



60th ANNIVERSARY

1958 - 2018

2010



Present

PBA

PROFESSIONAL BOWLERS ASSOCIATION

2010

Kelly Kulick became the first woman to win a PBA Tour title, winning the 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions. Kulick defeated Mika Koivuniemi in the semifinal match, 227-223, and top qualifier Chris Barnes in the title match, 265-195, at Red Rock Bowling Center in Las Vegas.



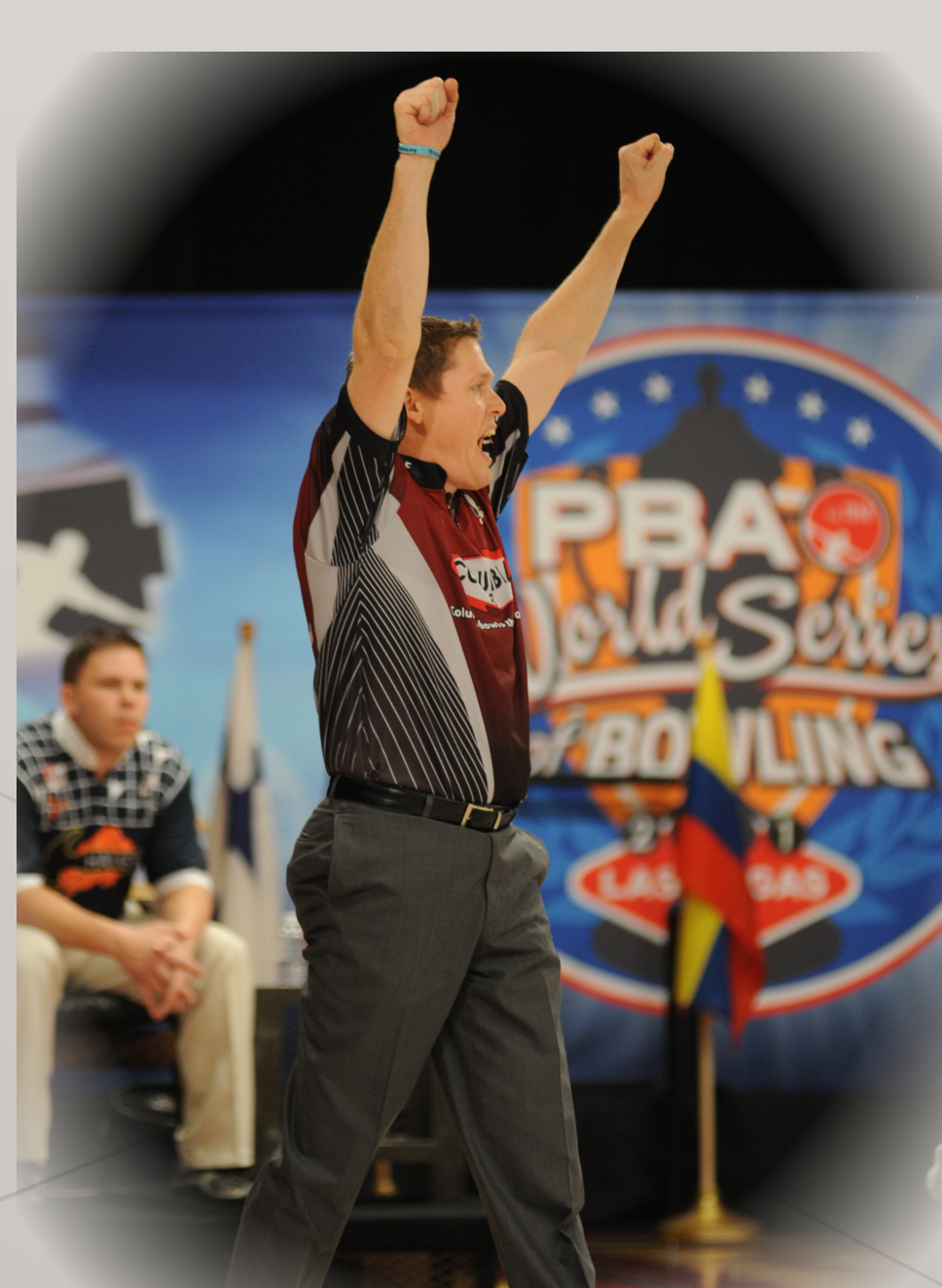
2010

At the age of 50, Walter Ray Williams Jr. swept every major statistical category during the 2009-10 PBA Tour season en route to a record seventh Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year honor. Williams also was named Bowler of the Decade for the second consecutive decade – a feat unprecedented in the sports world.



