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News

Welcome to this edition of the Josh Hyde Bowling Newsletter. In this month's Moment in History, we take some time to discuss my dad winning the amateur part of the US Open. There has been some news revealed about the 2010 World Series of Bowling which will be looked at. The Strike Column features Tournament Win Statistics. In the Interview of the Month, we are speaking with Lenny Nicholson from the Phantom Radio Show. Finally, the Manufacture's Cup was completed and won. More info to come later in this edition. Enjoy this edition of the publication.

In the GEICO PBA Team Shoot-out and the first Manufactures Cup, team Storm defeated Brunswick for the title, 167-159. Storm climbed the ladder after the round robin matches coming from third place to the top. The winning team

earned \$40,000 for their efforts. Team Brunswick had choice of lane patterns for the championship match. As you can tell, it was a low scoring affair as team Storm only shot 167 in the championship game. This was an interesting concept, to get team bowling back. For more info on the Manufactures Cup you can log onto www.PBA.com.

The World Series of Bowling has some different changes than in 2009. First of all, there are going to be six titles at stake, and a major as well. During the World Championship, all the qualifying games from the five animal pattern championships will be combined for the eight finalists in the championship round. Each animal pattern championship will pay \$15,000 for first place. The format for these tournaments: the bowlers will bowl 12 qualifying games after those games, they will then cut to the top 16 after each day. Then the next week the top 16 of each pattern will bowl additional 9 games of round robin match play. After 21 games bowled they will cut to the top 5 for a step ladder final on ESPN. The World Championship will pay \$50,000 first place with a 1:4 ratio. Last place receives \$2,000 for their efforts. Check out more info on www.PBA.com.

Walter Ray Williams Jr. earned his 7th ESPY award, for the best bowler award. There were three bowlers that were up for the ESPY: Walter Ray, Bill O'Neil, and Kelly Kulick. The ESPY's are best performance in sports. The winners are voted by the fans. This goes to show that the fans want the best to win the award. No other than Walter Ray Williams Jr.



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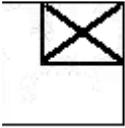


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Strike Column— Tournament Win Statistics

There are 308 bowlers that have won PBA titles and 36 of those winners have gone on to win back-to-back titles. With a little over 1500 tournaments, there have only been 60 back-to-back wins and of those 4 were back-to-back-to-back title wins. This works out to only a half of a percent chance that three consecutive tournaments will have the same winner. As of this publication, no bowler has been able to win four consecutive tournaments in a row. Mark Roth was the last bowler to accomplish this feat when he won the Southern California Open in 1977. Dick Weber did this not once, but twice during the early years of the PBA.

As you can tell from the chart, most of the big names have won a back-to-back title. Players like Walter Ray (8% of total titles) and Earl Anthony (23% of total titles). It goes to show why Earl was the number one player of all time with Walter as a close second. All of the bowlers that have at least two back-to-back titles are in the PBA Hall of Fame. If a bowler

can accomplish this feat more than once, they can probably make it in. These stats are another reason why these bowlers are the best at throwing the ball. There are 22 bowlers that have defended their title. That is only 1.5% of the bowlers that have successfully defended their title. Only .001% have three-peated a tournament in the history of the PBA. Approximately this means for every 500 tournaments bowled, there will only be 1 bowler that will three-peat a tournament. This is another example on how hard the Lumber Liquidators PBA Tour is. There is a lot of talent on the PBA tour. The graphs on page 4 show the

bowlers that have won back-to-back-to-back and back-to-back winners and how many times this has happened.

Finally, but certainly not least the data consists of bowlers that have won in the same city and or the same tournament. There are a total of forty five bowlers that have done this feat. For every 150 tournaments there will be three bowlers that will complete this task. We can understand why Earl Anthony was the number one bowler of all time of the PBA. We can now understand even more what our favorite PBA bowlers go through week in and week out to win a PBA title.

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| Total number of tournaments | 1,504 |
| Total bowlers that won the same tournament and or the same city/ % of bowlers | 45 2.9% |

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| Three-Peat Tournament Winners |
| Winner |
| Earl Anthony |
| Parker Bohn III |
| Jason Couch |

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| Bowlers that have won in the same city and or the same tournament | | |
| Amleto Monacelli | Doug Kent | Norm Duke |
| Andy Marzich | Earl Anthony | Parker Bohn III |
| Bill Allen | George Pappas | Pete Weber |
| Brian Himler | Hugh Miller | Randy Pedersen |
| Bryan Goebel | Jason Couch | Roger Bowker |
| Chris Barnes | Jim Godman | Ron Williams |
| Dave Davis | John Guenther | Ryan Shafer |
| Dave Ferraro | Johnny Petraglia | Steve Hoskins |
| Dave Husted | Les Zikes | Steve Jaros |
| Dave Soutar | Mark Roth | Ted Hannahs |
| Dennis Horan Jr. | Mark Williams | Tommy Jones |
| Dick Ritger | Marshall Holman | Walter Ray Williams Jr. |
| Dick Weber | Mike Aulby | Wayne Webb |
| Don Genalo | Mike Durbin | Wayne Zahn |
| Don Johnson | Mike McGrath | Wes Malott |

