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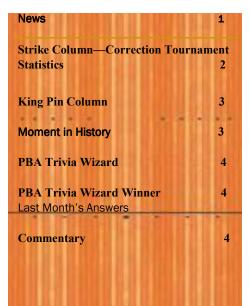
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### News

Welcome to this months edition of the Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter. In the Moments in History looks at a story that www.PBA.com wrote about the author of this publication. Wayne Webb won the Jackson Open to close the Senior Tour. For the Strike Column a correction will be released about the Tournament Statistics. Enjoy this edition of the Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter.

Wayne rewrote history by winning the Jackson Open. He joins Mark Roth to become the second in PBA history to successfully be named PBA Senior Player of the Year and the PBA Player of the Year. He did this by winning the Jackson Open 211-194 against Ray Johnson. However, Walter Ray Williams Jr. had a chance to make PBA history by become the first player to win Senior Player of the Year and PBA Player of the



Year in the same season. He also could have been Senior Rookie of the Year as well. What a feat that would have been if he could have had all three awards. Three players were vying for the award, Wayne Webb, Walter Ray Williams Jr., and Mark Williams. Here were the scenarios that all three players needed to win the award.

#### Webb-

- 1. Finish third or higher if Walter
- wins the tournament
- 2. Neither Walter or Mark win
- the event
- 3. Finish 13th or higher if Mark wins
- Walter-
- He wins and Webb finishes lower than third Mark—
  - He wins the title and Webb fin-
  - ishes under 13th place

Mark had the biggest challenge of becoming the Player of the Year. Wayne just needed to stay ahead of Walter. Walter had to win and hope that Wayne wouldn't do so well. All of these scenarios came down to the last tournament as it should in professional bowling.

Some more clarification about the 2010-2011 Lumber Liquidators PBA exemption list has been released. Robert Smith and Doug Kent both retired from the PBA and will be replaced by Stuart Williams and Ritchie Allen. Ritchie Allen has two PBA titles and Stuart is a major star on the European Bowling Tour. Both of these guys great bowlers for the PBA Tour.



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# Strike Column-Tournament Win Statistics-Correction

In this month's newsletter, I will correct the calculations from last month's Strike Column regarding tournament win statistics.

There have been a total of 308 bowlers that have won at least one Lumber Liquidators PBA tour title. Roughly for every five PBA tournaments, there will be one new winner. This says a lot about the PBA tour and how hard it is to break into the winner's circle.

Twenty-six bowlers have defended their title successfully to date, and this has occurred with 35 different occasions (using 76 tournaments).

Three bowlers accomplished the back-to-back-to-back tournament win feat. This was done on four different occasions—twice by Dick Weber and once each by Mark Roth and Johnny Petraglia – making it a total of 12 tournaments. This calculates to .8% of the total number of PBA tournaments. On average, out of 100 PBA Tour bowlers, only one will win three tournaments in a row. Again, another example of how hard it is to win on the PBA Tour.

Earl Anthony accomplished a three-peat four times and Parker Bohn and Jason Couch did it once. Out of the 1,504 total tournaments, the three-peat has only happened 6 times (using 18 tournaments).

Fifty-six bowlers have won the same tournament and/or the same city on 276 occasions—making it 18.35% of the total number of tournaments.

Thirty-six bowlers have won backto-back tournaments. This has happened 68 times. In 4.52% of the tournaments, the back-to-back win scenario occurs. For every 25 tournaments, this will happen once. Dick Weber, Earl Anthony, and Walter Ray Williams Jr. may be the greatest players in the history of the PBA. These guys know how to win PBA Tourna-

	# of defend- ing and back-to-back				
Three Greats	Titles	titles	% of titles		
Walter Ray Williams Jr.	47	14	29.79%		
Earl Anthony	41	22	53.66%		
Dick Weber	26	12	46.15%		

Winner

Dick Weber

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Back-to-Back-to-Back Winners

ments. They were (are) able to consistently win while on the PBA Tour.

