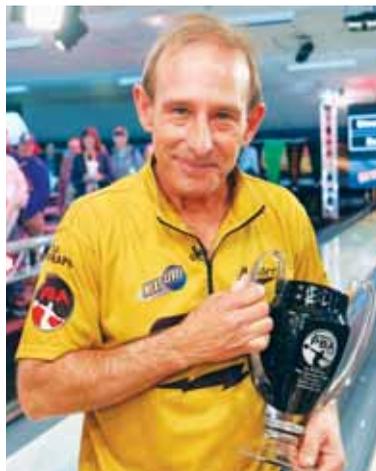


Norm Duke Wins Go Bowling! PBA Jonesboro Open for 40th Career Title

54-year-old PBA Hall of Famer becomes oldest player to win back-to-back titles



Norm Duke

By: Bill Vint

JONESBORO, Ark. (March 3, 2019) – PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke, three weeks shy of his 55th birthday, defeated 22-year-old Anthony Simonsen of Little Elm, Texas, 212-164, to win the Go Bowling! PBA Jonesboro Open Sunday at Hijinx Family Entertainment Center.

With an error-free game including one string of three strikes against the split-prone Simonsen, Duke became the third player in PBA history to win 40 PBA Tour titles, joining Walter Ray Williams Jr. (47) and Earl Anthony (43). He also became the oldest player to win consecutive PBA Tour titles, and the first to win two titles during the 2019 Go Bowling! PBA Tour season following his victory in the Go Bowling! PBA Indianapolis Open a week

earlier.

This win was classic Norm Duke, an accomplished veteran who uses less to create more against an emerging legion of strong young high-revolution power players.

“I don’t really care if I bowl 280 or 180 if it’s more than the other guy has,” Duke said. “You just give it all you’ve got. I was so scared down there, it was hard to make shots. It gets that way when you’re so close to winning.”

Just as he has done throughout his career, Duke accomplished his mission Sunday by eliminating errors and taking advantage of what the scoring environment allows, rather than trying to overpower the lanes and pins.

“You never know what’s good enough until it’s over, but

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Rams Go Back-to-Back at NM High School State Bowling Championship



Coach Dana Miller-Mackie with the Rio Rancho HS Bowling Team

By: Steve Mackie

RIO RANCHO, New Mexico – The Rio Rancho Rams high school bowling team won their second consecutive Class 5-A (big schools) state championship at Silva Lanes in Albuquerque last Saturday, beating arch-rivals, Cleveland Storm in the final round.

Trailing La Cueva Bears by ten pins, the Rams produced a team score of 1,028 - high for the entire field that day - and anchored by Yarelis Alvarez 246 and Kallista Fritts' 239 to take the lead going in to "Baker-style" finals that would

cut the field in half each round.

The Rams greatly extended their overall lead with games of 207, 222, 218 and 216 (863/4), opening only four frames, followed by 226, 172 and 200 (598/3), then 174, 173 and a closing 233 (580/3) to match up against Storm, who overtook the Bears in that third elimination round.

In the championship match, the Rams shot 197, 178 and 194 (569/3) to collect their record sixth state title by over 50 pins.

It was another record "of sorts" in that the squad had

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Bohr and Rodriguez are Texas Champions



Nathan Bohr and Maria J. Rodriguez

By: Tony Franklin, Publisher
HOUSTON, Texas – Nathan Bohr and Maria Rodriguez took home the Texas Masters and Bluebonnet Queens titles at Copperfield Bowl in Houston on February 23-24.

It was the first Texas Masters win for Bohr and second Queens titles for Rodriguez,

and to add to the happiness, this pair from Austin are also getting married in October.

“Winning the same tournament was really cool. Saturday was like any other tournament with both of us bowling at different times, but bowling at the same time on Sunday was

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Rick Irvine is Leading the Way

By: Tony Franklin, Publisher
FRISCO, Texas – Rick Irvine, 55, of Little Elm, has started a bowling fire in North Texas that is burning extremely hot right now.

He’s been a professional bowler for 20 years, but a coach almost his entire life. His father got him started in bowling when he was seven years old, but “encouraged” him to become a youth volunteer when he was 12, so that he could help teach the game to other bowlers. That subtle push was the beginning of a life-long passion for Rick.

Prior to becoming the coach he is now, Rick bowled all over the world while in the Army for 13 years. He was a Russian Language specialist who was deployed in Germany during the cold war. He had



Rick Irvine

the opportunity to be on All-Army bowling teams, and even bowled travel leagues at local centers in foreign countries.

Now, Irvine is a full-time IT professional during the day and

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Random Thoughts

Tony Franklin, Publisher



"The Tony Franklin non-scientific DFW-area best bowler rankings" Vol 11.

Current rankings:

1. Sean Lavery-Spahr
2. Anthony Lavery-Spahr

Well, it was a short visit to the 2nd spot in the rankings, but a well-deserved one for Dimitri Cruz, and I'm sure he'll be back soon.

But, if you make the TV show at the Tournament of Champions, you get the top spot, it's just that simple.

Last month, SLS finished 5th in the ToC after losing to Josh Blanchard in the first match. It was a quality game, that ended with a tough split in the tenth, but hopefully it's the first of many times we will get to see the hometown boy, bowl on TV.

The DFW area is being well represented on the PBA tour this season with both the Lavery-Spahr brothers, Anthony Simonsen, Billy Rogers, Chris Barnes, and now Geoffrey Young bowling full-time on tour. It has been a learning adventure for both Rogers and Young so far, but that just goes to show you how difficult the tour is, and how VERY good those guys are.

Hopefully, they are having fun as they are learning; it's the type of experience they will look back on later in life and be glad they gave it a shot... regardless of how it all works out.

I'm proud of all of them.

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Staying on the subject of DFW stars, Anthony Simonsen became the youngest player to win two PBA Major Titles at the age of 22, by defeating Jason Belmonte to win the PBA Players Championship in Columbus, OH.

Simonsen said that the best part was, "playing a different part of the lane than everybody else." He went with a much more direct line than the other players for the majority of the week, and he was able to do it on the show to capture the win with a clinching strike in the tenth. That boy good.

The cool part of the story was that his good friend Chris Turner made the 17-hour drive, from Little Elm to Columbus, to support him on the show. "I knew what it meant to him, and what it means to have a friend in the crowd. So we left in the 2nd game of match-play

in the last block, with one stop at the Jim Beam Distillery to stretch our legs," Turner said.

"It was a great time and an emotional win for me as well," he added.

So, where does the new-est PBA Major Champion go to celebrate a win...Piada of course. "We loaded 30 balls in the car and went straight to Piada," said Turner.

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I have one bowling bucket list item left, and that's to shoot 900. It's probably more of a stretch, stretch goal, but for the sake of argument, let's call it a bucket list item.

As you all know, you can't shoot 900 unless you shoot 300 the first game, and you really can't shoot 900 if don't shoot 300 the second game too...and that's exactly what Matt Hyson did last week at Plano Super Bowl...300-300-244 for an 844, not 900, but a sexy start for sure.

"There was definitely a lot going through my mind the second game, and I was trying to keep the nerves down, and not look ahead," said Hyson. Ultimately, the dream ended in the second frame of the last game when he left a 4-pin. "To be honest I was a little relieved, now all of the stress was gone, and I could focus on shooting 800," he added.

This was the first time that Hyson has started a series with back to back 300 games, and his previous high series was 818.

He was fortunate on this evening with making it through two games without having to move his feet, just some small ball speed adjustments were required. If you are going to shoot a 900 series, or a large 800, that's the key, you need to be on a pair that requires very



Matt Hyson 300 - #2452 and #2453; 900 - #990 at PSB

minimal moves. Even if you're bowling on china, adjustments will lead to 9-counts.

Hyson said that he was excited to get a glimpse of a 900 series, and is also looking back on the series with some pride, "I would love to try it again and take it deeper in the third game next time because it was a lot to take in," he said.

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Hopefully, you've noticed that Plano Super Bowl is also taking pictures of all bowlers that shoot 300 or 800 during

league at their center.

Hyson bowled number 2452 & 2453 perfect games at PSB, and last week, Rick Mann shot the 2458th 300 and 993rd 800 at PSB.

The picture and social media post is a neat souvenir for the bowlers that have one of these magical scores, and something I hope Plano keeps doing...job well done!

Check out the pictures on the Plano Super Bowl Facebook page - @PSBfanpage.

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Tournament Schedule

Date	Tournament Detail	Location
Nov 24-25, 2018	Wild Turkey Mixed Tournament - \$2k added	Cityview
Jan 26-27, 2019	Mixed Doubles - \$3k added	Bowlero Euless
Feb 9-10, 2019	Youth City - \$3k added	Cowntown
Feb 11-24, 2019	Senior - \$1k added	Mail-O-Graphic
April 28, 2019	Youth/Adult Doubles - \$2k added	Watauga
May 3-4 & 11-12	Open City Championship - \$10k added	Forum
June 15-16, 2019	Ladies City - \$3k added	Watauga
July 13-14, 2019	After the Fire Works - Mixed Trios - \$2k added	TBD

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Men

Matthew Hyson, Plano Super Bowl.....	844
Curtis Parker, Western Bowl.....	824
Rick Benard, Tenpins & More.....	813
Patrick Lenihan, JB's Allen Bowl.....	796
Michael Thompson, Mel's Lone Star Lanes.....	791
Brian Grange, Forum Bowl.....	784
Mike Labue, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	778
Russell Brown, Killeen Bowlerama.....	774
Chris Masters, Hallmark Lanes.....	771
Bobby Holley, Terrell Bowl.....	751
Wayne Hardey, USA Bowl.....	720
Robert Marino, Strikz.....	714
John Dodd, Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama.....	709
Johnnie Roberts, Red Bird Lanes.....	696
Tice Hopkins, Ennis All Star Bowl.....	632

Women

Genie Franklin, Forum Bowl.....	804
Diane Wallentine, Plano Super Bowl.....	745
Brittney Williams, Killeen Bowlerama.....	740
Dana Miller-Mackie, Tenpins & More.....	732
Lisa Blackman, Hallmark Lanes.....	717
Carrie Wichers, Western Bowl.....	712
Debby Carter, Mel's Lone Star Lanes.....	709
Annette Bell, USA Bowl.....	702
Loren Tenczar, Strikz.....	682
Kayla Tamez, Ennis All Star Bowl.....	678
Linda Blain, JB's Allen Bowl.....	665
Miki Jo Parish, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	644
Patty Ellington, Terrell Bowl.....	641
Lauren Cathey, Red Bird Lanes.....	638
Tammy Newton, Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama.....	509



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John Burkett Wins SASBA Singles in Shreveport

SHREVEPORT, LA - John Burkett likes bowling in Shreveport in the Claude Thomas Memorial Singles at All Star Lanes.

Last year he finished second in this event and this year, he won the sweeper on Friday, was leading the qualifying after 8 games on Saturday and increased his lead with 4 more games Sunday morning.

After losing his first game of match play, he won all 7 of the remaining matches to win his first SASBA singles title.

Terry Quinley finished second, Joe Lecroy claimed third, Steve Shaffer took fourth and John Chovanec rounded out the top five.

John Burkett and John Chovanec had the only 300 games.



Runner-up Terry Quinley with Champion John Burkett

Michelle Rogers and Terry Quinley each made the finals in their first singles tournament.

Thank you to Mike Thomas and staff for hosting this event. Thank you to Eldorado

Casino and Hotel for sponsoring and being the host hotel.

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

NORM DUKE

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I love the fact that I didn't have any open frames," he added. "Spares win titles."

Simonsen, a 22-year-old two-handed player, advanced to the title match against Duke - who had been bowling on Tour for 25 years by the year Simonsen was born - with a 214-199 victory over 26-year-old EJ Tackett of Bluffton, Ind. The semifinal match was a battle between two of the PBA's most powerful high-revolution players. Simonsen started the match with four strikes to establish a solid lead that held up because Tackett was unable to throw consecutive strikes on the dual lane conditions until the 10th frame.

