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Messenger Strike Derby

The 2018 Player of the Year Andrew Anderson won the second Strike Derby over Anthony Simonsen 10-6. He collected 25,000 for his efforts. Simonsen was second for his the second consecutive year. In the opening round of the Strike Derby each player would receive two minutes of bowling to obtain the most of strikes that they could on a pair of lanes. PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke led the strike count with 11 strikes. There were a total of twelve players that were entered in the 2021 Strike Derby after the qualifying round they would cut to the top 6 players that advanced. Norm Duke and Packy Hanrahan would be the two leading qualifiers that would receive one round bye. Marshal Kent, Tom Smallwood, and Kris Prather would be eliminated. The bowlers that made the cut would each have two minutes to obtain as many strikes as they could. The other bowler would try to beat the strike count of what the other player got. There were some trick fours and messengers happening at this year's Strike Derby. Anderson said his goal was to get "18 shots off every round" and he felt that this was "my environment to thrive in".

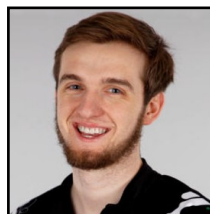
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Norm Duke-leader with 11 strikes.

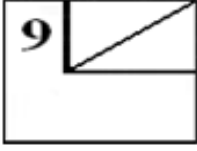


Winner of the Pabst Blue Ribbon Strike Derby Andrew Anderson



Packy Hanrahan second with 10 strikes





Spare Column

2021 USBC Open Championships

For the first time in the history of this tournament they used two centers South Point Plaza and South Point Bowling Center. There would be a past PBA Player of the Year Ander Anderson capturing the singles event. For the first time in the tournament history a US Open Champion Chris Via won the USBC All Events title. Chris Via would capture the All-Events title. Jaime Brush would join 23 other people to knock over 100,000 pins. Lee Nichols of Warsaw, Indiana would join the 50 year club. The Team title went to Team Before the First Frame who shot 3400. The Doubles title would go to Chris Pierson and David Labinski who shot 1466. For more information bowling fans can log onto Bowl.com/openchampionships.

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Singles-

<u>1</u>	<u>Andrew Anderson</u>	<u>Holly, MI</u>	<u>269,277,256</u>	<u>802</u>	<u>5000</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Rick A Schafer</u>	<u>Arvada,CO</u>	<u>243,277,279</u>	<u>799</u>	<u>3459</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>David Haynes</u>	<u>Las Vegas,NV</u>	<u>279,235,279</u>	<u>793</u>	<u>2788</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>David Reaume</u>	<u>St. Clair Shores, MI</u>	<u>266,247,278</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>2393</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Kyle Troup</u>	<u>Taylorsville, NC</u>	<u>262,290,234</u>	<u>786</u>	<u>2125</u>

Doubles-

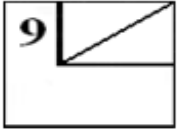
<u>1</u>	<u>Chris Pierson</u>	<u>West Bend, WI</u>	<u>269,232,246</u>	<u>1466</u>	<u>5000</u>
	<u>David Labinski</u>	<u>Milwaukee, WI</u>	<u>204,246,269</u>	<u>1466</u>	<u>5000</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Kevin Bienko</u>	<u>Kenmore, NY</u>	<u>235,229,279</u>	<u>1462</u>	<u>3256</u>
	<u>Chad Mee</u>	<u>Hamburg, NY</u>	<u>237,267,215</u>	<u>1462</u>	<u>3256</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Perry Crowell IV</u>	<u>Hoquiam, WA</u>	<u>258,276,235</u>	<u>1453</u>	<u>2534</u>
	<u>Jeffrey Mastny</u>	<u>Arlington, NE</u>	<u>258,201,225</u>	<u>1453</u>	<u>2534</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>Aaron Ruiz</u>	<u>Nashville, TN</u>	<u>235,234,220</u>	<u>1447</u>	<u>2120</u>
	<u>Gregory Young</u>	<u>Rockledge, FL</u>	<u>257,222,279</u>	<u>1447</u>	<u>2120</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Chad Svendsen</u>	<u>Monroe, WI</u>	<u>201,223,246</u>	<u>1436</u>	<u>1847</u>
	<u>Jonathan Schalow</u>	<u>Beloit, WI</u>	<u>189,279,298</u>	<u>1436</u>	<u>1847</u>

