



Messenger

2020 PBA Awards Winners

For the sixth time, Jason Belmonte would receive another Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year Award. He would join Mike Aulby by becoming the second player to win all the Majors at this years U.S. Open. He did it by converting the 3-6-9-10 spare to defeat Anthony Simonsen. There were three bowlers in the running for Player of the Year— Jason, Bill O'Neill and Chris Prather. Jason Belmonte would win his third title of the year at the Chameleon Championship. This would give Belmonte 25 titles with 13 Major victories.

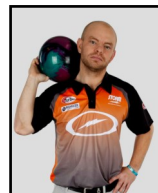
Brad Miller would receive the Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award which he enthusiastically accepted. *"It's nice to be accepted within an organization I'm passionate about,"* said Miller. *"The PBA is the coolest place in the world in my eyes."*

Miller was selected out of five finalists including Martin Larsen, Tommy Jones, Francois Lavoie, and Sean Rash. Miller also mentioned it was a difficult year in more ways than one. He finished eleventh in the PBA Points. Brad Miller and Kyle Sherman have a YouTube channel which lets fans see the PBA through a player's eyes.

The winner of the Tony Reyes Service Award is another PBA Hall of Famer, Danny Wiseman. Danny was selected for his ongoing dedication to the promotion and instruction of youth bowling. Danny's lone Major was the 2004 USBC Masters where he bowled a 289 at the Milwaukee Brewers Park. The first tournament of the '04-05 season was the USBC Masters. However, because the Masters was an open field at the time, it would not count as a PBA Title until four years later. Wiseman is a USBC Hall of Fame member. This service award given to Danny Wiseman is named after PBA Player Tony Reyes who was killed in automobile accident eight years ago in September of 2012.



Jason Belmonte



Brad Miller



Danny Wiseman



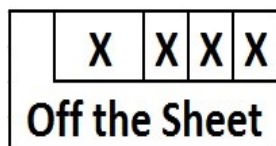
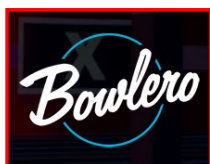
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PBA Player's Championship 2021

Last month, the PBA announced the first event for the 2021 season. Each region will have a tournament with the winner advancing to the Finals. Listed below are the dates of each region's tournament. All the winners will advance to the Championship Finals on Fox Broadcast Channel. First place will win \$250,000 along with a Major title. All regionals will be a 28-game tournament with four different patterns. This gives a new identity for the PBA membership to play for the PBA Player's Championship for Major titles. Tournaments will be held at Bowlero or AMF centers. Each region will have the final round on Fox Sports with the winners going on to the Championship Round. The priority entry goes as follows: top 75 point earners will have first selection; then it goes to PBA Hall of Famers. These Regionals will be on FloBowling. Bowling fans can get more information on PBA.com. This will be an exciting event for the first tournament of the 2021 PBA Tour Season.

Jan. 24: PBA Players Championship West Region Finals, FS1
Jan. 31: PBA Players Championship Southwest Region Finals, FS1
Feb. 6: PBA Players Championship Central Region Finals, FS1
Feb. 7: PBA Players Championship East Region Finals, FS1
Feb. 14: PBA Players Championship South Region Finals, FS1
Feb. 21: PBA Players Championship Finals, FOX Broadcast Channel

West: Bowlero Christown, Phoenix, Ariz.
Southwest: AMF Garland Lanes, Garland, Texas
Central: Bowlero Wauwatosa, Milwaukee, Wis.
East: Bowlero West End, Richmond, Va.
South: AMF University Lanes, Tampa, Fla.



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Last month, the Bowler's Journal International featured an article about the upcoming 2021 PWBA Season. Since the 2020 PWBA season did not happen due to CoVid-19, it will start in January and end at the start of November. The PWBA is looking at hosting the following tournaments listed below. For more information, readers can log onto PWBA.com

Tournament Schedule

Dates	Tournament
Jan. 18-26, 2021	PWBA Kickoff Classic Series International Training and Research Center - Arlington, TX 76011
April 22-24, 2021	PWBA Twin Cities Open Cedarvale Lanes - Eagan, MN 55122
April 29 - May 1, 2021	PWBA Lincoln Open Sun Valley Lanes - Lincoln, NE 68528
May 6-8, 2021	PWBA Greater Cleveland Open Yorktown Lanes - Parma Heights, OH 44130
May 12-18, 2021	USBC Queens National Bowling Stadium - Reno, NV 89501
May 27-29, 2021	PWBA BVL Open Farmingdale Lanes - Farmingdale, NY 11735