In the final match, however, Simonsen completely lost the right lane, leaving unmakeable splits on his first three attempts to give Duke the room he needed to open a big lead.

"Uncomfortable is the word for it," the frustrated Simonsen said.

In the opening match, Kris Prather of Plainfield, Ill., started with four strikes, converted a 10 pin and threw three more strikes to build a lead Japanese star Shota Kawazoe couldn't overcome despite a late string of four strikes. Kawazoe, a 17-time Japan PBA title winner, didn't miss the pocket but three single-pin spares kept him from closing the gap and Prather won, 246-236.

In the second match, Simonsen jumped into an early 44-pin lead by starting the match with five strikes while Prather lost the pocket after a first-frame

strike. Simonsen hit a speed bump when he left the 4-9 split in the eighth frame and failed to convert, but he then threw four more strikes to eliminate Prather, 247-203.

Sunday's live FS1 finals were contested on the same dual lane conditioning environment

that was used throughout the tournament, with the 45-foot Wolf oiling pattern applied to the left lane and the 36-foot Viper pattern applied to the right lane.

Next up on the 2019 Go Bowling! PBA Tour schedule

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At USA Bowl

Hardey posts 720, Bell snags 702

Blackerby 300

Wayne Hardey took high-series honors for the week at USA Bowl after polishing off potent 215-280-225 = 720 numbers in Just For Fun action.

Annette Bell, from the DFW Mixed group, paced the ladies with a stately 180-290-146 = 702 set.

Ricky Blackerby's award-winning 12-bagger earned high-game honors.

HONOR ROLL

Micky Girard, Sr. 223-649, Shirley Stokes 211-499, Austin Ellis 243-607, Judy Smart 161, Roxanne Sifuentes

451, John Aplin 257-660, Vicky Alcorn 190-499, Paul Wilson 279-697.

Arvese McGraw 215-581, Ricky Blackerby 697, Annette Bell 290-616, Ashley Davis 268, Tracey Coward 582, Jack Soria 268-714, Cierra Pree 236-616, Rufus Bell 218, Juley Anderson 213-502.

Forrest Feuille 550, Curtis Watson 243, Shanat Kinds 165, Mark Jowers 631, Aricia Grant 442, Adaryll Smith 248, Kristin Bennett 235, Rich Flanders 665, Jenise Lockhart 602, Frank Houser 214, Kathy Foote 192, Gary Gilbert 587, Rita Becker 470.

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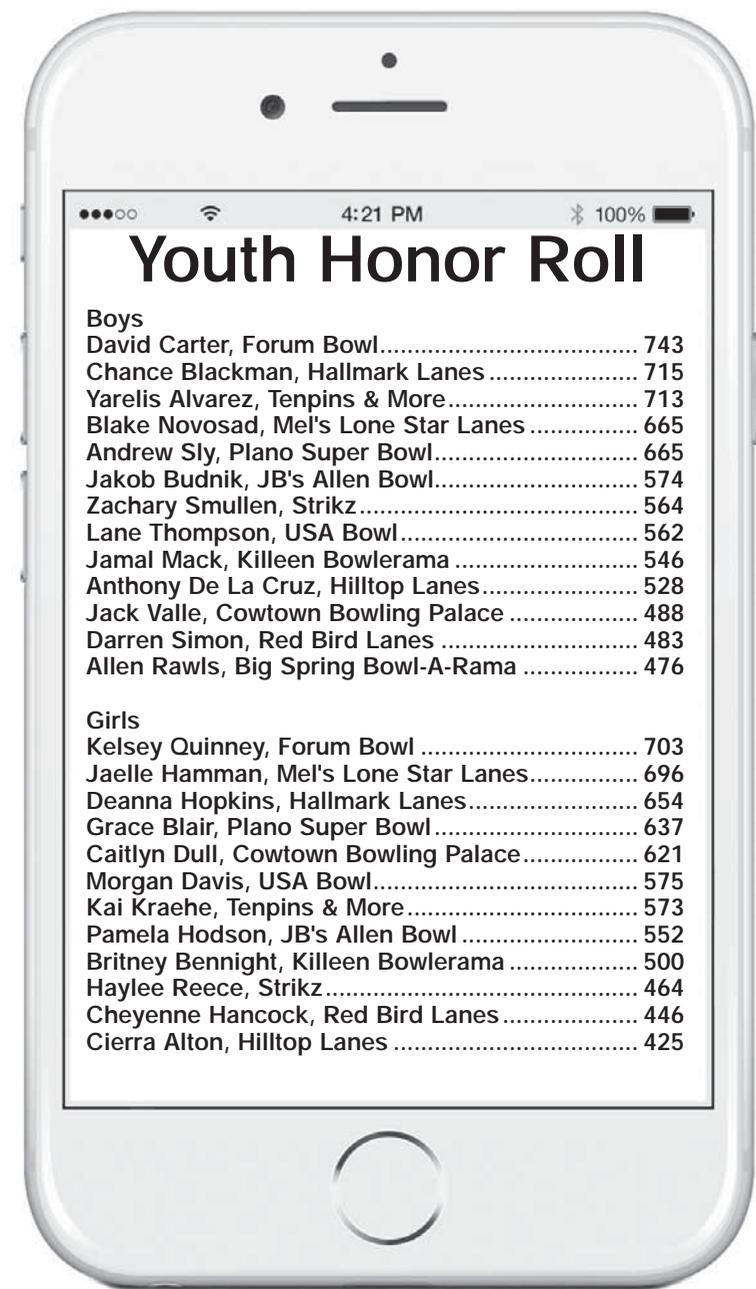
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Boys

David Carter, Forum Bowl.....	743
Chance Blackman, Hallmark Lanes.....	715
Yarelis Alvarez, Tenpins & More.....	713
Blake Novosad, Mel's Lone Star Lanes.....	665
Andrew Sly, Plano Super Bowl.....	665
Jakob Budnik, JB's Allen Bowl.....	574
Zachary Smullen, Strikz.....	564
Lane Thompson, USA Bowl.....	562
Jamal Mack, Killeen Bowlerama.....	546
Anthony De La Cruz, Hilltop Lanes.....	528
Jack Valle, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	488
Darren Simon, Red Bird Lanes.....	483
Allen Rawls, Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama.....	476

Girls

Kelsey Quinney, Forum Bowl.....	703
Jaelle Hamman, Mel's Lone Star Lanes.....	696
Deanna Hopkins, Hallmark Lanes.....	654
Grace Blair, Plano Super Bowl.....	637
Caitlyn Dull, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	621
Morgan Davis, USA Bowl.....	575
Kai Kraeche, Tenpins & More.....	573
Pamela Hodson, JB's Allen Bowl.....	552
Britney Bennight, Killeen Bowlerama.....	500
Haylee Reece, Strikz.....	464
Cheyenne Hancock, Red Bird Lanes.....	446
Cierra Alton, Hilltop Lanes.....	425

Fort Worth USBC Youth Results

David Carter led the Fort Worth-area USBC youth bowling last week with a thundering 279/743 Stars & Strikers series at Forum Bowl.

Kelsey Quinney, Carter's league mate, paced the girls with an impressive 267/703 set.

At Cowtown Bowling Palace - Nathan Press 243, Caitlyn Dull 219-621, Blake Loibl 188, Sommer Swiney 116, Jack Valle 168-488, Mason Chapman 190-457, Maddie James 140-349,

Brantley Marlowe 172, John Michael Mercado 159-402, Mason Harper 103, Luke Mitchell 125, Declan Clark 109, Maelin Pearson 87-172, Bronson Marlowe 94, Cristian Dubon 84, Crue Preece 81.

At Forum Bowl - Mason Boles 89-167, Raylyne Green 81-161, Zachary McBurney 128-332, Bryanna Rogers 117-304, Tyler Brooks 184-545, Charisse Graham 157-418, Colby Anderson (6 games) 192-892, Hayden Norman (6 games) 161-863.

Southwest-Area USBC Youth Scores

Chance Blackman led the Southwest-area USBC youth bowling last month with a thundering 715 Stars of Tomorrow series at Hallmark Lanes.

Jaelle Hamman paced the girls with a strong 221-267-208 = 696 Homeschool Strikers set at Mel's Lone Star Lanes.

Daniel Kohn bowled a 300 game during Centex Youth Travel League.

At Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama, Big Spring, TX - Brandon Rogers 194-472, Allen Rawls 178-476, Hunter W. Riches 173-426, Jozua 125-352, Drake M. Pechacek 86-247.

At Hallmark Lanes, Killeen, TX - Mike Mikell 205-534, Kaelyn Sateren 157-381, Kayla Beckett 171-405, Jayce Borja 277, Peyton Heidtbrink 234-636, Michael Gredler 182-480, Autumm Rico 113, Hailee Duerre 269, Devyne Williams 279-679, Makayla Rodriguez 245, Deanna Hopkins 654,

Tahirah Turner 177-503, Mike Mikell 150-443, Ke Pearson 167-434, Saniya Neely 118-315, Ray Neely 267, Shyanne Ciesiolka 258-612, Michael Gredler 186-505, Jessica Bearden 176-434, Nate Lahey 131, Saniya Neely 125-286, Warner Johnson 256, Devyne Williams 670, Caitlin Schirripa 212-570, Michael Bonnett, Jr. 455, Shyanne Ciesiolka 170-441, John Kilpatrick 171, Jessica Bearden 157-440, Markel Allgood 163-371, Peyton Heidtbrink 247-639.

At Hilltop Lanes, Waxahachie, TX - Anthony De La Cruz 192-528, Saeben McGinnis 215-511, Stephen George 234-508, Jacob Leach 200-453, Cierra Alton 153-425, Samantha Aos 146-406, ReeAnn Armstrong 189-397, Addy McGinnis 138-371.

At Killeen Bowlerama, Killeen, TX - Jamal Mack 187-546, Jayce Borja 238-524, Britney Bennight 181-500, Nyssa White 177-402, Jay Davie 145-345, Melonn Siner 208-515.

At Mel's Lone Star Lanes,

Georgetown - Jacob Walker 215-607, Robert Hamman (4 games) 243-881, Addy Bates (4 games) 239-859, Brock Dombroski 176-487, Natalie Decovic 168-439, Blake Novosad 246-665, Amanda Drouillard 205-555, Johnathan Hays (4 games) 244-840, Jaelle Hamman (4 games) 225-857, Gavin Zoellner 113-222, Carly Mika 124-218, Eli Hwang 102-177, Hattie Klein 102-178.

At Tenpins & More, Rio Rancho, NM - Reid Meuth 149-399, Aubrey Vanderlip 166-359, Jeffrey Ockerman 171-467, Jessica Heacock 143-399, Donovan Ruiz 215-544, Yarelis Alvarez 249-713, Kai Kraeche 219-573.



Dallas USBC Youth Scores

Andrew Sly topped the Dallas-area USBC youth bowling last week with a booming 236-173-256 = 665 Showstoppers series at Plano Super Bowl.

Grace Blair led the girls with a sparkling 171-244-222 = 637 Sunday Youth/Adult set at Plano Super Bowl.

At JB's Allen Bowl - Joseph McGraw 170-463, Otto Weiss 157-400, Adrian Allen 162-342, Tanisha Vepa 75-199, Tristan Caudill 121-296, Heather Hubbard 140-340, Daniel Corekin 146-359, Jessica Hubbard 155-433, Caleb Hubbard 169-436, Jakob Budnik 219-574, Annika Svedvik 82-217, Jace Bicknell 173-496, Charleigh Keough 140-378, Ryan Martinez 186-485, Pamela Hodson 194-552, Isaac Gattenby 159-391, Amanda Ingram 152-296.

