling Center with a 268-164 victory over Japan's Yoshihiro Kaji, denying Kaji's bid to become the first Japanese player to win the event in 24 years.

The 45-year-old Koivuniemi, wearing glasses for the first time in a championship round, started the title match with eight strikes before a 10 pin in the ninth frame ended his bid for a 300 game. The finals aired Sunday on ESPN.

"I got glasses about two years ago and started to practice with them, but I didn't like them at all," the Hartland, Mich., resident said. "I bowled a couple of games in the 180s with them on, so I took them off and shot a 300 game. After that I didn't even try them again in competition. I just wore them when I was driving at night.

"I told my wife I would start wearing them after I won my 10th title, but after I screwed up a couple of times during the World Series of Bowling, I decided to try them again and they felt ok. So I decided to test my luck and I bowled with them on in Japan.

"It worked," he said with a laugh.

Kaji started the title match with back-to-back open frames and never had a chance after that. Takeo Sakai (1988) and Ken Taniguchi (1985) are the only Japanese bowlers who have won the Japan Cup.

Koivuniemi made it into the championship match by winning a sudden death roll-off against reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., in one of the season's most exciting matches. Rash converted the 2-10 split in the ninth frame and threw three strikes in the 10th to force Koivuniemi to mark in his 10th frame for the winner.

Koivuniemi, however, left the 4-9 split and got one pin for a 223-223 tie. In the one-ball sudden death roll-off, both players threw strikes on their first two shots, and both left a single pin on their third attempts before Koivuniemi struck while Rash left a 9 pin on their fourth shots.

PBA Tour coverage on ESPN continues next Sunday with the live debut of PBA League competition from Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., at noon ET. The two-hour live event will feature five five-man teams bowling in a Baker team format stepladder final.

Pre- and post-telecast coverage will be webcast on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

ROUND1 JAPAN CUP

Round1 Stadium Diver City Tokyo Plaza Bowling Center, Tokyo, Japan, Dec. 2 (ESPN telecast Jan. 20)

Championship: Mika Koivuniemi, Finland (\$71,700) def. Yoshihiro Kaji, Japan (\$38,500), 268-164.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$17,900): Koivuniemi def. Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 223-223, 10-10, 10-10, 9-9, 10-9 in four-frame, one-ball sudden death roll-off. Kaji def. Osku Palermaa, Finland, 235-225.

Round of 8 (losers earned \$9,000): Koivuniemi def. Yoshihiro Sakuraba, Japan, 228-171. Rash def. Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J., 223-202. Palermaa def. Takeshi Suda, Japan, 268-257. Kaji def. Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 226-213.

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers earned \$4,100): Palermaa def. Mike Fagan, Dallas, 3-0. Rash def. Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 3-1. Malott def. Yuya Katoh, Japan, 3-1. Sakuraba def. Yoichi Hirayama, Japan, 3-2. Bohn def. Park Jean Soo, Korea, 3-0. Kaji def. Masanori Saito, Japan, 3-0. Suda def. Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3-0. Koivuniemi def. Masanori Satoh, 3-0.

Round of 32 (best of five games, losers earned \$2,000): Palermaa def. Akio Harada, Japan, 3-1. Fagan def. Yuji Akimoto, Japan, 3-1. O'Neill def. Kim Young Kwan, Korea, 3-0. Rash def. Subaru Nagano, Japan, 3-0. Katoh def. Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., 3-1. Malott def. Jeong Tae Hwa, Korea, 3-1. Hirayama def. Shinichiro Tamai, Japan, 3-2. Sakuraba def. Isao Yamamoto, Japan, 3-2.

Bohn def. Rim Sung Chol, Korea, 3-0. Soo def. Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., 3-1. Saito def. Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 3-2. Kaji def. Hiroshi Nagatani, Japan, 3-1. Suda def. Koji Kawazu, Japan, 3-1. Belmonte def. Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 3-1. Koivuniemi def. Teruyuki Obara, Japan, 3-1. Satoh def. Yasuyuki Sadamatsu, Japan, 3-1.

Round of 64 (best of five games, losers earned \$1,000): Bohn def. Koji Hosoi, Japan, 3-0. Chol def. Yoshimi Kitaoka, Japan, 3-1. Soo def. Shiegeo Saito, 3-0. Ciminelli def. Jim Ohtomo, Japan, 3-0. Barnes def. Dom Barrett, England, 3-1. M. Saito def. Yoshihiro Gima, Japan, 3-2. Kaji def. Shogo Yamashita, Japan, 3-1. Nagatani def. Ryo Nishimura, Japan, 3-0.

Kawazu def. Yuki Hattori, Japan, 3-2. Suda def. Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 3-1. Duke def. Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 3-1. Belmonte def. Kenji Kawashima, Japan, 3-0. Koivuniemi def. Masami Koura, Japan, 3-0. Obara def. Satoshi Tsushima, Japan, 3-0. Satoh def. Takashi Ishibashi, Japan, 3-1. Sadamatsu def. Akiyoshi Hokura, Japan, 3-2.