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			Johnny Petraglia	1
nded	Three-Peat Title D	efenders	Mark Roth	1
nd	Winner Defended Titles		Bowler	Back-to-Back Titles
nt	Earl Anthony	4	Dick Weber	2
s).	Parker Bohn III	1	Mark Roth	3
e		1	Earl Anthony	5
ıt	Jason Couch	I	Walter Ray Williams Jr.	4
	Title Defenders	Defend title	Don Johnson Wayne Webb	3 3
k	Amleto Monacelli	2	Bill Allen	3
th	Andy Marzich	1	Dave Davis	2
l	Brian Himmler	1	Del Ballard Jr.	2
u-			Don McCune	2
	Bryan Goebel	1	Jim Stefanich	2
it of	Chris Barnes	1	Marshall Holman	2
will	Dave Husted	1	Jason Couch	1
	Dave Soutar	1	Amleto Monacelli	1
rd it	Del Ballard Jr.	1	Dave Soutar	1
	Dick Ritger	1	Dick Ritger	1
	Dick Weber	1	Mike Aulby Parker Bohn III	1
ohn	Earl Anthony	1	Billy Golembiewski	1
of		-	Bobby Jacks	1
ree-	Jason Couch	1	Brian Voss	1
sing	Mark Roth	1	Chris Barnes	1
-	Mike Aulby	2	Dave D'Entremont	1
	Mike McGrath	2	David Ozio	1
city	Norm Duke	1	Jim Pencak	1
5%	Pete Weber	1	Jim St. John	1
5.	Ryan Shafer	1	John Guenther	1
ack-	Steve Hoskins	1	Mark Williams	1
)-		1	Norm Duke Patrick Allen	1
our-	Ted Hannahs	1	Pete Weber	1
-	Tommy Jones	1	Randy Pedersen	1
-	Walter Ray Williams J	r. 3	Tom Baker	1
ĸ	Wayne Webb	1	Tommy Jones	1
	Wes Malott	1	Wayne Zahn	1

	Title Defend-			Back-to-back win-	
	ers (including		Bowlers that have won	ners (including	
	3-peat win-	3-peat Title	the same tournament	back-to-back-to-	Back-to-Back-to-Back Win-
Categories	ners)	Defenders	and/or the same city	back wins)	ners
# of Bowlers	26	3	56	36	3
# of Tournaments	76	18	276	68	12
Total Bowlers	308	308	308	308	308
Total Tournaments	1504	1504	1504	1504	1504
% for bowlers	8.44%	0.97%	18.18%	11.69%	0.97%
% for tournament	5.05%	1.20%	18.35%	4.52%	0.80%

Wins

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# **Kingpin Column**

# **Moments in History**

**PBA "Super Fan" Ready for Season to Start** *By Mitch German of the PBA. Reprint of the article witch appeared on their website in* 2005.

Fans of the Denny's PBA Tour stretch far and wide across the globe, but one fan stands out above them all. Since attending his first Denny's PBA Tour event in 1987, 24-year-old Josh Hyde has followed the Tour on a regular basis, developing relationships with the bowlers while studiously pouring over statistics and results. Hyde was born with Athetoid Cerebral Palsy, a condition that occurs when the umbilical cord wraps around a newborn's neck, cutting off oxygen to the brain. Despite the challenges Hyde faces on a daily basis, the energy and enthusiasm with which he follows the PBA is unmatched. A native of Warsaw, Ind., Hyde has turned his love for bowling and the PBA into a new website,

www.probowlersuperfan.com. He provides statistics about the Tour and shares his thoughts on the PBA and the many bowlers he's developed friendships with throughout the years. "I love bowling and I love the PBA Tour," commented Hyde. "I have the time to put into it and I want to work in the bowling field somehow. I want the general public to know that there is a PBA



'superfan' and what the 'superfan' has done in bowling for his life." Hyde's favorite bowler is 30-time Tour title winner Parker Bohn III. The two first met in 1990 and have since become good friends. In 1996, Bohn gave the trophy he earned in a PBA regional event to Hyde. Years later, Hyde was in attendance when Bohn accepted his 1999 PBA Player of the Year award. "The very first time I met [Bohn], he said, 'let me bowl you a strike," Hyde said. "As I remember, it took him about four tries to get that strike. He also asked my dad if we would join him for dinner the next evening. I was so excited and of course we went!" Besides working on his website, Hyde has ingrained himself in bowling. A PBA member since 2001, he has taken classes on coaching, bowled in numerous pro-ams and has even organized bowling tournaments. Hyde plans on making at least two stops during the 2005-06 Denny's PBA Tour season. He'll be at the 2005 BowlersParadise.com Classic in Hammond, Ind., and at the 2006 Denny's World Championship in Indianapolis. As much as Hyde may be looking forward to hitting a few Tour stops this season, the bowlers may be even more excited to see him at the events. "He's got more heart and soul for the sport of bowling – especially on the professional level – than, believe it or not, a lot of the professionals out there," said Bohn about Hyde.

