

Prather Takes All Four Stepladder Matches to Win 55th PBA ToC for First Major Title



Tournament of Champions Winner Kris Prather

By: Jerry Schneider

FAIRLAWN, Ohio (Feb. 9, 2020) – Coming off a 2019 season in which he captured his first two Go Bowling PBA Tour wins including the inaugural PBA Playoffs, Kris Prather of Plainfield, Illinois, won all four stepladder matches

to win the 55th PBA Tournament of Champions Sunday at AMF Riviera Lanes for his first major title.

Prather, the No. 4 seed for the finals beat top seed Bill O'Neill of Langhorne, Pennsylvania, 280-205, in the title match to also win his third career tour title. O'Neill, an

11-time tour winner making his first Tournament of Champions telecast, was trying for his second major title.

"To just be able to compete in this tournament is incredible," said the 28-year-old Prather. "To win it by beating four of the best players on the planet is just unbelievable."

The Tournament of Champions, televised live on FOX, offered a \$1 million bonus if the winner bowled a 300 game in the title match. Prather struck in the first frame of the title match, left a solid 10 pin in the second frame, converted the spare, and then struck on the next 10 shots for his 280 game.

"Leaving that 10 pin in the second frame actually took some of the pressure off and I was able to just stay loose and focus solely on winning the match," Prather said. "If bowling for the \$1 million would have come down to the last frame or even the last few

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CBS Sports Network to Televis 17 Bowling Events, Featuring PWBA, Collegiate and Youth in 2020

By: Terry Bigham

ARLINGTON, Texas – Live coverage of a Professional Women's Bowling Association (PWBA) Tour event finals that will take place at the Hammer Junior Gold Championships is one of the many highlights of the 17 bowling shows CBS Sports Network will televise in 2020.

The live finals of the PWBA Las Vegas Open, scheduled as part of the Junior Gold Opening Ceremony at The Orleans Arena, is set for July 12 at 9 p.m. (Eastern). Located in The Orleans Hotel and Casino, the arena will seat approximately 9,000 spectators for the show. The 1995 U.S. Open set the attendance record for a bowling event at 7,212.

CBS Sports Network will have live coverage of seven



PWBA stepladder finals in 2020, including all majors, plus four shows from the Intercollegiate Team and Singles Championships, the finals of all four divisions of the Junior Gold Championships, and the two title matches at the USA Bowling National Championships.

Las Vegas also will host the stepladder finals of the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) Queens, on Tuesday, May 19 at 8 p.m. (Eastern) at the South Point Bowling Plaza. It is the first of the four PWBA majors that will be televised live. Dasha Kovalova of Ukraine won her first career PWBA Tour title and major championship at last year's event.

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Tearful Carmen Salvino Competes in 30th and Final PBA Tournament of Champions



Carmen Salvino and wife Ginny

By: Jerry Schneider

FAIRLAWN, Ohio (Feb. 6, 2020) -- PBA legend Carmen Salvino was overcome with emotion as he threw his final shots in qualifying for his 30th and final PBA Tournament of Champions Thursday.

In front of a huge crowd at AMF Riviera Lanes, the 86-year-old Hall of Famer and 17-time Go Bowling PBA Tour

winner extended his record as the oldest player to compete in a PBA Tour event.

PBA's most famous showman is one of the few remaining links to the storied tournament's origin dating back to the inaugural event in 1962. The 1962 TOC was held at Play Bowl in Indianapolis and was actually billed as the Indianapolis

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Kim Kearney Rejoins Team USA Coaching Staff

By: Terry Bigham

ARLINGTON, Texas – Kim Kearney, the women's bowling coach at North Carolina A&T, once again will be part of the Team USA program as an assistant coach.

A United States Bowling Congress (USBC) Silver coach, she first joined the Team USA staff in 2004 as a Junior Team USA assistant coach under Rod Ross. She became a collegiate coach in 2007, though she remained on the Junior Team USA staff, and then joined Ross on the International Training and Research Center (ITRC) staff in 2009. She was named a Team USA assistant coach the following year.

In her latest role, her main focus will be to work with the adult team at training camps and during international



Kim Kearney

competitions, as needed.

"Team USA has been a part of my life for 30 years," Kearney said. "I'm appreciative of the opportunity to work with the best coaches in the world and certainly the best athletes."