At Plano Super Bowl - Jordan Scott 152-426, Isabella Hudson 146-420, Cade Carson 163-466, Malorie Samples 148-414, Mya Murray 197-494, Spencer

Brandon 265-643, Hayleigh Hale-Haggard 245-607, Allen Funderburk 165-477, Nicole Phan 104-291, Zach Howarth 233-641, Xavier Patterson 175-483, Brady McDonough 167-483, Aaron Coleman 211-612, Carlen Gattenby 213-520, Daniel Underwood 222-587, Katie Heady 180-524, Zach Howarth 191-556, Grace Blair 193-487, Brady McDonough 213-602, Athena Walker 167-472, Riley Moore (2 games) 95-176, Keira Sampson (2 games) 93-174.

At Red Bird Lanes - Darren Simon 187-483, Cheyenne Hancock 179-446, Micah Wagner 160-473, Elizabeth Hoffman 170-408, Andrew Diaz 181-436,

Maggie Thompson 127-335.

At Strikz - Zachary Smullen 200-564, James Cox 162-357, Dylan Markel 149-365, Matthew Sifford 132-351, Matthew Lopez 137-374, Bryce Herrington 210-556, Jacob Argo 189-491, Tyler Keeton 201-502, Jake Hernandez 138-373, Roman Reece 171-479, Logan Solis 189-484, Haylee Reece 170-464, Fiona Lawrence 130-370, Alexia Moon 127-335, Jayme Brooks 132-335, Ireland Spofford 146-378, Tori Franklin 134-358, Madison Damer 126-356.

At USA Bowl - Dylan Lee 210, Lane Thompson 562, Morgan Davis 207-575.



YOUTH TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Texas Pepsi Tournament
March 8-10
Forum Bowl, Grand Prairie, TX
Cityview Lanes, Fort Worth, TX

2019 Texas State High School Championships Tournament
March 30-31
Forum Bowl, Grand Prairie, TX

Malott's All Star Youth Championship
May 24-26
Austin, TX

If you have upcoming youth tournaments you would like listed on the schedule, contact The Bowling News at 214.250.3242, or email: genie@TheBowlingNews.net.

Lane Laughter





McKinney Boyd Girl's High School Bowling Texas State Champions

RICK IRVINE

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bowling super coach in his off hours. He's the Youth Director at Strikz in Frisco, where he was responsible for creating and building their program along with starting the High School bowling programs for the Frisco ISD.

"I started the youth program about 10 years ago. I love coaching kids and with the help of Strikz Proprietor Neil Farren, we have seen it grow exponentially," he said.

In his time as the Youth Director, he has seen over 10 kids move on to bowl in college, where Rick's vision of fun

and skill improvement has been eagerly embraced.

One of the other areas of focus for Irvine is making sure that every kid has a chance to enjoy bowling.

"My dental hygienist approached me about her special needs child looking for an activity, and wondering if bowling would be good for them. Obviously it is, and now I can proudly say that we have about 10 special needs kids in the Saturday league," said Rick.

About seven or eight years ago, Irvine was approached by Les Cline to help build a coaching staff for McKinney Boyd High School. That was uncharted water for Rick, but one that he quickly accepted

and had success with as the Boyd girls' team won the State Championship in 2013.

Rick was looking to tackle something a little closer to home, so he worked with the Frisco ISD, which had no bowling program at the time, and was able to get bowling added as a club sport. Frisco Centennial, which he currently coaches, was the first school onboard, but now there are three Frisco schools with bowling teams.

"I felt that the kids here really deserved a chance to showcase their talent at that level, so I approached the district. I wanted to make sure that any kid that wanted to bowl has a chance to bowl, and we were able to get it going," he said.

As you might guess, coaching the team is only part of the battle, making sure that teams have players each year is the hard part because he is not able to go to the schools to recruit as he is not faculty.

"I recruit through the youth league and through the parents, to continue to build the program as a club sport. The key is working with the parents, I stress that it's fun and that there are scholarships available. It's amazing how many people don't realize that you can go to school with bowling scholarships. That's what I use to catch the parents interest. If they enjoy themselves, they will keep it up," Irvine said.

Have fun, improve and smile. Those are the actions that he stresses to his bowlers, with the goal being to try and get more participation in bowling, with youth bowling being the key.

Rick doesn't do it alone though, he has a small army of volunteers that assist him on Saturday mornings and with the high school teams.

"It's such a joy to have all of the help, Ron Shive saw me out there coaching one day, and asked if I needed any help, and I said of course. He has been my right hand man ever since, but he's not the only one, we couldn't do it without the help of our coaches," he said.

Irvine said he is most proud of how all of the kids gets along with each other, and that it's a family environment. His love of coaching has led him to never say no when someone asks for help, as long as they follow his simple rule...improve and enjoy yourself, then everybody wins.

"Bowling is the one thing you can start now and do for your whole life, I love to see kids improve and reach new levels they never thought possible," he added.



At Forum Bowl

Franklin physix 804, Grange topples 784

Dawson, Wilson 300's

Genie Franklin's strike-filled 289-268-247 = 804 Fast Lane Trio league session headed the ladies' high-series race last week at Forum Bowl.

Brian Grange led the men's leader board with a power-packed 258-268-258 = 784 Fun Bunch series.

Eric Dawson and Carl Wilson shared high-game honors award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Andrea Jaksa 187-557, Sheila Burger 224-583, Billy Tabor (9 pin) 275-786, Kristal Rogers 241-696, Mike Shearer 267-725, Teresa Ross 255-666, Gabe Martinez 279-728, Tamara Hamilton 234-633.

Kendrick Dunn-Ford 229-606, Geneva Green 158-439, Martin Kemp 217-567, Peggy McCormick 168-483, Kobe Dinh 269-712, Dawn Borchering

236-620, Jerry Ankenbrandt 258-729, Dana Short 237-641.

Carl Wilson 754, Cheryl Washington 199-542, Aaron Alcorn (4 games) 278-996, Genie Franklin (4 games) 1010, DJ Garrett 290-738, Alesia Pickett 226-567, Preston Smith 279-733, Kristal Rogers 231-556.

Chuck Pauley 244-662, Nancy Burden 166-440, Monroe Maddux 238-711, Judith Guillory 268-652, Karen Sykes 258-652, Myron Fleming 244-707, Maria Gonzales 192-518, Jayce Nguyen 234-656.

Tricia Guzman 221-592, Preston Smith 236-646, Angeline Marks 164-419, Will Covington 267-607, Keri Cramer 168-462.

SENIORS

Wane Cruze 245-694, Karen Hoyle 225-642, Archie Garland (9 pin) 300-831, Polly Nance (9 pin) 244-594.

LOOKING BACK

20 YEARS AGO

Chris Barnes defeats Rudy Revs for first PBA title in Erie... CDB wins her 6th PWBA title in Jacksonville, Fla...Jason Shuffield had 821 at AMF Lewisville...Lester Wolff shot 805 at AMF Spare Time...Chip Groff rolled 782 at Allen...Julie Locke led the ladies with 771 at Western...Daralynn Stewart had 758 at Big Town...Esther Navarro with 748 at Hallmark... Lisa Bishop wins PWBA Choo-Choo Classic.

30 YEARS AGO

Wayne Webb wins 17th PBA title at the True Value Open... Bob McGregor wins NTTB...Don Hermanes led the honor roll with 846 at Forum...David Jordan with 775 at Terrell...Tom Wicker shot 750 at Hurst...Sammye Ragland led the ladies with 752 at Red Bird...Pat Cook had 641 at Showcase...Rudy Perez wins CASH at DC East...Les Andrews had a perfect game at Triangle-Irving.

40 YEARS AGO

Don Hess elected as DBA President...James Mitchell had a 300 at Cotton Palace...Curtis Ploetz led the honor roll with 793 at Wedgwood...Jack Hill had 754 at Valwood Lanes...Clay Harris with 752 at Alpine...Jan Sutter led the ladies with 689 at Hurst Bowl...Kathy LeCroy shot 685 at Meadowbrook... Montana Scoles wins MBA at Circle Bowl.

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2019 PBA League Draft Set for April 8 at Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine

By: Bill Vint
 PORTLAND, Maine (Feb. 22, 2019) – For the past four years, tournament host Bayside Bowl in Portland has given the PBA League team bowling competition a jolt of electricity because of its exuberant fans and unique location. Now for the first time, Bayside fans will get a chance to see up close how the 2019 teams take shape when the PBA

League Draft is held at Bayside Bowl on Monday, April 8. The draft will be covered live on FloBowling, PBA's official online live-streaming outlet, beginning at 4 p.m. EDT. Adding to the drama for the hometown fans, their own Portland Lumberjacks, managed by Tim Mack, will own the first pick by virtue of their last-place finish in the 2018 Elias Cup tournament.

Choosing second will be L.A. X, followed by the Brooklyn Styles, New York City Kingpins, Motown Muscle, Dallas Strikers, Philadelphia Hitmen and defending champion Silver Lake Atom Splitters. The serpentine draft will then find the Atom Splitters making the first selection of the second round.

In order to be eligible for the draft pool, PBA members must be ranked in the top 40 in the 2019 PBA competition points standings at the conclusion of the 2019 USBC Masters on April 1.

Leading up to the draft, each team manager will be allowed to protect and retain up to three members from current rosters regardless of their PBA Points standing, with those decisions made by March 25.

April 8 will be a big day for Portland's enthusiastic PBA fans who are invited to attend the PBAL Draft and stick around for the inaugural round of PBA Playoffs matches that will air later in the evening, live on FS1 at 7 p.m. Eastern. The PBA Playoffs is a new PBA Tour singles competition that will feature the season's top 24 players in competition points in a single-elimination match play series that will result in eight FS1 telecasts in April and May, leading up to the live FOX telecasts of the semifinal and final rounds on June 1 and 2. Bayside Bowl will host the entire PBA Playoffs series.

PBA League players will then return to Bayside Bowl where all rounds of the 2019 PBA League Elias Cup competition will take place July 16, 17 and 18, airing live for the first time on FOX Sports' FS1 in prime time.

CURRENT TEAM MAKEUPS
 (Managers may protect up to 3 players by March 25)

-Portland Lumberjacks (manager Mack): Ryan Ciminelli, Wes Malott, Kyle Troup, DJ Archer, JoJoe Yannaphon.
 -L.A. X (manager Andrew Cain): Jason Belmonte, Stuart Williams, Martin Larsen, Jakob Butturff, Osku Palermaa.

-Brooklyn Styles (manager Johnny Petraglia): Parker Bohn III, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Sean Rash, Matt O'Grady, Jason Sterner.

-New York City KingPins (manager Carolyn Dorin-Ballard): Pete Weber, Marshall Kent, Sam Cooley, BJ Moore, Anthony Pepe.

-Motown Muscle (manager Del Ballard Jr.): EJ Tackett, Francois Lavoie, Anthony

At JB's Allen Bowl

Lenihan soars to 300/796, Blain garners 665

Patrick Lenihan dominated scoring last week at JB's Allen Bowl with an award-winning 237-259-300 = 796 Thursday Mixers league series.

Linda Blain led the ladies' scoring race with sky-high 247-227-191 = 665 Allen TNT numbers.

HONOR ROLL

Trang Nguyen 225-616, Andi Hall 195-507, Brent Ellis 266-765, Cathy

Bowman 215-551, Jason Thomas 277-685, Jennifer Lynn Eckstrom 186-491, Alan Sander 255-695, Alan Eden 277-695.

Kurt Gengelbach 268-765, Kerry Smith 205-548, Gary McNew 290-747, Beth Campbell 279-644.

SENIORS

Bill Kaiser 257-573, Melba Moyer 180-532, Don Vaughn 256-725, Melba Moyer 182-530.

