

David "Boog" Krol Wins PBA Delaware Classic for First Career Title

By: Nolan Hughes
MIDDLETOWN, DE – On Sunday afternoon, David "Boog" Krol won the PBA Delaware Classic to become the newest first-time champion on the PBA Tour.

Krol defeated Bill O'Neill in the semifinal and Tomas Käyhkö, who also sought his first career title, in the championship match at Mid County Lanes and Entertainment in Middletown, Del.

"I dreamt of this as a kid growing up, watching these guys bowl on TV every Sunday," Krol said. "I wanted to be them, and now that I actually am, it's surreal."

Krol drove 16 hours from his home near Springfield, Mo. to Middletown. To make the main

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PBA Champion David Krol

Lisa Wasson and Cully Fulce Take Midwinter Dreams Doubles



Midwinter Dreams Champions Lisa Wasson and Cully Fulce

By: Tyson Branagan

PLANO, TX – The 12th Midwinter Dreams Saturday, March 2 at Plano Super Bowl, featured a sold out field of 60 teams, competing on a challenge lane condition.

Shot making and ball selection most definitely was important, and it was the special

team, and probably nicest team, of Lisa Wasson and Cully Fulce who jumped their way to the lead at the conclusion of qualifying, and then won two matches when needed to claim the title and \$3,000 prize money over Jared Hoover and Carl Hoover from the Tulsa area.

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Hoefs, Foster, Williams, Bui Win SASBA Foursome at Rowlett



Ben Hoefs, Guy Foster, Derek Williams and Justin Bui

By: Kathy King
ROWLETT, TX – We had a full field of 24 teams at Rowlett Bowl-A-Rama for the 70/60/50/guest foursome.

8 teams cashed and the top 5 bowled a stairstep final.

Team Toal (Paul Toal, Eric Collier, Bobby Holley, Nathan Brantley) were giant slayers as they qualified 5th and won the first 3 matches against quality teams.

In the first match, they defeated Team Stephens (Jim Stephens, Rick Cheshier, Royce Rusher, Dimitri Cruz) 226-224.

The second match was a win against Team Minier (Rick Minier, Joe Lecroy, Butch

Cormier, Marshal Morrison) 240-202.

They met Team Pete McCordic (Pete, Pete Thomas, Tony Franklin, Ted Pritts) in the 3rd match for the win 247-189.

The final match was against Team Hoefs (Ben Hoefs, Guy Foster, Derek Williams, Justin Bui) and the Hoefs team won 290-201 giving Guy his first SASBA title!

It was Ben's 5th title and the 15th for Derek.

Guy Foster had the only 300 game, won the ball raffle and got his first SASBA title! We had 6 Warren family members bowl this tournament!

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Glenn Allison Breaks Participation Record at USBC Open Championships



Glenn Allison Celebrates 72 Years of USBC Open Participation

By: Aaron Smith

LAS VEGAS, NV – Numbers help to define great athletes and phenomenal achievements.

It's easy for Major League Baseball fans to associate 56 with Joe DiMaggio's hitting streak in 1941. A simple 100 written on a piece of paper reminds generations young and old of Wilt

Chamberlain's prolific performance in 1962 as a National Basketball Association star.

At the United States Bowling Congress Open Championships, a 300 game, 800 series or winning total to claim a coveted Eagle lives on in the tournament's record book, now spanning

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Random Thoughts

Tony Franklin, Publisher



David "Boog" Krol is now a PBA champion after winning the PBA Delaware Classic

Krol has been bowling the PTQ events this season, due to the fact that he is not an exempt player. This week, he drove 16 hours to Delaware to bowl seven games, where only 10 of 79 players made it into the tournament proper.

He led the PTQ, so now he's in the tournament. He bowled great during the qualifying rounds to finish 7th. From there, he defeated both Tommy Jones and EJ Tackett in best four of seven matches to qualify second for the Stepladder Finals.

In his first time on TV, and his first match, he faces Bill O'Neill, ties in regulation and wins the one-bowl roll-off. During this match he had three Brooklyns, and one nose-dive strike, all on the left lane. He also left three 10-pins on the right lane, after the "lucky" strikes on the left lane. Does that even it up...maybe, maybe not.

Now, he faces tournament leader and fellow non-champion, Thomas Kayhko. It's not the prettiest of matches for either player. The left lane was com-

pletely trash with the balls hooking as soon as they hit the lane. Krol added one more Brooklyn on the left lane, but stayed out of trouble in the other frames. 'Boog' defeats Thomas 198-170.

What impressed me the most was his composure through both matches. At no point did he have a good path to the pocket on the left lane, and even though he hit the pocket some on the right lane, it didn't strike much. He only left one split, but other than that he spared EVERYTHING.

Several 3-6-10 leaves, and multiple 10-pins. None of those are easy in any situation, but certainly not in your first TV match, and going for your first title, when it looks almost impossible to strike.

That is what winners do... whatever it takes to get the title. "Boog" earned that win as well as anyone could ever earn one.

Now did he get some fortunate breaks, he certainly did. It's pretty spectacular to get four Brooklyn strikes and a nose-dive strike in the short span of two games. That won't happen often for a top professional, especially to win a tour title.

Since the win on Sunday, So-

cial Media has been ablaze with posters making foul comments about the players' performance, and how 'below-average' these guys must be. Its not easy for the average to good bowler to understand what goes on at that level in those moments. But it's a really tough environment. For instance, EJ Tackett has made five straight stepladder finals and hasn't won any of them, I don't think that makes him a chump.

DAVID KROL

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field, he had to finish top 10 in the 79-player, pre-tournament qualifier.

"I drove 16 hours to be here. I didn't want to bowl seven games in the PTQ and go home," Krol said.

Through five events, in which Krol advanced out of four PTQs, Krol sat 17th in points. He said he wanted to be the "PTQ player" to make the PBA Playoffs, which includes the top 16 players in competition points at the end of the regular season.

Krol will rise into the top 16 following this first-place performance — but he will not have to bowl another PTQ this season. With the title, he earned priority entry for all remaining 2024 PBA Tour events, including the World Series of Bowling XV and Tournament of Champions.

"Never in my wildest dreams would I think I would have a year like this, and hopefully this won't be the last," Krol said. "I'm going to soak it in and enjoy the moment. It hasn't hit me yet but on the car ride home, it's going to."

In the opening match, Delaware native Tim Foy Jr. defeated EJ Tackett, who became the first player to make five consecutive championship round appear-

I don't truly have a problem with someone posting their opinion, even if it's a really negative one. I don't think it belittles the sport, I don't think it minimizes bowling, and I don't even think its damaging to the player.

It's an opinion and everybody has several, and its easy to share them behind a keyboard.

If you want to get to the top of the mountain in any sport, you have to put yourself out there,

you won't always have your best day, and when that happens, you better believe that people will come at you in text form to tell you why you stink.

That's why I am so impressed with Krol. He didn't have his best day, but he stayed composed, he made all of the tough spares, he won the match. That's the bottom line. If your goal is to win...

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ances since 2001.

A combination of lane transition and nerves got the best of Foy in the next match against O'Neill. Foy's split in the fifth frame cost him as O'Neill advanced with a clean 209.

The left lane hooked about an arrow more than the right lane on the 44-foot Billy Hardwick oil pattern, which became abundantly clear in the semifinal between O'Neill and Krol.

Krol threw three Brooklyn strikes, plus a strike where the 3-pin fell forward, on the left lane alone.

Despite Krol's good fortune and a mistake of O'Neill's own in the sixth frame, leaving the 1-2-8 and then missing the headpin on the spare attempt, O'Neill could have won the match with a double in the 10th frame. Instead, he forced a tie with a strike and a nine-count spare.

Krol struck in the one-ball roll-off, while O'Neill left a 2-pin.

Keven Williams, Krol's close friend and a fellow Springfield native, supported Krol every shot of match play and the show. He gave Krol a few words of encouragement after his unconventional win over O'Neill.

"You've got to be honest with your friends at that moment," Williams said. "I just told him, 'You don't deserve to be in this title match. You have one game

to show up now. Go out there, be you and leave it all out there. Don't leave this match saying you didn't fully commit. Show everyone the heart that you have."

The title match was between two non-champions in Krol and Käyhkö, both of whom grew up idolizing Finnish two-hander Osku Palermaa.

Käyhkö sought to become the third player from Finland to win on the PBA Tour alongside Palermaa and Mika Koivuniemi; Krol said Palermaa was the first two-handed bowler he saw and that validated his own two-handed game.

As both players lofted the ball, much like Palermaa himself, they continued to struggle on the left lane. However, Krol managed to stay clean while Käyhkö opened twice.

By the 10th frame, Krol had secured his first career PBA Tour title, ultimately winning 198-170.

"The little guy has a big heart," Williams said. "He doesn't care about anything besides just being respected, and I think he's earned that respect immediately. I'm excited to see the future and see all the Boog fans that come from this."

Krol established himself as a rising talent last season. He threw 31 consecutive strikes during the 2023 PBA Wichita Classic

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Sept 16, 2023	Ballard vs The Big "C" Charity Event	Bowlero Euless
Sept 17, 2023	Ballard vs The Big "C" Youth/Adult Baker	Bowlero Euless
Oct 14-15 & 21-22	Ladies City -\$2k added	Bowlero Garland
TBD	Ballard's Bowling Academy Youth Tournament	Cityview
Nov 25-26, 2023	Wild Turkey Mixed Team Tournament -\$2k	Cityview
Jan 21-22, 2024	Mixed Doubles -\$3k added	Sparetime Lanes
Jan 27-28 Feb 3-4, 2024	Youth City -\$3k added	Plano Super Bowl
Feb 5-18, 2024	Senior -\$1k added	Mail-O-Graphic
May 4-5 11-12 18-19, 2024	Open City Championship -\$10k added	Forum Bowl
June 29-30, 2024	Before the Fire Works - Mixed Trios -\$2k added	TBD

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Anthony Simonsen Climbs Ladder to Win PBA Pete Weber Missouri Classic



Simonsen wins 4 consecutive matches to claim 14th PBA Tour title

By: Nolan Hughes
 SPRINGFIELD, MO - Fifth-seeded Anthony Simonsen climbed Sunday afternoon's stepladder finals, defeating AJ Johnson, Matt Russo, EJ Tackett and top-seeded Bill O'Neill to win the PBA Pete Weber Missouri Classic.

With the win, Simonsen earned his 14th career PBA Tour title and the \$25,000 top prize.

On Friday, Simonsen threw the front-nine in the final game to punch his ticket to the finals. Following a pivotal strike, he tapped his wrist and said "too much time."

"I really had nothing to lose that last game, and that was the motto today," Simonsen said. "I barely made the show. I was on house money. Sometimes all it takes is just sneaking through until you get that opportunity."

Though he felt he had nothing to lose, Simonsen concocted a gameplan to conquer the 45-foot Dragon oil pattern. His command over lanes 29-30 at Enterprise Park Lanes in Springfield, Mo. proved to be the

difference.