Palermaa def. Tetsuya Kobayashi, Japan, 3-2. Harada def. Takuya Murakami, Japan, 3-2. Akimoto def. Akihiro Sunako, Japan, 3-2. Fagan def. Choi Won Young, Korea, 3-1. Kwan def. Shigeyuki Mizuno, Japan, 3-1. O'Neill def. Hiroki Suzuki, Japan, 3-0. Rash def. Kengo Tagata, Japan, 3-1. Nagano def. Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 3-1.

Katoh def. Fumihiko Yoshida, Japan, 3-0. Page def. Kazuma Naborikawa, Japan, 3-1. Malott def. Yukihiro Nakashima, Japan, 3-0. Hwa def. Makoto Dohkan, Japan, 3-2. Hirayama def. Junia Yoshida, Japan, 3-0. Tamai def. Kim Sun Tae, Korea, 3-2. Yamamoto def. Seo Jeng Hwan, Korea, 3-0. Sakuraba def. Keijiro Miyauchi, Japan, 3-1.

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Four-event Winter Swing, PBA League get underway Tuesday at Thunderbowl Lanes

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Jan. 19, 2013) – Ronnie Sparks Jr. of Ecorse, Mich., averaged 244.62 Saturday to lead the 10 players who advanced from the eight-game Pro Tournament Qualifier into the main event of the Professional Bowlers Association Detroit Winter Swing, which gets underway Tuesday at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Sparks, with an eight-game total of 1,957 pins, will join the Detroit Winter Swing field of 135 bowlers along with Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,895 pins; Keith Caldwell, Detroit, 1,867; Justin Neiman, Warren, Mich., 1,865; Chad Reiffer, Kentwood, Mich., 1,850; Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 1,834; Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 1,828; B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 1,812; Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,804, and Michael Calhoun, Wyandotte, Mich., 1,793.

A field of 93 bowlers entered the Pro Tournament Qualifier. The 10 who advanced will complete the field of 135 players who will bowl the Carmen Salvino Classic, Mark Roth Classic, Don Carter Classic and Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship qualifying events Tuesday through Friday. Among the 135 will be 40 members of the five-player, eight-team PBA League, who will use their qualifying scores for the inaugural rounds of PBA League competition.

All qualifying and match play rounds Tuesday through Friday will be covered live on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. To subscribe to Xtra Frame, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

PBA DETROIT WINTER SWING PRO TOURNAMENT QUALIFIER

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich., Saturday

Final Standings (after 8 games; 10 players advance to main event)

- 1, Ronnie Sparks Jr., Ecorse, Mich., 1,957.
- 2, Brian Gunn, Chicago, 1,895.
- 3, Keith Caldwell, Detroit, 1,867.
- 4, Justin Neiman, Warren, Mich., 1,865, \$100.
- 5, Chad Reiffer, Kentwood, Mich., 1,850, \$100.
- 6, Todd Book, Russells Point, Ohio, 1,834.
- 7, Mark Milasinovich, Macomb, Mich., 1,828.
- 8, B.J. Moore III, Apex, N.C., 1,812.
- 9, Bo Goergen, Sanford, Mich., 1,804.
- 10, Michael Calhoun, Wyandotte, Mich., 1,793.

Failed to advance:

- 11, Jesse Smith, Garfield Heights, Ohio, 1,780.
- 12, Alex Robinson Sr., Detroit, 1,772.
- 13, George Gohagan III, Roswell, Ga., 1,765.
- 14, Steve Jacobs, Belleville, Mich., 1,756.
- 15, George Juszczak Jr., Dearborn Heights, Mich., 1,751.
- 16, Paul Bober, Morton Grove, Ill., 1,746.
- 17, Mathew Jones, Phoenix, 1,733.
- 18, Jeremy Dixon, Detroit, 1,732.
- 19, Jimmy Magolan, Shelby Twp., Mich., 1,729.
- 20, Bob Hale, Louisville, Ky, 1,728.
- 21 (tie), Michael King, Garfield Heights, Ohio, and Michael Bradfield, Lansing, Mich., 1,725.
- 23, David O'Brien, Rochester Hills, Mich., 1,720.
- 24, Terrence Haines II, Westland, Mich., 1,719.
- 25, Franklin Snodgrass, Roseville, Mich., 1,707.
- 26, J.R. Raymond, Gaylord, Mich., 1,700.
- 27, Richard Barton Jr., Detroit, 1,691.
- 28, Terrell Peterson, Evergreen Park, Ill., 1,684.
- 29, Ryan VanHecke, Sterling Heights, Mich., 1,682.
- 30, Justin O'Hara, Westland, Mich., 1,678.
- 31, Scott Jones, Livonia, Mich., 1,660.
- 32, Seby Silvestri, Louisville, Ky., 1,650.
- 33, Chris Steward, Clawson, Mich., 1,648.
- 34 (tie), Ryan Powers, Portage, Mich.; Brandon Tarabek, Cleveland, and Jerome Penxa, Romeo, Mich., 1,644.
- 37, Chris Schweikert, Jackson, Mich., 1,641.
- 37, Timothy Mayer, Chesterfield, Mich., 1,641.
- 39, Robert Flunder IV, Toledo, Ohio, 1,638.
- 40 (tie), Abed Daher, Dearborn, Mich., and Aaron Morgan, Sylvania, Ohio, 1,633.
- 42 (tie), Bill Wittenberg, Warren, Mich, and Justin Jeffery, Lincoln Park, Mich, 1,629.
- 44, David Beck, Kankakee, Ill., 1,627.
- 45 (tie), James Gilbert, Harrison Twp., Mich., and Mike Magolan, Madison Heights, Mich., 1,626.
- 47, Matthew Pember, Lincoln Park, Mich., 1,622.
- 48, Gregory Hall, Detroit, 1,616.
- 49, John Kelley, Clinton Township, Mich., 1,606.
- 50, Chris Mowiinski, Westland, Mich., 1,586.
- 51, Stanley Hughes Jr., Detroit, 1,585.
- 52 (tie), Keenan Jackson, Detroit; Charles Weigt, Lincoln Park, Mich., and Chad Vendeville, Arlington, Texas, 1,573.
- 55, Kip Bodkin, Sandusky, Ohio, 1,572.
- 56, Kevin Bostrom, Muskegon, Mich., 1,564.
- 57, Philip Medley, Washington, Mich., 1,555.
- 58 (tie), Richard Pribula, Macomb, Mich., and Bob Chamberlain Jr., Holly, Mich., 1,540.
- 60, Scott Honeysett, Lansing, Mich., 1,538.
- 61, Charles Pettway, Detroit, 1,521.
- 62, Howard Ridgeway, Cleveland, 1,512.
- 63, Jhamall McGaughy, Burton, Mich., 1,504.
- 64, Chris McClintic, Jackson, Mich., 1,494.
- 65, Richard Baumgardt, Livonia, Mich., 1,490.
- 66, Jason Overmyer, Jackson, Mich., 1,484.
- 67, Mark Cassise, Dearborn Hts., Mich., 1,477.