June 3-5, 2021	PWBA Albany Open Kingpin's Alley Family Fun Center - South Glens Falls, NY 12803
June 10-12, 2021	PWBA Greater Nashville Open Smyrna Bowling Center - Smyrna, TN 37167
June 17-19, 2021	PWBA Louisville Open Executive Strike and Spare - Louisville, KY 40209
July 29 - Aug. 1, 2021	PBA/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles Copperfield Bowl - Houston, TX 77095
Aug. 2-10, 2021	PWBA Summer Classic Series International Training and Research Center - Arlington, TX 76011
Aug. 19-21, 2021	PWBA Spokane Open Lilac Lanes & Casino - Spokane, WA 99208
Aug. 24-31, 2021	U.S. Women's Open Double Decker Lanes - Rohnert Park, CA 94928
Oct. 25 - Nov. 1, 2021	PWBA Fall Classic Series TBD - TBD, TBD TBD


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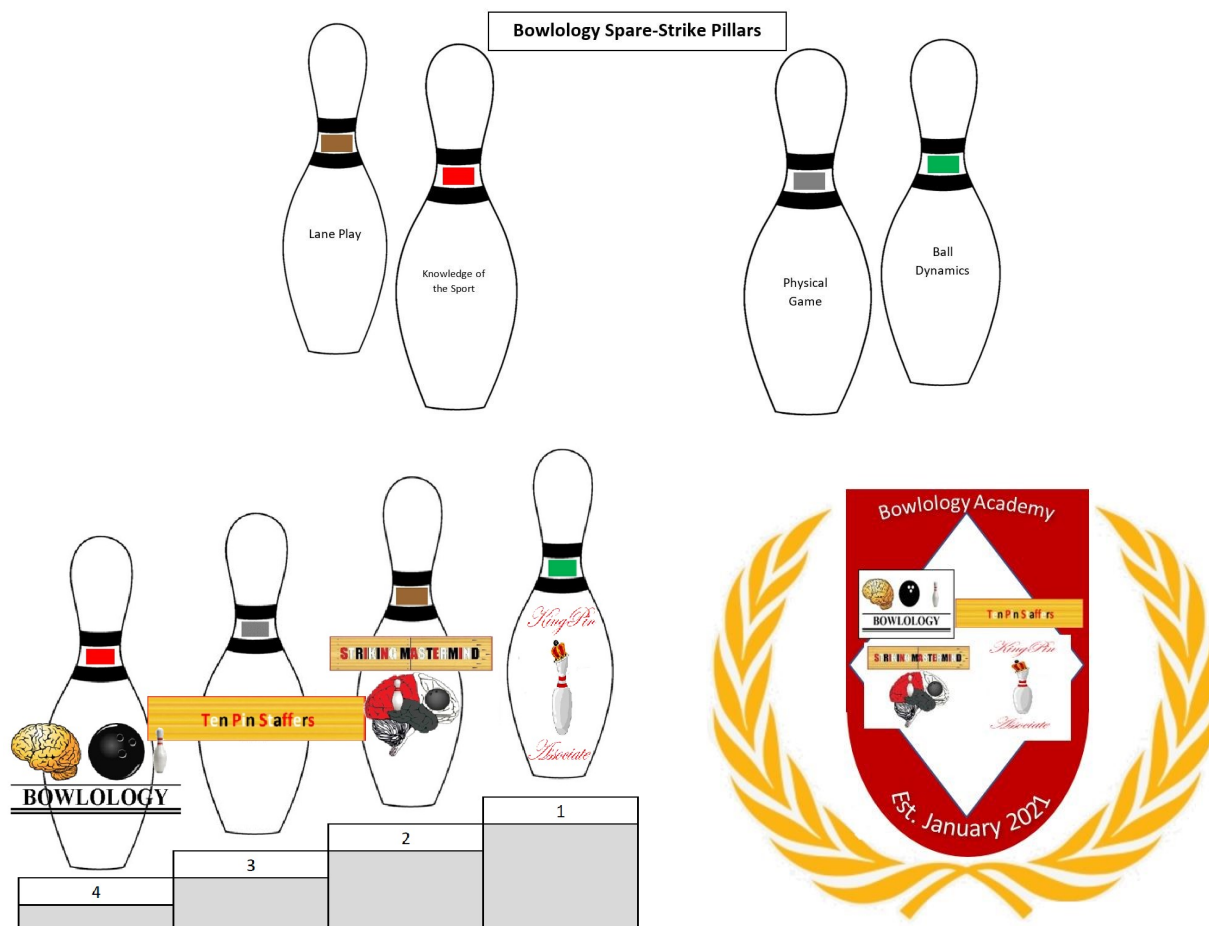
Bowlology