"On TV shows, I like using balls that I'm comfortable with," Simonsen said. "I decided I was going to shuffle through a couple of those until hopefully we made the lanes dry enough to the right to throw that Attention Star. I think my gameplan today was really solid and I executed it to a tee."

In the opening match, Simonsen distanced himself from Johnson with a three-bagger in the middle of the match. Meanwhile, Johnson split three times on the

right lane — the same blunder that cost him in last week's PBA Illinois Classic title match.

Johnson advanced to face the lone lefty in Russo, who now lives in the St. Louis area and bowls regularly with Weber during the offseason.

After a strong start, Russo left a pocket 7-10 in the fifth frame and washed out in the sixth.

That was all Simonsen needed to prevail with a 247-202 victory.

The semifinals pitted Simonsen against reigning Player of the Year EJ Tackett. The 2023's season's top two players grinded through the transition as neither player struck for five consecutive frames.

Tackett tossed aside any struggles as he aced three strikes in the 10th, forcing Simonsen to double.

Just as he did on Friday evening, Simonsen dialed in when he needed it most.

O'Neill, seeking his second title of the season, awaited Simonsen in the title match.

The current front-runner for Player of the Year elected to finish on the left lane, a decision he soon came to regret. O'Neill left a variation of the 2-10 split in the fourth, sixth and eighth frames.

Simonsen, who displayed the savviness of a fifth-year-senior

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Josh Burnham, JB's Allen Bowl	813
Robert Warren, Forum Bowl	812
David Moore, Tenpins & More	804
Ronald Vardaman, Tinker Lanes	801
Andy Maguda, Cityview Lanes	795
Randy Hawks, Lions Lanes	787
Bobby Wacker, Killeen Bowlerama	781
James Maston, Red Bird Lanes	772
George Chapman, Hallmark Lanes	739
Cory Estes, Cowtown Bowling Palace	728
Tommy Davis, Strikz	719
Rick Irvine, Strikz	719

Women	
Kiyoko McDonald, Plano Super Bowl	777
Allison Johnson, Tinker Lanes	774
Alecia Henderson, Forum Bowl	770
Loren Tenczar, Strikz	759
Steffany Brown, Cityview Lanes	749
Aileen Linares, Tenpins & More	741
Cynthia Bradford, JB's Allen Bowl	725
Barbara Shaw, Lions Lanes	719
Samantha Kriner, Killeen Bowlerama	718
Lauren Cathey, Red Bird Lanes	714
Caitlin Schirripa, Hallmark Lanes	670
Shelby Neves, Cowtown Bowling Palace	615



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At Cityview Lanes

Maguda posts 795, Brown blasts 749

Maddux, Ross, Schiell add 300's

Andy Maguda took high-series honors for the month at Cityview Lanes after polishing off potent 795 numbers in Monday Night Mixer league action.

Steffany Brown paced the ladies with a stately 267/749 Cecil Baker set.

Monroe Maddux, Ben Ross and Dave Schiell's award-winning 12-baggers earned them high-game honors.

HONOR ROLL

Monty Bowers 268, Randy Beinlich 672, June Barker 217, Pam Candler 571, Alan Chetister 295, Debbie Walters 232,

Euleslie Sample 612, Christopher Grizard 257, Edward Demars 663.

Cherie DeLeon 236-643, David Johnson 289, Conner Carter 736, Jacque Holt 216, Ashley Megurdichian 588, Crystal Womack-205-449, Jack Simpson 279, David Scheil 726, Pam Candler 245-650.

Ronnie Gentry 267, Chris Davis 267-708, Melodye Jessup 215, Samantha Weyant 215-599, Sonny Howard 279, Frank Lenihan 766, Pearl Tucker 249, Pam Candler 630, Jim Greener 783, Cyndi Dyche 259.

Kristina Baker 670, Julian Orta, Jr. 288, Keith Thomas, Jr. 713, Nell Ray 215, Michelle Whisenton 589, Mark Jones 290,

Ken Garber 687, Alvira Jones 220, Kitty Reisz 584, Steve Lincoln 267-710.

Victor Sorian 289, Noel Nacpil 694, Peggy Rios 182-505, Cameron Webb 266, Joseph Mosley 637, Vicky Kopp 213-511, Jerry Eddy 264, Dick Ensminger 664, Judy Luttrell 217-555, Monroe Maddux 710.

Samatha Weyant 259-686, Damon Dinsmore 287, Kevin Strong 710, Brian Shaw 238-691, Dee Frederick 210-528, Lance Bettencourt 277, Larry Fewell 277, Marvin Sitts, Jr. 277, Joe Becker 277-739.

Ashley Megurdichian 215, Jamarah Stuart 587.

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Sectional Assignments Determined for 2024 Intercollegiate Team Championships

By: Gene J. Kanak
 ARLINGTON, Texas – The nation's best collegiate bowling programs have their sights set on postseason play now that sectional assignments have been announced for the 2024 Intercollegiate Team Championships, which will mark the 50th edition of the event's history.

The sectional assignments were broadcast live on BowlTV on Wednesday night and introduced the 80 women's programs and 80 men's teams moving ahead in the 2023-2024 United States Bowling Congress Collegiate season with the opportunity to claim the coveted



Wichita State Men's team looks to advance out of Sectionals and have a chance to defend their ITC Title

Helmer Cup.

The sectional qualifiers will be held across four locations March 9-10. The locations include Stardust Bowl in Addison,

Illinois; Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Michigan; Cityview Lanes in Fort Worth, Texas; and Smyrna Bowling Center in

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Boys

Ethan Radcliff, JB's Allen Bowl.....	741
Hamilton Joseph, Forum Bowl.....	733
Carson Belnap, Tenpins & More.....	727
Keegan Alexander, Killeen Bowlerama.....	711
Mason Chapman, Cowtown Bowling Palace....	685
Jakob Haraputczyk, Strikz.....	665
Michael Cook, Hallmark Lanes.....	659
Amari Browder, Lions Lanes.....	650
Brady McDonough, Plano Super Bowl.....	649

Girls

Tori Franklin, JB's Allen Bowl.....	695
Mia Medina, Tenpins & More.....	631
Isabella Colbert, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	606
Megan Wente, Plano Super Bowl.....	576
Makenly Branagan, Forum Bowl.....	554
Morgan Hopkins, Lions Lanes.....	539
Kandie Knight, Hallmark Lanes.....	503
Julia Rouse, Strikz.....	486

Southwest Area USBC Youth Scores

Keegan Alexander led the Southwest-area USBC youth bowlers last month with a power-laden 256/726 Youth series at Killeen Bowlerama.

Kenadie Haines paced the girls with a rollicking 212/538 Youth set at Tenpins & More.

Hallmark Lanes, Killeen, TX – Caleb Xayachack 166-476, Khiara Thomas-Pusaloa 121, Karlee Kamdnu 325, Michael Cook 233-608, Hailee Duerre 152-402, Harley Munn 151, Steve Restivo 311, Deja Hasan 82-226, Grayson Lassiter 168-457, Karlee Kamdnu 110-310, DJ Byron 279-594, Kandie Knight 169-455, Thomas Glaser 105, Harley Munn 273, Justine Graham 100, Deja Hasan 264,

Caleb Xayachack 168, Grayson Lassiter 417, Khiara Thomas-Pusaloa 132-342, Solomon Loyd 226, Zaylen Kimball 616, Isabell Crowley 191, Kandie Knight 457, Grayson Lassiter 191, Caleb Xayachack 455, Karlee Kamdnu 110-298, Michael Cook 214, LT Thomas 579, Hailee Duerre 166, Kandie Knight 471.

Killeen Bowlerama, Killeen, TX – Solomon Loyd 234-640, Zaylen Kimball 210-565, Taylor Brown 213-558, Jay Davie 176-456.

Tenpins & More, Rio Rancho, NM – Shane Muller 202-566, Annie Alvarado 111-318, Adam Jimenez 202-484, Samantha Richards 84-229, Brandon Vickery 134-353.

Ethan Radcliff topped the NTXUSBC youth bowling last month with a booming 257-207-277 = 741 Monday Jr. Gold series at JB's Allen Bowl.

Tori Franklin led the girls with a sparkling 268/695 Youth Mania set at JB's Allen Bowl.

Jacob Ramirez, from the Monday Jr. Gold league, captured high-game honors with an award-winning 12-bagger at JB's Allen Bowl.

Cowtown Bowling Palace – Thomas Frazier 252, Isabella Colbert 225-606, Caden Jones 229, Kaydence Rinebold 175, Cayden Cain 224, Conner Campbell 224, Mason Chapman 259-685, Derrick Soucy 141, Dakota Hardin 129, Paul Helka, Jr. 136, Jayden Godsey 129, Matty Caldwell 110, Savannah Martinez 83, Oliver Nelson 103, Emma Gann 80, Ares Gann 98.

Forum Bowl – Charles Smoot IV 108-206, Aramis Hernandez 130-217, Tatum Hamm 116-217, Hamilton Joseph 274-733, Makenly Branagan 212-554.

JB's Allen Bowl – Jacob Ramirez 300-646, Dakota Satterlee 93-216, Emmie Lou Riden 113-275, Jettson Keating 162-399, Lily-Paige Rubenstein 164-370, Lincoln Marlow 174-392, Charlotte Morse 109-260, Bradley McBurnie 124-338, Joshua McKinney 186-496, Cooper Powell 240-524, Wesley Keefer 246-624, Caylin Zittlau 200-513, Jaxson Osborn 259-586, Delana McKenzie 184-498, Ryman Lynch 155-379, Brynnleigh Tucker 38-92, Cooper Powell 193-569, Logan Park 201-465, Chase Pressler 228-511, Treavor Mason 213-490, Brady McDonough 234-616, Madison Choi 211-514, Annika Svedvik 235-579.

Lions Lanes – Amari Browder 242-650, Charlie Rogers 213-593, Josh Enslin 208-581, Johnathan Lowey 221-579, Morgan Hopkins 199-539, Kylar Pride 155-421, Kinsley Miller 82-229.

Plano Super Bowl – Elliott In 154-403, Addison Zabochnik 111-290, Joshua Hughes 171-465, London Delaney 143-345, Blade Melseth 198-542, Audrey Du 128-378, Jagger Coleman 245-621, Sydney McCall 183-510, Jack Traweek 242-607,

Megan Wente 216-576, Ethan Jackson 128-364, Charlie Brown 175-416, Nico Meinardus 236-612, Oli Desiderio 168-443, Caleb Ebner 214-499, Keira Sampson 149-416, Amari Browder 212-563, Nicole Phan 202-533, Raymond Addison 233-641, Marisa Munguia 224-535, Ethan Nguyen 232-582, Yaki Guerrero 202-497, Brady McDonough 224-649, Athena Rivera (2 games) 97-169.