2011

With his 267-237 win over Bill O'Neill in the 2011 PBA World Championship at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas, Chris Barnes becomes the sixth player to win the PBA Triple Crown. He also won the 2005 U.S. Open and the 2006 Dexter PBA Tournament of Champions.



2011

The largest pin differential in a PBA televised match occurred when Mika Koivuniemi defeated Tom Daugherty, 299-100, in the 2011 PBA Tournament of Champions at Red Rock in Las Vegas. Daugherty's 100 remains the lowest score bowled on a PBA national telecast. Koivuniemi joined Don Johnson (1970) as the second bowler to shoot 299 in the TOC televised finals. He then defeated Tom Smallwood, 269-207, to become the first international player to win the TOC. The event featured the first \$1 million purse in PBA history and a \$250,000 first prize. It was the first live PBA event aired on ABC Television since 1997.



2012

Pete Weber became the first player to win five U.S. Open/BPAA All Star titles, defeating Mike Fagan, 215-214, at Brunswick Zone Carolier in North Brunswick, N.J., with a strike on his final shot which prompted him to utter the phrase, "Who Do You Think You Are? I Am!" The catch phrase became an instant hit in bowling and pop culture, and inspired an ESPN 30 for 30 Short film.



2012

PBA Hall of Famer Johnny Petraglia became the first player in PBA history to win a national tour or national senior tour title in six decades by winning the PBA Senior Dayton Classic.



2013

PBA introduced a new "blue oil" used to condition the lanes during the ESPN broadcasts of PBA World Series events at South Point Bowling Center in Las Vegas. The blue-dyed oil enabled fans to see the differences in defined lane oiling patterns and how transition of oil occurs as the events take place.