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Just Paying Attention

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L to R Front Row: Jay Nephew, Elizabeth Jones, Amy Brehm
Row 2: Douglas Herron, Mike Ewing, Luis Gonzalez, Garrett Shovan
Row 3: Greg Thompson

Jay Nephew has been a pretty good bowler for a long time now, even bagging several PBA Southwest Regional tournaments. So what happens when a chance of a lifetime presents itself? As one of the eight amateurs for the third Bowlero Elite Series event of 2019, promising a first place check of \$100,000, I asked Jay to submit a diary of his experience of one of the more unique events we’ve seen in a long while. This is the first of two

parts. This is from Jay...
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last and final show!
Thursday, October 10, 2019
 Well, I’ve read the fine print. Bowlero is definitely looking for personality, so I’m going to have to make my video stand out in a sea of applicants. I’m inspired by the Lizzo song, “Truth Hurts” and I have an idea. I rewrite the lyrics to be from the point of view of a person who just watched the second BES TV show and is sure that they can do just as good as Anthony Simonsen. I have to sing my way into the judge’s hearts! After several takes, I finally have one I’m at least satisfied with and submit it for the deadline.
Monday, November 11, 2019
 I opened my email today to a surprise. Jillian Laufer from Bowlero Corp. sent me an email saying they loved my video and want to speak with me about it! Woohoo! I’m one step closer to actually having a chance at \$100,000!!!
November 12, 2019
 I just had a video call with Jillian, and she tells me that they have an invitation for me to be on the show! I am beyond excited. Now the details. She also tells me that the show will be taped on December 21-22, for air on NBC on December 29th! Yes, I’m so excited! Four matches away from 100k! Anything can happen!
November 13, 2019
 Well, I knew things were too good, something has to throw a wrench into this, somehow! And sure enough, I forgot about our cruise to Jamaica that we booked months ago with Justin and Austin! We’re supposed to leave Galveston on Sunday, December 22 for a week! Now I have to go back to Jillian and ask her if they are filming both days. She tells me that the

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Jan 25-26, 2020	Mixed Doubles - \$3k added	Bowlero Euless
Feb 8-9, 2020	Youth City - \$3k added	Cityview Lanes
Feb 10-23, 2020	Senior - \$1k added	Mail-O-Graphic
April 18-19, 2020	Ladies City - \$2k added	AMF Sparetime
April 26, 2020	Youth/Adult Doubles - \$2k added	Watauga
May 2-3 & 9-10	Open City Championship - \$10k added	Cityview
July 11-12, 2020	After the Fire Works – Mixed Trios - \$2k added	TBD

HONOR ROLL



Men	
Andrew Smith, Plano Super Bowl	828
Gary Burch, Forum Bowl	791
Dennis Drescher, Cowtown Bowling Palace	781
Clayton Lock, Red Bird Lanes.....	733
Matt Powell, JB's Allen Bowl	727
Joseph Jimenez, Strikz.....	708
Philip Nobles, Ennis All Star Bowl	670

Women	
Stacy Starry, JB's Allen Bowl	775
Genie Franklin, Forum Bowl	752
Ashley Wilson, Plano Super Bowl.....	752
Amy Drescher, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	720
Lauren Cathey, Red Bird Lanes	666
Lauren Cathey, Ennis All Star Bowl	617
Debbie Colby, Strikz	581



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Go Bowling PBA Tour Majors Continue with PBA Players Championship Feb. 9-15

By: Jerry Schneider
COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 4, 2020) – While Australian two-hander Jason Belmonte etched his name in Go Bowling PBA Tour history in 2019 by winning the PBA World Championship for a record 11th PBA major title, PBA Players Championship winner and fellow two-hander Anthony Simonsen of Little Elm, Texas, was carving out his own place in PBA majors history.

Both players will be among an expected field of 92 entrants who will return to Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl for the second major of the 2020 Go Bowling PBA Tour season Feb. 9-15. In addition to a major title and the \$75,000 first prize, the \$1 million perfect game bonus will again be in effect for the Players Championship if the winning player bowls a perfect game in the title match of the live finals on FS1 on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 5:30 p.m. ET.

Already in the young 2020 season, the Players Championship is part of a grueling stretch as the second of three consecutive majors in as many

weeks. The PBA Tournament of Champions is currently underway at AMF Riviera Lanes in Fairlawn, Ohio and immediately following the Players Championship the tour travels to Lincoln, Nebraska for the U.S. Open Feb. 16-23.

At age 22 Simonsen, the No. 2 seed, won the 2019 Players Championship to become the youngest player to win two PBA majors, defeating No. 1 seed Belmonte 232-212 in the title match at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl.

In 2019, Belmonte, who won the PBA Tournament of Champions the week before, held a three-pin lead in the fifth frame of the title match when he left a 4-6-7-9-10 split. Both players then threw strikes from the sixth through the ninth frames but Belmonte left the door open for Simonsen when he left a pocket 7-10 split on the first shot of the 10th frame.

"To have a second major at this point in my career, I'm speechless," said Simonsen, who won the 2016 USBC Masters at age 19 to become the youngest to win a major. "Jason is the guy everyone is gunning



for and as a fellow two-handed player, he's an inspiration."

The Players Championship gets underway Sunday, Feb. 9 with two five-game Pre-Tournament Qualifier (PTQ) rounds at 3:30 and 7 p.m. EST. Monday, Feb. 10 will feature a practice session, 2-5 p.m.; Pro Meet and Greet/Buffer, 6-7 p.m., and pro-am at 7 p.m.

