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Messenger

Belmonte becomes the second player to win the Super Slam

Jason Belmonte joined Mike Aulby by becoming the second player in PBA history to win every Major by claiming the 2020 U.S. Open title. Belmonte would defeat Anthony Simonsen 226-201 in Championship Round. Belmonte needed to make the 3-6-9-10 spare to win. Belmonte would earn \$30,000 and a green blazer to add to his resume'.

Simonsen had a 300 pin lead after 56 games. He was also looking to become the youngest player to win 3 Majors. There would be an amateur (Perry Crowell IV) in the top 5 who would defeat Walter Ray Williams, Jr. after the first cut. Zach Wilkins would be the 24-game leader. There was a total of 8 perfect games. E.J. Tackett and Osku Palermo would be the number to advance to the top 24. Tackett would defeat Palermo to advance to Match Play.

Norm Duke, Tommy Jones, Dom Barrett, Wes Malott, Francis Lavoie and Rhino Page would be the other past champions to make the Match Play portion of the tournament.

| 2020 U.S. Open | | | | | | | | |
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| 24-Game Cut# | +203 | Walter Ray Williams, Jr., Perry Crowell IV (a) (Perry won in 1-game roll off) | | | | | | |
| 24-Game Leader | +31 | Zach Wilkins | | | | | | |
| 32-Game Cut# | +359 | E.J. Tackett / Osku Palerma (E.J. won in 1-game roll-off) | | | | | | |
| 32-Game Leader | +667 | Anthony Simonsen | | | | | | |
| 56-Game Cut# | +1297 | Perry Crowell IV (a) | | | | | | |
| 56-Game Leader | +1968 | Anthony Simonsen | | | | | | |
| #300 Games | 8 | Anthony Simonsen, Anthony Lavery-Spahr, Brad Miller, Kristopher Prather, Zach Wilkins, Perry Crowell IV (a), Adam Zimmerman (a), Matthew T Kuba | | | | | | |
| | Champ | ionship Round Stats | | | | | | |
| High Game | 241 | Perry Crowell IV (a) | | | | | | |
| Low Game | 181 | Perry Crowell IV (a) | | | | | | |
| High Match | 241-203 | Perry Crowell IV (a) vs. Chris Via | | | | | | |
| Low Match | 205-181 | Dick Allen vs. Perry Crowell (a) | | | | | | |
| AVG. Winning Game | 221.75 | | | | | | | |

There were only 108 entries in this year's U.S. Open field. The USBC did some equipment checks on urethane balls. Between each of the qualifying rounds, players were not allowed to drill new equipment to obtain a better reaction on the lanes. On the first day of qualifying, bowling scores were very high for a U.S. Open.



2020 U.S. Open

| | | | | | | | | | 1. | Anthony Simonsen | 201 | Jason Belmonte |
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| | | | | | | 2. | Jason Belmonte | 215 | | Jason Belmonte | 226 | CHAMPION |
| | | | 3. | Dick Allen | 205 | | Dick Allen | 187 | | • | | |
| 4. | Chris Via | 203 | | Perry Crowell (a) | 181 | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Perry Crowell (a) | 241 | | | | - | | | | | | |

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Prism Warp & U Motion-available March 5th



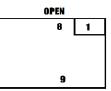


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| Spec Lab | pel | Spec Value | | | | | | | |
| LEVEL | Pro | | | | | | | | |
| PART NU | JMBER | 60-106242-93X | | | | | | | |
| COLOR | Turquoi | se / Purple / Black | | | | | | | |
| CORE Portal | | | | | | | | | |
| COVERS | ТОСК | A.C.T. 2.0 (Activator Composite Technol- | | | | | | | |
| ogy) | | | | | | | | | |
| COVER 1 | YPE | Solid Reactive | | | | | | | |
| FINISH 500, 2000 Siaair Micro Pad | | | | | | | | | |
| WEIGHT | S | 12-16 lbs. | | | | | | | |
| RG | 2.465 (1 | 5 lb.) | | | | | | | |
| DIFF 0.051 (15 lb.) | | | | | | | | | |
| ASY | ASY 0.018 (15 lb.) | | | | | | | | |
| WARRANTY Two years from date of purchase | | | | | | | | | |





Spec Table Spec Label Spec Value LEVEL Advanced PART NUMBER 60-106246-93X COLOR Deep Dark Purple CORE **U-Motion** COVERSTOCK Solid Urethane COVER TYPE Urethane FINISH 500, 1000 Siaair Micro Pad WEIGHTS 12-16 lbs. RG 2.596 (15 lb.) DIFF 0.020 (15 lb.) WARRANTY Two years from date of purchase



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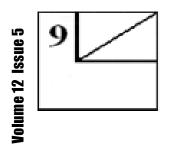
Parker Bohn III presented Josh Hyde with one of his 300 rings.