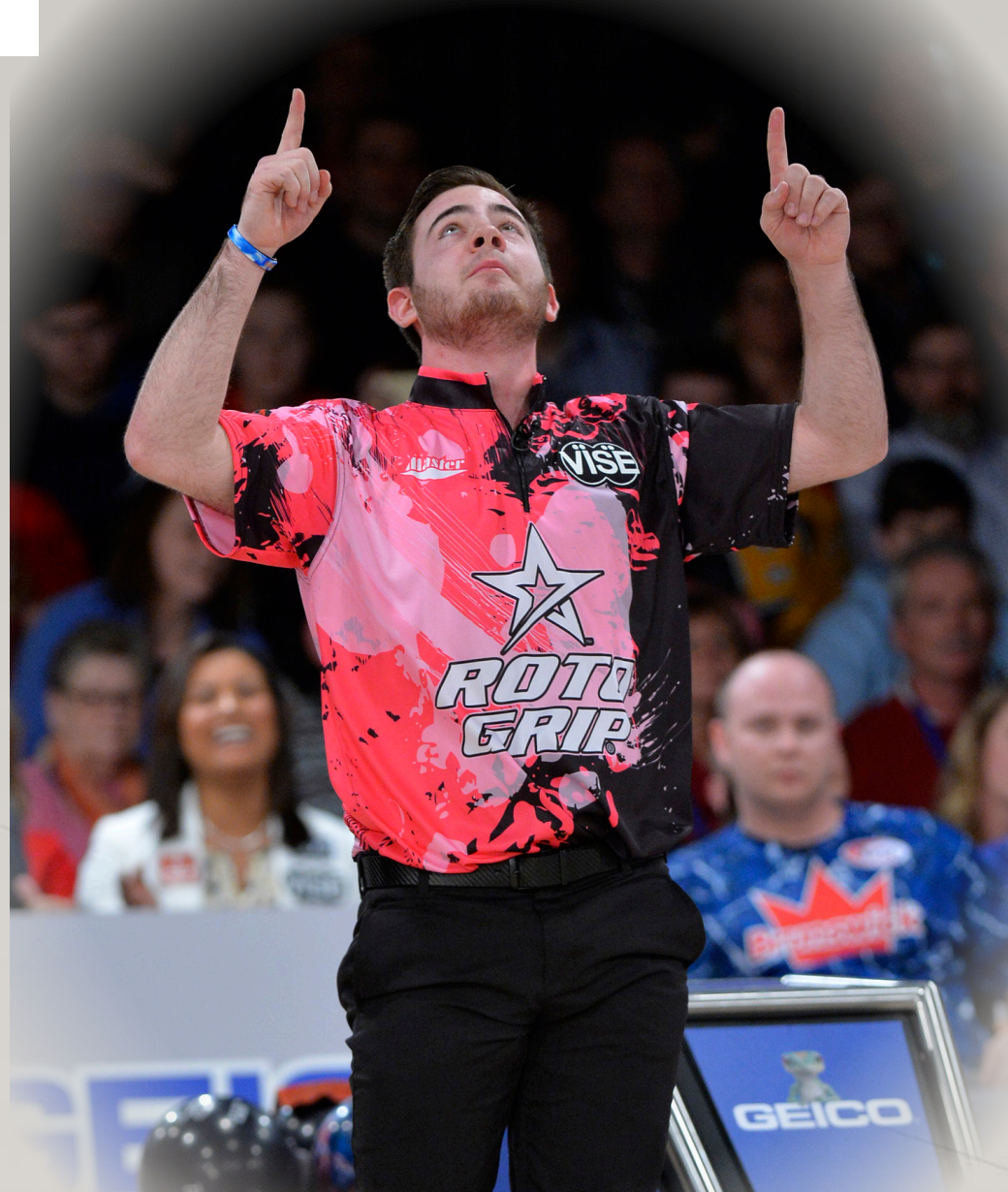
2013

Pete Weber won the PBA Tournament of Champions at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis to become the first player to complete the PBA Triple Crown for a second time as well as becoming the oldest player to win the TOC at age 50.



2016

Anthony Simonsen defeated Dan MacLelland, 245-207, to win the USBC Masters at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis to become the youngest player to win a major on the PBA Tour at the age of 19 years, 39 days.



2016

At age 20 and 357 days, Jesper Svensson defeated Mitch Beasley, 231-221, to become the youngest player to win the PBA Tournament of Champions. The previous record was set 40 years earlier when Marshall Holman won the 1976 PBA Tournament of Championship at age 21 years, 207 days.



2016

The GoBowling.com Dallas Strikers (Norm Duke, Tommy Jones, Shawn Maldonado, BJ Moore and Bill O'Neill) made PBA history as they recorded the first team Baker 300 game in televised PBA League competition at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine. The Strikers defeated the Barbasol Motown Muscle to advance to their first Elias Cup championship.



2016

Walter Ray Williams Jr. became the first player in PBA history to win a combined total of 100 PBA titles at all levels when he teamed up with Dick Allen and Dennis Lane to win the PBA/PBA50/PBA60 Decker Appraisal Services Baker Trio title. As the PBA50 player in the group, Williams won his 10th PBA50 Regional title to go along with 47 PBA Tour titles, 32 PBA Regional titles and 11 PBA50 Tour titles.



2017

Jason Belmonte made PBA history by becoming the only player to win the USBC Masters four times. As top qualifier, he defeated amateur Michael Tang, 279-212, at The Orleans Bowling Center in Las Vegas for his eighth PBA major title.



2017

Jason Belmonte won his ninth career major championship with a thrilling 238-225 victory over top qualifier Jesper Svensson in the PBA World Championship at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev. With the win, Belmonte became the first player in PBA's 60-year history to win three major championships in a single season.

