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Hello, Bowling Fans!

Welcome to another issue of *Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter*. Messenger discusses Weber's season in the PBA50. This month's **Strike Column** looks at the Majors over the history of the PBA. **Spare Column** covers the Indiana Triple Crown. The *Tenth Frame* is a commentary about the 2016 Josh Hyde Majors Media Guide. Thanks for reading *Josh Hyde's Bowling Newsletter*.



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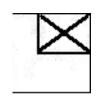
Weber Receives his second PBA50 Player of the Year Award

Pete Weber dominated the PBA50 season in the 2016 by winning six titles including two majors at the PBA Senior US Open and the 2016 USBC Senior Masters. He surpassed Pete Couture who won four PBA50 titles in 1998. Weber won two back to back titles during the course of the season. He was also going after a hundred PBA tour titles on all levels. He joined Walter Ray and Tom Baker as they both have PBA50 and PBA Tour titles. He came in second at the PBA50 World Championship. In the history of the PBA50 Tour it was a stellar performance. His last title came at the PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8. His lowest finish was fourth in a season opener in the PBA50 Pasco County Florida Open. It was a PBA Hall of Famer Stepladder Final. It was the week after he would start on his winning streak. Pete commented that he might have been able to get another title for the season if it were not for the fact of missing three tournaments due to a hip injury. Pete also observed that this year "was one of those years." because of throwing the "ball well" of course, plus the lucky breaks he got and his opponents "bad breaks" throughout the season. Pete joins six other PBA50 Player of the Year honorees who have won multiple times including four Hall of Famers Walter Ray Williams Jr, Gary Dickinson, John Handegard, and Tom Baker.



- United Healthcare Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical.
- PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia 300.
- Miller High Life The PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick.
- The PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8.
- 2016 USBC Senior Masters
- 2016 PBA Senior US Open presented by Global 900

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This analysis of the Majors is something that Josh Hyde Bowling (JHB) has never done before. JHB took a look at all the Majors since 1959 and ranked them accordingly.

JHB looked for the best players of each season in the Majors and ranked them according to the award recipients, money list and the Hall of Fame inductees. The range was from 0 to 100 tournament ranking points using increments of 5. If the top money leaders were in the championship round of one of these major tournaments —US Open, the PBA National/World Championship, the Tournament of Champions, the USBC Masters and the TPC/PBA Players Championship—the tournament would be weighted heavier.

Taking into consideration all of the Majors from 1959 to date, these were the top ten players: Pete Weber, Earl Anthony, Walter Ray Williams, Jr., Norm Duke, Dick Weber, Chris Barnes, Mike Aulby, Mark Roth, Parker Bohn III, and Dave Davis. The top 10 money leaders of each season closely mirrored the ranking of the players in each Major. Also, those who finished at the top in the Majors were likely named as the award recipients of that season—awards such as: the Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year, High Average Award winner, Hall of Fame inductees and Point Leader.

Even though Don Carter won four BPAA All Stars (now known as the US Open), he won all of those tournaments before 1959. JHB did not factor in the tournaments prior to 1959 (the year the PBA started competition).

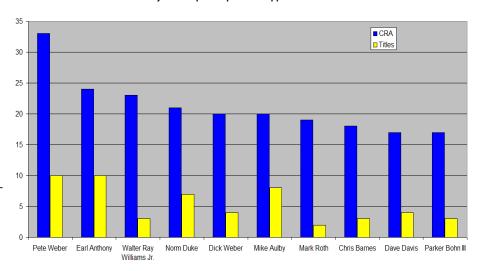
The first chart shows the top 10 bowlers who consistently made the Championship Round in the Majors. The second chart shows the ranking of the best bowlers in the Majors. Even though, Pete Weber and Earl Anthony have won the same amount of Majors, Weber comes out on top because of his longevity in the sport.

Upon further analysis, Earl Anthony appeared in the championship round finals 24 times and won 10 of those—for a winning percentage of 41. Pete Weber won 10 of his 33 appearances—for a winning percentage of 30. However, Weber is likely not finished!

Strike Column

Majors Analysis

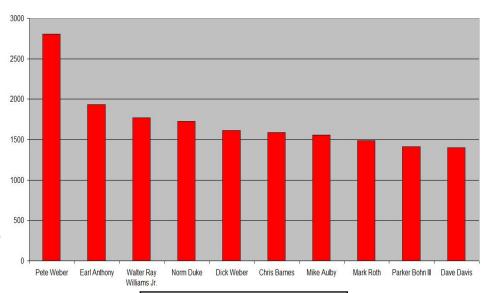
Major Championship Round Appearances and Titles



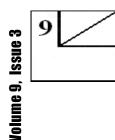
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Top 10 bowlers that made the Championship round in the Majors.

Major Tournament Ranking



Above: Josh Hyde Bowling Major tournament ranking.



Spare Column

The Spare Column is a column about the PBA Regional's and other miscellaneous information about the PBA.