Bowlology Academy

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A few months back, the Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter had an article announcing the Bowler Intelligence Agency. In December of 2020, Josh Hyde Bowling made the decision to change the name of the Bowler Intelligence Agency to the Bowlology Academy. The Bowlology Academy has an entrance exam which allows the Bowlology Academy to assess the bowler's knowledge of the game as well as an application to start the academy process. The bowling assessment test does not have a point value or a pass/fail score. It is just a tool to determine a bowler's baseline bowling IQ. Bowlology Academy is a resource for any level of bowler who wants to know the sport on a serious level. The bowler can advance as high as they desire. It starts off with Bowlology which is the basics of bowling. The Tin Pin Staffer program is for training the next generation of bowling instructors who will teach future bowlers on how to adjust on the lanes and the fundamentals of ball dynamics. The Striking Mastermind is for the bowler who wants to start bowling in higher competition like a PBA Regional or National Tour. The Kingpin Associate is the highest level of the Bowlology Academy. In this class, the bowlers will build on the prior three classes so the bowler can think more for themselves and become full-fledged Bowlologist. These Kingpin Associates will help Bowlology Academy create more content for future students. Along with the Newsletter for January 2021, the application and B.A.T. will be included in the email.

Bowling Assessment Test— To enter the Bowlology Academy, a bowler must fill-out the application and complete the Bowling Assessment Test. The B.A.T is a test to evaluate bowlers on what level they need to enter into the academy. It is not a pass or fail test. It is just meant to assess an applicant on whether they have basic or advanced bowling knowledge. This will help the Bowlology Academy to identify what level a bowler can be placed at in the classes. In the Bowlology Academy application process, Josh Hyde can determine which program a future bowler can be placed in.

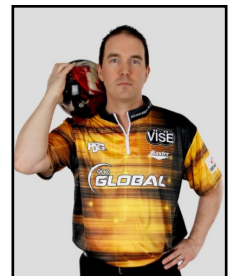
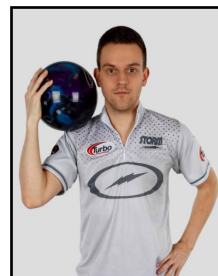
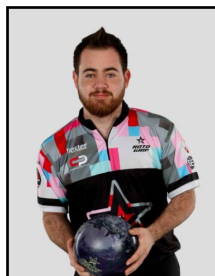
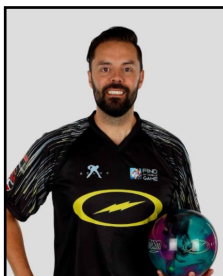


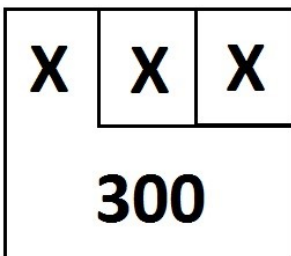
PBA Tour History –last decade in review

Bowlero and **Go Bowling.com** are two major bowling corporations that have invested their money into the PBA as title sponsors while Fox Sports won the broadcast rights to PBA tournaments through 2022. The PBA has enticed by offering a one-million-dollar bonus to any bowler throwing a perfect game in the championship match in four different events. It creates major excitement for bowlers and bowling fans alike. Bowling a 300 game in the championship match has only been done three times in the history of the PBA - by Bob Benoit-1998, Mike Aulby-1993, and Tommy Jones-2020. This is one of the ways that the bowling industry can get onboard. In the last decade, Jason Belmonte won a total of eleven Majors along with five Player of the Year honors. Of his 22 titles, he captured eleven Majors.

There were numerous milestones that happened in the second decade of the 21st century. Walter Ray Williams, Jr. would earn his seventh PBA Player of the Year honor. Mika Koivuniemi in the 2011 Tournament of Champions would collect the richest check in PBA history, the purse being one million dollars. Chris Barnes would join Billy Hardwick, Johnny Petraglia, Norm Duke, Pete Weber, and Mike Aulby by winning the 2011 PBA World Championship. In 2012, Pete Weber would surpass and his legendary father Dick Weber and Don Carter with an astounding five U.S. Open (BPAA All-Star) titles. The next year, Pete Weber would become the first bowler to complete the Triple Crown twice by winning the Tournament of Champions. In 2015, Jason Belmonte would win his third unprecedented Masters, and he would become the only bowler to three-peat the Masters. He would also become the second player in PBA history to successfully defend his Tournament of Champions title. At the 2016 USBC Masters, Anthony Simonsen would become the youngest PBA Major champion at the age of 18. In 2016, Pete Weber would win six PBA50 titles in a single season. Walter Ray Williams, Jr. and Pete Weber would be racing to earn 100 PBA titles (PBA Tour, PBA50 Tour, PBA Regional, and PBA50 Regional titles). In the 2016 U.S. Open, Francois Lavoie would become the first player in PBA history to bowl a perfect game in the U.S. Open Championship round. The PBA League would take off in 2013 with the WPT Kingpins winning the inaugural Elias Cup. In 2015, the 50th addition of the Tournament of Champions would set another record as Sean Rash would become the first player in PBA history to shoot a 300 twice on national television. Kelly Kulick would be the first woman to win a PBA Major title at the 2010 Tournament of Champions. In 2018, Don Johnson's 1970 299 game would be voted as the greatest moment in PBA history. Liz Johnson would become the second woman to win a PBA title at the PBA Chameleon Championship. At the end of 2018, Fox Sports made a multi-year contract deal with the PBA for televising their games.