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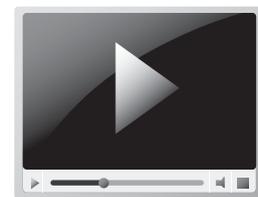
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- ISC Sectional Qualifying (Men - Stratford, N.J.)
 Friday March 8 7:00 AM
- ISC Sectional Qualifying (Men - Addison, Ill., Smyrna, Tenn., Dallas)
 Friday March 8 8:00 AM
- ISC Sectional Qualifying (Women - Stratford, N.J.)
 Friday March 8 2:30 PM
- ISC Sectional Qualifying (Women - Addison, Ill., Smyrna, Tenn., Dallas)
 Friday March 8 3:30 PM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 1 - Stratford, N.J.)
 Saturday March 9 7:30 AM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 1 - Addison, Ill., Smyrna, Tenn., Dallas)
 Saturday March 9 8:30 AM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 2 - Stratford, N.J.)
 Saturday March 9 12:45 PM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 2 - Addison, Ill., Smyrna, Tenn., Dallas)
 Saturday March 9 1:45 PM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 3 - Stratford, N.J.)
 Sunday March 10 6:45 AM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 3 - Addison, Ill., Smyrna, Tenn., Dallas)
 Sunday March 10 7:45 AM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 4 - Stratford, N.J.)
 Sunday March 10 11:45 AM
- ITC Sectional Qualifying (Round 4 - Addison, Ill., Smyrna, Tenn., Dallas)
 Sunday March 10 12:45 PM

BowlStreamTV (Available at BowlStreamtv.com on BowlStreamTV's YouTube channel)

Intercollegiate Club Championships
 Saturday April 6 - Sunday April 7
 Indianapolis, Indiana

Simonsen, Shota Kawazoe, Josh Blanchard.

-Dallas Strikers: player-manager Norm Duke, Tommy Jones, Bill O'Neill, Rhino Page, Kyle Sherman.

-Philadelphia Hitmen (manager Jason Couch): Dom Barrett, Tom Smallwood, Ronnie Russell, Matt Sanders, Chris Loschetter.

-Silver Lake Atom Splitters (manager Mark Baker): Chris Barnes, Jesper Svensson, Tom Daugherty, Dick Allen, AJ

Johnson.

PBA LEAGUE DATES
 Monday, March 25: Selection of protected players.

Monday, April 1: PBA Playoffs point list finalized.

Wednesday, April 3: Draft declaration deadline (draft pool consists of the top 40 on the PBA Playoff points list; eligible players must declare their intent to enter the draft).

Monday, April 8: 2019 PBA League Draft (4 p.m. EDT, live

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Johnson & Johnson Again at Midwinter Mixed Doubles



Chris and Stefanie Johnson

By: Ryan Brodeur

The 2019 edition of The Midwinter Dreams Mixed doubles featured 41 teams coming from all over the state of TX, as well as Oklahoma, Kansas, and Louisiana.

A total of eight teams cashed in the tournament giving a pay ratio of just over 1:5. Leading qualifying once again were Stefanie & Chris Johnson shooting 2970. The low to cash score was 2798 with 2816 making the finals. The qualifying scores continued to remain close during the entire day. Going into the last game the cut line was

2352. There were ten additional teams within 40 pins of that number. It was wide open going into the last game!

When the dust cleared the cashers/finalists looked like:

- 1st Chris/Stefanie Johnson 2970
- 2nd Heather Jones/Michael Todd 2870
- 3rd Debby & Jim Carter 2857
- 4th Genie Franklin/Joey Hafner 2838
- 5th Sandi Charles/Tony Franklin 2832
- 6th Katie Garcia/Rick Justice 2816

Cashers
7th Cathy Nelson/Donny Davis JR 2813 \$400
8th KK McDonald/Chris Hansen 2798 \$340
First match of the finals:
G Franklin/J Hafner def S Charles/T Franklin & K Garcia/R Justice 237 - 204 - 190. Poor Sandi and Tony can't seem to ever get out of that first match. Losers earned \$620 each.

2nd Match:
Carters Def G Franklin / Hafner 243 - 179. Franklin / Hafner cashed for \$800.

This is when it started to get good, 3rd Match:

Carters Def H Jones / Todd 279-243. This match came down to the 10th frame as both teams had 279 games going and led me scrambling to come up with a good tie-breaker rule (which will be a 9th-10th frame roll-off if it ever happens). Mike Todd got up first and unfortunately split in the 10th frame while Jim struck out to give

his team the win. Jones / Todd cashed for \$1,100.

And just when you think that an ending to a match couldn't get any better, everyone who hung around to watch the title match was treated to something pretty cool to watch.

Chris and Stefanie made the rare decision to let Stefanie anchor the team and that decision turned out to be a good one! Control of the game went back and forth the entire time. The Carters got an early 4 bagger, and then Jim started to run into some carry issues on his lane to let the Johnsons back into the match. Chris and Stefanie ran off 5 in a row to take the lead going into the 9th frame. Chris had a chance to strike and put it away, and didn't. Debby hit her shot in the 9th and it came down to the anchors. If Jim strikes out, he wins! But he left a seven-pin on his second ball and that is all that Stefanie needed. She

calmly struck on her first two shots in the 10th frame to give her team the narrow six pin victory 244-238. The Carters earned \$1,500 for 2nd and the Johnson's earned \$2,000 for winning.

Start getting your teams ready for the Spring Fling Trios tournament coming up on April 28th. The tournament is over half full as of this afternoon. I would also like to thank Timmy for helping us out last weekend. It was much appreciated. Until next time!



At Red Bird Lanes

Roberts notches 696, Cathey snags 638

Johnnie Roberts led the scoring race last week at Red Bird Lanes by hammering out hefty 234-280-182 = 696 Sunday Night Mixed marks.

Lauren Cathey earned fem scoring honors with a solid 209-225-204 = 638 Career Girls set.

HONOR ROLL

Rita Becker 220-580, Richard Williams, Jr. 231-674, Rob Tanguma 224-634, Shannon Vogel (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 265-989, Lauren Cathey (9

pin, no tap, 4 games) 300-1022, Carolyn Large 191-505.

Cindy Howell 179-529, Shannon Vogel 234-637, Kat Kramer 201-519, Jeff Webb 236-629, Melvina Howard 178-503, Alarick Robinson 223-629, Angela Davis-White 172-498, James Bridges 253-621, Cheryl Harris 193-524, Glenn Goodrich 256-643, Angela Chalmers 206-542, Tyree Jennings, Jr. 224-649, B J Jennings 179-504, Debbie Cathey 216-595, Tommy Moreland 224-579, Cathy Spurlock 180-504.

At Ennis All Star Bowl

Tamez belts 678, Hopkins bags 632

Kayla Tamez rocketed to the top of the leader board at Ennis All Star Bowl with a 209-227-242 = 678 Ennis Mixed Classic set.

Tice Hopkins, Tamez' league mate, fired off 183-214-235 = 632 numbers to head the men's leader board.

HONOR ROLL

Billy Cathey 214-604, Lauren Cathey 215-587, Chris Lewis 200-579, McKinsey Pollan 232-581, Tice Hopkins 224-610, April Hopkins 207-556, Nick Brazeal 202-570, Kayla Tamez 186-530, Ricky Slack 192-545, Mary Sikes 173-478.



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Who Is Dave Kellerman and Why Is He Doing This?

David Kellerman, proprietor of Mel's Lone Star Lanes in Georgetown, TX has decided on an ambitious endeavor to help raise money for BVL.

Starting on April 3rd, David "Kilroy" Kellerman will be hiking the Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine.

The 2015 recipient of the Texas Bowling Proprietor of the Year says, "I think the saying, "Freedom isn't free, resonates a little more with me now." And while he didn't serve in the armed forces after high school or after college he has a passion for all those who served in

the military in defense of our country. "I want to serve them now. I want to give back", he says, demonstrably.

And so he is, by raising money for BVL and embarking on a 2,200 mile hike.

The Appalachian National Scenic Trail generally known as the Appalachian Trail or simply the A.T. is a marked hiking trail in the United States extending from Springer Mountain in Georgia to Mt. Katahdin in Maine. The trail is about 2,200 miles long and is the longest hiking only trail in the world. More than 2 million people are said to hike some or this entire trail at least once a year.

David aka "Kilroy" is asking all of his bowling friends, proprietors, bowlers, industry manufacturers, suppliers and distributors to help support the BVL thru donations.

All proceeds will go directly to BVL.

Please know that "Kilroy's" Appalachian Trail hike is self-funded, personally, by David



David Kellerman

Kellerman and we salute and support this effort and promise to work hard to make it a success. With your support, we know we can!

Stay tuned for more information on how you can support David's A.T. hike.

Please call me at 703 934 6039 or email me at mary@bvl.org if you have any questions or need more information about David (aka Kilroy) Kellerman's hike.

Mary Harrar - Executive Director, BVL

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NORM DUKE

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is the 10th anniversary PBA World Series of Bowling at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Mich., March 11-21. WSOB X will award four PBA Tour titles, including the PBA World Championship, the year's second major, and will include five consecutive nights of prime-time telecasts on FS1, March 18-22.

Leading into the World Series will be the World Bowl-

ing Tour Men's and Women's Finals, presented by the PBA, on FS1 next Sunday at 10 p.m. EST.

GO BOWLING! PBA JONESBORO OPEN

Hijinx Family Entertainment Center, Jonesboro, Ark., Sunday Final Standings

- 1, Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., \$25,000.
- 2, Anthony Simonsen, Little Elm, Texas, \$13,000.
- 3, EJ Tackett, Bluffton, Ind., \$9,000.
- 4, Kris Prather, Plainfield, Ill., \$7,000.

5, Shota Kawazoe, Japan, \$6,000.

Playoff Results:
Match One - Prather def. Kawazoe, 246-236.
Match Two - Simonsen def. Prather, 247-203.
Semifinal Match - Simonsen def. Tackett, 214-199.
Championship - Duke def. Simonsen, 212-164.



At Cowtown Bowling Palace

Labue chalks up 778, Parish banks 644

Mike Labue rounded-up the top score of the week at Cowtown Bowling Palace with a power-packed 265-286-227 = 778 Wednesday Winners series. Miki Jo Parish headed the ladies high-set chart with a hard-hitting 209-223-212 = 644 Storm Bowling Draft Scratch Trio session.

HONOR ROLL

Tony Edwards 267-714, Arvel Totten 258, Sandy Groh 210-569, Brian Bailey 258, Bill Jewell 11 279, Micah McCracken 277, Mike Black 258, Greg Derrick 256-737, Jason Hurst 257-686. LuAnn Satchell 177, Mark Moon 254, Doug Estes 254, Ben Tunnell 279, Timothy Landers, Jr. 268, Amy Brown

203, George Stilen 265-722, Josh Barnes 275-716, Amy Hart 213, Bill Jewell II 268-725.

Cathy Nelson 202-590, Shawn Bailey 266-713, TC Thompson 242-716, George Deponte 237-616, Mindy Wynn 201, Glenn Jackson 225, Michael Pesqueda 224.

SENIORS

Larry Thun 266-652, Jackie Glover 211, Les Messinger, Jr. 235, Cheryl Berube 201, Randy Beinlich 230, Paul Rayfield 165, Frances Miller 210-493, Johnny Zaskoda 288-699, Tee-Roper Tucker 204.

Michael Masters 268, John Hunt 256, Rudy Garcia, Jr. 289-698, Pat Currie 279, Andy Felps 264.