- 68, Thomas McEwen Jr., Fenton, Mich., 1,473.
- 69, John Augustyn, Melvindale, Mich., 1,469.
- 70, Zack Carter, Chicago, 1,463.
- 71 (tie), Joseph Pettinato, Canada, and Lawrence Weiler Jr., St. Claire Shores, Mich., 1,449.
- 73, Monty Wonnacott II, Livonia, Mich., 1,444.
- 74, Roy Moebs, Wayne, Mich., 1,441.
- 75, Robert Lindeman, Garfield Hts., Ohio, 1,431.
- 76, Ramon Estrada, Connellsville, Pa., 1,427.
- 77, Tony Orsette, Dearborn, Mich., 1,418.
- 78, Kenn Anthony, Davison, Mich., 1,408.
- 79, Dale Smith, Taylor, Mich., 1,406.
- 80, Gerry Lobdell, Jackson, Mich., 1,402.
- 81, Pete Zerger, Livonia, Mich., 1,387.
- 82, Spencer DeFelice, Romulus, Mich., 1,382.
- 83, Tom Moore, Flat Rock, Mich., 1,360.
- 84, Jeffrey Rodman, Ferndale, Mich., 1,351.
- 85, Richard Napiewocki, Royal Oak, Mich., 1,338.
- 86, Kevin Gates, Stow, Ohio, 1,332.
- 87, Christopher Wilson, Hamburg, Mich., 1,326.
- 88, Levi Homler, Green Springs, Ohio, 1,302.
- 89, Alex Barnes, South Branch, Mich., 1,245.
- 90, Michael Norris, Melvindale, Mich., 1,165.
- 91, Colin Zurenko, Livonia, Mich., 1,156.
- 92, Monty Wonnacott, Canton, Mich., 1,057.
- 93, Joseph Clay, Taylor, Mich., 875.

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Five professional bowling league telecasts, four PBA Tour individual titles on Allen Park's agenda

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (Jan. 17, 2013) – The historic debut of the Professional Bowlers Association League, along with four PBA Tour individual championship events, is ready to get underway at Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Detroit.

The eight-team PBA League, featuring celebrity owners and all-star roster of PBA Tour players, will make its debut with four days of qualifying followed by five ESPN television events, including the live two-hour opening round telecast on Sunday, Jan. 27, at noon ET.

The nine-day program in Allen Park gets underway Saturday with an eight-game Pro Tournament Qualifier, where a minimum of 10 players will earn the right to advance into the multi-event Detroit Swing field starting Tuesday, Jan. 22. Sunday and Monday's schedule will feature pro-am squads for Detroit area adult and youth league bowlers, along with an official practice session on Monday.

PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, will provide comprehensive coverage of Saturday's Pro Tournament Qualifier and all preliminary rounds of Winter Swing events Tuesday through Friday, Jan. 22-25. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame link.

Here's how the Detroit Winter Swing will unfold:

THE PBA LEAGUE

- The eight PBA League teams, each headed by a Franchise Player (based upon the 2011-12 PBA Tour competition points list), were decided during the PBA League Draft held in Las Vegas in November. The Franchise Players are reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.; Jason Belmonte of Australia; Mike Fagan of Dallas; Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo.; Osku Palermaa of Finland; Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla.; Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pa., and Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas.
- Following the draft, where each team's roster of five players (plus a supplemental pick) were decided, the PBA announced celebrity team owners: NBA all-star point guard Chris Paul's team is L.A. X; Detroit native and former Pittsburgh Steelers star running back Jerome Bettis' team is the Motown Muscle; former NFL all-star wide receiver Terrell Owens' team is the Dallas Strikers; actor/comedian Kevin Hart's team is the Philadelphia Hitmen; women's sports pioneer and tennis legend Billie Jean King's team is the New York City WTT KingPins; Pittsburgh Steelers all-star linebacker LaMarr Woodley's team is the Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits; comedian and Internet innovator Chris Hardwick's team is the Silver Lake (Calif.) Atom Splitters and actor/model Jesse Williams' team is the BROOKLYN STyLES.