Competition begins Tuesday, Feb. 11 with six-game qualifying rounds at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Qualifying continues with the third round Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 11 a.m. after which the top 24 players will advance to the first eight-game match play round at 6 p.m. After the second and third match play rounds at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, the top five based on 42-game pinfall totals will be determined for the stepladder finals on Feb. 15.

Tommy Jones capped a storybook week in the season-opener in January when, after

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KIM KEARNEY

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She's excited to join a coaching staff that added seven assistant coaches in 2017.

"I love the idea that we have expanded the coaching staff, getting more people involved," Kearney said. "There are so many great coaches in the

country, and the chance to learn from different people, different styles, is best for all of us."

Kearney has been the head coach of the North Carolina A&T women's program since 2016. In 2018, the Aggies won the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference title for the first time in 14 years and earned a spot in the NCAA tournament.

Prior to joining the ITRC staff in 2009, Kearney was the head coach of the Delaware State women's bowling team, where she was named the 2009 National Tenpin Coaches Association (NTCA) Coach of the Year. She led the Hornets to their first NCAA tournament appearance in 2009.

Kearney is a USBC Hall of Fame member who won 10 professional titles in her career, including three majors. She

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At Plano Super Bowl

Smith throws 300/828, Wilson lands 752

Crump 300/823, Franklin 805, Cook 803, Edgeton, Leffier, Martsoff, Powell 300's, Watkins 299

Andrew Smith's award-winning 300-246-282 = 828 production in the Track Trio league earned top billing on the honor roll last week at Plano Super Bowl.

Jon Crump finished close behind Smith as he rolled a 300/823 Saturday Nite Live series. Tony Franklin and David Cook, from the Track Trio group, followed up with an 805 and 803 series respectively.

Ashley Wilson landed the top spot on the honor roll for the ladies with an outstanding 279-243-225 = 752 set in Sportsman league play.

Zack Edgeton, David Leffier, Roland Martsoff and Matt Powell shared high-game honors with Smith and Crump with award-winning 12-baggers. John Watkins' near-perfect 299 solo captured runner-up accolades.

HONOR ROLL

Tommy Davis 259-729, Bunthoeun Nhep 204-566, Oliva James 222-596, Justin Pittsinger (4 games) 277-862, Oliva James 189-706, Hal Begzos 245-652, Julie Ferrell 246-555, Ricky Norris 216-622.

Peggy Ludwig 196-571, Andrew Smith 268-769, Lisa Garza 236-665, Tina Taylor 257-701, Matt Powell 677, Diane Wallentine 269-704, Peron Jones

246-713, Susan Lee 206-610, Gene Bedford 204-560.

Donna Darling 205-519, Jeff Teague 274-770, Tim Boyd 236-630, Kay Pingsterhaus 198-572, Gail Mayer 224-582, Blane Atkins 256-727, Jerry Stobaugh 258-709, Art Victorine 218-624.

Nancy Calker 194-491, Nick McCoy 279-749, Kelli Spencer 236-684, Geoff Martin 258-711, Amber Robinson 236-602, Linda Blain 214-594, John Eft 212-590, Wanda Heaton 181-464.

Bill Ferguson 258-691, Maria Roberson 211-569, David Bullough 279-757, Jessica Ford 225-609, Jeff O'Dell 247-700, Cheryl Lucas 205-565, Steve McBride 257-723, Libby Cherry 233-583.

Joey Wood (4 games) 278-1019, Kiyoko McDonald (4 games) 268-952, Darius Colvin 259-753, Patty Ellington 247-696, Joe Guido 245-702, Debbie Lambert 235-658, Justin Westerman 277-721.

Stephanie Robinson 251-709, Scott Buchanan, Sr. 278-726, Cindy Mann 201-590.

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Manny Escobar, Ennis All Star Bowl

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Girls

Katie Heady, Plano Super Bowl

629

Kaitlyn Kern, Strikz

589

Morgan Hopkins, Ennis All Star Bowl

556

Stephanie Leclear, Forum Bowl

532

Elizabeth Hoffman, Red Bird Lanes

522

Jessica Hubbard, JB's Allen Bowl

461

Karina Lerma, Cowtown Bowling Palace

396

Dallas USBC Youth Scores

Hayden Thomas headed the Dallas-area USBC Youth bowling last week with a rip-roaring 182-234-234 = 650 Sunday Youth/Adult series at Plano Super Bowl.

Katie Heady, also from Plano Super Bowl, paced the gals with a rollicking 177-233-219 = 629 Saturday Gold set..

At Ennis All Star Bowl – Manny Escobar 145-339, Morgan Hopkins 234-556.