2019 Summer Leagues



Day / Time	Start Date	League	Price	Bowlers per Team	# of Games	USBC Sanctioned	Details	Meeting
Saturday								
10:00 AM	Jun-1	Saturday Youth	\$12.00	3	3	Yes	Up to age 14, SMART Scholarships	6/1 9:30 AM
10:00 AM	Jun-1	Bumper Buddies	\$10.00		2	Yes	Up to age 7, SMART Scholarships	6/1 9:30 AM
Sunday								
6:15 PM	Jun-2	Sunday Sport	\$20.00	3	3	Yes	Mixed, Sport Oil, Match Point, HDPCP	6/2 5:45 PM
Monday								
6:00 PM	Jun-3	Monday Mixers	\$16.00	4	3	Yes	Mixed, Great for beginners	6/3 5:30 PM
Tuesday								
10:00 AM	Jun-4	Just For Fun	\$4.00	3	2	No	Senior - 55 and up	6/4 9:30 AM
1:00 PM	Jun-4	Rolling Rocks	\$7.50	3	3	Yes	Senior - 55 and up	6/4 12:30 PM
6:45 PM	Jun-4	Hits & Misses	\$17.00	4	3	Yes	Mixed, Great for beginners	6/4 6:00 PM
Wednesday								
6:00 PM	Jun-5	Wednesday Mixers	\$16.00	4	3	Yes	Mixed, Great for beginners	6/5 5:30 PM
Thursday								
11:00 AM	Jun-6	Young at Heart	\$10.00	3	3	Yes	Senior - 55 and up	6/6 12:30 PM
6:30 PM	Jun-6	Thursday Fun Fours	\$20.00	4	3	Yes	Mixed, Great for beginners	6/6 5:45 PM
Friday								
10:00 AM	Jun-7	9 Pin No Tap	\$6.00	3	3	No	Senior - 55 and up, No Tap Scoring	6/7 9:30 AM
10:00 AM	Jun-7	No Tap Seniors	\$6.00	Varies	3	No	Drop-in league, No Tap Scoring	No Meeting

**Schedule is subject to change.

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USBC Open Championships to Adjust Squad Schedules Starting in 2020

By: Terry Bigham

ARLINGTON, Texas – Starting with the 2020 event, the United States Bowling Congress will adjust the number of squads for the Open Championships to provide competitors with additional options for Doubles/Singles competition.

At the 2020 Open Championships, only four bowlers will compete on each pair during Doubles/Singles (D/S) squads. The change will reduce the time needed to complete a squad, allowing the Open Championships to have four D/S squads, instead of the current three.

In addition to starting (7 a.m.) and ending the day (11:45 p.m.), D/S squads also will take place at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. under the new schedule. Team squads will be at 1 p.m. and 8 p.m., starting with the 2020 event.

The change is in response to the results of an Open Championships survey, in which more than 53 percent of the bowlers said having to bowl an early or late D/S squad was a significant

problem for their team. The current schedule has just one D/S squad (2:30 p.m.) that is deemed a desirable timeslot, and it quickly fills up.

“Moving to four D/S squads, with four bowlers on each pair, will allow more competitors to bowl a D/S squad at a more desirable time,” Open Championships Tournament Director Duane Hagen said. “This will help for better scheduling, as teams can match their early or

late team competition date with an early or late D/S date, and should help in the management of the tournament overall.”

With the change, USBC will be able to offer more than half of the competitors a midday D/S timeslot. Currently, only about one-third of the bowlers are able to compete midday. Despite the fact the last D/S squad of the day will have a later start in 2020, the squad is expected

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At Strikz

Marino delivers 714, Tenczar lands 682

FRISCO – Robert Marino’s hefty 243-235-236 = 714 Monday Mixerz session headed the leader boards for the week at Strikz.

Loren Tenczar, also from the Monday Mixerz group, posted a rollicking 145-269-268 = 682 set to top the ladies high-set chart.

HONOR ROLL

Richard Stein 194-532, Audrey Early 163-440, Daryl Ellis 214-582, Stephanie Hapka 176-455, John Hapka 192-532, Wendy Allen 174-446, Dan Robertson 200-546, Skip Jenkins 221-566, Phyllis Earnheart 157-451. David Cohen 202-584, Kevin Higar 245-651, Thom Childers 216-601, Scott Noll 238-699, Chris Marino 210-606, David Dytko 202-593, Debbie Colby 203-526, Cathy Eberly 224-566, Pete Turner 202-574.

Kraig Johnson 244-600, Ron Rankin 237-626, Crandon Haddock 234-619, Bruce Southerland 207-610, Steve Southerland 245-644, Seth Moore 192-573, Joseph Jimenez 248-687, Daniel Anderson 223-621.

Ron Shive 216-606, Spencer Spofford 230-571, Rob Hudkins 224-613, Todd Smith 212-593, Kevin Smith 204-600, Billie Bennett 203-570, Barbara Schmidt 182-470, Jacki Myrice 199-569, Cathy Eberly 217-518, Sherri Lyons 165-454, Pat Murphey 182-442, Barbara Armand 166-461, Sharon Lawrence 180-486, Shirley Mulherin 165-436, Ray Barnes 196-572, Kris Aksteter 209-577, Bobby Pritchard 246-601.

Mark Timm 227-682, Dustin Fain 243-597, Leo Nelson, Jr. 225-641, Daryl Ellis 213-592, Gerald Walters 225-594, Debbie Colby 222-605, LaMarr Moss 245-660, Loren Tenczar 231-648.

Scott Orofino 245-645, Rick Irvine 257-688, Doug Beebe 193-571, Jacki Myrice 186-502, Skip Jenkins 236-609, Curt Frye 221-579, Richard Ferguson 245-602.

SENIORS

Dan Walters 186-476, Vicki Wilson 152-441, Jack Greeley 168-469, Bill Kopenhaver 187-523, Jack Muse 190-492.

Jones 268-703, Michelle VanGlider 228-623, Jim Strozewski 215-588, Susan Breedlove 189-504, Don Crawford, Jr. 279-762.

Cindy Mann 216-609, Greg Tucker 236-620, Karen Clevenger 204-544, Breanna Buchanan 223-603, Richard Gordon 256-740, Phil Tuazon 256-735, Charlie Arnt 215-628, Nancy Chalker 175-487.

Mark Smith 258-727, Elaine Barnes 279-722, Diane Wallentine 208-549, Susan Lee 213-609, John Eft 202-585, Diane Halterman 178-499, Bill Leonhart 245-685, Linda Davidson 209-543.

Jim Stephens 259-770, Jessica Ford 256-697, Justin Westerman 269-748, Rhonda Nerison 224-579, Doug Brown 289-784, Cindy McBride 191-560, Jason Calton 291-792, Sang Huynh (4 games) 1028.

Kiyoko McDonald (4 games) 268-897, Glenn Funderburk 247-714, Patty Ellington 256-716, Joseph Guido 247-702, Debbie Lambert 224-611, Doug Brown 237-693, RubyRose Zajac 233-650.

Rick Mann 279-795, Cindy Mann 236-679, Joe Lopez (4 games) 246-863, Tammy Lopez (4 games) 210-735.

At Plano Super Bowl

Hyson crushes 300/300/844, Wallentine blasts 745

Goss, Fullilove, Huynh, Thompson, Westerman 300’s, Roth 299

Mathew Hyson earned high-set honors for the week at Plano Super Bowl with a dual award-winning 300-300-244 = 844 Sud Busters session.

Diane Wallentine, from the Texas Trio group, fired a blistering 254-226-265 = 745 set to front distaff scoring.

David Goss, Jim Fullilove, Sang Huynh, Justin Thompson and Justin Westerman shared high-game honors with Hyson as each posted award-winning 12-baggers. Nick Roth took runner-up honors with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Jason Thomas 279-727, Natalie Woodward-Hall 268-637, Patrick Dickson 254-737, Michelle McElwey 222-555, Brett Westfall 225-588, Olivia James 213-397, Steve Carter 275-734.

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Here are a few pictures from this weekend and good luck to all competitors.



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Kyleigh Howard defended her Reg. Title and Advances to Singles



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Matthew Reed (left) and Lydia Gilbert Advance to Singles

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USA Bowl defeated the Frisco Strikz Strikerz to put the Strikerz in the losers bracket.

The Strikerz defeated SGT Rising Stars to get another chance to defeat USA Bowl, but the Dallas team came out on top.

Congratulations to all of the kids and good luck this summer!



Dallas USA Bowl - Matthew Reed, Bryant Griffith, Ellie Drescher, Coach Joshua Modelo, Ale Tara, Jacob Ballenger and Ethan Gomez



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Just Paying Attention

By Mark London
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The collective "we" were just flat-out floored three years ago when bowling wasn't selected as a demonstration sport for the 2020 Japan Olympic Games. Even a popular voting pool on social media had bowling running away as the leader of the other sports to be included. Even after a presentation with the best-of-the-era Jason Belmonte, the industry thought that would be enough. Sadly, it wasn't.

Shocked, stunned, disbelief, bewilderment. Everyone was looking forward to seeing our little corner of the world represented on one of the biggest of world stages. And now, for the 2024 Paris Olympic Games, it's happened yet again.

One reason offered by Olympic officials was that they wanted newer sports to attract a younger demographic to the Games, both in attendance in person and on television. It's reasonable to the need to attract a younger generation and their sports, but here's the kicker, does the International Olympic Committee realize who is watching television these days?

I have literally worn out a laptop explaining these last few years, (especially in more than a few of the annual August JPA Troy Walker Media Columns), many in the younger end of the coveted 18-49 age bracket Olympic officials are drooling over, are not watching television as much as the older half of the demographic. If they are, it is through other sources not as easily measured. Those numbers are just here in the U.S., a sizeable portion of the total Olympic television audience.

Wanting a younger viewing audience is one thing, but do they think that today's youth are travelling to watch these newer sports? We've heard about how financially-strapped today's youth worldwide are compared to previous generations, will a demographic with lesser viewers want to travel to see this in person?

As of only two years ago, the average viewer age of each of the four major American sports is in the mid-to-upper 40s. PGA Tour and Senior Tour have the oldest average viewer is 65 years of age. Pro soccer/association football has the youngest average viewer at age 40.

Viewership for the 2016 Rio Games was not only 15%

lower than the 2012 London Games, but was the oldest average viewership at 52 years of age, highest since the 1960 Rome Games, the first televised Games, as reported in Ad Age, forbes.com, and 11thframe.com.

Another reason offered besides their desire for younger fans and viewers is a point I briefly touched on several weeks ago. Inside the industry, we know the definition of casual, recreational, committed league, serious league, scratch, elite/weekend warrior, and touring pro bowlers.

Part of that branches off into whether bowling has enough casual fans willing to travel or even watch on television. Sure, 60 million bowl at least one game a year, but are they the same people who would watch the medal round on a hard to find channel?

Another point brought up is that the IOC may also want to cut out sports they see as out-of-date to this new demographic they have defined. As an example, that's why baseball/softball was not renewed for 2024 after returning as a full-status sport in 2020 in Japan after being a full status sport from 1992 to 2008.

To those outside our little corner of the world, bowling is whatever they see most often. I'm not a betting man, but I'd be willing to wager many see the boutique center scene more than anything else, or the life-sized arcade game I mentioned several weeks ago.

The IOC board members may not be fully aware there is a long-standing professional level, in Europe and the U.S. (International Olympic Committee (IOC) is based in Paris these days), not to mention a 60-year history on national television.

Evidently, the IOC thinks they will and claim they are building for the future. There is a lot riding here, with NBC and the IOC network extending their television deal through the 2032 for \$7.75 billion. The Peacock Network has been the lead Summer Games broadcaster since the 1988 Seoul Games (ironically, when bowling was a demonstration sport) and for the Winter Games since the 2002 Salt Lake Games.

So, yes, the IOC is going with a youth movement.

One man who has much more insight, offered quite a bit of it in a chat with Bowlers Journal International's

Gianmarc Manzione in an online piece. World Bowling CEO Kevin Dornberger, who has been at the forefront of bowling's quest for Olympic inclusion the last several decades, pretty much laid things out in this piece, a must read for why bowling was not included. He also addresses some of the points I brought up earlier, as well as what chance bowling may have for a 2028 Los Angeles Games demonstration sport inclusion.