THE DETROIT SWING COMPETITION FORMAT

- Four PBA League qualifying rounds will be held over four consecutive days, starting Jan. 22. Each of those four days, the Winter Swing will also feature open-field tournament qualifying for the Carmen Salvino Classic, Mark Roth Classic, Don Carter Classic and Earl Anthony Players Championship. A total of 135 players, including the 40 PBA League players, will bowl eight-game qualifying rounds each day.
- The qualifying scores bowled by PBA League players each day will be added together to create a team qualifying total. The individual scores bowled by the entire field will be used to determine the top 16 players who will advance to the nine-game round-robin match play rounds in the Salvino, Roth and Carter and Classics. The top two players after 17 games in those three events will bowl for the respective PBA Tour title.
- The combined 32-game qualifying totals from the Salvino, Roth and Carter Classics – plus an Anthony Championship qualifying round – will determine the 16 players who will advance to the nine-game round-robin match play finals of the Players Championship. The top two qualifiers after a total of 41 games (32 qualifying, nine match play) will bowl for the Earl Anthony Players Championship title.

PBA LEAGUE COMPETITION FORMAT

- During the individual qualifying rounds, PBA League players will be bowling for their teams. Scores for all five players will be added together to determine the team's qualifying positions for the Baker format stepladder finals. The top three teams after each team round advance to the stepladder finals; the other five teams will bowl a one-ball eliminator "Clash" round to determine the fourth team that will advance to the stepladder final.
- The exception to the team qualifying rule will be for the live PBA League Round 1 telecast. That show will feature five teams based upon their 32-game cumulative totals from the four qualifying rounds.
- All PBA League finals on ESPN will be one-game Baker team stepladder matches. In Baker format competition, each member of the team bowls two frames (i.e., the leadoff bowler will bowl the first and sixth frames, the anchor bowler will bowl the fifth and 10th frames, etc.).
- PBA League points will be awarded based upon finishing position after each round. For Round 1 (the live ESPN round), the winning team will earn 18 points, runner-up 12 points, and subsequent teams will earn 9, 8, 6, 5, 3 and 2 points, respectively. For Rounds 2-5, points will be 12, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1. Total team points after five rounds will determine the top four teams that will advance to the PBA League Elias Cup finals which will be contested in conjunction with the live PBA Tournament of Champions finals on March 31 at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis.

ESPN TELEVISION FINALS

- The Detroit PBA Winter Swing will produce five ESPN television shows, including a live telecast of PBA League Round 1 on Sunday, Jan. 27, at noon ET. Subsequent shows will be taped at noon on Saturday, Jan. 26 (PBA League Round 2 and Carmen Salvino Classic championship match); 3:30 p.m. Saturday (PBA League Round 3 and Mark Roth Classic championship match); 7 p.m. Saturday (PBA League Round 4 and Don Carter Classic championship match); and at 3:30 p.m. Sunday (PBA League Round 5 and Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship title match). ESPN telecasts will air on Feb. 10 (1 p.m. ET), Feb. 17 (3 p.m. ET), March 3 (3 p.m. ET) and March 24 (1 p.m. ET).
- The PBA League Elias Cup finals will be contested on March 31 in Indianapolis and will air on ESPN on Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m. ET.

TICKETS AND PRO-AM INFORMATION

Tickets for all general sessions as well as the ESPN telecasts can be ordered online through pba.com, by contacting Thunderbowl Lanes at (313) 928-4688 or by visiting thunderbowl.org for more details.

Thunderbowl will also conduct pro-ams on Sunday, Jan. 20 at 11 a.m. and Monday at 6 p.m. Pro-am entry fees are \$75 for adults, \$65 for seniors and \$35 for youth with optional an bowling ball upgrade package at additional cost. Admission is \$10. Contact Thunderbowl for details.

2013 DETROIT PBA WINTER SWING SCHEDULE

Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Saturday, Jan. 19

Noon – PBA Pro Tournament Qualifier, 8 games (min. top 10 advance to Detroit PBA Winter Swing)

Sunday, Jan. 20

11 a.m. – 9-Pin No-Tap pro-am squad

Monday, Jan. 21

Noon – Official practice session

6 p.m. – 9-Pin No-Tap pro-am squad

Tuesday, Jan. 22: Carmen Salvino Classic

9 a.m. – 8 qualifying games

- Top 16 advance to modified round-robin match play round.
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Round 2 (Baker format stepladder finals); teams ranking 4-8 advance to Clash round to determine fourth team for stepladder finals.

5 p.m. – 9 games, modified round robin match play (top two after 17 games advance to TV championship match)

Wednesday, Jan. 23: Mark Roth Classic

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Round 3 (Baker format stepladder finals); teams ranking 4-8 advance to Clash round to determine fourth team for stepladder finals.