At JB's Allen Bowl – Anthony Allen 65-186, Tanisha Vepa 82-217, Issac Wilson 138-399, Lauren Hubbard 98-294, Bryan Coggins 160-403, Minowa Brown 135-331, Daniel Corekin 156-412, Jessica Hubbard 168-461, Cooper Powell 98-274, Isabelle Tran 32-79, Zaiyic Bickel 149-407, Josh Budnik 186-529, Clara Campbell 151-416, Brayden Fales 161-444, Jessica Hubbard 164-411, Ryan

Martinez 230-525.

At Plano Super Bowl – Christian Hathaway 137-378, Olive Sterling 138-362, Jordan Scott 154-403, Gracie Reed 93-195, James Johnson 256-580, Mya Murray 205-535, A G Pai 216-612, Aubry Ayers 235-588, Cole Phan 222-583, Nicole Phan 117-301, Hailey Spencer 201-461, Luke Henke 188-486, Isabella Hudson 127-348, Noah Raleigh 212-591, Roanah Abeleda 189-490, Bo Scott 223-613, Trey Bevels 192-516, Lydia Gilbert 219-572, Brady McDonough 186-535, Caden Witt 210-521, Victoria Hylton 166-442, Lunden Simon (2 games) 101-188, Evie Gable (2 games) 88-154.

At Red Bird Lanes – Kaleb Burns 147-423, Elizabeth Hoffman 187-522, Miles Carter 132-383, Beverly Hoffman 200-479, Darren Simon 127-362.

At Strikz – Tyler Keeton 229-580, Roman Reece 221-556, Turner Spofford

201-535, Bryce Herrington 205-517, Ethan Long 178-509, Matthew Howard 190-505, Sam Kurtz 143-377, Josh Howard 142-384, Hunter McMillin 136-375, Colton Bervig 190-459, Owen Christian 140-378, Patrick Thomas, Jr. 149-410, Owen Smullen 121-347, Zachary Smullen 178-497, Jake Sullivan 161-453, Jack Rolfe 168-459, Matthew Sifford 148-355, Enrique Arredondo 149-429, Joey Maulhardt 117-333, Logan Solis 165-431, Goutham Gajjala 139-410, Brandon Moon 187-389, Avery Barnes 118-334, Kevin Martinez 141-403, Michael Mendez 171-479, Seth Mendez 173-429, Kaitlyn Kern 225-589, Ireland Spofford 166-459, Emily Mendez 121-326, Tori Franklin 134-380, Madison Damer 162-475, Alexia Moon 188-459, Gabriela Gamboa 150-351, Alivia Focht 104-306, Bethany Abebe 143-395

Mansfield's Hargrove Goes Off Again

By: Mike Young
MATCH 10

To put it mildly Mansfield's Hogan Hargrove has had a sensational year and in match 10 against Lake Ridge he exploded again. Hargrove began with a 226 then strung the first 8 strikes of the second game before being stopped by a 10 pin. He then proceeded to strike out for a 279 game and 505 2 game series. It is the second time this season he has gone over the 500 mark and is the only bowler in the history of the DFW South district to do so. Mansfield won their 18th match in a row 12-3 over the Eagles.

In other matches: Martin wins over Legacy 12-3 And Summit came away 11-4 victors over the Lake Ridge JV.

NCTUSBC Youth Scores

Kyle Smith topped the Fort Worth-area USBC Youth bowling last week with an outstanding 236-182-210 = 628 2020 Storm Winter Strikers series at Forum Bowl.

Stephanie Leclear led the girls with a sparkling 189/532 Forum Strikers set at Forum Bowl.

At Cowtown Bowling Palace – Brilyn Fowler 161, Jake Swift 211, Karina Lerma 138-396, Angel Orozco 205, Gyanna Simmons 127, James Poff 143-376, Zayley Teeler 115-305, Troy Gaudette III 105, Jayson Smith 64, Crue Preece 108, Maelin Pearson 94-179, Noah Ritter 105-195, James Cain, Jr. 103, Logan Duran 78.

At Forum Bowl – Cohen Jones 62-121, Aaliyah Knight 89-175, Oliver Harris 151-338, Makenly Branagan 139-329, Tyler Brooks 212-545, David Carterr (4 games) 202-1041, Charisse Graham (4 games) 241-1082.

Boys Honor Roll: Hogan Hargrove (Mansfield) 226-279-505, Ahmad Lambert (Mansfield) 246-420, Morris Mantchev (Martin) 237-180-417, Aidan Vorpahl (Mansfield) 239-409, Colby Anderson (Lake Ridge) 207-384, Ryan Vaughn (Legacy) 194-183-377, Gabe Murillo (Mansfield) 201

On the ladies side the race for the second playoff spot is to say the least wild. With Mansfield suffering from a smaller roster due to other school sports, Martin, Legacy and Summit are all scrambling for the spot. Legacy won their makeup with Mansfield 15-0, While Martin lost to Summit

10-5, Mansfield also lost to the Mansfield JV 12-3 and Lake Ridge Shutout Legacy 15-0.