Strikz – Jakob Haraputczyk 257-665, Christian Wages 224-648, Carter Richards 207-578, Maximus Rouse 246-608, Vikram Krishna 237-644, Aaron Nelson 200-513, Adrian Salinas 207-546, Russ Johnson 166-429, Jake Brierton 201-570, Keathan Jennings 188-483, Austin Ortiz 177-451, Avery Barnes 157-456, Matthew Sifford 180-509, Enrique Arredondo 160-434, Jude May 154-418, Riley Stark

197-530, Braden Novingen 168-459, Lincoln Beran 227-575, Joey Maulhardt 184-539, Caleb Stockemer 146-416, Mario Rodriguez 161-427, Trenell Dixon 159-412, Witen Albin 200-547, Misha Brown 159-453, Colin Stack 144-404, Owen Smullen 148-409, Anmol Dhar 161-446, Edwin Carter 169-468, Patryk Ward 113-302, Connor Mayfield 130-297, Ryan Mayfield 119-263, Adrian Ward 122-243, Isaiah Reece 188-400, Michael Keeton 67-146, Evan Coleman 74-215, Clarence Rodriguez 156-370, Julia Rouse 168-486, Vanesa Rodriguez 143-378, Jayme Brooks 147-366, Allison Rouse 172-461, Billie Benson 165-371, Kamryn Bloodworth 137-376, Ellie Rouse 142-408, Dani Benson 74-201, Kaelyn Mayfield 115-288, Geneva Reece 80-226, Sophia Reece 129-293.

Lane Laughter



COLLEGIATE SECTIONAL

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Smyrna, Tennessee.

The top four teams in each division will advance from their sectional and head to Kingpin Lanes in Jeffersontown, Kentucky, for the 2024 ITC from April 17-20.

With the regular season concluding over the weekend, the top-ranked teams heading into the sectional qualifiers are the Wichita State men and Mount Mercy women, both of whom ended the regular season atop their respective divisions for the second year in a row.

The Wichita State men are the defending national champions and have captured a record 13 ITC titles. The Shockers will be starting their title defense at the Fort Worth Sectional at Cityview Lanes.

The Mount Mercy women are looking to make their fifth consecutive appearance at the ITC and will compete at the Addison Sectional, as will McKendree, which enters the 2024 postseason looking to claim back-to-back ITC titles.

The final Tier I event of the 2023-2024 regular season took place Feb. 10-11 at the Hoosier Classic in Indianapolis, and the

bracket wins in the 55th edition of the tournament went to the Lawrence Tech men and Wichita State women.

Lawrence Tech will be in Allen Park, and Wichita State will make its way to Fort Worth.

Here is the complete men's and women's Intercollegiate Team Championships Sectional Qualifier field (teams listed in alphabetical order):

MEN

Fort Worth Sectional - Cityview Lanes

Arizona Christian, Arizona State, Baker, California State-Fresno, University of California-Davis, Drury, Grand Canyon, Iowa Western CC, Kansas Wesleyan, Lindenwood, Midway, Nebraska, Newman, Oklahoma Christian, Ottawa-Kansas, Peru State, San Jose State, Southern Nazarene, St. Ambrose, Texas-San Antonio, Wichita State, William Penn

Addison Sectional

Culver-Stockton, Grand View, Hastings, Huntington, Judson, Marian-Wisconsin, McKendree, Midland, Milligan, Mount Mercy, Quincy, Rock Valley, Saint Xavier, St. Francis-Illinois, Thomas More, Viterbo, Waldorf, Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Wisconsin-Stout, Wisconsin-Whitewater

Allen Park Sectional

Aquinas, Bowling Green State, Calumet, Concordia, Davenport, Lawrence Tech, Michigan-Dearborn, Muskingum, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Notre Dame-Ohio, Pikeville, Rio Grande, Robert Morris-

Pennsylvania, Rochester Institute of Technology, Spring Arbor, Saint Vincent, SUNY-Stony Brook, Walsh, William Paterson, Wright State
Smyrna Sectional

Belmont Abbey, Central Florida, Cumberland, Emmanuel, Indiana Tech, Marian-Indiana, Missouri Baptist, Northwestern Ohio, Ohio State, Purdue, Savannah College of Art and Design-Atlanta, Savannah College of Art and Design-Savannah, Shawnee State, Tennessee Wesleyan, Trine, University of the Cumberland, Vincennes, Webber International
WOMEN

Fort Worth Sectional - Cityview Lanes

Alabama-Birmingham, Baker, Barton CC, Iowa Western CC, Lindenwood, Louisiana Tech, Midway,

Morningside, Newman, Oklahoma Christian, Ottawa-Kansas, Southern Nazarene, Spring Hill, St. Ambrose, Tulane, Wichita State, William Penn, William Woods

Addison Sectional
Bethel-Indiana, Calumet, Columbia, Culver-Stockton, Delaware State, Duquesne, Grand View, Huntington, Judson, Lewis, Marian-Wisconsin, McKendree, Midland, Milligan, Mount Mercy, Rock Valley, Saint Xavier, St. Francis-Illinois, Stephen F. Austin, Viterbo, Waldorf, Wisconsin-Madison, Wright State

Allen Park Sectional

Alma, Alvernia, Cleary, Coe, Concordia, Davenport, Kutztown, Lawrence Tech, Lourdes, Maryville, Muskingum, North Carolina A&T, Notre Dame-Ohio, Pikeville, Rio

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Sectional assignments are based on Team Ranking System (TRS) points earned during the season. USBC Collegiate attempts to place no more than two of the top eight schools, and no more

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At Strikz

Tenczar delivers 759, Davis and Irvine tie with 719

FRISCO – Loren Tenczar's hefty 266-236-257 = 759 Monday Mixerz session headed the leader boards for the month at Strikz.

Tommy Davis and Rick Irvine tied the men's leader board with a hard-hitting 719 series. Davis fired games of 216-234-269 in the Thursday Throwdown league and Irvine downed lines of 237-258-224 in the Lousy Bowlerz group.

HONOR ROLL

Mark Timm 268-724, Tommy Davis 263, Josh Cain 254-706, Tiffany Ritsch 259-682, Peter Mackins 225-626, Mark Tolkov 248-697, Mark Connor 222-615, Tommy Davis 235-641, David Gorrebeeck 224-652, Rob Hudkins 266-662. Mark Spittel 212-619, Bobby Brierton 244-671, Mark Johnson 216-601, Kyle Hobbs 248-624, Trez Robinson 214-606, David Stiggers 231-643, Ed Matthies 236-620, Larry Worden 257-601.

Debbie Colby 233-621, Eddie Matthies, Jr. 239-675, Rick Mah 233-618, Mark Connor 237-651, Ray Lawrence 232-659, LaMarr Moss 210-607, Ross Johnson 235-652, Daniela Trigos 255-697. Mark Connor 247-624, Lance Aljian 213-616, Felipe Trigos 238-640, Billy Travis 219-606, Mark Johnson 238-604, Eileen Inderlied 214-615, Tiffany Ritsch 208-613, Chandler Ritsch 260-674.

Chris Marino 224-658, Robert Marino 245-634, LaMarr Moss 258-696, Scott Noll 259-682, Kevin Connell 222-632, Jason Shuffield 248-693, Michael McCoy 236-649, Don Parker 231-623. Joseph Jimenez 247-639, John Fox 267-643, Ray Lawrence 212-602, Dan Post 223-606, Bobby Brierton 235-612, Rick Irvine 225-662, Richard Sarey 254-659, Jaden Brunt 258-628. Josh Hornback 212-604, Robert Blue 232-627, Scott Eastwood 237-680, Anthony Vulpitta 224-605, Joe Vulpitta

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Joseph Albanese 213-583, Debbie Buczek 130-381, Pete Sena 186-508, Tomi Howerton 192-433, June Barnhill 176-436, Lynne Garriss 142-383, Tom Garriss 173-501, Art Arnold 213-548.

Larry Froning 217-509, Nina Segerstrom 186-446, Gary Condensa 158-456, Dee Lanzing 143-394, Bob Lanzing 163-456, Jeanne Staley 144-399, Monika Nash 151-400, Jack Muse 182-475.

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Kyle Troop Wins Just Bare PBA Indiana Classic



PBA Champion Kyle Troop - 12th Career Title

By: Nolan Hughes
 ANDERSON, IN - Kyle Troop becomes the first multi-time champion of 2024 after defeating top-seeded EJ Tackett to win the Just Bare PBA Indiana Classic at David Small's Championship Lanes in Anderson, Ind.

With a 228-213 title match victory, Troop earned his 12th career title and second of the season, moving him to the forefront of any early Player of the Year conversation. Dating

back to last season, Troop has won three of the past eight PBA Tour title events.

Just like at the U.S. Open earlier this month, Troop picked out his uniform for the show at the beginning of the week. His half-yellow, half-blue quilt print was a nod to the pants Troop's father, Guppy, wore on the 1998 Storm Flagship Open show.

Canada's Zach Wilkins defeated Mexico's Benjy Martinez in the opening match. Wilkins

struck on his final eight shots to secure the match.

The 37-foot Viper pattern showed its high-scoring nature in the second match of the night between Wilkins and Troop. Troop struck on his first eight shots, then converted a 10-pin in the ninth frame — and he still needed 20 pins in the 10th frame to shut out Wilkins.

An 11-strike 279 catapulted Troop to another march to the title from the No. 3 seed.

Troop took down Marshall Kent in the semifinal, 227-224. Kent, who started the match with a gutter, did not bring his A-game that allowed him to average more than 240 this week. He missed way left three times on the left lane, going Brooklyn twice and missing the head-pin left in the 10th frame.

The title match pitted Troop against top-seeded EJ Tackett, who made his seventh consecutive top-four finish in his home state.

Troop said before the show that he felt confident if he were to win two matches and face Tackett. That confidence came,

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At Plano Super Bowl

Pullins crushes 300/842, McDonald fires 777

McCoy 300/834, Lankford 299/834, Warren 299/833, DeLaney 816, Walker 300/814, Auler 814, Lesko 299/812, Laney 809, DeLaney 808, Johnson 806, Wilson 803, Gohlke 300/800, Auler, Brown, Burks, Donahue, Fredriksen, Fulce (2), Hiam, Hickman, Krouch, Lewis, Mann, Mayer, McDonald, Potts, Pritts, Rasti, Robbins, Steffin, Warren, Washington, Williams 300's, Latinkic 297

Keith Pullins earned high-set honors for the month at Plano Super Bowl with a dual award-winning 267-275-300 = 842 Sundowners session.

There was an abundance of high-game honors awarded last month to the following: Nick McCoy 300/834, Nick Lankford 299/834, Chris Warren 299/833, Chris DeLaney 816, Wayne Walker 300/814, Joe Auler 814, Keith Lesko 299/812, Billy Laney 809, Chris DeLaney 808, Chris Johnson 806, Will Wilson 803 and Alan Gohlke 300/800.

Kiyoko McDonald, from the Platinum Ford NFL Trios group, fired a blistering 278-259-240 = 777 set to front distaff scoring.