Here's the link: (<http://www.bowlersjournal.com/world-bowling-kevin-dornberger-offers-honest-assessment-of-sports-olympic-prospects-after-paris-snob/>)

Also, a tip of the hat must go to Chris Viale, for all he has done with an online petition on his bowlingforgold.com website, supplementing World Bowling's effort.

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Time once again for our periodic update on the last few ball releases from Motiv, where I have been a staff member for the last six years. National Motiv staffer and recent Tournament of Champions finalist (and probable returning name to Publisher Tony's Non-Scientific Top DFW bowler list), Sean Lavery-Spahr gives his look for the higher-revving younger player. I'll handle the look for the more traditional less-revving style.

Lavery-Spahr enjoys the new Gold Jackal due to the larger core that allows it to dig in the midlane with the latest addition of the Predator V3 asymmetric weight block, but the pearl Hexion SE cover helps generate the sharpest backend of the Jackal line.

I've enjoyed the Jackal Rising look on a lot of oilier midlanes (as I explained in my 2018 USBC Syracuse recap) as it created idea entry angles going through the pins, occasionally producing more than my once-a-month messenger strike. The Gold does not disappoint being a great alternative when a solid cover doesn't drive. Still need some oil for it.

On the February 27 "Let's Go Bowling" radio show, Motiv Vice President of Sales and

Marketing Scott Hewitt said the Gold Jackal had been the best seller at the release date of any other Motiv ball.

Sean says the Forge is a stronger Forza SS, producing the classic controllable smoother shape. The stronger cover (even stronger than the Revolt Havoc) allows him to open up the back end angles without the roll out before the pins.

I touched up the newer Coercion HFS cover with 3000 grit with water on a Haus resurfacing

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BOHR AND RODRIGUEZ

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cool because we were both in the lead or near the lead," said Bohr.

Bohr was in a class by

himself for the weekend as he led qualifying by 261 pins over Adam Pogge, but the pins did drop going into the 10-person match-play finals. It was close going into the final two games, but Bohr distanced himself with a sensational finish and



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final winning margin of 171 pins over Eric Traylor.

Bohr who is a Motiv staff member and PBA Tour Rep for the brand was taking a break from the tour to comeback home and bowl this event. "I felt like I have learned so much on tour the last month and I was just trying to bring it back and apply it at this tournament. I was a little more relaxed, I can get so wound up on tour that it was nice bowling in a more familiar environment. I was able to find the shot much faster this weekend. I plan to apply my calmer mindset at the PBA World Series of Bowling in Detroit this month," he added.

"Justin Wren bowled outstanding in match-play, it was fun to be in that type of competitive finish, and be able to stick with what I was doing. I hadn't won a tournament in almost a year and a half, so any win was very much welcome," Bohr said.

Final Payout:

1st	Nathan Bohr	\$2500
2nd	Eric Traylor	\$2000
3rd	Justin Wren	\$1700
4th	Tony Franklin	\$1300
5th	Marshal Morrison	\$1100
6th	Christopher Hansen	\$900
7th	Adam Pogge	\$825
8th	Gabriel Yanes	\$750
9th	Omar Arnett	\$750
10th	Jarrett Grant	\$650
11th	Jay Nephew	\$600
12th	Bryan Pogor	\$550
13th	David Scardaville	\$500
14th	Martin Bedford	\$475
15th	Jeff Harstfield	\$450
16th	Clint Land	\$425
17th	Anthony Coats	\$400
18th	Corey Bottos	\$375

This is the second Queens title for Rodriguez, who won the event in San Antonio back in 2016, she was also the runner-up to Brenda Padilla last year at AMF Garland Lanes, meaning that the two bowlers switched places from a year ago.

It was a photo-finish win as Rodriguez, Padilla and Heather Jones jockeyed with the top spot all through match-play. Maria was able to hold on for a 22-pin win after Padilla posted a 258 in the final position round game to apply some heat.

"The first time I won the Queens it really gave me the itch to keep winning. There are so many good bowlers here, it's a good lean in to the start of the PWBA season," Rodriguez said.

Rodriguez was surprised and pleased with her finish as she felt she really wasn't bowling that well to start the tournament. "I threw it better on Sunday probably because I tried a few different balls that didn't hook quite as early.

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Richmond Raceway to Host PWBA Tour Championship; QubicaAMF Returns as PWBA National Sponsor

ARLINGTON, Texas – Richmond Raceway will be the site of the season-ending Professional Women's Bowling Association (PWBA) Tour Championship for the third consecutive year and national sponsor QubicaAMF once again will be actively involved in the closing events of the PWBA Tour season.

The 2019 PWBA Tour Championship is set for Sept. 15-18 at the Historic Old Dominion Building at the Richmond Raceway Complex as part of Richmond Raceway's NASCAR Playoff Race Week. QubicaAMF will build four state-of-the-art lanes for the event and CBS Sports Network will have live coverage of the PWBA Tour Championship's final rounds on Sept. 18.

In addition to building the lanes for the PWBA Tour Championship, QubicaAMF returns as the title sponsor of the season's third major event.

The 2019 QubicaAMF PWBA Players Championship will take place Sept. 3-8 at Buffalo Lanes North in Raleigh, North Carolina. The event, only open to PWBA members, is the final event before the season-ending PWBA Tour Championship.

Stefanie Johnson won her first major title at last year's QubicaAMF PWBA Players Championship, held in Plano, Texas.

"The PWBA provides such a tremendous opportunity for competitive women bowlers and QubicaAMF is proud to continue its involvement with the PWBA," QubicaAMF Chairman Pat Ciniello said. "The PWBA Players Championship was a fantastic event last season and we're excited to continue our sponsorship of the event. It also was thrilling to be part of the PWBA Tour Championship and build the lanes in a fantastic venue that showcased the outstanding athletes who compete on the tour."

QubicaAMF is the world's largest manufacturer of bowling products and has headquarters for its United States division in Richmond, Virginia. It joined the PWBA Tour in 2017 as title sponsor of the QubicaAMF PWBA Sonoma County Open held in Rohnert Park, California.

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Let's talk about thumb slugs. There are three key items to consider when choosing a thumb slug: the length and shape of your thumb, whether your skin is moist or dry, and the humidity.

-A long thumb will come out of a thumbhole differently than a short thumb. A flat thumb fits differently than a round one. Some people have more meat between the base of the thumb and the knuckle than others. The web of the thumb attaches to the thumb itself in different places. Some people have very wide knuckles while others have a wide nail and pad.

-A second consideration is whether your skin is dry or moist. Moist skin interacts with insert material differently than dry skin.

-Third, humidity matters. If you have dry skin and bowl in dry air, not much friction will be created. If you have moist

skin and bowl in moist air, too much friction might be created. People who live in an area with 70% humidity have trouble with drying and cracking thumbs even with a good fit when they bowl in areas with lower humidity. If you live in Phoenix, there's a good chance your thumb will swell or you'll have skin troubles when bowling in Houston.

Bowling balls are made from many different types of materials and because of this, all balls feel differently. You may not know why this thumbhole feels differently from that one but you'll know it IS different. Thumb slugs can help each ball feel the same. Since this is a feel sport, that's very important. Thumb slugs are usually made of urethane or vinyl. Here's a rundown on each:

-Vinyl can be cut easily, is very slippery, and its surface characteristics can't be changed. If you have moist hands, you'll have a great deal of trouble clearing the ball. If

you have dry hands, you'll have a great deal of trouble clearing the ball. If you have dry skin and bowl where there's low humidity, you won't be able to hold on to the ball. The segment of the population these slugs accommodates is pretty small.

-Urethane slugs are the most popular due to their universal appeal. The interior of a urethane slug can be altered with screen material or an abrasive pad. Using screen material, available at any home improvement store, to rough up the interior will give you a more secure grip; smoothing the inside of the hole with abrasive pads, a swifter exit. Since the texture of this slug can be altered to accommodate you and your reaction to the humidity, it's a good choice.

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to finish at an earlier time since there are fewer bowlers on each pair.

The new schedule also should assist in keeping squads on time, as there will be additional time between squads for lane conditioning, squad announcements and the march out.

Registration for the 2020 Open Championships starts on March 9. The 2020 event will be held at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nevada.

Visit BOWL.com/Open-Champ for more information about the Open Championships. The 2019 Open Championships start March 9 at the South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas.



At Western Bowl

Parker masters 300/824, Wichers tosses 712

Loera, Payne 300, Ingram 299

AMARILLO, TX - Curtis Parker's high-powered 267-300-257 = 824 Cosmo production captured high-series honors for the month at Western Bowl.

Carrie Wichers' chart-topping 268-166-278 = 712 Skylighters set fronted fem scoring.

Aaron Loera and Mark Payne shared high-game honors with Parker with award-winning 12-baggers. Randy Ingram took runner-up honors with a near-perfect 299 solo.

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Richmond Raceway first hosted the PWBA Tour Championship in 2017. The 2019 event's 16-player field will be comprised of PWBA members who win a PWBA Tour event in 2019 with the remaining spots filled through the PWBA points

list.

"For the third consecutive year, Richmond Raceway will be the home for the PWBA Tour Championship during the week of our NASCAR Playoff Race Weekend," said Richmond President Dennis Bickmeier. "We look forward to welcoming the 16 PWBA athletes vying for the PWBA Tour Championship in the Capital City. The world-class PWBA Tour Championship has become a great addition to the fan experience for our NASCAR Playoff Race Weekend."

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At Mel's Lone Star Lanes

Thompson levels 791, Carter logs 709

Du, Hoffman, Tullos, Wickens 300's

GEORGETOWN – Michael Thompson pounded out potent 258-267-266 = 791 marks in Pot O Gold action to capture high-series honors for the month at Mel's Lone Star Lanes.

Debby Carter landed the top spot on the honor roll last month with an outstanding 193-259-257 = 709 series in Thursday Thunder league play.

James Du, Curtis Hoffman, Mark Tullos and Joe Wickens shared high-game accolades with award-winning perfectos.

HONOR ROLL

Michael Hawk 279-745, Wanda Clark 206-605, Tanja Wren 225-624, Butch Patton 289-796, Trey Nelson 279-792,

Bowling!, the consumer-facing brand of the bowling industry, will be the title sponsor of the opening race of the NASCAR Xfinity Series Playoffs, the Go Bowling 250 at Richmond Raceway on Friday, Sept. 20.

The race weekend also will have the Federated Auto Parts 400, the second race in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs, on Saturday, Sept. 21 at Richmond Raceway. Visit richmondraceway.com for more information.

Tickets for the PWBA Tour Championship will go on sale to the public on May 31. PWBA Tour Championship tickets will

be \$25 for a three-day pass (Sept. 16-18). Individual tickets for the finals of the PWBA Tour Championship, that will be televised on CBS Sports Network on Sept. 18, will be \$20. On Sept. 16-17, there will be two sessions each day with individual tickets \$10 per event. Tickets will be available at the Richmond Ticket Office, via phone at 866-455-7223, or online at richmondracewaycomplex.com.

Visit PWBA.com for the complete 2019 PWBA Tour schedule along with news, player profiles and more.

NM RAMS

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five girls and three boys in the co-ed team; in the 2014 winning team for example, all were boys.

Fritts and Alvarez were joined by Storm's Robin Prieleau as the top female bowlers for the season.

Rams head coach, Dana Miller-Mackie said, "Every year has it's own set of challenges, as did this year. I was very proud of the eight kids who stepped up to give us this chance to repeat. God was definitely in this win."



At Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama

Dodd registers 709

BIG SPRING, TX – John Dodd won high-set honors last month at Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama by polishing off potent 224-257-228 = 709 marks in Pin Poppers action.