Girls Honor Roll: Chloe Ortega (Martin) 158-154-312, Jillian Spridco (Lake Ridge) 157-154-311, Brynlee Underwood (Mansfield) 164-308, Marissa Bell (Lake Ridge) 169, Elisa Gaudio (Legacy) 157, Ashley Webb (Summit) 156

Boys Standings: Mansfield 9-0 135, Lake Ridge 4-4 88, Legacy 4-4 68.5, Martin 3-5 79, Summit 0-7 32.5

Girls Standings: Lake Ridge 7-1 100, Mansfield 5-3 86, Martin 3-5 66, Legacy 3-6 58, Summit 2-6 50.

Big High School Bowling Matches Coming in the Final Week

By: Mike Young
MATCH 11

And down the stretch they come! The high school bowling regular season for DFW South will wrap up on February 15th at Forum Bowl in Grand Prairie with post season spots to be decided. On the boys side Mansfield wrapped up the district title weeks ago but the second playoff spot pits the Lake Ridge Eagles against the Martin Warriors. The winner goes on, the loser goes home. This was set up when Martin beat Summit 13-2 and Lake Ridge took out Legacy 12-3. In another match Mansfield was a 13-2 winner over the Mansfield JV.

Boys Honor Roll: Hogan Hargrove (Mansfield) 264-216-

480, Gage Harmon (Mansfield JV) 231-185-416, Bryson Randolph (Lake Ridge) 235-413, Jeremy Lee 223-181-404, Ahmad Lambert (Mansfield) 200-187-387, Philip Le (Legacy) 189-366, Edwin Thomas (Lake Ridge) 182-180-362, Matt Cook (Mansfield JV) 208, Cole Dodson (Martin) 199, Colby Anderson (Lake Ridge) 192, Zach Hash (Lake Ridge) 189, Ryan Vaughn (Legacy) 185.

The girls have a bit of a quandary, as Lake Ridge has wrapped up the district title, but Mansfield has decided to forego the post season as they have other schedules blocking them, so that puts Martin in one spot and the other will be

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Lane Laughter



BIG HIGH SCHOOL

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decided in the Legacy vs Summit match but even if Legacy loses they still may get in via tiebreakers so get the aspirin out. Lake Ridge defeated Summit 14-1, while Mansfield in their final match won 12-3 over Martin and Legacy fought off the Lake Ridge JV 8.5 to 6.5

Girls Honor Roll: Chloe Ortega (Martin) 183-329, Allison Williams (Martin) 185-326, Ashley Webb (Summit) 176-324, Marissa Bell (Lake Ridge) 172-151-323, Felicity Campbell 158-154-312, Jenna Vorpahl (Mansfield) 169-306, Carina Rios (Lake Ridge JV) 167-302, Jillian Spridco (Lake Ridge) 163.

Felicity Campbell and Marissa Bell are separated by just .01 of a pin in average for the 5th and final regional singles spot.

Boys Standings: Mansfield 9-0 148, Lake Ridge 5-4 100, Martin 4-5 92, Legacy 4-5 71.5, Summit 0-8 34.5

Girls Standings: Lake Ridge 8-1 114, Mansfield 6-3 98, Martin 3-6 69, Legacy 3-6 66.5, Summit 2-6 51

JV Standings: Mansfield 8-3 111, Lake Ridge 0-11 34.5

The winners will advance to the regionals March 1st at Superbowl in Plano.

PRATHER TOC

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frames, I don't know that I would have even been able to get to the line."

Prather began his run through the finals by beating No. 5 seed, 15-time tour winner Sean Rash of Montgomery, Illinois, 187-164, in an opening match where both players struggled after getting off to a strong start.

Rash, who won the recent PBA Oklahoma Open, was trying for his second Tournament of Champions title and third major, had splits in the next two frames which enabled Prather to take command in the match.

"It took some time for the lanes to develop to the point where I could get a handle on the lane condition transition," Prather said. "Once that match was over, everything seemed to get easier for me and I could concentrate better on repeating good shots."

In the second match Prather beat defending champion Australian two-hander Jason Belmonte 252-179 to advance to the semifinal. Belmonte, who struggled from the start of the match, was trying for a record fourth Tournament of Champions title.

Belmonte, who leads the

all-time majors titles list with 11 wins, qualified for the 24th and final position for match play Friday by one pin before climbing the standings through three rounds to earn the No. 3 seed. He took a similar path to the finals in 2018 making match play by just seven pins eventually earning the No. 3 seed before losing the second stepladder match to eventual winner Matt O'Grady to finish fourth.

In the semifinal match, Prather beat seven-time tour winner Anthony Simonsen of Little Elm, Texas, 226-203, to advance to the title match. The 23-year-old Simonsen was trying to become the youngest player to win three PBA majors. The two-hander won the 2019 PBA Players Championship to become the youngest player to win two major titles and won the 2016 USBC Masters at 19 to become the youngest to win a

tour major.