Joe Auler, Doug Brown, Rusty Burks, Mike Donahue, Christian Fredriksen, Cully Fulce (2), Kevin Hiam, Dave Hickman, Vandy Krouch, Tommy Lewis, Cindy

Mann, Mike Mayer, Nigel McDonald, Terry Potts, Ted Pritts, Shawn Rasti, Jerry Robbins, Jim Steffin, Mike Warren, Lance Washington and Roneshia Williams shared high-game honors as each posted award-winning 12-baggers. Mitchell Latinkic finished with a near-perfect 297 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Craig Smith 256-678, Anna Westbrook 181-524, Alexia Moon 197-473, Joe Auler (4 games) 277-896, Elena Sly (4 games) 242-947, Dawn Klapper 258-710, Floyd Carter 235-658.

Michelle Curtis 171-509, Sean Clark 268-738, Aunita Slayter 257-687, Bill Ferguson 267-781, Diane Wallentine 247-676, Dave Hickman 279-793, Tina Taylor 269-753, Mitchell Latinkic 798.

Diane Wallentine 247-686, Jim Monroe 255-674, Renee Malone 213-561, Rod McCormack 278-799, Beverly Houston 213-615, Sheila Smith 236-615, Rick Mann 279-792, Michelle Stephens

279-756.

Donna Wynkoop 224-584, Beverly Goff 190-548, Bob VanValkenburg 277-782, Bill Ferguson 278-773, Charlie Arnt 209-607, Michelle Duke 201-529, Matt Hyson 267-768, Kimberly Emerson 277-712.

Cody Thomas 288-770, Natalie Woodward-Hall 257-701, Tammy Crawford 239-655, Brenda Buchanan 265-680, Rod McCormack 256-744, Cathy Sposito 227-601, David Dilworth 277-721.

Kim Hillman 265-681, John Canace 223-625, Diane Halterman 190-519, Mike Ruffle 266-786, Cheryl Washington 279-687, Guy Van Baulen 279-785, Alexandria Sumruld 255-708.

Chris Sivak (4 games) 279-1044, Olivia Kreuter (4 games) 279-973, Bob VanValkenburg 268-772, Stefanie Johnson 278-720, Chris Davis 278-749, Betsey Euliss 247-640, Felipe Trigos 279-783.

Deanna Hopkins 277-759, Shawn Hardin 289-751, Doug Fritzler 279-751, Liz Tolbert 226-652.

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KYLE TROUP

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in part, from Troup's 3-1 record against Tackett in TV finals entering the night, but also from a renewed mental strength.

Following his U.S. Open title earlier this month, Troup missed the cut in Illinois and Missouri. He regained his mental strength this week thanks to Mind Gym, a book gifted to him by Storm tour rep Jim Callahan.

Troup read the book throughout all 36 games of qualifying and elimination rounds, where he averaged more than 240 to earn the No. 3 seed. With a refined mental game, Troup's confidence has returned as well.

"We're back," Troup said. "I had good ball reaction, but I didn't have anywhere near the ball reaction I did in that U.S. Open title match. To will my way to victory, that gives me any confidence that I was lacking."

Throughout the week, players threw urethane equipment for a game or two and then jumped left with reactive equipment. On Saturday, Troup was able to throw urethane the entire night on the right lane and until the championship match on the left lane.

With two titles, Troup inserted him into any Player of the Year consideration — if he wasn't there already.

"I feel like I've got to bowl better more consistently if I want to worry about that," Troup said. "We'll worry about (Player of the Year) after the Tournament of Champions in April. My goal is to make the PBA Playoffs and the Tour Finals."

Bill O'Neill won the season-opening PBA Players Championship and has made three

championship rounds currently leads the tour in points. Tackett, though titleless, has made four consecutive championship rounds. Kent, who Troup defeated in Saturday's semifinals, won the PBA Illinois Classic earlier this month.

Not to be forgotten is Anthony Simonsen, who won last week's event in Missouri and almost snuck onto this championship round. Wilkins sits sixth overall in points, just ahead of the ever-lurking Jason Belmonte. Tackett exited David Small's Championship Lanes, where he won a high school state championship, without a title. After winning five titles last season, Tackett has yet to win in 2024.

"I would be lying if I said it wasn't wearing me down," Tackett said. "This has happened so many times that I feel like I've gotten pretty decent at getting over it. I have to find it within

myself, somewhere, to go to Delaware and do the same thing and give myself another opportunity. That's all I can do. And hope that when the opportunity arises again that I perform a little bit better. I've just got to keep getting there. You get there enough times, things are going to go your way at some point."

Championship Round Scores
Match 1: No. 5 Zach Wilkins def. No. 4 Benjy Martinez, 259-225
Match 2: No. 3 Kyle Troup def. No. 5 Zach Wilkins, 279-254
Match 3: No. 3 Kyle Troup def. No. 2 Marshall Kent, 227-224
Championship: No. 3 Kyle Troup def. No. 1 EJ Tackett, 228-213

Final Standings
Kyle Troup, \$25,000
EJ Tackett, \$15,000
Marshall Kent, \$12,500
Zach Wilkins, \$10,000
Benjy Martinez, \$8,000
More information on the Just Bare PBA Indiana Classic is available at www.pba.com.

At Lions Lanes

Hawks hammers 787, Shaw sizzles 719

Hall 300

ENNIS, TX - Randy Hawks rocketed to the top of the leader board at Lions Lanes last month with a 289-259-239 = 787 Big Money Mondays set.

Barbara Shaw, Hawks' league mate, fired off 227-226-266 = 719 numbers to lead the ladies' leader board.

Nick Hall garnered high-game accolades with an award-winning 12-bagger.

HONOR ROLL

Lawrence Stallworth 287-780, Darin Wilson 269-773, Joshua Martin 289-743,

Gage Curry 269-740, Chris Vanantwerp 280-716, Christy Antle 229-634, Ryne McKenrick 221-626, Whitney Riley 224-619.

April Hopkins 244-618, John Ivey 269-730, Greg Taylor 280-723, Tice Hopkins 247-719, Cody Taylor 250-705, Samantha Armstrong 246-655, Paula Kennedy 247-640, Lisa Bittle 220-613.

April Hopkins 202-608, Philip Nobles 248-685, Tice Hopkins 258-684, John Powell 263-653, Henry Harris 246-606, April Hopkins 202-578, Tiffany Powell 200-559, Lisa Schleich 194-536, Renea Powell 195-534.

At Forum Bowl

Warren claims 812, Henderson topples 770

Barnishin 805, Bobbit, Bui, Cruz, Edmonds, Fletcher, Garrett, Hargrove, Henderson, Nassar, Rhone, Rhynes, Surveyor 300's

Robert Warren led the men's leader board last month at Forum Bowl with an award-winning 246-287-279 = 812 Forum Classic Sponsored by Platinum Ford league session.

Alex Barnishin, from the Metroplex Rainbow league, finished close behind Warren with an award-winning 805 series.

Alecia Henderson, Warren's league mate, led the ladies' leader board with a high-flying 235-268-267 = 770 series.

Brian Bobbit, Justin Bui, Dimitri Cruz, Steven Edmonds, Jim Fletcher, DJ Garrett, Hogan

Hargrove, Paul Henderson, Tom Nassar, D'Ontae Rhone, Tony Rhynes and Shawn Surveyor shared high-game honors as each recorded award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Sheila Burger 258-633, Edgar Chavez (9 pin) 290-813, Denisse Arias (9 pin) 279-721, Hogan Hargrove 770, Regina Taddy 248-684, Johnathan Washington 248-705, Cierra Pree 223-626.

Robert Warren 289-785, Kara Bazaldua 287-731, Elena Sly 246-671, Stacy Hardin 280-746, Deneen Wilson 267-730, Stephen Padilla 277-772, Kristin Hilker 268-688, Mitchell Duncan 258-746.

Karen Hoyle 255-645, Bob Swope (9 pin) 286-839, Carole Shockley (9 pin) 290-713, Ray Sauls 257-707, Starr Washington 228-630, Adam Guardiola 268-749, Marla Martin 173-512.

Marco Laredo 269-755, Arte'Via Jarvis 254-697, Jim Fletcher 767, Tracy Ratchford 269-726, Jessie Sereseroz III 267-669, Anne Zborowski 174-514, Raymond Paredes, Jr. 245-663.

Marcella Wilson 187-496, Steven Nutt 244-608, Keri Cramer 174-433.

SENIORS

Jay Ford 255-698, Diane Jessie 229-660, Micky Girard, Sr. 237-674, Lauren Black 247-578.

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MIDWINTER DREAMS

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Jared and Carl received \$2,050 for their second place finish.

Teams Kenny Hollinsworth/Ryan Wilson and Wes Wheeler/Aaron Coleman collected \$1,300 for their 3rd/4th place finish.

Trey White/Kalip White and Brandon Hodges/ Ke'Andrae Franklin took home \$850 each for finishing 5th/6th.

Finishing 7th/8th, Amanda Morgan/Andrew Smith and Shelby Neves and Sam Neves claimed \$600 each.

A huge congrats to Lisa and Cully.

Full standings, including the bracket finals and individual numbers can be found on the Plano Super Bowl Tournament Facebook page.



At Red Bird Lanes

Maston notches 772, Cathey snags 714

James Maston led the scoring race last month at Red Bird Lanes by hammering out hefty 225-269-278 = 772 Sunday Night Mixed marks.

Lauren Cathey earned fem scoring honors with a solid 237-236-241 = 714 Members Only set.

HONOR ROLL

Robert Carvajal 245-641, Bridgett Hubbard 234-556, Rita Becker 226-618, Lauren Cathey 257-691, Jarrod Urban 246-690, Greg Bell 244-687, Cindi Wilson 190-474, Carolyn Large 205-525.

Greg Bell 266-737, Lauren Cathey 259-698, James Maston 243-714, Paula Kennedy 186-555, Chris McCaleb 246-677, Angela Davis-White 146-425, Lindsley Davis 278-750, Regenia Stewart 203-591.

Tyree Jennings, Jr. 244-690, Angela Chalmers 217-619, Earl Davis (2 games) 137-271, Kendal Renfro (2 games) 129-219, Tyree Jennings, Jr. 255-679, BJ Jennings 196-530, Clayton Lock 279-754.

Lauren Cathey 242-675, John Taylor 211-555, Gale Denman 161-435.

LOOKING BACK

10 YEARS AGO

Cordell Wilder wins first SASBA title at Brunswick Westcreek... Jason Belmonte makes history with back-to-back USBC Masters titles...12-yr-old Elijah Sledge of Amarillo shoots hist first 300 game...Pete McCordic wins the Texas State Masters, and Shannon O'Keefe wins Bluebonnet Queens...Anthony Simonsen led the honor roll with 300/848 at Plano Super Bowl...Rene Benavides shot 837 at AMF Showplace Garland...Andy Zumwait rolled 810 at Tenpins & More...Dana Miller-Mackie led the ladies with 795 at Tenpins & More...Stefanie Johnson had 776 at Cowtown Bowling Palace...Amy Brown rolled 760 at Brunswick Zone Watauga... Chance Defoe and Shana Geerdes win Teen Bowlers Circuit event at Plano Super Bowl.