Team

<u>1</u>	<u>Before the 1st Frame #1</u>	<u>Battleboro, NC</u>	<u>1063,1155,1182</u>	<u>3400</u>	<u>3600</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Bowlers Headquarters</u>	<u>Muskego, WI</u>	<u>1052,1063,1253</u>	<u>3368</u>	<u>2268</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>The Bowlers Shoppe 1</u>	<u>St. Louis, MO</u>	<u>1023,1119,1210</u>	<u>3352</u>	<u>1731</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>Bowlers Connection 1</u>	<u>Carpentersville, IL</u>	<u>1009,1186,1153</u>	<u>3348</u>	<u>1429</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Ansara Restaurant Gr</u>	<u>Clinton Township, MI</u>	<u>1065,1087,1191</u>	<u>3343</u>	<u>1232</u>

All Events-

<u>1</u>	<u>Christopher A Via</u>	<u>Blacklick, OH</u>	<u>825,710,768</u>	<u>2303</u>	<u>4000</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Sean Rash</u>	<u>Montgomery, IL</u>	<u>745,747,772</u>	<u>2264</u>	<u>2591</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Kevin Bienko</u>	<u>Kenmore, NY</u>	<u>735,743,748</u>	<u>2226</u>	<u>2010</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>Andrew Anderson</u>	<u>Holly, MI</u>	<u>677,724,802</u>	<u>2203</u>	<u>1679</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Michael Martell</u>	<u>Brooklyn, NY</u>	<u>736,708,750</u>	<u>2194</u>	<u>1460</u>



Spare Column

2021 USBC Women's Open Championship

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At this year's 2021 USBC Women's Open Championship at the National Bowling Stadium at Reno, Nevada. Sharon Powers of Lakewood, Colorado with a score of 801. There would be a round of 24,000 bowlers competing in the Women's Open Championships. The Doubles in the Diamond Division would take a score of 1560 by Maria & Sofia Rodriguez. They would nearly win by 90 pins. In the team title for the Diamond Division Bowl 2 Win would shot a 2809 series with a thousand and three in the second game for a four player team. The All-Events title would go to Shalin Zulifiki winning by 147 pins. She would average 250 for nine games. Bowlers can go to [bowl.com / womensopenchampionships](http://bowl.com/womensopenchampionships)

Singles-

1	Sharon Powers	Lakewood,CO	289,268,244	801	1250
2	Verity Crawley	Savannah,GA	277,247,269	793	781
3	Erin K Lenahan	Las Vegas,NV	268,268,256	792	593
4	Jennifer Parsons	Deland,FL	221,279,279	779	488
5	Heather Dettrey	Lincoln,CA	233,258,279	770	420

Doubles-

1.	Sofia Matilde Rodriguez	Austin, TX	225,269,256	1560	1250
	Maria Rodriguez	Austin, TX	245,279,286	1560	1250
2	Nichole Hiraoka	Daly City,CA	224,244,277	1472	543
	Karsyn Lukosius	Brick,NJ	181,247,299	1472	543
3	Kaleena Henning-Shannon	Omaha, NE	245,241,202	1458	334
	Jasmine Snell	Papillon,NE	268,257,245	1458	334
4	Anggie Ramirez	Austin,TX	267,237,247	1440	236
	Karen J Reid	Tracy,CA	227,193,269	1440	236
5	Casie Wojahn	Evans,CO	224,170,267	1421	181
	Jennifer Cupples	Colo Spgs,CO	204,278,278	1421	181