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| Back-to-Back-to Back Winners |
| Winner |
| Dick Weber |
| Johnny Petraglia |
| Mark Roth |

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| Back-to-Back Winners | |
| Amleto Monacelli | Jim St. John |
| Bill Allen | Jim Stefanich |
| Billy Golembiewski | John Guenther |
| Bobby Jacks | Johnny Petraglia |
| Brian Voss | Mark Roth |
| Chris Barnes | Mark Williams |
| Dave D'Entremont | Marshall Holman |
| Dave Davis | Mike Aulby |
| Dave Soutar | Norm Duke |
| David Ozio | Parker Bohn III |
| Del Ballard Jr. | Patrick Allen |
| Dick Ritger | Pete Weber |
| Dick Weber | Randy Pedersen |
| Don Johnson | Tom Baker |
| Don McCune | Tommy Jones |
| Earl Anthony | Walter Ray Williams Jr. |
| Jason Couch | Wayne Webb |
| Jim Pencak | Wayne Zahn |

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| Title Defenders | |
| Amleto Monacelli | Jason Couch |
| Andy Marzich | Mark Roth |
| Bill Allen | Mike Aulby |
| Brian Himmler | Mike McGrath |
| Bryan Goebel | Norm Duke |
| Chris Barnes | Ryan Shafer |
| Dave Husted | Steve Hoskins |
| Dick Ritger | Ted Hannahs |
| Dick Weber | Tommy Jones |
| Don Johnson | Walter Ray Williams Jr. |
| Earl Anthony | |

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|------------------------------------|--------|
| total tournaments | 1,504 |
| Defended titles | 23 |
| Three-peat titles | 3 |
| % of tournaments that are defended | 1.5% |
| % of three-peat titles | 0.001% |

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| total tournaments | 1,504 |
| back-to-back wins | 56 |
| back-to-back-to-back wins | 4 |
| % of tournaments that are back-to-back | 4.26% |
| % of three tournaments that are back-to-back-to-back | 0.53% |

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| total title winners | 308 |
| total back-to-back winners | 36 |
| % of Bowlers with a back-to-back win | 11.7% |

Kingpin Column

Moments in History

The year was 1996. Both the men's and women's U.S. Open were going to be contested in the same venue. My dad, Roger Hyde, had won a spot for the U.S. Open that year as an amateur. In the Open, they take the top 1/3 of the amateurs that don't make the cut and they have a side tournament for them. There were ninety-six amateurs all together so they were going to be taking thirty-two of the top amateurs that did not make the cut. At the time, each state got one or two amateur entries into the U.S. Open. The hosting state received an extra spot in the tournament. In the regular tournament, my dad did okay but failed to make the next cut. He was in the top 1/3 for the side tournament. The side tournament format was a single elimination match play tournament. Parker Bohn III was



there and kept my dad relaxed. In the first match, my dad had an easier match. The other match on his pair, the winner that won shot a 250 game. Indeed, my dad was going to have his hands full or so we thought. The guy ended up running into some transition problems and could not have the same reaction

as the game before. In the fourth game, he bowled a guy from Team U.S.A. The guy had the front three at him and all the guy had to do was mark out but he threw a gutter ball in that game and my dad was able to keep himself clean and catch him to win the game. In the championship game, all my dad had to do was put pressure on the guy. All in all, my dad averaged 200 shooting anywhere from 200 to 220. It was an exciting tournament to watch as I watched my dad win the amateur part of the U.S. Open.



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Interview of the Month—Lenny Nicholson The Phantom



Q: What was your favorite stop to do the lanes and why?

A: Riviera Lanes in Akron, Ohio.

That is where the Firestone Tournament of Champions used to be. It was the BEST bowlers and a small field. The History and Tradition was "there". It was ALWAYS a great week!

Q: What player blamed you the most for the lanes?

A: Most all of them blamed me a some point in time. There were a few exceptions, but most of them did. BUT, I knew that when I took the job in 1971. Lanemen are like umpires. An umpire

Q: has to deal with that....it's part of the game.

A: Who was your favorite bowler of all time and why?

There were several. Just to name a few.....Earl Anthony, Billy Hardwick, Jim Godman, Butch Gearhart, Don Glover, Barry Asher, Dick Ritge, Jason Couch, Carmen Salvino, Jim Stefanich

AND, there were many more.

Q: What was the lowest scoring tournament you were ever at?

A: Pelican Lanes in New Orleans. It was an old bowling center and they had many lane surface problems. The people there were great, though and I always enjoyed my time there.

Q: What was the highest scoring tournament you were ever at?

A: Chippewa Lanes in South Bend, Indiana. The lane surface was absolutely gorgeous. A PBA Member (Jim Ray) owned the place and he took excellent care of that "playing field". (I wish that all Proprietors did.)

Q: Who was your favorite person to interview for the Phantom Radio show? And why?