The Tournament of Champions is the first of three consecutive majors this season on the Go Bowling PBA Tour. The tour travels to Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl for the PBA Players Championship which begins with first round qualifying Tuesday. The stepladder finals will air live on FS1 Saturday, Feb. 15 at 5:30 p.m. ET.

The \$1 million championship match bonus will be in effect once again if the winning player bowls a 300 game in the title match.

PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

(a 2020 Go Bowling PBA Tour Tier 1 event)

AMF Riviera Lanes, Fair-lawn, Ohio, Sunday
Final Standings:
1, Kris Prather, Plainfield, Ill., \$100,000.
2, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., \$50,000.
3, Anthony Simonsen, Little Elm, Texas, \$25,000.
4, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$12,000.
5, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$10,000.
Playoff Results:
Match One: Prather def. Rash, 187-164.
Match Two: Prather def. Belmonte, 252-179.
Semifinal: Prather def. Simonsen, 226-203.
Championship: Prather def. O'Neill, 280-205.

KIM KEARNEY

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was a two-time All-American at San Jose State and joined the Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour in 1989, where she earned PWBA Rookie of the Year honors.

As a three-time Team USA member, she won gold medals in the 2009 Pan American Bowling Confederation (PAB-CON) Championships Masters and team events, and a silver medal in the 2009 World Bowling Women's Championships team event.

As with all Team USA assistant coaches, Kearney will be an independent contractor and not an employee of USBC.

Visit BOWL.com/TeamUSA to learn more about the Team USA program and the coaching staff.

At Forum Bowl

Burch turns in 791, Franklin registers 752

Dupree 300, White 299

Gary Burch was red hot last week at Forum Bowl with a chart-topping 268-236-287 = 791 Sundowners series.

Genie Franklin, from the Fast Lane Trio group, registered a sizzling 248-247-257 = 752 set to front distaff scoring.

Sohn Dupree earned high-game honors with an award-winning 12-bagger while Quintin White took runner-up accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Holly Ginn 221-587, Sheila Burger 236-655, Jeff Davis (9 pin) 278-807, Tami Rogers (9 pin) 233-626, Rob Weibel 258-755, Tennelle Milligan 268-663, Johnathan Washin 237-645, Tish Patterson 215-626.

Kevin Malone 247-709, Alys Hodges 210-494, Alex Barnishin 290-776, Lisa Girton 223-626, Gary Burch 287-791,

Brenda Belgarde 243-612, Toni Rigoni (4 games) 268-974, Genie Franklin (4 games) 964.


D J A (9 pin) 287-764, Margaret Montgo (9 pin) 254-667, Steve Cotter 268-751, Judith Guillory 224-626, Ray Daehn 232-670, Jodie Martinez 203-571, Carlos Ortiz 226-623, Misty Wood 196-508.

Sohn Dupree 778, Tammy Lopez 268-702, Quintin White 771, Celetha McMillan 229-652, Terry Ellis 267-730, Emily Montgomery 215-626, Vincent Munoz 245-693, Cindy Sifuentes 158-465.

Preston Smith 254-678, Kim Jackson 192-558, Bruce Taylor 212-605, Brittney Byrd 176-431, Wade Engelsman 277-676, Luann Burkhalter 200-475.

SENIORS

Russell Fox 227-657, Judith Guillory 216-590.



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PBA Spare Shots

By: Bill Vint
TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS KICKS OFF “MILLION DOLLAR 300 BONUS” SERIES

The two players who will bowl for the \$100,000 first prize in Sunday’s finals of the PBA Tournament of Champions also will be the first two players to try for the “\$1 Million 300 Game Bonus” incentive. Live FOX coverage of the TOC finals from AMF Riviera Lanes in Fairlawn, Ohio, will begin at 5 p.m. EST

This week’s finals will be special because the competition will take place on lanes 27-28, the same pair of lanes where Don Johnson came the closest of any player ever to record a nationally-televised perfect game in the title match of a PBA major championship. When Johnson left a 10 pin in his iconic 299-268 victory over Dick Ritger, he fell face-first on the approach and Akron Beacon Journal photographer Don Roese froze the moment in time on film. Roese’s photo was later re-created by artist Marc Moon for the cover of the 1971 PBA souvenir program book, and Johnson’s historic image was later celebrated as the No.

1 most memorable moment in the PBA’s first 60 years.

Under the million-dollar incentive program, a \$1 million bonus prize is again being offered to any player bowling a 300 game in the championship match of one of the following PBA on FOX/FS1 live telecasts: the TOC; PBA Players Championship at Wayne Webb’s Columbus Bowl in Columbus Ohio (Saturday, Feb. 15 at 5:30 p.m. EST on FS1); the Go Bowling PBA Indianapolis Open at Royal Pin Woodland (Saturday, Feb. 29 at 8:30 p.m. EST on FS1) and PBA World Championship at South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas (Wednesday, March 18 at 8 p.m. EST on FS1).