20 YEARS AGO

Chuck Pierce wins Ebonite SASBA in Pasadena...Kevin Pennington led the honor roll with 823 at Western...Dennis Helmick shot 813 at Tenpins & More...Rodney Black rolled 811 at DC Cityview...Michelle Sgambelluri led the ladies with 782 at DC Cityview...Dana Miller-Mackie with 770 at Tenpins & More... Sandi Irvine had 762 at Killeen Bowlerama...Greg Derrick sets Dallas Bowling Assoc Tournament record with 299-299-255 for an 853 series...Linda Urbanek wins Bluebonnet Queens title in Austin...Mike Scroggins wins the Real Deal PBA Classic, making that 197 tour events between his first title...Steve Jaros wins third title of PBA season.

30 YEARS AGO

Bryan Goebel wins historic match against Norm Duke to win the PBA True Value Open, 296-280. A perfect game was worth \$200,000...Debbie McMullen wins the LPBT New Orleans Classic and \$9000...Debbie Berry wins her first Bluebonnet Queens title at DC West...Paul Malone led the honor roll with 827 at Grove Country...Chris Cranford shot 786 at Big Town...Jack Armstrong III with 785 at Showplace-Eules...Vicki Lou Kinsey led the ladies with 747 at DC FW...Bev Richardson shot 735 at Grove Country... Becky Justus rolled 710 at Showplace-Garland...YABA bowler Brant Rydberg had 681 at Watauga Lanes...Tammy Turner wins first LPBT title in Claremore, OK and \$9000...David Traber beats brother Dale to win PBA National Championship and \$27,000.

At Cowtown Bowling Palace

Estes chalks up 728, Neves banks 615

Cory Estes rounded-up the top score of the month at Cowtown Bowling Palace with a power-packed 225-266-237 = 728 Wednesday Winners series.

Shelby Neves headed the ladies high-set chart with a hard-hitting 229-203-183 = 615 Storm Draft Bowling Scratch Trio session.

HONOR ROLL

Art Beasley 278, Susan Johnson 202, Steven Gillock 271, Keven Moore 258, Rick Benard 256, Shelby Neves 229-615, Micah McCracken 255, Julie McHugh 214, Mike McHugh 254.

Stephanie Hensley 207, Paul Felsch 267-702, Amy Hart 210-593, Eathan Tunnell 252, Anita Lamaster 200, Colten Clark 251, Cory Estes 266-728, Michelle Teel 214-589, Kevin Moore 253.

Richard Botello, Jr. 253, Josh Barnes 268, Shelby Birdsong 208, Doug Mitchell 257, Julie McHugh 206, Paul Parker 257, Cathy Nelson 201-595, Vernon Smith 257, Kent Hixon 266, Alma Gauna 172.

Mark Vaughan 259, Matthew White 255, Dusty Gallant 268, Susan Johnson 214-604, David Dunn 235, Aiden Gentry 225, Jeff Rice 244-708, Lindy McKenzie 221, Richard Love 235.

Becky Rice 213-560, Nelson Gideon 234.

SENIORS

Randy Beinlich 256-697, Wanda Vantrese 210, Craig Lowder 234, Carlos Espinoza 227, Gary Church 172, Susie Dornquist 169, James Bendicion 241, Judy Moss 206, Ken Knowles 236, Ricard Clemons 226.

By: Aaron Smith

ARLINGTON, Texas – The inaugural class for the United States Bowling Congress Collegiate Hall of Fame has been determined, with five inductees helping usher in a historic celebration of the sport in April 2024.

Jack Connaughton of Lafayette, Indiana; Kelly Kulick of Union, New Jersey; and Rick Steelsmith of Wichita, Kansas, have earned induction for their on-lane performances as Student-Athletes.

Gordon Vadakin of Wichita, Kansas, will join the inaugural class in the Coach category.

Karl Nickolai of Canton, Michigan, completes the 2024 class for his dedication to collegiate bowling as a Contributor.

The ceremony for the 2024 USBC Collegiate Hall of Fame will take place April 17 during the banquet for the Intercollegiate Team Championships in Louisville, Kentucky.

Connaughton, 78, was a standout at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (previously Wisconsin State University-La Crosse) from 1964-1968 and dominated competition across the Association of College Unions International (ACUI) and National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) ranks.

In ACUI competition, Connaughton swept the top spots at the 1967 national finals, winning singles, doubles and all-events. He returned in 1968 to successfully defend his titles in singles and all-events, while finishing fourth in doubles.

During the same two-year span at the NAIA Championship, Connaughton helped Wisconsin-La Crosse win back-to-back team titles, claimed a pair of wins in doubles competition and record-

ed a first-place finish in singles at the 1968 event. He finished as the runner-up in singles in 1967.

In 1966, he led Wisconsin-La Crosse to the National Intercollegiate Bowling Association (NIBA) team title.

Connaughton, originally from Waukesha, Wisconsin, traveled to Paris, France, in 1967 as the first collegiate representative of the United States at the famed World Cup, where he captured the victory.

He has received numerous awards and honors and is a member of the NAIA, Kansas State USBC and Wisconsin State USBC Halls of Fame.

Kulick, 46, was a collegiate star at Morehead State University from 1995-1999 before ascending as one of the biggest names in the sport through her triumphs on the Professional Women's Bowling Association (PWBA) and Professional Bowlers Association (PBA) Tours and as a member of Team USA.

After earning a spot as a second-team All-American from the National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association (NCBCA) her freshman season, Kulick rattled off three consecutive first-team selections. She was named the NCBCA Most Valuable Player in each of those seasons (1996-1997, 1997-1998 and 1998-1999).

Kulick also was the recipient of the International Bowling Media Association (IBMA) Collegiate Bowler of the Year award in 1997 and 1998.

Fans from across the globe have watched Kulick deliver clutch strikes to claim seven PWBA Tour titles (including five major championships) and more than 20 gold medals as a member of Team USA and Junior Team USA. In 2010, she garnered global

Five Earn Induction to Inaugural USBC Collegiate Hall of Fame Class

praise as she became the first woman to win a national title on the PBA Tour with her major victory at the PBA Tournament of Champions.

She set the stage for those moments in 1998 at the Intercollegiate Team Championships in Madison, Wisconsin. In the two-game total-pinfall championship against Central Missouri State, Kulick stepped up in a must-strike situation for the Eagles and rolled two strikes to secure the program's second national title.

Kulick was inducted to the USBC Hall of Fame in 2019 for

Superior Performance.

Steelsmith, 59, became the first four-time NCBCA first-team All-American in the men's division during his tenure at Vincennes University and Wichita State University from 1983-1987.

During his two-year stint at Vincennes, Steelsmith helped the Trailblazers win the 1985 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) team championship. He also claimed the national singles title for NJCAA in 1985.

Making his move to Wichita State for his junior and senior



campaigns, Steelsmith continued to showcase his talent at the top level. He helped the Shockers to a third-place finish at the Intercollegiate Team Championships in 1986, earning the honor of Most Valuable Player for the all-tournament team.

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In earlier years of JPA, I suggested a variety of ways professional bowling could get a bigger presence into current pop culture to gather a newer audience. These ideas range from hosting Saturday Night Live, to deejaying an MTV show (back when they were a music-only channel), being a celebrity dancer on "Dancing With The Stars," to even a home renovation show.

One scenario has occurred, the Tom Smallwood-inspired sitcom last year, "How We Roll."

So now in the latest edition of JPA's "What If" series, what if a world-famous singer and performer with a devoted following would start a relationship with a well-known professional bowler?

Possible? This might be not as far out of reality as it seems on the surface. We know high schools all across the country have bowling teams, some with talented musicians who sing or play in the marching or pep band. Here's one possible scenario.

A couple, let's call them Megan and Josh, who have known each other since high school and went their separate ways as she took off to Nashville as a singer/songwriter, getting national exposure when she won "The Voice" with coach Gwen Stefani.

Josh got a scholarship to a college bowling powerhouse, nabbing a national championship in his sophomore year and a Junor Gold title later that summer. Before his junior year

began, he won a PBA Regional title in his first pro tournament. Midway the in the next season, he drew criticism for skipping The Hoosier Classic when the NFL asked if he would be a stadium DJ during the pregame of that year's Super Bowl. His college team suspends him for two weeks, drawing ire from his high school girlfriend, who by now has millions of followers on YouTube and TikTok after singing the National Anthem at the NBA All Star Game and the Indianapolis 500.

Once back on the team, Megan attends the collegiate national television finals to watch her new guy and her loyal fans follow her every step leading up to and including minutes before the telecast on a live TikTok stream. After his team wins, she takes the team out to a party she paid for, also seen on TikTok by a record number of viewers. Weeks later, Josh gets an exemption into a PBA Tour stop with the stepladder finals telecast on the main Fox network, wins matches over E.J. Tackett, Kyle Troup, and Jason Belmonte then falls to Anthony Simonsen who quietly sings some of Megan's song lyrics loud enough for viewers to hear, but not Josh. Megan then invites Simo on stage at her next concert several weeks later, which was also on TikTok which gets one of the biggest number of hits for the year.

Keep in mind, this scenario is completely fictional, but who could have imagined Swifties

suddenly watching Kansas City Chiefs games just six months ago, or even imagining news breaking of a pro bowler being the focus of a network television sitcom just two years ago.

One benefit of the Taylor Swift - Travis Kelce relationship is the NFL attracted a new demographic, young Taylor Swift fans whose parents and older brothers have been viewers for years. Will this be a permanent thing? Probably not, but with the fickle world of pop culture of the moment, one never knows. One of the biggest team sports leagues on the planet got a new demographic to watch its product for free. The Kelce Brothers podcast "New Heights," various cutaways during Chiefs games, and various mentions within the sports talk media bubble, all add up, despite objections of long-time hard-core viewers seeing coverage in their eyes less focused on the game. Sound familiar? It wasn't that long ago earlier this century when PBA telecasts drew the ire of long-time core viewers earlier this century, using social media as a battle ground of opinion.

Viewers from a new demographic can bring new advertisers and with that are new forms of attention, mostly online/streaming from the younger end since television is not their preferred form of mass media, making attracting new advertisers and attention difficult, but not impossible, as the PBA has proven in the last ten years from getting out of early Sunday afternoon fall TV times on ESPN to

Just Paying Attention

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more exposure on Fox, so let's see what unfolds in this TV contract takes. Moving the NFC package of games to Fox worked for the NFL thirty years ago, so there is a proven track record. Live streaming is ok and can help, but getting a million viewers to tune in to a live stream is reserved for the trendy dramas, documentaries, and occasional NFL game. Even with growing streaming numbers, network television still has the tail to wag of dog of advertisers and sponsors.

Even with a portion of Swiftie Nation watching the Super Bowl, this year's game turned out to be the most viewed TV program in U.S. history. According to Nielsen, Among three broadcast outlets, the telecast averaged 123.7 million viewers, 120.3 million on CBS, 2.3 million on Univision, and 1.2 million on Nickelodeon.

By Nielsen officially adding viewers in larger viewing areas like bars, airports, and yes, bowling centers, this may add roughly 10% to the overall total. Adding those places listed above will produce a more accurate number for advertisers. Up until recently, only viewers at home have been counted.

