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Messenger <u>Belmonte Becomes the Second Player</u> to Three-Peat PBA World Championship WSOB

Jason Belmonte earned his thirtieth career Major at the XI World Series of Bowling. He did it by defeating Anthony Simonsen 213-190. The XI World Series of Bowling was cut short due to the coronavirus and the closure of events to large crowds. Only bowlers' direct family members and essential PBA staff were able to attend the final event. They hope to complete the remaining Animal Patterns in the near future. Belmonte earned \$150,000 for his third consecutive World Championship title. He has tied the three-peat Earl Anthony achieved in 1981-1983 and 1973-1975. Anthony Simonsen was blocked from becoming the youngest player to earn three Major titles.

30-Game Cut	Patrick Girard +395
30-Game Leader	Jakob Butturff +1,030
40-Game Cut	Kris Pather +966
40-Game Leader	EJ Tackett +482
56-Game Cut	Chris Via +2,036
56-Game Leader	Jason Belmonte +2346

High Game 269-Francois Lavoie						
Low Game 177-EJ Tackett						
High Match 269-258 Francois Lavoie vs Chris Via						
Low Match 215-177 Anthony Simonsen vs EJ Tackett						
Average Winning Game 230.25						
300s Jason Belmonte(2)Richard Teece(2),						
Bill O'Neill, AJ Johnson,						

2019 PBA World Championship

· [1.	Jason Belmonte	213	Jason Belmonte	
					2.	EJ Tackett	177	Anthony Simonsen	190	Champion
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	4.	Francois Lavoie	269	Francois Lavoie	204			-		
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Interview of the Month: Matt Sanders

Q. 1. What are your short-term and long-term goals.

A. Short-term I would like to put together full tournaments and work on process. Long-term I like to get on a televised final, keep working when they are harder.

Q. 2. What major would you like to win in and why

- A. The Tournament of Champions because it has the best of the best in the field.
- Q. 3. When did you decide to go pro?
- A. Bowled in amateur tournaments after college and tried 1 year later.
- Q. In your opinion what is the best format?
- A. 8 games each block, 2 or 3 blocks, top 24 match play.



PBA Superfan Releases Book

On page 13 of the April Bowlers Journal International magazine, Dennis Bergendorf writes about the book author Josh Hyde recently released—*Bowlology.* Bergendorf credits Hyde, a premier ramp bowler, with offering an instructional book about the sport that he truly loves. *Bowlology* also contains numerous bowling facts; PBA, PWBA and USBC Hall-of-Fames; as well as Hyde's take on the 12 greatest minds in bowling. Hyde places himself 12th on that list supporting Bergendorf 's description of Hyde being humble with regard to his bowling talent.



Bowlology is a free e-book available on joshhydebowling.com.



Second 800 , Second Triplicate

On March 16th of 2020, I shot my second 800 series which was an 837. It just so happened to be a 279 Triplicate. In the first game, I had the front nine in a row. I actually thought that I was going to shoot my second 300 game. In the seventh or eighth frame, I carried the ten pin. On the first ball of the tenth frame, I was not so fortunate. I left the ten pin and made the spare and struck on the fill ball. In the next game, I started with a front five before leaving another stubborn ten pin and struck out. In the final game, I had the front four leaving another ten pin before striking out and shooting a 279. A few years back, I had a 645 series with a 215 Triplicate. I was merely a ten pin away from shooting a perfect 900 series. I had never dreamt of shooting two 800s within a month apart. Thank you Brunswick for providing me with the Vapor Zone Hybrid. This is the best ball I have ever owned for shooting games over 250. I can strike with the Vapor Zone Hybrid. I cannot thank Brunswick enough for providing me with the best bowling equipment in the world!



Earl Anthony and Jason Belmonte are the only bowlers to 3-peat the PBA World/National Championship.





Tenth Frame Editorial

PBA Media Guide Opportunity

This past February while in Indianapolis, I had the opportunity to talk with Tom Clark, the PBA Commissioner. I had brought a binder with me that I had worked on for a couple of months. The binder consisted of bowling articles that I had written about professional bowling during the past 5 years. I had also come up with an idea about the next gala, the 70th anniversary—to commemorate the 70 greatest Championship Matches. In the upcoming months, I hope to work with PBA staff on a PBA Media Guide. This has been my dream for 30 years. Tom and I exchanged ideas. One idea that Tom has is to compile a money-earner list for the Major Tournaments. I shared with Tom my idea of having every PBA Tour event be comprised of 300 games.

In working with the PBA, I hope to express my creativity and to share my knowledge of the PBA with bowling fans and bowling writers around the world.

On the bottom of this article are the first three "encyclopedias" about the PBA that I designed. As you can see, they are in chronological order. The first one, 2012-2013 PBA Media Guide, was similar to my **Bowlology** book. The Bowlology book was a instructional book on how to bowl. I had created things like the Bowlology periodical table and the tournament high archy. In the 2012-2013 media guide I did not want to copy exactly what the PBA did. For an example they had each top 5 of every major tournament in the book. I wrote the numbers down in the chart. I would put the 1st, 5th, and the 10th bowler that had made money in that year or season.

The Tournament of Champions media kit was actually used for the bowling writer that were covering the 50th Tournament of Champions. I have to bring the same for the bowling media. This will be a great opportunity to work side by side with the PBA.

Below—Left to Right: 2012-2013 PBA Media Guide, 2015 Tournament of Champions Media Kit, 2016 PBA Majors Media Guide







Presents 2016 PBA Majors Media Guide