Only three perfect games have ever been bowled in the championship match of any nationally-televised PBA Tour event (including Tommy Jones’ 300 in the title match of the PBA Hall of Fame Classic to kick off the 2020 Go Bowling PBA Tour season), but no one has ever bowled a 300 to win a PBA major championship.

If you’d like to re-visit Johnson’s epic victory, click here for the YouTube clip on the title match: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BLQ_WLrqlZI.

SEAN RASH RETAINS PBA PLAYOFFS POINTS LEAD; KYLE TROUP ADVANCES TO SECOND

PBA Oklahoma Open winner Sean Rash, with a seventh-place

finish in the PBA Jonesboro Open, retained his lead in the 2020 PBA Playoffs points after the first three tournaments of the 2020 Go Bowling PBA Tour season while PBA Jonesboro Open titlist Kyle Troup picked up 5,000 points in the Tier 2 event to advance from 31st place to second. Tommy Jones, who collected 2,500 points for his PBA Hall of Fame Classic victory (a Tier 3 limited entry and/or restricted format) tournament, was in third place heading into this week’s Tournament of Champions.

Fans can expect a major shakeup in the points race after this week’s Tournament of Champions, the first Tier 1 event of the season. Points are awarded to all players in each PBA Tour tournament according to how the event is classified in the three-tier points structure. Tier 1 (major championship) tournaments reward winners with 7,500 points. Tier 2 (standard PBA Tour) tournaments award 5,000 points to the winner. A Tier 3 tournament (limited field and/or restricted format) awards 2,500 points to the winner. Points also are awarded to all other players in each tournament in a declining manner based upon where they finish.

The top 24 in 2020 competition points will qualify to bowl in the PBA Playoffs in April and May. Points standings will be finalized at the conclusion of the USBC Masters on March 29 in Reno, Nev. Below are the top 30 points standings after three events:

- 2020 Go Bowling PBA Tour Competition Points Standings (Top 24 after three events)

 - 1, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., 6,635
 - 2, Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, N.C., 5,805
 - 3, Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 4,290
 - 4, Chris, Barnes Double Oak, Texas, 4,240
 - 5, Ryan Ciminelli, Lancaster, S.C., 4,215
 - 6, Darren Tang, Las Vegas, 4,000
 - 7, AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 2,755
 - 8, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 3,395
 - 9, Brad Miller, Lee’s Summit, Mo., 2,915
 - 10, Mitch Hupe, Canada, 2,880
 - 11, Patrick Hanrahan, Wichita, Kan., 2,745
 - 12, Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2,575
 - 13, Jesper Svensson, Sweden, 2,555
 - 14, Kris Prather, Plainfield, Ill., 2,485
 - 15, Tom Daugherty, River-view, Fla., 2,375
 - 16, Kyle Sherman, O’Fallon, Mo., 2,295

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At Strikz

Jimenez crushes 708, Colby topples 581

FRISCO – Joseph Jimenez rolled a power-packed 214-237-257 = 708 series in the Monday Mixerz league to lead the way at Strikz last week.

Debbie Colby, also from the Monday Mixerz group, was the high fem by shooting a rock solid 197-185-199 = 581 series.

HONOR ROLL

Scott Noll 237-664, Robert Marino 211-590, Seth Moore 214-588, Candy Torrey 193-546, Hector Gomez 210-582, Ron Rankin 232-592, Keith Dreyer 269-630, Kevin Higar 237-589, Tommy Davis 245-663.

Cathy Eberly 203-554, Mark Connor 244-624, Spencer Spofford 206-570, Rob Hudkins 220-580, Klayton Colgrove 212-597, Barbara Schmidt 180-465, Ann Brabant 151-430, Julie Francis 165-486.

Vicki Wilson 181-501, Sue Ellis 176-507, Tammy Crawford 212-563, Jacki Myrice 163-442, Sherri Lyons 184-473, Holly Stephens 153-435, Pat Murphey 159-444, Marilyn Ditore 167-448.

Beverly Davidson 170-444, Jason Shuffield 235-693, Michael Holtfrerich 217-635, Fred Badenhop 218-590, Jacob Harding 218-585, Jeff Conroy 232-577, Kim Lorenzen 205-578, Mark Donnelly

236-600.

John Pries 222-594, Amy Marshall 203-560, Johnny Matusik 225-592, Kim Lorenzen 212-578, Stuart Kalb 203-509, Richard Stein 225-591, Tom Frank 229-520, Al Brabant 239-624, Glenn Kraemer 221-581.

John Tufnell 199-543, Skip Jenkins 199-518, Danny Robertson 225-605, Lindell Daubresse 187-513, Bobby Brierton 243-580, Skip Jenkins 236-608, Tommy Davis 268-703, Carrie Kutzler 180-513.