A: There are many, but if I have to choose just one, it was Dick Weber. He was knowledgeable and he had a wonderful sense-of-humor. He could tease you and also let you tease him back. He was "one-of-a-kind". I miss him very much.....and so does ALL of bowling.

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Who will be the next PBA Trivia Wizard?

1. What three bowlers have won three consecutive titles?
2. Who was the last person to win a back-to-back title?



Last Month's PBA Wizard Trivia Winner

Not Awarded!

Last Month's Answers:

- 1.) Mike Durbin & Jason Couch
- 2.) Michael Fagan



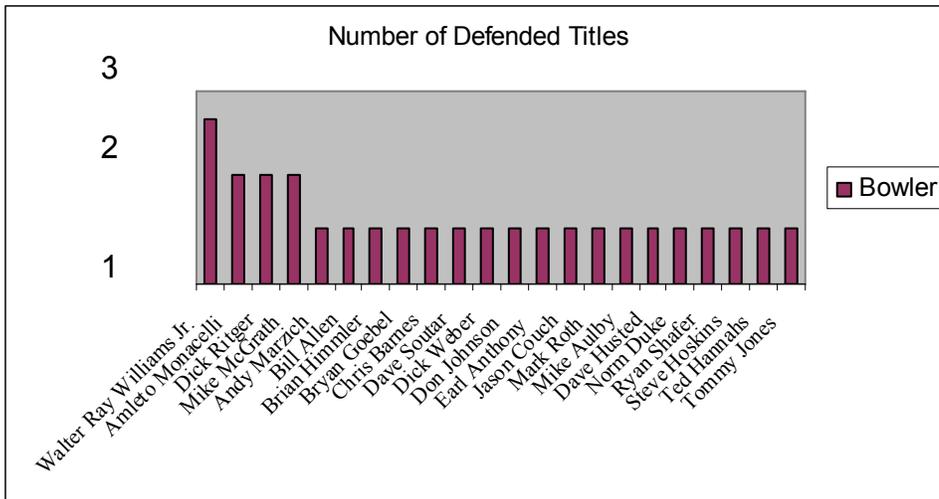
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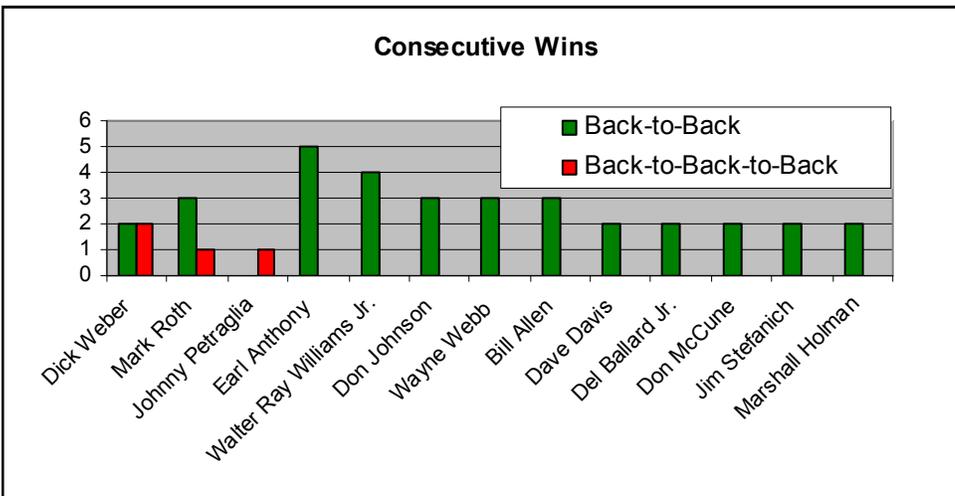
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Commentary

In this newsletter I have discussed the format of the 2010 World Series of Bowling. While I might think that there are more games than the World Championship, the games are just not qualifying and match play. This was the best format for the PBA World Championship. Yes, at least bowlers will bowl 60 games to get the title, but they will need to bowl round robin or single elimination match play, preferably round robin match play, but I'll take either one. In my opinion, the 5 animal patterns championship do not have enough games to count towards a PBA title. This is better than single elimination, but when a player wins a PBA title he at least should bowl 43 to 60 games to win the title. The World Series of Bowling sounds like an open field event rather than an exempt tour event which defeats the purpose of the Lumber Liquidators PBA Tour because of this factor. The reason why I am saying that is because it's the World Series of Bowling and when you think of the World Series of anything you think that they would just want to have the top bowlers at the World Series of Bowling. I really hope that the PBA is not going to the World Series of Bowling as a last resort to the PBA tour because 12 weeks is not a sufficient amount of time. The reasons why they are doing the WSOB is because the state of our economy, everybody is having to cut back these days. One of the ways we can get bowling back is by going to a PBA tour stop and supporting our favorite players. Part of the problem too, is that bowling only gets 1.5 hours of coverage on ESPN a week. Hopefully with US Open getting more coverage it will spark more bowling fans to get more involved. Thank you for reading Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter.



The graph above is the number of bowlers that have defended their title the number of times that defended a title.



The graph above is the number of bowlers that have won consecutive tournaments.