Tammy Newton led the ladies scoring race with a stalwart 137-172-200 = 509 Wednesday Nite Trio outing.

HONOR ROLL

Kay Beeler 186-498, Mary Lou Saldana 168-466, Tammy Newton 167-475, Lisa Cobb 166-406, Virginia Logsdon 155-392, Melissa Rogers 154-447, Sheila Armstrong 143-410, Aaron Hendrick 258-628.

Brent Newton 256-618, Ray Gutierrez, Jr. 246-604, Brad Hale 201-596, Patrick Hill 234-615, Eddie Gonzales, Jr. 230-650, Claud Fryar 225-587, Victor Coots 225-657, John Dodd 220-608.

Jacob Braxton 217-569, Fred Gutierrez 215-566, Adrian Zarate 213-573, Rick Boiles 213-524, Pete Garcia, Jr. 205-536, Mark Lozano, Sr. 204-562, Quinton Burton 203-550, Brian Kates 201-519.

Kyle Lacey 196-553, Kerry Stanger 195-520, Jeff Kellner 194-511, Sam Gonzales, Jr. 255-622, Eddie Gonzales, Sr. 236-657, Claud Fryar 236-650, James Rawls 235-612, Clint Walke 233-634.

Luis Devila 233-614, Simon Saldana, Sr. 222-602, Claude Tucker 221-523, Isaac Willborn 213-539, Michael Holt 206-554, Aaron Gonzales 204-579, Steve Shrode 199-510, George Kennedy 226-480.

Vic Coots 203-525, Claud Fryar 197-567, Jimmie Wood 181-493, Joe Jaure 171-443, Aimee Torrez 169-473, Tammy Newton 168-490, Lois Ellison 160-388, Wacey Daniel 157-452, Petra Vasquez 154-417.

Lisa Cobb 153-447, Vicki Daniel 152-401, Donna Brown 146-409, Steve Shrode 256-563, Eddie Gonzales, Sr. 234-659, Sam Gonzales, Jr. 229-601, Brent Newton 224-580, James Rawls 218-561.

Jimmie Wood 216-548, Luis Devila 207-556, Jesse Jones 204-506, Nick 204-522, Tammy Newton 200-509, Claud Fryar 197-524, Jacob Braxton 195-538, Michael Holt 194-550.

Jackson Thompson 191-501, Aaron Gonzales 189-520, Debbie Liles 187-478, Alice Ewing 183-486, Mary Saldana 181-497, Brent Kelly 181-486, Simon Saldana, Sr. 179-488, Rick Liles 178-496.

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2020 U.S. Open set for Sun Valley Lanes in Nebraska

By: Terry Bigham

ARLINGTON, Texas – Sun Valley Lanes in Lincoln, Nebraska, will be the host center for the 2020 U.S. Open, a major event on the Professional Bowlers Association (PBA) Tour.

The 2020 event will kick off Feb. 16, with the stepladder finals televised live on FOX on Sunday, Feb. 23.

Earlier this year, the PBA, Bowling Proprietors' Association of America (BPAA) and the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) announced a multi-year agreement to include the U.S. Open and USBC Masters on the Go Bowling! PBA Tour television package on FOX Sports.

With the stepladder finals of the U.S. Open scheduled on

FOX from 2020 through 2022, the event, which had been contested in late October the last few seasons, will move to a February timeslot.

Sun Valley Lanes, a 32-lane center, was the host center of the 2018 Intercollegiate Team and Singles Championships, the 2016 World Youth Championships and in 2019 will be a Professional Women's Bowling Association (PWBA) Tour stop for the fourth time since 2015, in addition to having hosted PBA regional events.

The center worked with the Lincoln Convention and Visitors Bureau and its local association, Lincoln USBC, to have the 2020 U.S. Open in Nebraska.

"We appreciate the op-

portunity to bring the U.S. Open to Lincoln," Sun Valley Lanes owner John Losito said. "The bowling community has been supportive of the major events we have held at Sun Valley Lanes, and I'm sure we'll deliver another outstanding tournament for the bowlers and the fans."

The U.S. Open became a limited-field event in 2017 with competitors qualifying based on on-lane performances, such as leaders on the PBA Tour money or points list and top performers at USBC and international events. Bowlers also can earn spots through regional qualifiers and an on-site pre-tournament qualifier. Complete criteria can be found at BOWL.com/USOpen.

The U.S. Open includes 24 games of qualifying over three days to determine the 36 players who advance to the cashers' round. After eight additional games, the field is cut to the top 24 players for round-robin

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match play, and the five finalists for the televised stepladder finals are determined by total pinfall, including bonus pins, for 56 games.

The U.S. Open is a collaborative effort of the BPAA and

USBC. The 2019 U.S. Open will take place Oct. 23-30 at Victory Lanes in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Visit BOWL.com/USOpen to learn more about the U.S. Open.

At Terrell

Holley racks up 751, Ellington mints 641

TERRELL – Bobby Holley headed the leader boards last month at Terrell Bowling Center with hard-hitting 258-249-244 = 751 numbers in Friday Night Quads action.

Patty Ellington was red hot for the ladies with a sky-high 188-214-239 = 641 Tuesday Night Mixed set.

HONOR ROLL

Derian Hatcher 258-683, Vanessa

Brown 231-635, Bubba Harwell 265-695, Sandy Czajkowski 239-543, Ginger Kesterson 203-544, Robert Holmes 232-665, Russell Limoges 261-724.

Shirley Barker 222-582, John Stelling 257-699, Heather Wright 179-520, Jay Witt 267-716, Gaylyn Hutchins 247-588, Bobby Holley 267-718, Terri Cooper 204-576, Richie Rylant 246-710.

Jeff Hunter 255-691, Joshua Renfro 245-708, Bubba Harwell 266-743.



At Hallmark

Masters nails 771, Blackman banks 717

Dunem II 299

KILLEEN – Chris Masters was the bowler to beat in the Friday's Best league at Hallmark Lanes last month in leading all players with a power-packed 279-224-268 = 771 series.

Lisa Blackman led the ladies with a hard-hitting 224-257-236 = 717 Partytimers league production.

Darius Dunem II captured high-game honors with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Julius Burton 268, Mike Lukasik 700, Hayley Brooks 245, Ryan Stamp 235-627, Wilma Reid 193-502, Bobby Travis 278, Phil Hallums 720. Darius Dunem II 728, Michael Dixon-Dates 247-666, Nella China 201-533, Stephen Spencer 286, John Ciesiolka 699, Mitzi Cina 225-649, John Dixon 268, Mark Horton 673.

Maya Dixon-Dates 233-606, Ryan Stamp 279-707, Suzie Wollek 194-527,

Sharon Jeffers 246-675, Ben Hogan 279, Bob Rackley 749, Karin Ciesiolka 245-681, Bobby Davis 258, Joey Hogan 658, Nella China 182-477, Chris Masters 279-771, Hayley Brooks 228-637, Chris Masters 278-704.

Maya Dixon-Dates 523, Harold Moses, Jr. 221, Harold Moses, Jr. 532, Ryan Stamp 258, Jeff Stamp II 626, Effie Clark 178, Eva Dorsey 482, Bobby Travis 277-688. Sharon Jeffers 224-619, Dan Haddenham 278, John Dixon 247, Dan Haddenham 685, Nella China 194-495, Dan Haddenham 268-713, Jackie Schuring 202.

Sally Wedgewood 529, Bobby Robbins 278, Michael Dixon-Dates 685, Vivian Mikell 161-466, Ryan Stamp 245-660.

Keith Desmarais 290-734, Sharon Jeffers 278-670, Ed Cortez 279, Mary Schirripa 235, Karin Ciesiolka 678, Josh Herrick 267-686, Caren Wilson 201-505, Robert Juarez 258, Phil Hallums 663.

Hayley Brooks 252-677, Ryan Stamp 244-634, Eva Dorsey 189-528, Cody Layne 289-736, Christine Scott 236. Lisa Blackman 592, Dan Haddenham 286, James Schirripa 761, Esther Navarro 626, Ben Hogan 276-759, Irene Watkins 204-486.

SENIORS

John Dixon 253, Ed Hellon 691, Glo Lucas 198, Sue Cummings 539, Robert Sanders 257, Phillip Thurston 665, Barbara Jones 216, Nee Wallace 547, Fred Lampa 248, Jeffrey Priestly 647.

Sherry McCluer 247-581. Paul Cantu 275, Jack Palmer 684, Sue Cummings 197-540, Rod Kensingler 269-678, Barbara Person 231-592, Robert Sanders 268-749, Jo Smith 206-545, Rullie Haywood 268-741, Gigi Garrett 213-591.

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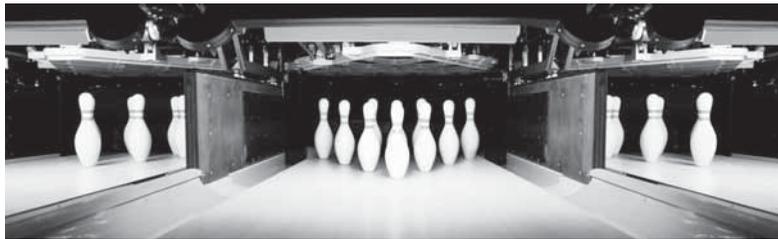
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By: Bill Vint
NORM DUKE ADVANCES TO SIXTH IN PBA PLAYOFFS POINTS RACE

By earning 5,000 points for his win Sunday in the Tier 2 Go Bowling! PBA Indianapolis Open, Norm Duke advanced from 34th to sixth place in the race to qualify among the top 24 for the inaugural PBA Playoffs.

Indianapolis runner-up Jason Belmonte continued to expand his lead in the 2019 PBA Playoffs points race with 18,550 points, nearly 7,000 points ahead of EJ Tackett. The top eight, with their points totals (and last week's ranking in parenthesis) are:

- 1, Jason Belmonte, 18,550 (1);
 - 2, EJ Tackett, 11,590 (2);
 - 3, Sean Rash, 11,210 (3);
 - 4, Jakob Butturff, 10,285 (5);
 - 5, Anthony Simonsen, 10,200 (4);
 - 6, Norm Duke, 8,565 (34);
 - 7, Wes Malott, 8,170 (12);
 - 8, Kyle Troup, 8,150 (6).
- Marshall Kent retained ninth place with 8,105 points.

The race for the 24th-and-final berth in the PBA Playoffs currently involves Anthony Lavery-Spahr in 24th place with 5,020 points followed by Nick Pate (4,660) and Tom Smallwood (4,620).

Under the new Go Bowling! PBA Tour competition points structure in play this season, a win in a Tier 1 (major championship) event is worth 7,500 points, a Tier 2 (standard PBA Tour tournament) title is worth 5,000 points and a Tier 3 (limited entry and/or modified format tournament) title

is worth 2,500 points. There are only five events remaining on the PBA Playoffs schedule after Jonesboro: the Cheetah, Chameleon and Scorpion Champions (all Tier 3 events) and the PBA World Championship (a Tier 1 event) during the PBA World Series of Bowling X, March 11-21, and the USBC Masters (a Tier 1 event) in Las Vegas, March 26-April 1.

Players finishing in the top eight after the USBC Masters ends on April 1 will earn a first-round bye in the PBA Playoffs. Players finishing in the top 24 qualify for a berth in the Playoffs; finishing in the top 40 is required for eligibility to enter the 2019 PBA League Draft. To follow the points competition as the season progresses, use this link: <https://www.pba.com/SeasonStats/PointsList/132?list=1>.

The PBA Playoffs begin on Monday, April 8, with live coverage of the opening Round of 24 matches on FS1 at 7 p.m. EDT from Bayside Bowl in Portland, Maine.