5 p.m. – 9 games, modified round robin match play (top two after 17 games advance to TV championship match)

Thursday, Jan. 24: Don Carter Classic

9 a.m. – 8 qualifying games

- Top 16 advance to modified round-robin match play round.
- 8-game totals carry over to Earl Anthony Players Championship.
- PBA League: top 3 teams based on combined five-player, 8-game totals advance to PBA League

Round 4 (Baker format stepladder finals); teams ranking 4-8 advance to Clash round to determine fourth team for stepladder finals.

5 p.m. – 9 games, modified round robin match play (top two after 17 games advance to TV championship match)

Friday, Jan. 25: Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship

9 a.m. – 8 qualifying games

- PBA League: top 3 teams based on combined five-player, 8-game totals advance to PBA League Round 5 (Baker format stepladder finals); teams ranking 4-8 advance to Clash round to determine fourth team for stepladder finals.

- Top 5 teams based on combined 32-game team totals from Salvino, Roth, Carter and Anthony qualifying rounds advance to PBA League Show 1 Baker stepladder final

- Top 16 players based on combined 32-game totals from Salvino, Roth, Carter and Anthony qualifying rounds advance to modified round robin match play.

5 p.m. – 9 games, modified round robin match play (top two after 41 games advance to TV championship match)

ESPN FINALS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jan. 26 (Thunderbowl Arena)

Noon – PBA League Round 2 one-ball "League Clash" eliminator round (winning team advances to Round 2 finals)

12:30 p.m. – PBA League Round 2 Finals (four-team Baker format stepladder)

1:30 p.m. – Carmen Salvino Classic championship match (top two qualifiers)

3:30 p.m. – PBA League Round 3 one-ball "League Clash" eliminator round (winning team advances to Round 3 finals)

4 p.m. – PBA League Round 3 Finals (four-team Baker format stepladder)

5 p.m. – Mark Roth Classic championship match (top two qualifiers)

7 p.m. – PBA League Round 4 one-ball "League Clash" eliminator round (winning team advances to Round 4 finals)

7:30 p.m. – PBA League Round 4 Finals (four-team Baker format stepladder)

8:30 p.m. – Don Carter Classic championship match (top two qualifiers)

Sunday, Jan. 27 (Thunderbowl Arena)

Noon – PBA League Round 1 finals (live telecast; five-team Baker format stepladder based on team points earned through first four qualifying rounds)

3:30 p.m. – PBA League Round 5 one-ball "League Clash" eliminator round (winning team advances to Round 5 finals)

4 p.m. – PBA League Round 5 Finals (four-team Baker format stepladder)

5 p.m. – Earl Anthony Players Championship title match (top two qualifiers)

Sunday, March 31 (Woodland Bowl, Indianapolis)

TBA – PBA League Elias Cup Finals (four-team Baker format stepladder)

PBA LEAGUE ROSTERS

(For detailed player information, visit: <http://www.pba.com/Bowlers/#tab-league>)

Dallas Strikers (owner Terrell Owens)

Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla.; Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla.; Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela; Bryon Smith, Roseburg, Ore.; Mike Machuga, Erie, Pa.; supplemental pick: Mike Wolfe, New Albany, Ind.

Philadelphia Hitmen (owner Kevin Hart)

Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa.; Mika Koivuniemi, Finland/Hartland, Mich.; Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio; Mike DeVaney, Hemet, Calif.; Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C.; supplemental pick: Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas.

Motown Muscle (owner Jerome Bettis)

Mike Fagan, Dallas; Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich.; Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas; Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.; Jesse Buss, Belvidere, Ill.; supplemental pick: Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y.

Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits (owner LaMarr Woodley)

Osku Palermmaa, Finland; Martin Larsen, Sweden; Dan MacLelland, Canada; Patrick Allen, Wesley Chapel, Fla.; Thomas Larsen, Denmark; supplemental pick: Anthony LaCaze, Melrose Park, Ill.

L.A. X (owner Chris Paul)

Jason Belmonte, Australia; Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas; Andres Gomez, Colombia; Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J.; Dave Wodka, Henderson, Nev.; supplemental pick: Ildemaro Ruiz, Venezuela.

Silver Lake Atom Splitters (owner Chris Hardwick)

Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas; Dom Barrett, England; Josh Blanchard, Gilbert, Ariz.; Stuart Williams, England; Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan.; supplemental pick: Jon VanHees, Charlestown, R.I.

New York City WTT KingPins (owner Billie Jean King)

Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo.; Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C.; Scott Norton, Costa Mesa, Calif.; Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y.; John Szczerbinski, N. Tonawanda, N.Y.; supplemental pick: Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J.

BROOKLYN STyLES (owner Jesse Williams)

Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.; Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla.; Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga.; supplemental pick: Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

To find out which players from your market area will be competing in Detroit, check the tournament rosters noted below.

Use the link below for a roster of players entered into the Detroit Winter Swing Pro Tournament Qualifier (a minimum of 10 players from this qualifying event will advance to the main event):

<http://www.pba.com/Rosters/Details/1888>

Use the link below for a roster of players entered into the Detroit Winter Swing main event:

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From: Bill Vint [Bill.Vint@pba.com]
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Subject: PBA NEWS: subject line misspelling of Billie Jean King's name

With apologies, the "subject line" in the release just emailed misspelled Billie Jean King's first name... Her name is spelled correctly in the news release.