Team-

1	Bowl 2 Win	Mechanicville,NY	883,1003,923	2809	1000
2	Storm Nation	Brigham City,UT	901,882,921	2704	417
3	Sterner Strong #1	Oregon,OH	899,886,916	2701	250
4	Elizabeth the Gloriana	Campbell, CA	914,911,871	2696	174
5	Chicks With Altitude	Fort Collins, CO	875,946,856	2677	132

All Events-

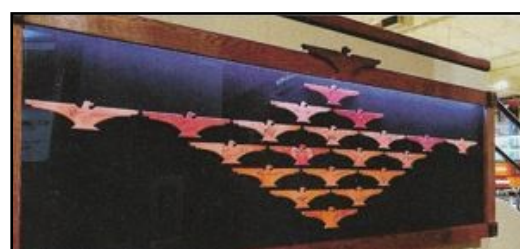
1	Shalin Zulkifli	Selangor, Malaysia, FC	782,752,719	2253	500
2	Ashley Crowder	Tamarac, FL	771,728,707	2206	301
3	Lizabeth Kuhlkin	Schenectady, NY	752,725,720	2197	203
3	Maria Rodriguez	Austin, TX	687,810,700	2197	203
5	Tina M Williams	Pflugerville, TX	713,737,745	2195	154

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Off the Sheet			

Soaring with the Eagles

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Last month the Bowlers Journal wrote about winning an Eagle at the USBC Open Championship formerly known as the ABC. Winning an Eagle at the Open Championship meant that a bowler won a National Title. Nelson Burton Jr and Bill Lillard have the most Eagles with a total of 17 between both bowlers. Bill Lillard thought the Eagles would be bigger than what they are. The orange eagles were used on the Open Championships scoreboards at each tournament to symbolize previous champion's win at past tournaments. New wooden eagles may not be used in future tournaments but the ones shown below at the 2018, 2019 and 2021 USBC Open Championships will be displayed again in the future. Some of these eagles belong to PBA & USBC Hall of Famers Dave Davis, USBC Hall of Famer Rick Steelsmith, PWBA and USBC Hall of Famer Wendy Macpherson. Winning an Eagle is having a bowlers name in the record book and always goal of a bowler entering the Open Championship without their name being erased from the history books. When the USBC stopped having the classic division from the mid to the late 70's. The only way a pro-bowler could win an Eagle was at the Masters Tournament with Open Championships letting the pros come back. Now there is hope for all top bowlers to win an Eagle. They will bowl with Scratch bowlers among the USBC membership.



Left to Right: Glen "900" Allison, Les Zikes and twenty signed Eagles displayed at this year's Open Championship.



L to R: Glen "900" Allison, Les Zikes, Rick Steelsmith, Dave Davis and Wendy Macpherson



The USBC Hall of Fame was founded in 1941 formerly known the ABC Hall of Fame.

In 1995 the National Bowling Stadium was open in Reno, Nevada.

Kingpin Associate Questions

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Kingpin



Associate

1. Should Glenn Allison's 900 be recognized by the USBC? Why or Why not?

A. Glenn Allison's should be recognized with an asterisk next to his name because the lanes were not legal according to USBC standards (formerly known as ABC).

Is today's bowling equipment hurting bowlers? Why or why not?

A. Today's bowling equipment is not hurting the bowlers because in order to be good at bowling, a bowler must practice his or her game. Pro-Shop Operators manipulate the bowling ball to do certain things such as reacting differently on the lanes. Bowlers still have to deliver the ball at the foul line.

3. Should the Tournament of Champions come back as a tournament in which only PBA Tour titlists can bowl, rather than including Regional and/or PBA50 Tour titlists. Why or Why not?

A. The Tournament of Champions should go back to the way it was originally because if there is no distinction between a regional titlist and a national titlist, it loses its prestige as a premier national bowling tour event in the Triple Crown.

4. Who was the greatest bowling coach and why?

A. Fred Borden was the best coach ever because he knew the game and he could explain the game to bowlers and connect well with them. He was the Team USA coach for 12 years.