"There's a lot to be said for that. When you watch his demeanor and the excitement he shows, its 110-percent all true." Hyde has been in attendance for some very significant events. He was in Joe Louis Arena in Detroit for the finals of the 1995 U.S. Open and later saw Bob Learn Jr.'s nationally televised perfect game in 1996. He was at the 2002 PBA World Championship, where he witnessed Doug Kent win the PBA's first \$120,000 top prize. Hyde, like all the fans that follow the Tour, can't wait to see what happens next.

#### Update:

In the last 5 years since the article first appeared on the PBA website, Josh Hyde continued in his passion for the sport of bowling. Some of the highlights are:

- 1. Bowled a 269 game and a 725 series
- 2. Attended every major tournament at least once.
- 3. Published my bowling newsletter
- 4. Published an article in the American Bowler
- 5. Won 3rd place in the national amateur bowling writing competition.



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### BEST DEALS

What was the lowest scoring tournament you were ever at? <u>Professional Instruction by the Winner of</u> 2008 USBC Senior Masters

#### Commentary

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there have been discussions on who is the greatest bowler in the history of the PBA Tour. With a little over twenty percent of the bowlers that have won at least one tournament, this says a lot about what kind of talent is out there on the Lumber Liquidators PBA Tour.

Walter Ray Williams Jr., who almost won PBA Sr. Player of the Year had he have won the Senior Jackson Open, he would have been the first player in PBA history to have accomplished Sr. Player of the Year and the PBA Player of the Year. He would have again rewrote the history books of professional bowling.

Earl Anthony won more than half of his titles by winning back to back, three repeating titles and/or defending his titles. We can see why he was the number one player of all time in the history of the PBA.

We saw the Sr. Player of the Year come down to the last tournament. This is what professional bowling is all about. The last tournament, last game, last frame and the last ball, this is what we all get excited about when we go watch our favorite bowlers perform on the PBA Tour. The climatic ending of a great PBA Tour is ultimately what the fans are looking for, seeing the best bowlers in the world throwing a bowling ball.

I don't know how many times I have seen the position round where a player had a shot at making the show and just when you think he's out, he figures out how to string strikes together at the end of the game to make the TV show. In my opinion, the PBA is trying to create more events where it is the last ball thrown. They know what brings the bowling fans back to watch the PBA tournaments. This is why they are trying out different things for our favorite players. Last year, they did this with the World Series of Bowling except the second half of the year, it was hard to know what they were going to do because they had a different tournament format. You can not expect fans to be interested

In this month's publication in that because they don't know what format is going to be for the next tournament.

> If you want to keep the bowling fans coming back, it will be better to keep the format the same. Now at the World Series of Bowling, that did happen but for the second half of the season this did not happen.

Thanks for reading this month's edition of the Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter.



Top Shirts: Dave Soutar 2009 and Dave Husted 1996. Bottom Shirts: Eric Forkel 2006 and Walter Ray Williams Jr. 1996





## **PBA Trivia Wizard**

Please submit your answers via email to: jhbnl@comcast.net. The first person that answer this correctly will get a 10% coupon sponsored by bowlinggift.com. Thank you bowlinggift.com for contributing to the Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter.

#### Who will be the next PBA Trivia Wizard?

- What two players have won 1. the PBA Player of the Year and Senior PBA Player of the Year?
- 2. At what tournament did Earl Anthony become the first PBA millionaire?



### Last Month's PBA Wizard Trivia Winner

#### Not Awarded!

Last Month's Answers:

1.) Dick Weber, Johnny Petraglia, Mark Roth

2.) Chris Barnes



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