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Billie Jean King Acquires Kelly Kulick in First PBA League Trade

New York City WTT KingPins owner sends Brad Angelo to Jerome Bettis' Motown Muscle team

SEATTLE – Women's sports pioneer Billie Jean King, owner of the New York City WTT KingPins in the new Professional Bowlers Association League, thought it would only be appropriate for the PBA League's only woman owner to have a female presence on her team. To make that happen, King completed a trade with Motown Muscle owner Jerome Bettis, acquiring PBA Tour champion Kelly Kulick to her KingPins' roster in exchange for two-time PBA titlist Brad Angelo, PBA Commissioner Tom Clark announced Monday.

The PBA League makes it historic debut as part of the Detroit Winter Swing, a multi-event week of PBA competition, Jan. 19-27 at Thunderbowl Lanes in suburban Allen Park, Mich.

King is well-acquainted with Kulick's status as an historic figure in professional bowling; she is the only woman ever to win a PBA Tour title and the only woman ever to win an "exemption" to bowl full-time on the PBA Tour during its exempt tour era. So King requested the first trade in PBAL history to add the 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions winner to her KingPins' roster that includes franchise player Pete Weber, Tommy Jones, Scott Norton, Jack Jurek and John Szczerbinski.

"Getting Kelly Kulick on the KingPins is a big win for us," King said. "Kelly and I have connected through several Women's Sports Foundation events and we were so proud of her when she became the first woman to win a PBA Tour title. She is a strong competitor, a quality person and a great addition to our team."

Kulick will now fill the role as the KingPins' supplemental player while Angelo, the KingPins' original supplemental draft choice, will become the Muscle's supplemental player. As supplemental selections, Kulick and Angelo, who won the PBA Viper Championship during the recently-completed GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling IV, will be inserted into their respective team's PBA League lineups if one of the original top-five picks is unable to compete.

The Motown Muscle, which also obtained future draft considerations in the trade, features franchise player Mike Fagan, Tom Smallwood, Mike Scroggins, Ronnie Russell and Jesse Buss.

For a complete list of PBAL teams, [click here](#).

Qualifying rounds in the PBA League will be conducted Jan. 22-25, concurrently with qualifying in the Carmen Salvino, Mark Roth and Don Carter Classics, and the Earl Anthony PBA Players Championship, leading into a series of PBA League television events on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 26-27, at Thunderbowl.

Included will be live ESPN coverage of PBA League Round 1 at noon ET on Sunday, Jan. 27. Additional PBA League rounds (along with Salvino, Roth, Carter and Anthony championship matches) will air on ESPN on Sundays (Feb. 10 and 17, and March 3 at 3 p.m. ET, and March 24 at 1 p.m. ET).

PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame, will provide extensive live coverage of all preliminary PBA League competition. For subscription information, visit pba.com and click on the Xtra Frame logo.

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Bohn Pulls Off Fairy Tale Victory in PBA World Championship

PBA Hall of Famer follows unlikely path to claim 33rd career title, second major

LAS VEGAS – Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., completed one of the most impressive, if unlikely, victories in his hall of fame career, defeating four opponents including top qualifier Jason Belmonte of Australia, 254-227, to win the PBA World Championship at South Point Hotel and Casino.

The concluding event of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling IV, and the first major championship of the 2012-13 PBA Tour season, aired Sunday on ESPN.

Bohn, who had not won a title in more than four years, captured his 33rd PBA Tour title – and second major – with a stunning performance that began when he claimed the 24th and final position in match play by only three pins, followed by qualifying for the stepladder finals by only nine pins.

In the championship round, he defeated Canada's Dan MacLelland, 226-218; Rhino Page of Dade City, Fla., 200-170, and reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., 278-231, to advance to the title match where he defeated Belmonte.

In winning the World Championship, Bohn became only the third ever to win a major championship after qualifying 24th for match play (Mike Aulby won the 1989 U.S. Open and Pete Weber won the 1991 U.S. Open after qualifying 24th), and the 15th overall to accomplish that feat. At age 49 years, 122 days he also became the second-oldest player ever to win the PBA World Championship (Tom Baker was 49 years, 192 days when he won in 2004).

"Dreams do come true if you wait long enough, I guess," Bohn said. "It was a lot of destiny, a lot of things working in my favor."

Bohn, who almost cancelled his plans to attend the World Series after Super Storm Sandy devastated his home state, began his miraculous title quest with seven strikes in his first nine frames en route to his victory over MacLelland. In the second match, he got help in overcoming a 10-pin deficit when Page missed a 7 pin spare attempt in the eighth frame and opened again in the ninth.

The veteran left-hander started the semifinal match against Rash with seven strikes and never trailed. In the title match, he struck on eight of his first 10 shots against Belmonte, but didn't break away until Belmonte left 10 pins in the seventh and ninth frames.

"When I look at everything that's gone on this week," Bohn said, hesitating. "I looked at (my wife) Leslie the night before I left and said, you know, it's a tossup over whether I even go. The only thankful grace at that point was we had our power back a couple of hours before I left."

"When I got here, I missed the first practice session, but lo and behold, I kept going throughout the week. I never made the top 16 in any of the events, but still found myself fortunate enough to sneak in to match play in 24th. I just kept plugging along.