800 Series and a 300 ring

On February 10th of this year at Warsaw Bowl. I shot an 800 series. I had games of 279, 258 and 279 with the Brunswick Vapor Zone Hybrid. On this day I had bowled a total of seven games and the first three games were a 269, a 235, and a 226. I was not expecting striking a number of times since I just went for 51 after a 269 start. In the fourth game I started off with a front four and left a ten pin in the fifth frame. Then I stroke out to end that game with a 279. The next game I started off much stronger but ended up with a 258. I needed a 263 the last game to shoot and 800 series. Then on February 27th this year. I had went out to eat out with Parker Bohn III. He took me to Olive Garden and gave me one his 300 rings. Even though my 300 game at Warsaw Bowl in 2017 was not sanctioned in a league. He still gave me one of his 300 rings. These are two of my greatest achievements as a bowler. My only hope is to keep adding to the number of 700's that I have and to bowl another 300 with a 800 series. In February I add quite a few games over 250 with a couple 260's and a couple 270's. I would like to thank Bryan Graham of Brunswick who gives me the greatest balls in the world. I cannot think Brunswick for the support that they have given over the years. I will always feel that Brunswick has the greatest equipment for a bowler.



There has only been two bowlers that have won all five majors. Mike Aulby and Jason Belmonte .



GoBowling Indianapolis Open

Jesper Svensson earns his ninth PBA Career title by defeating Sean Malonado 245-226. The championship match looked like Jesper was going to run away with it. Perhaps joining Bob Benoit, Mike Aulby, and Tommy Jones as the only bowlers to bowl a perfect game during a championship match. A one million dollar bonus was at stake for any bowler that bowled a perfect game during the championship match. It has been a few years in the winner's circle on the Go Bowling PBA Tour. USBC Director Nick Pate would make his championship debut in the Go Bowling PBA Championship. Pate looked like a veteran than a first-time bowler in the championship round as he would defeat Tom Smallwood in the first match 227-164. In the second match he would take on the fourteen game qualifying leader. It would be a closer match but Pate would come out on top. Bowling a 227 over Simonsen's 215. The match would be closer than the first match. Nick Pate would come out on top. Just when bowling fans expected to see Nick Pate go up the stepladder to claim his first Go Bowling PBA Tour Title. Sean Malonado would run him over to advance to Championship Match.

At the 2020 Go-Bowling Indianapolis Open. Scores were higher, Norm Duke was hoping to defend his title. But he would lose to Greg Ostrander in his match 179-167. There would be two 300's by Matt Russo and Nicholas Pate. Both bowlers shoot their perfect games in the match play rounds. Tom Hess and Michael Tang would tie for the last place cash spot. Other bowlers that made match play were Jason Belmonte. Bill O'Neill and EJ Tackett and Wes Malott. In the position round match Tom Smallwood would make a huge jump by tenth to fifth place in one game. The tournament would feature a duel pattern. One on the right lane and one on the left lane with the Mark Roth and Marshall Holman PBA Pattern.

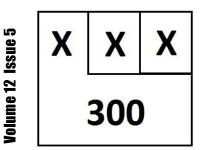
| 2020 Go Bowling Indianapolis Open | | | | | | | | | |
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| 14-Game Cash | +308 | Tom Hess & Michael Tang | | | | | | | |
| 14-Game Cut# | + 413 | Greg Ostrander & Norm Duke-Greg would advance in the one game roll-off. 179-167 | | | | | | | |
| 14-Game Leader | +541 | Anthony Simonsen | | | | | | | |
| 30-Game Cut# | +1192 | Tom Smallwood | | | | | | | |
| 30 -Game Leader | +1493 | Jesper Svensson | | | | | | | |
| #300 Games | 2 | Nick Pate and Matt Russo | | | | | | | |
| | Championship Round Stats | | | | | | | | |
| High Game | High Game 246 Shawn Malonado | | | | | | | | |
| Low Game | 164 | Tom Smallwood | | | | | | | |
| High Match | 246-230 | Malonado vs Pate | | | | | | | |
| Low Match | 227-164 | Pate vs Smallwood | | | | | | | |
| AVG. Winning Game | 236 | | | | | | | | |