5. Should bowlers aim for the PBA or should they try to succeed in a MegaBuck Tournament and remain an amateur player?

A. Bowlers should aim for competing in the PBA or in the Regionals, since it is the pinnacle of bowling.

6. As of August 1st of 2020, the USBC outlawed weight holes. Is this a good idea or not?

A. It is a good idea because it makes the pro-shop operators get the drilling right the first time.

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7. Is using urethane or resin reactive equipment better for the pros?

A. A pro should not be limited to one type of bowling ball technology. Both might need to be used in a tournament since urethane is like a towel on an oiled lane while resin is like a sponge.

8. Rank each of these tournaments using one through five with five being the highest: PBA Players Championship, USBC Masters, U.S. Open, PBA World Championship and Tournament of Champions. Explain the significance of these majors on the PBA Tour.

A. 5- U.S. Open, 4- Tournament of Champions, 3- PBA World Championship, 2- USBC Masters, and 1- PBA Players Championship. In my opinion, this is the order of the most prestigious tournaments on the PBA Tour. The U.S. Open is the toughest tournament of the PBA. Pete Weber has won five of these tournaments. The Tournament of Champions—Jason Belmonte, Jason Couch, and Mike Durbin have won three of these championships. It is the prestigious tournament that a bowler can win. The PBA World Championship—Earl Anthony three-peated twice. It is open to the PBA Membership. It is only appropriate to call the trophy the Earl Anthony trophy. Mike Aulby and Jason Belmonte are the only two bowlers that have three or more USBC Masters titles. It is one of the easiest Majors to win. It is one of the hardest majors to win. A bowler can be out with two 700 series while another bowler can be the leader of the tournament by shooting 630 every match and win the tournament. The PBA Players Championship was formally known as the Touring Players Championship. The touring players had to compete in at least half of the PBA Tour stops prior to this tournament in order to be eligible to play. These are the five majors that I think are the most prestigious in the order that I have listed.

Kingpin Associate Questions-Continued

9. Should bowlers have a league shot average or a sport shot average or both in order to join the PBA?

A. Both—because if a bowler averages 230 on the house shot and 205 on the sport shot, the PBA membership can see that they are doing good on both types of patterns. The sport shot is like the PBA pattern while the house shot is like a league shot.

10. Should the U.S. Open be a limited field or have a multitude of bowlers bowling in this tournament?

A. It should be a limited field. All of the past champions should be able to bowl in their lifetime. This is how it was done in the early days of the All Star Tournament (currently the U.S. Open). By having an open field, the bowlers could bowl with someone at a lower skill level.

11. In 2009 the PBA voted Earl Anthony the greatest bowler in the history of the PBA. The second greatest bowler according to the PBA was Walter Ray Williams, Jr. Which one do you think is the # 1 or do you think someone else from 1958 to 2009 should have been nominated? Give an explanation as to your answer.

A. Walter Ray Williams, Jr. should have been voted #1 because he won the most money and became the first \$2 million and \$3 million in career earnings. Earl Anthony won more titles in a shorter amount of time. A year later, Walter Ray was voted Bowler of the Decade for the second time even though he was two victories shy of 10 Majors. It was a difficult vote for the bowling writers.

12. Jason Belmonte and Mike Aulby are the only 2 players to win all Majors on the PBA Tour. Which one was the best?

A. Mike Aulby because he was the first bowler to be named Rookie and Player of the Year. Even though he would struggle at the Tournament of Champions, he would finally break through in 1995. The week after, he would win his second Masters title.

13. Which was or is the best bowling innovation(s) in the history of the sport? Why?

A. Innovations in the bowling ball—the weight blocks and the coverstock, surfaces and layouts of the ball. These innovations allows versatility in the bowler's arsenal.

14. Who had the best bowling form in the history of the sport? Why?

A. Doug Kent. He could play any part of the lane that he need to in order to get the job done. He won four Majors out of his ten titles. He was Player of the Year 2006-07 when he won the USBC Masters and the PBA World Championship. He was the most underrated Player of the Year in PBA history.

15. Who revolutionized the game the most and why?

A. Don McCune. He soaked his ball in MEK and this was the beginning of the hook. This changed the bowling equipment technology and the way players bowled.