"The only pin I threw away all week was on one fill ball, when I threw a 7 pin away. That's the only pin I can remember throwing away the entire week. Every pin mattered. I only made the top 24 by three pins, and then I made the TV show by less than 10 pins as well."

When he got to the ESPN finals, Bohn believes divine intervention came into play.

"I do believe my old friend (the late Tony Reyes) was looking down on me and letting me stand tall. The biggest key was going through the nose in the seventh frame against (Rash). A pin rolls out of nowhere and takes out the 4-7, and I get a strike. Usually whoever wins has one or two breaks and I'm here to tell you, I had my share of breaks today."

Throughout the World Series, Bohn said he was bowling for more than himself.

"My wife and I have created a Striking Out Sandy fund. We're trying to raise funds for kids who unfortunately lost everything," Bohn said. "I know there are families that lost everything, but hopefully there will be other people who can take care of them. We had people who were donating money for every strike during qualifying. All of the money we're raising is going to buy kids backpacks and things they need for school so they can hopefully put the past behind them.

"My heart always goes out to kids," he added. "I've got five children myself and I want them to be able to live life as normally as they can. I had one guy compute all of the strikes I threw in qualifying and match play – 415 or 420 – and he put up \$1 a pin himself. We had another guy who lives in upstate New York near my brother-in-law Doug Kent and his wife Chrissie who had a 25-foot trailer. He saw what we were doing on our website, and filled the trailer with clothes and supplies, and delivered it to our area."

Information about the Striking Out Sandy program can be found at parkerbohn.com. "It'll be there for a long time to come, because I can't tell you how much the people back east have gone through," Bohn said. "It's not going to get corrected by tomorrow."

While the hardships friends and family faced were fresh on his mind, Bohn might have been the happiest he has ever been after winning a PBA title.

"I'm as happy as I can be," he grinned. "Now I can say that I'm the world champion."

ESPN's coverage of the 2012-13 PBA Tour season continues next Sunday with the finals of the Round 1 Japan Cup from Tokyo, Japan, at 3 p.m. ET. The all-new PBA League then makes its debut with a live two-hour ESPN telecast from Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., at noon ET on Sunday, Jan. 27.

Pre- and post-telecast coverage will be webcast on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

PBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS **South Point Exhibition Hall, Las Vegas**

Final Standings: 1, Parker Bohn, Jackson, N.J., \$50,000. 2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$25,000. 3, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$15,000. 4, Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla., \$12,000. 5, Dan MacLelland, Canada, \$10,000.

Stepladder Results: Match One – Bohn def. MacLelland, 226-218. Match Two – Bohn def. Page, 200-170. Semifinal Match – Bohn def. Rash, 278-231. Championship – Bohn def. Belmonte, 254-227.

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Sunday's PBA World Championship Finalists to Battle for Season's First Major Title on ESPN

Belmonte awaits challenger as final event of GEICO World Series of Bowling IV airs Sunday at 1 p.m. ET

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LAS VEGAS (Jan. 7, 2013) –The stepladder finals of the Professional Bowlers Association World Championship, the final tournament of the GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling IV and the first major of the 2012-13 season, will air Sunday at 1 p.m. ET on ESPN.

The finals, from the South Point Hotel and Casino, features five players who are hoping to add a PBA World Championship title to their resumes, including top qualifier Jason Belmonte of Australia. Belmonte, a 29-year-old two-handed player who won three titles during the 2011 WSOB III, averaged 240.27 for the 56 games of World Championship qualifying and match play to earn the top berth in the stepladder finals by 29 pins over his fiercest rival, reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill.

In Sunday's opening match, PBA Hall of Famer and 32-time titlist Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J., takes on Canadian Dan MacLelland, who is trying for his first Tour title and who hopes to become the first Canadian to win a PBA Tour title. Bohn, a two-time Player of the Year, is trying for his second major.

Bohn made it into the stepladder finals after qualifying in the 24th and last spot in match play by just three pins. He is hoping to become just the 15th player in Tour history to advance from 24th to win a Tour title. The last player to do it was Walter Ray Williams Jr. in the 1995 Rochester (N.Y.) Open. A win also would end a four-year drought for Bohn, whose last title came in the 2008 Cheetah Championship.

MacLelland, a former All-American at Saginaw Valley State University, has a previous high finish of second place in the 2010 GEICO Shark Championship. He has done well in majors, finishing fourth in the 2012 USBC Masters and sixth in the 2011 Tournament of Champions and U.S. Open.

The winner of the opening match will take on No. 3 qualifier Rhino Page of Dade City, Fla., who will be trying for his sixth Tour title and first major. Page is also hoping to end a dry spell that has lasted more than three years. He won his last Tour title in September of 2009.

The winner of the second match will meet Rash, the No. 2 qualifier, in the semifinal match. Rash, a five-time Tour winner, won last season's Tournament of Champions for his second major. The victory helped propel him to Player of the Year honors.

The semifinal winner will battle Belmonte for the \$50,000 first prize. Belmonte, who has five Tour wins, will be trying for his first title of WSOB IV. He made the finals in both the Chameleon and Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championships, but failed to win either event.