NORM DUKE MOVES UP ON PBA TELEVISION STATS LISTS

With his two match wins in the FS1-televized finals of Sunday's Go Bowling! PBA Indianapolis Open finals, Norm Duke became the third player in PBA history to record 100 wins in nationally-televized matches. Duke now has 101 wins, trailing Walter Ray Williams Jr.'s 154 and Pete Weber's 120.

Duke also broke a tie with Parker Bohn III to take sole possession of third place on the television appearances lists with 116. Williams again is the leader with 177 and Weber is second with 137.

Duke also moved into third

place in the career television average list for players with at least 10 TV appearances. Duke's TV average for 116 appearances is 228.97. Ryan Ciminelli is the leader with a 232.05 average for his 19 TV appearances while Roger Bowker is second, averaging 229.17 for his 16 career TV shows.

JASON BELMONTE ON THE BRINK OF JOINING ELITE PBA TOUR 20 TITLES CLUB

With his next Go Bowling! PBA Tour victory, Australia's Jason Belmonte will become the 15th player in PBA history to win 20 PBA Tour titles. Belmonte will join PBA Hall of Famers Dick Ritger, Wayne Webb and Amleto Monacelli on the 20 titles list.

Belmonte, 35, joined the PBA in 2008 and won his first PBA Tour title in the 2009 Bowling Foundation Long Island Classic, leading to his selection as Harry Golden PBA Rookie of the Year for the 2008-09 season. He became title-eligible for PBA Hall of Fame consideration when he won the first of his four USBC Masters titles in 2013, but he won't be eligible for election until the Class of 2028 when he completes his 20th year of PBA membership.

In the meantime, Belmonte continues to add impressive accomplishments to his portfolio. Most recently:

- He qualified No. 1 in all three Go Bowling! PBA Tour events in February: the PBA Tournament of Champions (which he won); the PBA Players Championship (where he finished second) and the Go Bowling! PBA Indianapolis Open (where he also finished second).

Belmonte, Marshall Kent and Wes Malott were the only players who qualified for match play rounds in all three of those events. All three bowled 126 games in those three events. Belmonte's pinfall total, including match play bonus pins, was 30,407. Kent had 28,979 (1,428 behind Belmo) and Malott had a 28,500 total (1,907 behind the Australian star).

Belmonte's actual average for those three events was 229.65, almost 10 pins ahead of Kent (219.77) and more than 11 pins ahead of Malott (218.21).

Because Belmonte by-passed the Jonesboro Open in order to spend a week at home in Australia with his family before the PBA World Series of Bowling X, he'll not be able to break his record-tying streak of being top qualifier for three consecutive television finals.

PBA PLAYERS HAVE ONE MORE SHOT AT \$1 MILLION 300 GAME BONUS

The \$1 million bonus offered for a 300 game bowled in the

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At Killeen Bowlerama

Brown books 774, Williams claims 740

Bogucki, Brown, Jones 300's, Neely, Williams 297

KILLEEN, TX - Russell Brown's stellar 288/774 Adult/Youth group session lit up the lanes last month at Killeen Bowlerama.

Brittney Williams headed the ladies' leader board with a robust 740 Ebonite showing.

Bill Bogucki, Russell Brown and Horatio Jones captured high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers while Ed Neely and Brandon Williams' near perfect 297 solos took runner-up honors.

HONOR ROLL

Milissa Bennight 259-669, Lisa Davie 197-514, Robert Hermosillo

275-722, Tawana Ramey 244-694, Curtis Robinson 658, Linda Strickland 563, Kathie Trembath 561, Brandon Williams 770.

Jason Stephens 761, Sandi Charles 290-734, Sam Cominsky 746, Joe Cutler 277-757, Sandi Charles 265-682, Bob Liberty, Sr. 751, Amy Starkovich 677, Russell Brown 745, Jim Maxson 737.

Jason Stockton 737, Russell Brown 764, Jen Morgan 248-690, Bobby Wacker 762, Eddie Bass 714, Jackie Harris 735, Julie Flecha 649, Robert Davie 290-728, Alycia Blackwell 242-629, Doug Sloten 721.

Ed Neely 733, Verlena Fernandes 231-583, Jackie Harris 693, Norma Rios 506.

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title match of four select Go Bowling! PBA Tour events thus far in 2019 has gone unclaimed, but players will have one more chance: in the PBA World Championship telecast on Thursday, March 21, at 8 p.m. EDT on FS1.

And because no one has bowled a perfect game in any nationally-televised PBA Tour finals this season, the new Go Bowling Free America promotion also is still unredeemed. The Go Bowling Free America offer will kick in if any player bowls a nationally-televised 300 game, but fans must pre-register at www.gobowling.com/BowlFreeAmerica to be eligible to download a free game of bowling coupon.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: KOELTZOW WINS FIRST PBA REGIONAL TITLE IN LAS VEGAS

Non-PBA members Bryanna Cote of Red Rock, Ariz. and Bryan VanSickle of Tucson, Ariz. teamed up to win Sunday's South Point Member/Non-Member Doubles title at South Point Bowling Plaza after Kris Koeltzow of Wheat Ridge, Colo., won his first PBA Regional title in the South Point West Challenge portion of the PBA West Region doubleheader on Friday.

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er for about two minutes to add a little more skid through the heads. Since then, it's a fantastic replacement for the Havoc, even on the days when my slide knee doesn't want work, only allowing a slightly slower ball speed. (I really don't care to fall again while delivering a ball, thank you.)

SLS has thrown the new Venom Recoil with the new Gear APG asymmetric core and the same Coercion cover as the Forge, a slightly stronger version of the benchmark Venom Shock.

I will have a review after I have a chance to drill one by the March 20 worldwide release date.

I don't know if Lavery-Spahr talked to Mark Williams about making his first show where Williams won the '85 and '88 ToC's, but Sean added he's humbled and honored by making a show at AMF Riviera, which first hosted the tourney in 1966.

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Next week, a residual effect of the PBA moving to Fox rears its head as bowling is featured in a couple of media outlets it usually isn't seen.

In the preliminary singles event, Koeltzow defeated Cerell Cardines of Las Vegas, 265-237, to earn the \$1,800 first prize. In the semifinal round, Koeltzow defeated VanSickle, 214-203, while Cardines eliminated Steve Kloempken of Pleasant View, Utah, 235-204, to set up the championship match. All but Koeltzow were non-members.

In Sunday's title match, Cote and VanSickle defeated Kloempken and David Haynes of Las Vegas, 485-472, to claim the \$4,000 first prize.

Cote and VanSickle advanced to the title match by eliminating non-member Kendle Miles of Daytona Beach, Fla. and Raymond Lussier of San Jose, Calif., 455-371, while Kloempken and Haynes ousted non-members Steve Smith of San Diego, Calif. and Barefoot Jr. of Las Vegas, 506-463, in the other semifinal match. Kloempken and Haynes split \$2,000 for second place.

Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio defeated William Peters, also from Dayton, by 163 pins to win the PBA50 Plaza Lanes Central/Midwest Open at Plaza Lanes in Crawfordsville, Ind., Sunday.

Kretzer finished with an 11-1 match play record and a total of 5,174 pins for 20 games, including match play bonus pins, to win his second PBA50 title of the year in the PBA Central Region and his 11th career PBA50 Regional title. He also earned \$1,500.

• PBA's March 8-10 regional

tournament schedule includes the PBA50 Fayetteville South Open at Lafayette Lanes in Fayetteville, N.C., and the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by Radical in Virden, Ill.

• Activity resumes over the March 22-24 weekend with the PBA50 Rossi Lanes East Open in Elmira, N.Y.; the Hubbard Central Open presented by Brunswick at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio; the PBA50 Allstate Monte Skeets Midwest/Central Open presented by Ebonite at Liberty Lanes in

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I found some things in the morning semi-finals that really worked and it gave me more room, it felt like I had the world," she added.

Final Payout:

1st	Maria Rodriguez	\$1050
2nd	Brenda Padilla	\$875
3rd	Heather Jones	\$750
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5th	Anita Arnett	\$520
6th	Stephanie Schwartz	\$470
7th	Kerry Moreland	\$420
8th	Genie Franklin	\$380
9th	Tina Williams	\$350
10th	Jovan Ebororoza-Flores	\$320
11th	Ashley Lawley	\$290
12th	Anggie Ramirez	\$260
13th	Jennifer Schultz	\$245
14th	Sandi Charles	\$230
15th	Brandi Macon	\$215
16th	Rita Heger	\$200

At Tenpins & More

Benard smashes 300/813, Miller-Mackie scores 732

Pinge 300/801, Benard, Brenning, Brown, Espinda, Miller, Reeves, Sanchez, Skidmore, Zumwalt add 300's

RIO RANCHO, NM – Rick Benard topped the charts at Tenpins & More last month with a dual, award-winning 300-267-246 = 813 Bud Trios league session.

Sam Pinge finished close behind Benard with an award-winning 300/801 series in the City Tourney.

Danas Miller-Mackie, from the Senior Trios group, led the ladies with a rousing 268-247-217 = 732 set.

Rick Benard, Dan Brenning, Chris Brown, Eric Espinda, Mike Miller, Cory Reeves, Ruben Sanchez, Gary Skidmore and Andy Zumwalt shared high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Diana Treat 253-658, Demost Quintana 288-790, Dana Miller-Mackie

257-691, John Lund 247-678, Dana Miller-Mackie (4 games) 266-948, Rick Benard (4 games) 1017, Karen Barcal 247-655.

Eric Espinda 763, Linda Herrera 190-536, Aaron Epstein 278-764, Shawn McKenzie 257-798, Jenn Medas-Bedard 237-576, Danny Jacques 280-669, Stephanie Valdez 154-411, Donna Dowd 219-641.

Dan Brenning 279-773, Anthony Jaramillo 245-671, Melissa Smith 200-550, Kallista Fritts (4 games) 278-965, Keith Krueger (4 games) 259-877, Judy Johnson 182-513, James Vaughan 234-632.

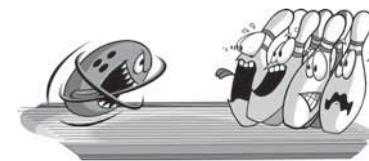
Jessica Simkins 168-478, Jim McKillip 221-589, Kelsey Kryjewski 209-525, Mike Avila 255-677.

SENIORS

John Hayes, Jr. 268-741, Becky Fisher 247-635, R C Brown 268-714.

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LANE THOMPSON

16, is a Junior at Nimitz High School in Irving. Last month, he won the All-Events title in the North Central Texas USBC Youth City Tournament at Cowtown Bowling Palace shooting 1909 for the nine games. On Sunday, he qualified 2nd in the High School Regional Singles event and will be bowling for a state title on March 31st at Forum Bowl, which just happens to be the center where he had his high series.

Hometown Bowling Center: Bowlero Euless and USA Bowl

How did you get started bowling? I had taken a trip to see my grandpa when I was seven. He took me bowling and after a few shots, told me that I had to start bowling in a league.

High Game and Series: 280 and 769, and the high series was the first time I bowled with contacts.

Favorite Bowler: Carolyn Dorin-Ballard and Paul Fleming. Their games are both so fundamentally simple and they have given me so much help the last three years. They are amazing people and I wouldn't be where I am today without them.

Favorite bowling accomplishment: After day two at Junior Gold, I was in the top 100 and my first time bowling in the U20 division.

What other hobbies do you have: I play baritone saxophone and made it to state finals for playing sax.

What are your plans for bowling in college: I am definitely going to a bowling college, but not sure which one I will go to yet. I'm planning to study music education.

What do you love most about bowling: I'm a very competitive person, it doesn't matter what it is; it could be playing games with my family, but I love the competition in bowling. Also, bowling is a family and we all get each other, we always have each other's back.

What is the strongest part of your game: My spare game and I have to give the credit to Carolyn, she preaches to make my spares because if I do, I always have the opportunity to win.

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