PBA television ratings have been quite steady this season. The U.S. Open finals on February 4th averaged 762,000 viewers, a 0.46 rating, and 130,000 in the 18-49 demographic on the main Fox network. The next three tourneys on FS1 increased from the Illinois Classic (268,000, 0.15, 72,000) to the Pete Weber Missouri Classic February 10 (368,000/0.21/40,000) and the Just Bare PBA Indiana Classic (436,000/0.24/97,000) on February 24th.

With more weekly telecasts in the high-viewing time of year, there is no doubt advertisers will be happier with regular exposure. Speaking of advertisers, I'll have a review of which companies are advertising on this year's PBA telecasts on both the main Fox Network and FS1 in March.

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Finally, this month, one item from bowling motion picture history is up for auction. From a movie I have "written about to death" as one of my critics once exclaimed, according to a piece in robbreport.com, the famed Red Rose ball used by the Ernie McCracken character (Bill

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Aug 10-11	Terrell	Terrell, Texas	Modified Singles

SOUTHWEST REPORT



Dave's Corner

By: Dave Williams



Photo from the files of Henry Kaven, and provided by Dave Williams

Pete Weber Retires — For The Second Time

I first met Pete Weber during AMF's negotiations to purchase Dick Weber Lanes from his father in Florissant, Mo., still home to most of the Weber clan. Pete was already a PBA champion at the time with a couple of titles under his belt. He was an intense young man that had heard of my 300 and 800 exploits on the east and west coast's, and was ready to duke it out on the lanes when we first met that day.

But once he learned that my personality was slightly above that of a delegate to a pacifists convention, and that I had no interest in defending my "valor" against one of the greatest bowlers in the history of bowling, we became fast friends in a mutual admiration that has continued to this day.

In an article that I penned in May of 2021 ("Pete Weber — Still Doing It His Way"), I remarked about the hospitality extended to me by all of the Weber household, refusing to let me return to my hotel room, and instead enjoying home cooked meals and visits to the famous trophy room that housed all of the Weber's memorabilia. Whenever I would see Pete, usually during the U.S. Open at Carolier Lanes in New Jersey, he would always comment about how much his parents thought of me and enjoyed my company. The feeling was mutual.

Pete first announced his retirement from the regular PBA Tour in 2021. But Weber also said that he would continue to bowl the majors, or special invitations, as well as the PBA50 circuit for members over the age of 50. Ironically, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Pete's nemesis for all those years, would make virtually the same announcement a couple of days later.

In Pete's most recent announcement, he told the crowd at the PBA Pete Weber Missouri Classic, "After 44 years, it's very humbling for me to be with you today. It's been an honor and a privilege. I will continue to bowl on the senior tour, but you will never see me throw another ball on the kid's tour, the Tournament of Champions, the U.S. Open or the Masters. I love you all so much. Thank you."

In his final frame, he rolled a strike on the first ball. "Most importantly — 200," he exclaimed, pointing to the overhead scoreboard. On the next shot he left a solid 9 pin. "How appropriate, to leave a solid 9 on my last shot," said Weber. You could almost sense the sarcasm in his voice, referring to the many taps that he's had to live with the past few years. As I continued watching the telecast on Bowl-TV from Enterprise Park Lanes in Springfield, Mo., I could see the frustration that must have weighed heavily upon the 61-year-old Weber.

While Pete was leaving solid 9 pins, or 4 pins, or even the proverbial 10 pin, other bowlers around him, mostly two-handers, were striking at will, with only an intermittent 4 or 5-count split preventing them from a perfect score. There were so many 279's and 280's being rolled that it was reminiscent of playing pinball on a no-tilt machine! Only those crazy 3-4-6-7-9-10, or similar splits, were all that was preventing the players from averaging 250, or even higher. It's a wonder that Weber and Walter Ray have remained as long as they have on the regular tour. The game is just not the same.

Pete Weber won his first title at the 1982 Greater Hartford Open in Connecticut. But he didn't stop there, racking up a total of 10 titles by the tender age of 24, which is still a record. He's the only PBA player to win the Triple Crown (U.S. Open, Tournament of Champions, World Championship) twice, and he has won the U.S. Open an amazing five times.

PBA staff writer Nolan Hughes comments that since Weber's first retirement in 2021, he has bowled an occasional event each season, in addition to the majors. He has become a fixture at the PBA50 events, and last season earned PBA60 Player of the Year honors. The Pete Weber Missouri Classic will continue through Saturday, with the finals airing Sunday, February 19th at 1 p.m. Eastern, on Fox Sports 1.

"I can't wait to give the best bowler the trophy on Sunday," said Weber.

ANOTHER WEBER SAYS FAREWELL — John Weber spent a good deal of his life overseeing PBA Regional and PBA50 Tour operations. With his retirement, and that of his brother Pete, we soon may see the very first national tournament since the inception of the PBA without the name Weber in front of the camera, on the lanes, or behind the scenes. "I thank all of you for the support you've shown throughout the years. You guys made my job the best in the world. I'm so lucky and thankful for everything and everyone that was part of my journey. Thank you all," said John in a posting at BCM Magazine.



JUST PAYING ATTENTION

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Murray) in "Kingpin" is up for sale at heritageauctions.com. In the Treasures from Planet Hollywood Entertainment Signature Auction, from March 20 – 24, the ball has a current bid of \$37,000.

It's a little pricey for me, but I might be able to snag the famed ball return hood where Roy Munson (Woody Harrelson) lost his hand in that movie for a bit less. Stay tuned.



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Comfort is whatever you're used to doing. Period. It's not necessarily right (or wrong); it's just comfortable. When a client is working on changing something, I often hear, "That feels uncomfortable." Well, thank goodness! You've got to change something to change something!

You have a part of your game that is your most common error. It's invariably something "comfortable," but incorrect. You'll often revert to it under pressure. You and your coach must identify whatever this is and figure a key or trigger or distracter that either prevents you from going back to that quirk or helps you identify instantly you've done it again so you can get back to the real bowler in you.

It could be that when you are tired, you slow down. Maybe when you play deep inside, you miss to the inside or send it out in the weeds. Perhaps you have a tight armswing when you

need to convert the baby split. Once these areas have been identified, you and your coach can experiment until you find a fix. Perhaps it's drinking more water (which is one of the most invigorating things you can do). Maybe it's working on different body alignments until you discover what allows you to get inside and prevents you from throwing it out in the weeds. You could shoot the bucket from every dot and every arrow until it's a no-brainer for you.

It's a rare individual indeed who can repair their game in competition. For us Muggles, repair kits are available during lessons with our coach, not in the heat of the battle. Let's say you're pulling the ball frequently. So what? If you have a place you store the fix for that, get it out of that mental file drawer and happily proceed to "no pull" heaven. If you don't have the key to that drawer or you suspect it's empty, you don't have time to analyze and dissect why it's happening. Move to where you're

pulling it! If you can't hit what you're looking at, look at what you're hitting!

This means move so that your body alignment is with the area of the lane with which you are struggling. That should, first of all, get you more comfortable. Then one of three things will happen:

- The move will fix whatever was off in your physical game and you can move back;
- You can just stay there if the move worked;
- You can keep moving if you keep pulling it.

Whatever. The point is that you not continue to stand there and pull it thinking, "On this next shot, I am going to throw it better." If you could throw it better, you would already be doing that. And another thing (you feel some finger wagging here?), you shouldn't say, "Don't pull it." That wonderful body of yours cannot not. It only hears the verbs: "pull it" and, obedient and helpful as always, it does just that.

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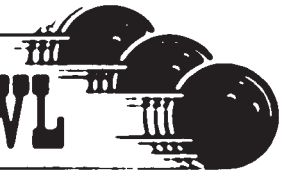
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Steelsmith put together his finest showing in 1987. He was named the NCBCA Most Valuable Player and IBMA Collegiate Bowler of the Year, again earned MVP honors at the Intercollegiate Team Championships and helped the Shockers record the team victory at the ITC.

Shortly after concluding his collegiate season, he went on to win the USBC Masters as an amateur and claimed two gold medals (trios, all-events), one silver medal (Masters) and two bronze medals (singles, doubles) for Team USA at the International Bowling Federation World Championships in Helsinki, Finland.

At the start of the 2019-2020 season, Steelsmith took over as the men's head bowling coach at Wichita State and has helped the Shockers win the 2021 and 2023 Intercollegiate Team Championships.

Steelsmith, the 1988 PBA Rookie of the Year and two-time PBA Tour champion, is a member of the NJCAA, Kansas State USBC and USBC (2013) Halls of Fame.

Vadakin, 70, was at the helm

of the Wichita State University men's and women's bowling programs from 1978-2019 and helped the Shockers claim 18 national titles between both teams.

The men's program collected 11 Intercollegiate Team Championships titles during Vadakin's tenure (1980, 1987, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1998, 2003, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2015), and the men's team is the only program to record three consecutive wins at the ITC, having accomplished the feat two times (1993-1995 and 2008-2010).

The women's team earned seven wins at the ITC under Vadakin's watch, claiming victory in 1978, 1986, 1990, 1994, 2005, 2007 and 2009.

In all, the men's program qualified for the ITC in 37 of Vadakin's 42 years leading the program, while the women's team earned their spot in 41 of 42 attempts, advancing each year since 1982.

Along with the team success, Vadakin also coached nine individual national champions (six at the Intercollegiate Singles Championships). He had 12 student-athletes claim a combined 24 NCBCA Most Valuable Player and IBMA Collegiate Bowler of the Year awards and coached 145 NCBCA All-Amer-

icans and nearly 250 academic All-Americans. At the professional ranks, Vadakin coached 17 athletes who went on to win PBA or PWBA Tour events.

In 2020, the NCBCA renamed its award to recognize the top coach in the men's division as the NCBCA Gordon Vadakin Coach of the Year Award.

Vadakin, a two-time Team USA member and two-time Eagle winner at the USBC Open Championships, is a Kansas State USBC and USBC (2007) Hall of Famer.

Nickolai, 62, started his involvement in collegiate bowling first as a student-athlete at Michigan State University before taking over as the head coach of the men's program. He held the coaching spot with the Spartans for 35 years, and in 2001, became the first recipient of the NCBCA Kerm Helmer (now Gordon Vadakin) Coach of the Year Award.

He left a lasting mark in how the sport was consumed with the launching of CollegeBowling.com in 1997. The website served as a place to view tournament results across the collegiate landscape, and it expanded over time to include rankings, statistics and player profiles.

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Nickolai maintained the website until 2020, when the site became part of USBC's CollegeBowling.Bowl.com.

Nickolai was responsible for several additional items used to help rank collegiate teams and student-athletes versus the field.

In 1998, he teamed with Joe Ciccone to develop the Team Ranking System (TRS), which is an objective point-based system for ranking schools on performance in regular-season tournaments and used today to help determine sectional assignments for the four qualifying events for the Intercollegiate Team Championships.

He also introduced average differential to the collegiate bowling scene, which measures

the average for a student-athlete during an event and over the season against the field of competition.