In 2016, Jesper Svensson would become the youngest Tournament of Champions winner. Later, that year, EJ Tackett would join Mike Aulby, Chris Barnes, and Jason Belmonte as the only four players to earn both Player and Rookie of the Year honors. In 2019, Jason Belmonte would win two Majors along with two more titles and become the only player to win eleven Majors in his career. He would make every championship round in all the Majors. Anthony Simonsen would become the youngest player to win two Majors at the PBA Players Championship. In 2018, Tommy Jones, Mika Koivuniemi and Chris Barnes would be the only players in the game that would be inducted into the Hall of Fame the first time they appeared on the ballot. In 2019, Walter Ray Williams, Jr. would tie John Handegard for the most PBA50 title wins with 14 and claim his third PBA50 Player of the Year honor. At the 2019 Indianapolis Open, Norm Duke would be the third player in PBA history to reach 40 PBA titles. In 2012 after Hurricane Sandy, Parker Bohn III would win his 2nd career Major at the PBA World Championship after not making the cut at any of the Animal Pattern Championships. In 2015, the PBA announced that they were going to award Major titles to Parker Bohn III, Jason Belmonte, and Scott Norton by winning the PBA Players Championship.





Tenth Frame: Editorial

A Glimpse into the Career of a Bowlologist

In the past, Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter has included articles about how to become a Bowlologist. Just last month, I became part of the United States Bowling Congress committee member for the Hall of Fame. I am humbled by this great honor. At one time, the USBC had 10 million members in its entire organization. All bowlers have had to join the USBC to achieve their PBA card. Bowlers like Dick Weber and Earl Anthony are members of the PBA Hall of Fame and USBC Hall of Fame. This is the grass roots to becoming one of the best bowlers in the world. I have obtained the USBC Hall of Fame committee status because of my 10-year IBMA membership. This all started when I approached PBA President Steve Miller in 2001 at the PBA National Championship (now known as the PBA World Championship) and asked him how I could become a PBA member. A week later, I got my PBA card and a personal note that said "Congratulations to our #1 fan!". Two years later, I began my coaching career. I took a Level 1 USBC Coaching class. Five years after that, I started this publication. Three years later, I started the Bowlology column. The first column was on the Perfect Strike. In 2015, I began to take bowling modules for the USBC coaching program. Then I was able to obtain my Bronze Level coaching credential. Four years later, I would receive the Silver Level coaching credential. Along with these coaching accolades, my main purpose was to promote the PBA. In 2009, I ran into the Editor of the **American Bowler** at a PBA Regional where he asked me to write an article about that tournament. He would also help me publish my first book in 2012—"Bowling from Another View".

Below is a glimpse of my accomplishments that enabled me to become a Bowlologist:

- Started Nov 2011 Bowlology column
- 2001 Honorary PBA member
- 2003 Level 1 USBC Coaching program
- 2009 Wrote article for "American Bowler"
- 2012 Balls of the Lanes column (includes Brunswick logo);
I write column in exchange for Brunswick bowling balls)
- 2012 Authored "Bowling from Another View" book
- 2012 Bowling modules
- 2008 Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter
- 2015 Regional staff member for Vise
- 2015 Bronze Coach Level
- 2012-2013 Josh Hyde's Bowling PBA Media Guide
- 2015 50th Anniversary TOC Media Kit
- 2014 PBA Hall of Fame committee member
- 2020 USBC Hall of Fame committee member
- 2017 1st 300 game
- 2019 Silver Coach Level
- 2019 Authored "Bowlology" book
- 2020 2nd 300 game; 4-800 series (including 837 series; including 279 triplicate)
- 2020 1-290 game; 5-289 games; 1-280 game
- Attended 128 PBA tournaments (64 of these being PBA national tournaments)
- 2008-present—writing tournament reports for PBA and amateur tournaments
- 2016 PBA Majors Media Guide
- 2009-2015 IBMA bowling writing awards
- 2016 IAB Special Recognition for Lifetime Devotion to the Sport of Bowling