From L to R. Jesper, Shawn, Anthony, Nick Pate & Tom Smallwood

2020 Go Bowling Indianapolis Open

| | | | 2. | Shawn Malonado | 246 | Jesper Sevennson | 245 | Jesper Svennson | | | | |
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| _ | | | | 3. | Anthony Simonsen | 213 | | Nick Pate | 230 | Shawn Malonado | 226 | CHAMPION |
| | 4. | Nick Pate | 227 | | Nick Pate | 226 | | | | | | |
| Γ | 5 | Tom Smallwood | 164 | | | | - | | | | | |



Tenth Frame– Editorial The Historic Woodland Bowl-Fenway Park of Bowling

Indianapolis is the longest tournament in modern day PBA history— originally it was the Showboat Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. There were a number of entries at the Showboat Invitational (between 400 and 600 bowlers). Then in the 1960's, the PBA had the Firestone Tournament of Champions. Indianapolis has skipped a couple of seasons including one in '89, the season '02-'03 and back in 2014. However, there has been a number of great bowlers that have won the Indianapolis Open at Woodland Bowl. Don Mitchell, who owned Don Mitchell Pro-Shops from the 60s through the 90s, always felt that the PBA was a great place to promote the sport of bowling. Looking back , I think of all the winners that have won over the years in Indy. There have been some great moments in PBA history—such as Walter Ray Williams, Jr. winning his forty-first title at the PBA World Championship when he beat Pete Weber.

In the 1991 U.S Open, Pete Weber lifted up the Eagle Trophy after winning his second of five U.S. Open titles. The Eagle slipped off of the trophy hitting the ground and shattering. Twenty-two years later, Weber would become the oldest bowler to win the Tournament of Champions, and he would become the first player in PBA history to win the Triple Crown twice. Two years later in 2015, at the 50th edition of the Tournament of Champions, Jason Belmonte would join Jason Couch in becoming the second player in PBA history to successfully defend his TOC title. Also, Sean Rash would become the first player to bowl two perfect games on national television. In 2016, Anthony Simonsen would become the youngest champion in PBA history to win a Major. Walter Ray Williams, Jr., Norm Duke, Pete Weber and Jason Couch are the only multiple champions that would win at Woodland Bowl. Pete Weber would win three Majors at Woodland Bowl. Walter Ray Williams, Jr. would win two majors at Woodland Bowl. In 2019, Norm Duke would join Earl Anthony and Walter Ray Williams, Jr. in winning forty PBA Tour Titles. Both Don Mitchell and Jim Doty would be inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 2018 and 2019 for Meritorious service. In 1996, the U.S. Open would simultaneously host both the men's and women's U.S Open. They would also host all five Majors of the PBA Tour. For bowlers, it is like going to the Fenway Park of bowling. The pioneers of bowling center proprietors in Indianapolis were Carl Handel and Don Mitchell. Like Don Mitchell did for Mike Aulby, Carl Handel did for the legendary Dick Weber. This list of the champions of PBA Hall of Famers at Woodland Bowl is impressive. Pete Weber even won a PBA Regional at Woodland Bowl. Originally, Dick Weber was from Indianapolis. He donated a couple of his trophies to be showcased at Woodland Bowl. They have hosted every Major on the PBA Tour.

When I started going there, the Pro-Am Tournament would be sold out. In 1993, they had 1500 entries for the Pro-Am. The first PBA Public Relations Officer was Bud Fisher who was also a native of Indianapolis. In 1984, Mike Aulby would win the Indianapolis Open, almost defending it in '85. However, Darrell Bower would win his first and only PBA Tour title. Even Mike Aulby's brother-in-law, Steve Cook ,would win one of the first tournaments at Woodland Bowl. I think Mark Roth won the very first title in 1979. Bowling Fans can see that Woodland Bowl is a historic bowling center for the PBA Tour. Woodland Bowl is a chain of bowling centers for the greater Indianapolis area. At one time, they had three 80-lane centers. Indianapolis had a sign similar to the Riveria Lanes' infamous sign "Past these doors are the world's finest bowlers". In the early days, Mike Aulby would wear a royal pin logo on his shirt as they were a sponsor to Mike Aulby. Don Mitchell was like a second father to Aulby.

As I think back through PBA history, Woodland was quite a venue to host the PBA Tournament. Don Mitchell would host a PBA regional in the mid to late 70s. He would always treat the pros as if they were the greatest bowlers in the entire world. If a bowler needed something, Don was the man to go to for anything.

All the tournaments except for one were held at Woodland Bowl and the other was held at Western Bowl. Don would always make sure that he accommodated the bowlers with a large paddock area. If a bowler won in Indianapolis, they would hang up their pennant in the bar. They still carry out the tradition. Thirty-three years ago, I went to my first PBA tournament at Woodland Bowl. This is where I became a major PBA fan.

If there was a second Riveria Lanes, it would be Woodland Bowl.