Nickolai also has given his time to the NCBCA and has been a member since 1984. He has served two separate stints as the organization's president (1992-1994 and 1998-2020) and was selected as the NCBCA Gordon Teigen Meritorious Service Award winner in 1999.

He also was recognized for his service in 2010 as the USBC Youth Volunteer of the Year and was presented the IBMA Alberta E. Crowe Meritorious Service Award in 2019.

The USBC Collegiate Hall of Fame Committee reviewed the applications to determine the members of the 2024 class. The committee is comprised of 13 individuals, featuring representatives appointed by the USBC

Collegiate Advisory Committee, USBC Hall of Fame members and veteran bowling writers. The committee only considered collegiate achievements when reviewing applications.

COLLEGIATE SECTIONAL

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than four of the top 16 schools, in a sectional, based on the final TRS totals.

Final rankings can be found at CollegeBowling.Bowl.com.

All teams advancing to a sectional qualifier will bowl 64 Baker games over two days to determine the four advancers from each location.

In addition to the excitement of team competition, the sectional qualifiers for the 2024 Intercollegiate Singles Championships also will be held at each of the four locations March 8.

Student-athletes at each host center will bowl six games with 24 men and 24 women – the top four men and top four women at each sectional, plus eight additional individuals based on field size – advancing to the ISC.

The 2024 ISC also will be held at Kingpin Lanes. Competition will begin in Jeffersontown on April 15.

Select pairs at each sectional qualifier will be broadcast live on BowITV. The livestreaming platform also will cover all qualifying and match-play rounds at Kingpin Lanes for the ITC and ISC.

The finals of the ITC and ISC will be taped for broadcast on CBS Sports Network.

For more information on the Intercollegiate Team Championships, visit BOWL.com/ITC.

At Hallmark

Chapman nails 739, Schirripa banks 670

Pernell 298

KILLEEN – George Chapman was the bowler to beat last month at Hallmark Lanes with a power-packed 739 Golden Agers series.

Caitlin Schirripa led the ladies with a rollicking 670 Guys & Dolls league production.

Hayley Pernell captured high-game honors with a near-perfect 298 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Jamie Shell 278, Brandon Williams 731, Hayley Pernell 668, Tommy Hall 246-705, Crystal Merrell 215, Darryl Martin 267, Mervan Senior 688, Lisa Maruna 199, Tee Tee Turner 519, Jeff Hough 254.

Michael Dixon-Dates 660, Sonya Stokes 174, Christine Scott 544, Steven Shaffer 269, Warren Howard 702, Lisa Blackman 194, John Ciesiolka 242, Eric Jackson 722, Deborah Kennedy 203.

Harrison Riggins 259, Lonnie Bridges 674, Joyce Reddock 248-665, Jeremy Tibbs 252, Jordan Garza 685, Esther Navarro 637, Eric Jackson, Sr. 673, Cindy Gill 225, Z Sellers-Black 606.

Brandon Williams 258, Warren Howard 705, Alezandra Sellers-Black 636, Darryl Martin 704, Teresa Herr 574, Gregory Masters 269-722, James Norris 730, Esther Navarro 629, Stixx Stickle 706.

Dani Taras 616, Steven Shaffer 257, Micheal Bonnett 737, Karin Ciesiolka 237, Eric Jackson 256, William Binder 715, Roberta Denbrock 205, Dylan Jeffers 278, Tony Bryant 694, Crystal Wiley 233.

Sharon Jeffers 606, Darryl Martin 269, Pete Schirripa, Jr. 737, Amy Starkovich 233, Karin Ciesiolka 627, Jeff Hough 716, Jillian Souchet 162, Cindy Gill 629.

SENIORS

Bob Rackley 257, Tomas Ochoa 664, Barbara Hernandez 196, Starr Wilson 547, Rullie Haywood Jr. 715, Roland Rogue 264, Linda Meads 575, Frank Santiago 247, Linda Meads 193, Ev Tradup 549.

Larry Krueger 257, Chuck Lantz 706, Cookie Reddock 209, Dot Mays 622, James Dukes III 707, Christine Scott 192, Barbara Person 492, Lonnie Bridges 259, Luis Baez 681, Sun Engeldinger 208.

Cookie Reddock 614, Phillip Thurston 726, Beckie Shuron 187.

At Killeen Bowlerama

Wacker books 781, Kriner claims 718

VanWagner 300, Davie, Jr. 299, Hellon 296

KILLEEN – Bobby Wacker's robust 781 Rebels League session lit up the lanes last month at Killeen Bowlerama.

Samantha Kriner headed the ladies' leader board with a stellar 277/718 Sundowners showing.

David VanWagner captured high-game honors with an award-winning 12-bagger. Robert Davie, Jr.'s near perfect 299 solo took runner-up honors while Ed Hellon followed with a 296 game.

HONOR ROLL

Luis Baez 238-683, Tawana Ramey 268-705, Doug Slotten 683, Dot Mays 214-585, Robin Behymer 267-682, Linda Strickland 551, James Hall 675, Adrienne McKinney 513, Phil Thurston 675.

James Dukes 670, Curtis Robinson 670, Walter Harrison 747, Sandi Charles 258-716, Robert Davie, Jr. 738, Ashanti Fernandes 684, Jordan Garza 737, Samantha Kriner 683, Geroald Parker 727.

Tawana Ramey 672, Matthew Canady 289-725, Regis Payne 724, David VanWagner 758, Jim Maxson 758, Sandi Charles 660, Ed Hellon 719, Kevin Lewis 713, Robert Davie, Jr. 769, Bobby Wacker 781.

Danielle Shea 706, Kuade Shaw 761, Samantha Kriner 259-667, Regis Payne 748, Jen Morgan 662, Robert Davie, Jr. 287-731, Kim Kemp 621, Scott Lewis 721, Jamie Shell 702, John Pasch 760.

Kim Dewald 236-620, David VanWagner 712, Lisa Davie 214-544, Jerry Stutz 699, Phillip Lantz 673, Travis Pasch 288-648, Richard Hunter 636.





Dave's Corner

By: Dave Williams



Is The PBA All-Star Weekend Doomed?

After watching the most recent NBA All-Star Weekend on television, I cannot help but wonder if the PBA All-Star Weekend, an obvious copy of the basketball event, is doomed to fail? The NBA event, complete with neon flooring, making it almost impossible to follow the basketball, set a near record low this year. Only last year's total of 4.8 million households was lower in the past 20 years. By comparison, 10.8 million households tuned in for the 2003 basketball event.

Is this really something that the PBA wants to emulate? The only redeeming value was the three-point challenge between Steph Curry and Sabrina Ionescu in the first ever challenge between the NBA and WNBA. Curry won out with a total of 29 points, to Sabrina's score of 26, which tied the best of the male competitors in the "regular" 3-point contest. I wonder if any NBA team will draft Sabrina next season?

The All-Star game itself was a non-event, with the east beating the west by a final score of 211 to 186. Has anyone heard of defense? Larry Bird, in typical fashion, cut directly to the heart of the problem with ratings for the NBA All-Star Weekend when he said, "You've got to play hard, and you've got to compete."

The PBA All-Star Weekend will include three days of activity, just like the NBA. The suggestion from the PBA is that the debut of this weekend program will demonstrate the organization's goal to employ new and exciting initiatives for fans and players alike. Did I miss something? What's wrong with the PBA? Maybe they're looking for higher scores, like the failed NBA east vs. west showdown, or lanes that change color every frame?

PBA All-Star Skills Showdown
All the action gets underway on Friday, March 15, at 6PM, with the Skills Showdown. I hope this isn't a repeat of the "throwing a bowling ball over a chair halfway down the lane" trick shot from many years ago. Proprietors are still cringing at that spectacle. A news release from the PBA states, "Three

teams of professional bowlers, including Kyle Troup, Packy Hanrahan, E.J. Tackett and more, will represent top bowling product manufacturers, such as Storm, Brunswick and Motiv as they showcase their striking prowess, spare-shooting expertise and trick-shot creativity."

Following the lead of the NBA in their record 211-186 shootout (with no defense), I wonder if we will see a 300-game tie by all of the entrants? And on fluorescent lanes? I'm beginning to wonder if lane conditioning has always been the defense, or the competition in bowling that Larry Bird described?

PBA Legacy Cup: Legends and Rising Stars

On Saturday, March 16, at 1PM, we have an event that could really provide a few memories, because some of the greatest players in the history of the game (Pete Weber, Norm Duke, Parker Bohn III and Walter Ray Williams Jr.) will be combining forces with rising stars like Cortez Schenck, Anthony Neuer, and other players determined by a fan vote.

Voting for those "other players" is now underway. You can actually cast your vote now at:

<https://www.pba.com/all-star-weekend>

Finally, to close the night, Mike Aulby will take part in a shoot-out competition with a special guest. In keeping with the NBA format (Curry vs. Ionescu), I wonder if the special guest will be PWBA newcomer Karsyn Lukosius from New Jersey? Or perhaps Liz Johnson, the all-time everything among PWBA bowlers? Shannon Pluhowsky, a lefty like Aulby, would also make an interesting selection.

Go Bowling PBA NASCAR Invitational

The bowling version of All-Star Weekend concludes on March 17, at 1PM, on FOX (the other events are on FS1). This contest will feature four doubles teams, each pairing one PBA or PWBA player with one NASCAR driver. According to the PBA news release, "Defending champions Kyle Troup and Aric Almirola will face off against competitors like the PBA's Darren Tang, NASCAR's Chase



Have you seen this pin?

Briscoe and the PWBA's Daria Pajak and Lindsay Boomershine."

There's also a special "Checkered Flag Clash," where NASCAR talent will compete in a single elimination format. Hmm, I wonder what that could be? Let's hope they don't bring in miniature race cars to compete on the lanes...

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS PIN? — The Bowling Museum & Hall of Fame in Arlington, Texas, have asked for our assistance in locating the origin and dating of this bowling pin. Any of you that have spent a lifetime in the game of bowling will immediately notice the elongated neck of this pin. My personal opinion is that the unusual shape was designed to assist pin boys when they were setting the pins by hand. The elongated neck would make it easier to hold multiple pins in each hand. If you have any information or thoughts on the design of this pin, write to us in care of this publication. We will hopefully have some answers in an upcoming issue.



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SIMONSEN

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point guard, cruised to a 225-156 win.

When Pete Weber threw his final shots on the PBA Tour last Thursday, Simonsen was the first player to congratulate the Hall of Famer. Sunday, Weber returned the favor to present him the championship trophy.

"The sport of bowling wouldn't be where it is today without him," Simonsen said. "It's emotional for me because we're getting to the point where Father Time has kind of taken over a lot of the guys who I watched at a younger age. This is going to be the first time in 66 years without a Weber associated with the PBA Tour."

"I think me and Pete are alike at times," Simonsen said. "Sometimes it seems like we need to bowl angry to bowl better. Sometimes it comes out the way it should; sometimes it's a little unprofessional."

"I jokingly told Pete, 'I don't know if there's anybody better to win the inaugural Pete Weber

event than me."