If he happens to meet Rash in Sunday's championship match, both players will be looking for redemption. Rash lost head-to-head battles (in the 2011 Chameleon Championship at the World Series of Bowling and in the title match of the 2012 Australian Masters) in his two most recent battles with Belmonte while Belmonte will want to make a statement after losing last season's Player of the Year title to Rash in the closest vote ever.

Each ESPN telecast will be preceded by a special pre-game show on PBA's online bowling channel, [Xtra Frame](#), and each will feature a post-game show on Xtra Frame with an interview with the tournament winner.

Three easy steps to enhance your PBA telecast experience:

1) Tune into pba.com's Xtra Frame for free interviews with the finalists as they give their insight into strategy and equipment selection. All preview shows on Xtra Frame are available the Monday before each Sunday ESPN telecast at no cost.

2) Watch the PBA World Championship ESPN finals Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

3) Tune into the post-event show at Sunday 2:30 p.m. ET. Xtra Frame's post-tournament show interviews the winning player and provides in-depth ball rep analysis of the winner's equipment selection and ball preparation.

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Daugherty Finds Redemption in Winning PBA Scorpion Championship

"Thumbless" delivery proves the difference as Floridian wins first PBA Tour title

LAS VEGAS – After bowling a Professional Bowlers Association record-low 100 game in his only previous television appearance, Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla., redeemed himself in the Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship, winning three consecutive matches including a 200-182 victory over top qualifier Osku Palermaa of Finland, to capture his first PBA Tour title at South Point Hotel and Casino.

The Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship finals, the fourth of five GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling IV events, aired Sunday on ESPN.

Daugherty, who bowled his record-low game in a 299-100 loss to eventual champion Mika Koivuniemi in the semifinal round of the 2011 PBA Tournament of Champions, used his "thumbless" delivery to mow down an impressive field of high-rev power players in the Scorpion finals, raising his television average by 88 pins in the process.

After sneaking into the stepladder finals in fourth position by four pins over Rhino Page of Dade City, Fla., Daugherty ruined Jason Sterner's television debut, eliminating the McDonough, Ga., resident, 199-177. He then romped past Australian two-handed star Jason Belmonte, 256-187, and threw a critical double in the fifth and sixth frames of the title match to defeat Palermaa, getting help from the Finnish two-handed star when he had consecutive opens in the sixth and seventh frames.

Ironically, Daugherty put together the best performance of his professional career while glancing at a very large "100" in a graphic above the lanes promoting "Bowlers Journal 100th Anniversary."

"I want to thank Bowlers Journal for reminding me all day of my 100 game," Daugherty said with a grin at the conclusion of the match.

While all four finalists use power techniques that allow them to generate significant hooking power, the key was slower ball speed, a result of Daugherty not using his thumb in his delivery.

"The difference between me and the two-handers is my ball speed," Daugherty said. "They throw it 100 miles per hour, so I can actually do something they can't and that's a slow hook. I knew if I could get by Sterner, I'd have a good chance. I knew (Belmonte and Palermaa) weren't going to bowl anything. They might say they threw some bad shots, but I didn't think either one of them could shoot 200 because of their ball reactions.

"They couldn't get inside as far as I was because of their ball speed. Their ball would never hook from there," Daugherty added. "As soon as Belmo tried to move in just a little, he missed the headpin. It was easy for me to do, too, but on my good shots, I could get the ball to make the turn. They couldn't do that."

Daugherty admitted he was nervous in making his second career television appearance.

"There was a lot of nerves going on the first game. The three-bagger kinda calmed me down, but leaving that 3-6-9-10 in the first frame was unnerving. I didn't want to start with an open," he said after successfully converting the difficult spare. "That's all I thought about after making the show: not starting with an open and that's not the spare you want to shoot at in the first frame."

Daugherty said he was thrilled to win his first PBA Tour title because it made him eligible to bowl in the 2013 PBA Tournament of Champions under revised eligibility rules that will only allow PBA Tour champions to enter. He had bowled in the TOC previously under rules that allowed PBA Regional title winners to participate.

"I was so disappointed when they changed the TOC criteria," Daugherty said. "I made a lot of money in that tournament the past two years, but now I'm back."

The GEICO World Series of Bowling concludes on ESPN next Sunday at 1 p.m. ET with the finals of the PBA World Championship, the first major championship of the 2012-13 PBA Tour season. Finalists will include PBA Hall of Famer and 31-time PBA Tour titlist Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J.; Canada's Dan MacLelland; Rhino Page of Dade City, Fla.; reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash of Montgomery, Ill., and top qualifier Jason Belmonte of Australia, a five-time PBA Tour champion who is trying for his first major title.

Pre- and post-telecast shows for all PBA-ESPN telecasts will be available on Xtra Frame, PBA's online bowling channel.

BOWLERS JOURNAL SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP **South Point Exhibition Hall, Las Vegas**

Final Standings: 1, Tom Daugherty, Wesley Chapel, Fla., \$20,000. 2, Osku Palermaa, Finland, \$10,000. 3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$7,000. 4, Jason Sterner, McDonough, Ga., \$5,000.

Stepladder Results: Match One – Daugherty def. Sterner, 199-177. Semifinal Match – Daugherty def. Belmonte, 256-187. Championship – Daugherty def. Palermaa, 200-182.

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