Graham Silva and Monacelli win in Indiana Triple Crown

Eddie Graham won his first career PBA National Title at the DeHayes Insurance Group at Pro Bowl West in Fort Wayne Indiana. The 07 RPC winner beat Bob Learn Jr. in a low scoring championship match, 186-156. Both players had a hard time hitting the 1-3 pocket. There were two Hall-of-Famers in the step-ladder finals, Amleto Monacelli and Lennie Boresch Jr. The final bowler was two-time PBA50 Player of the Year, Ron Mohr. In the first match Amleto defeated Ron 217-202. The next match featured the two Hall-of-Famers and Amleto continued up the ladder with a 195-179. However, Amleto was stopped by Eddie Graham in a blowout match 257-175.

In the PBA60 Dick Weber Championship, Johnny Petraglia made his third consecutive appearance in the step-ladder finals. Johnny qualified fourth and started the first match of the finals with the front 7. His opponent, Ron Boroff, started striking late. It looked like Johnny was going to be the first bowler to bowl a 300 game in the Championships finals of both National Tours. In the 8th frame, he left one pin standing but went to win the match 242-223. At start of the tournament, Don Sylvia was contemplating retirement from the PBA Tour since he has been part of it for 40 years. His very first 300 in PBA competition was on the same pair of lanes as Dick Weber. Don qualified third and beat Johnny who just had a red-hot first match, 224-194. In the next match, Don would knock off Jim Knoblauch who had bowled a 300 game in the position round game which catapulted him to qualify second. The match was a Dutch match with Knoblauch alternating spares and strikes. Don was striking a number of times, made a difficult 4-7-9 split, and won 211-209. The championship match featured two-time PBA Player of the Year Ron Mohr. Ron had a hard time striking on the right lane, meanwhile Don kept on striking. It ended up being a 40-pin victory for Silvia's first PBA60 title and fourth overall PBA50 title.

The final PBA50 stop of the year was the PBA50 National Championship benefiting the Riley Hospital for Children. It featured three Hall-of-Famers and four PBA Player of the Year bowlers. In the first of the step-ladder finals, Brian Voss could not get anything going, however his opponent Parker Bohn III started off strong and won 216-180. In the next match, Amleto had two open frames and Bohn had the front five. As a great player does, Amleto made his adjustment, found the pocket, and won the match 235-233. The semi-final was a high scoring affair. Ron Mohr and Amleto kept the strikes coming, but Amleto came out on top 256-244. In the championship game, it was close until Sam Maccarone missed the 10-pin late in the game. Amleto game out on top with a 224-212 and won his fourth Major and seventh career PBA50 title.

PBA50 DeHayes Insurance Group presented by Pro Bowl West and Ebonite

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					3.	Lennie Boresch Jr.	-	179		Amleto Monacelli	-	175					
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	5.	Ron Mohr	-	202													

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4.	Johnny Petraglia	-	242		Johnny Petraglia	-	194					-				
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PBA50 National Championship benefiting Riley Hospital for Children

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4.	Dilaii Voss	-	180
5.	Parker Bohn III	-	216

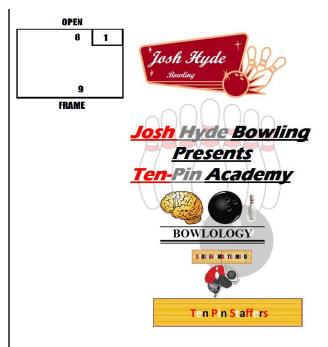
Tenth Frame— Commentary 2016 Josh Hyde Bowling PBA Major Media Guide

Back in 2012-2013 for the PBA Tour season I wrote a PBA Media Guide. There was the PBA history from the beginning to current times of the PBA. It also included records, statistics, majors, and monies. Tournament summaries from that year were also included. The PBA 50 Tour was also reviewed in the Media Guide highlighting their records and statistics.

For the 2016 season, JHB will be analyzing the majors, statistics, history and records of the PBA Tour. This will help bowling fans and writers know more in depth about the majors in bowling. Everything that a bowling fan would want to know about a particular major for a sport will be in this 2016 Media Guide.

Every PBA member, at one time, wanted to get to Riviera Lanes for the Firestone Tournament of Champions. The majors in the pro bowling heyday were important, but were not looked at with the same amount of importance as today. The ultimate goal for Pro Bowlers was to get to the Firestone, now it is to win a US Open.

This Media Guide will have an in-depth analysis of the PBA Majors.



In the near future of Josh Hyde Bowling.com, there will be a Ten Pin Academy. This was a project to help bowlers improve their bowling game. It covers from the beginner to the advanced bowler. Some of the topics are ball motion, scoring, timing, and the bowlers' arsenal. This academy has a goal to help every bowler and improve their game. When Josh Hyde Bowling first started this project, it was mainly for the Striking Mastermind program. Bowlers can look for the academy online towards the end of September.

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