Championship Round Scores
Match 1: No. 5 Anthony Simonsen def. No. 4 AJ Johnson, 234-159

Match 2: No. 5 Anthony Simonsen def. No. 3 Matt Russo, 247-202

Match 3: No. 5 Anthony Simonsen def. No. 2 EJ Tackett, 203-193

Championship: No. 5 Anthony Simonsen def. No. 1 Bill O'Neill, 225-156

Final Standings

Anthony Simonsen, \$25,000

Bill O'Neill, \$15,000

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More information on the PBA Pete Weber Missouri Classic is available at www.pba.com.








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Tinker Lanes Posts Honor Scores

February was the month for bowling at Tinker Lanes.

The Friday Night League was full of honor scores on a particular Friday Night.

Kevin Pickens shot his first and second 300 games in one night for a 799 series.

We had another 300-game from Arian Lowe.

This was his third 300-game just in this league and numerous at other facilities.

Ron Vardaman scored a 298 game and an 801 series on the same night as his teammate Kevin shot his 300 games.

This was not Ron's first 800 series, but it was his first at Tinker. Awesome bowling to these bowlers and the others in the league that have shot high scores at Tinker.

Kevin Pickens, pictured here, shot his very first 300 game in the Friday Night Mixed league.

After he shot his first 300 game, he continued into his second game, throwing a total of 24 strikes in a row to get his second 300 game.

We all hoped he would get his first 800 series, but he fell a pin short and shot a fantastic 799.

Overall fantastic bowling for



Kevin Pickens



Jasmine Ware

this bowler.

Jasmine Ware, pictured here, shot her 4th 300 game while bowling with the Ladies Traveling when they made their visit to Tinker Lanes.

Jasmine bowls on the Friday Night League at Tinker as well, but this is her first 300-game at Tinker.

GLENN ALLISON

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ning 120 editions since 1901.

One number had served as the peak of tournament participation at the event since 1981, but that changed Sunday as Professional Bowlers Association and USBC Hall of Famer Glenn Allison became the first competitor to reach 72 years at the USBC Open Championships.

Doehrman, a USBC Hall of Famer, made his 71st appearance in 1981, while Norris, also a member of the USBC Hall of Fame, matched the mark in 2000. Thiel joined them at 71 years in 2016.

The 93-year-old right-hander received a custom trophy, plaque and chevron as he was joined by family and friends during an on-lane presentation Sunday.

Allison noted it was the first time in his 72 appearances that he was able to bowl on a team made up of all family members. He was joined on the lanes by his son (Mark Allison), daughter (Suzanne Allison), grandson (Glenn Allison II) and granddaughter (Danielle Ledezma).

"I'd just like to thank all my friends that are here to watch me break the record, and also my family," said Allison as he addressed the crowd at the Bowling Plaza. "My granddaughter, my grandson, my son and my daughter, they're all here with me on my team. This is a first for me – having all of my team members from my family. It's a wonderful feeling."

Allison's storied career at the Open Championships started at the 1947 event in Los Angeles, where he only competed in the team event. He returned to the tournament for his second trip in 1950, and since 1954, Allison has made his annual appearance each year at the event.

As his appearances started to add up at the tournament, Allison also started to collect victories at the Open Championships. He claimed four titles from 1962 through 1970.

He paired with USBC Hall of Famer Dick Hoover in 1962 to claim his first Eagle at the Open Championships, as they posted a 1,431 score to win Classic Doubles. Allison rolled a 780 series to lead the way, the highest total in his Open Championships career.

He followed with a pair of Classic Team victories in 1964 and 1966. He helped Falstaff Beer record the win in 1964 and Ace Mitchell Shur-Hooks take home the team title in 1966. He averaged more than 227 during team competition in those appearances.

Allison's fourth win came in Classic Singles at the 1970 event in Knoxville, Tennessee, finishing with a 730 series.

He made his 50th appearance at the 2001 tournament in Reno, Nevada, and joined the 100,000-Pin Club at the Open Championships in his 55th appearance during the 2006 event in Corpus Christi, Texas, finishing with 1,882 for the year.

As he has continued to work toward the participation record, Allison also has his eye on adding another number to his collection – the top number in career pinfall at the Open Championships.

He entered the 2024 event in third place on the all-time list at

122,954 pins, an overall average of more than 191.

Allison rolled a 301 series to start his 72nd appearance Sunday in team, and he'll return to the Bowling Plaza on Monday at 2 p.m. Pacific to see if he can get to the top spot.

He now sits at 123,255 pins for his career and is 516 pins away from passing Norris for second on the list (123,770). He needs 833 pins to surpass USBC Hall of Famer Bill Lillard Sr. for the pinfall record (124,087).

UPDATE FROM FEB. 26: Allison bowled part of his doubles set, bringing his career pinfall total to 123,341.

Visit us on Facebook at the official USBC Open Championships page.

At Tinker Lanes

Vardaman slams 298/801, Johnson mints 774

Pickens 300

TINKER AFB, OK - Ronald Vardaman earned high-series honors last month at Tinker Lanes with an award-winning 245-298-258 = 801 series in Friday Computer Pairs league action.

Allison Johnson, from the Wed Night League group, registered a sizzling 236-279-259 = 774 set to top the ladies high-series chart.

Kevin Pickens earned high-

game honors with an award-winning 12-bagger.

HONOR ROLL

Billy Schultz 247-667, Dan Gibbs 259-628, Ann Dourm 227-628, Debbie Strong 258-627, Jack Thomas 279-778, Allison Johnson 238-672, Ronald Vardaman 279-793, Rebecca Weaver 276-750.

Jimmy Taylor 268-777, Natalie Taylor 257-707, Kevin Pickens 799, Jennifer Jacobs 246-667.

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Rick Benard Wins SASBA Singles at Hilltop Lanes in Waxahachie

By: Kathy King

WAXAHACHIE, TX - We had a full field of 80 bowlers at Hilltop Lanes in Waxahachie!

The top 26 bowlers made it to Sunday and bowled 4 more games, then the top 16 bowled 8 games of match play.

After match play, the top 5 bowled a stairstep final.

In the first match, Mike McHugh defeated Butch Cormier 255-247.

Mike also defeated David Hickman in the second match 234-228.

Then in the third match, Mark Markham defeated Mike 246-220 to set up the final match against tournament leader Rick Benard.

Rick came out on top with a 247-231 win. It was Rick's 3rd SASBA title, the 2nd in Waxahachie.



Runner-up Mark Markham with Champion Rick Benard

Derek Williams and Rick Minier had the only 300 games. John Austin, Jr left the lily. We had 2 ladies bowl and Sandi

Charles made the finals. A big thank you to Scott and Deb Dodson and staff for hosting.

DAVID KROL

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and finished 16th. He also won three PBA Regional Tour titles, including one where he shot four 300 games.

"I felt I should give it a try and bowl full-time this year and just see what happens," Krol said. "And now we're here."

Championship Round Scores
Match 1: No. 4 Tim Foy Jr. def. No. 5 EJ Tackett, 244-209

Match 2: No. 3 Bill O'Neill def. No. 4 Tim Foy Jr., 209-184

Match 3: No. 2 David Krol def. No. 3 Bill O'Neill, 203-203 (10-9)

Championship round: No. 2 David Krol def. No. 1 Tomas Käyhkö, 198-170

Final Standings
David Krol, \$25,000
Tomas Käyhkö, \$15,000
Bill O'Neill, \$12,500
Tim Foy Jr., \$10,000
EJ Tackett, \$8,000

More information on the PBA Delaware Classic is available at www.pba.com.

Next up for the PBA Tour is All-Star Weekend, where PBA All-Stars, legends and rising stars will compete in three televised events from Phoenix Raceway.

PBA All-Star Skills Showdown

March 15 at 6pm ET on FS1
Strikes, spares and mind-bending trick shots are on display as the unique skills of the world's best are put to the test.

PBA Legacy Cup: Legends and Rising Stars

March 16 at 1pm ET on FS1
PBA legends, fan-voted

All-Stars and rising stars will compete as three-player baker teams for the PBA Legacy Cup.

GoBowling PBA NASCAR Invitational at Phoenix Raceway March 17 at 1pm ET on FOX

Teams with one PBA or PWBA player and one NASCAR driver, including defending champions Kyle Troup and Aric Amirolo, go head-to-head in a four-team bracket.

More information on PBA All-Star Weekend is at www.pba.com.

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A big thank you to the staff of Rowlett Bowl-A-Rama for hosting!

March 9-10 is a 60/50/50/ guest foursome at Fours Seasons Bowl in Alexandria, LA.

March 16-17 is a Member/Guest doubles at Planet Bowl in Midwest City, OK.



At Tenpins & More

Moore smashes 804, Linares scores 741

Carver 300 and 299

ALBUQUERQUE, NM - David Moore topped the charts at Tenpins & More last month with an award-winning 278-278-248 = 804 Bud Trios league session.

Aileen Linares, from the Miller Draft group, led the ladies with a rousing 237-238-266 = 741 set.

Andrew Carver garnered high-game honors with an award-winning 12-bagger and also took runner-up accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

David Moore (4 games) 278-996,
Dana Miller-Mackie (4 games) 278-940,
Mark Innes 277-694, Jenn Medas 190-547,
Matthew Vargas 236-664, Troian Donnachaidh 199-585, Perry Hampel

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- Sat 9 Junior Bowlers Tour Doubles 9am
- Sun 10 Junior Bowlers Tour Singles 9am
- Sat 23 T-Mobile Bowlathon at 1pm
- Sun 24 King/Queen of the Hill at 9.30am
- Fri 29 Thank You Lord Jesus for your sacrifice today
- Sun 31 Easter Sunday Doubles Marathon 5:30pm

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YOUTH BOWLER OF THE MONTH



COOPER POWELL

10, of Allen, TX, is a 5th grader at Reed Elementary. Last month, he won the U12 Division of the Youth Scratch Master's Tour at Plano Super Bowl. This was his 2nd YSMT title, the other was in Enid, OK last year. Cooper is a high-rev two-hander coached by his dad Matt and bowls up to five times per week including three leagues. He has a high average of 180.

Hometown Bowling Center: JB's Allen Bowl
How did you get started bowling? My parents both worked at the bowling center and I got into it that way. I started bowling a league when I was three, and I just fell in love with it.

High Game/Series: 254

Favorite Bowler: Anthony Simonsen. He's killed it on the PBA tour, and he's always trying to get better and better all the time. I got to talk to him at Junior Gold last year.

Favorite bowling accomplishment: Winning the YSMT tournaments. Knowing that I've won before helps me to believe that I can do it again.

What other hobbies do you have? Working on my YouTube channel. You can check it out at CMPBowling on YouTube.

What do you love most about bowling? When you're in competition you are trying your best, but you get to meet new people and have fun. Even if you are struggling never give up, you can always come back and win.

What are your bowling goals? I'm looking forward to bowling in college and on the PBA Tour. I'm a fan of Wichita State. They are probably the best team, that's why I like them.

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