Kraig Johnson 213-576, Candy Torrey 175-518, Kyle Hobbs 213-583, Daryl Ellis 237-652, Dominic Riccetti 213-570, Ron Rankin 236-668, Rick Irvine 245-700, Curt Frye 207-574.

Richard Ferguson 237-592, Debbie Colby 201-563, Glenn Kraemer 210-551, Jeanne Staley 177-454, Ann Brabant 176-470, Al Brabant 191-542, Bryan Goldsmith 194-523, Chuck Lange 209-555.

John Reed 213-592, Chad Sigler 188-507, Bryan Vorel 235-596.


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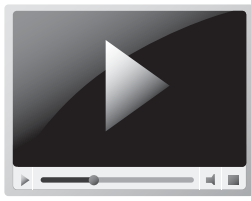
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Qualifying Round 1, Squad C 6:00 PM

Wednesday February 19

Qualifying Round 2, Squad B 8:00 AM
Qualifying Round 2, Squad C 1:00 PM
Qualifying Round 2, Squad A 6:00 PM

Thursday February 20

Qualifying Round 3, Squad C 8:00 AM
Qualifying Round 3, Squad A 1:00 PM
Qualifying Round 3, Squad B 6:00 PM

Friday February 21

Cashers Round 10:00 AM

Match Play Round 5:00 PM

Saturday February 22

Match Play Round 2 10:00 AM

Match Play Round 3 5:00 PM

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East Providence Lanes, Rumford, Rhode Island

Saturday February 22

Qualifying 8:00 AM

Stepladder Final 1:00 PM

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Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl, Columbus, Ohio

Tuesday February 11

Qualifying Round 1 10:00 AM

Qualifying Round 2 5:00 PM

Wednesday February 12

Qualifying Round 3 10:00 AM

Match Play Round 1 5:00 PM

Thursday February 13

Match Play Round 2 11:00 AM

Match Play Round 3 5:00 PM

Saturday February 15

Stepladder Finals* (top five) 4:30 PM

U.S. Open

Sun Valley Lanes, Lincoln, Nebraska
Tuesday February 18

Qualifying Round 1, Squad A 8:00 AM
Qualifying Round 1, Squad B 1:00 PM
Qualifying Round 1, Squad C 6:00 PM

Wednesday February 19

Qualifying Round 2, Squad B 8:00 AM
Qualifying Round 2, Squad C 1:00 PM
Qualifying Round 2, Squad A 6:00 PM

Thursday February 20

Qualifying Round 3, Squad C 8:00 AM
Qualifying Round 3, Squad A 1:00 PM
Qualifying Round 3, Squad B 6:00 PM

Friday February 21

Cashers Round 10:00 AM

Match Play Round 5:00 PM

Saturday February 22

Match Play Round 2 10:00 AM

Match Play Round 3 5:00 PM

At Ennis All Star Bowl

Nobles nails 670, Cathey topples 617

Philip Nobles led the weeks scoring contest at Ennis All Star Bowl with a super solid 235-217-218 = 670 Ennis Mixed Classic league showing.

Lauren Cathey, also from the Ennis Mixed Classic group, posted a nice 225-201-191 = 617 set to pace the ladies.

HONOR ROLL

Chris Lewis 228-652, April Hopkins 226-612, Pete Seibel 247-636, Annie Whittington 214-582, Tice Hopkins 236-612, April Hopkins 207-603, Philip Nobles 234-593, Mary Sikes 180-505.

John Gray 181-508, Mary Kennedy 165-462.

At Red Bird Lanes

Lock cracks 733, Cathey books 666

Clayton Lock compiled top-flight 246-245-242 = 733 Sunday Night Mixed marks to claim high-series honors for the week at Red Bird Lanes.

Lauren Cathey, Lock's league mate, led the ladies with a classy 193-225-248 = 666 set.

HONOR ROLL

Jennifer Thill 214-520, Lauren Cathey 224-610, Stacy Harden 248-686, Roland Bernal 264-666, J C Mann (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 300-1119,

Lauren Cathey (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 300-1140.

Mary Edgett 177-476, Mary Rappe 187-511, David Green 234-646, Deanna Hoffman 170-493, Ted Surovec 248-601, Janean Baker 180-504, Jerry Blaylock 249-650, Rosemary Hunsaker 182-516.

Frank Applewhite 223-627, Debbie Cathey 215-558, Harry Smith 607, B J Jennings 496, Tyree Jennings, Jr. 211-583, Sandra Jennings 178-513, Isaac Lewis, Jr. 214-608, Mitzi Dorsey 174-492.



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- 17, EJ Tackett, Bluffton, Ind., 2,180
- 18, Anthony Simonsen, Little Elm, Texas, 2,155
- 19, Jakob Butturff, Tempe, Ariz., 2,140
- 20, DJ Archer, Spring, Texas, 2,085
- 21, Nick Pate, Inver Grove Heights, Minn., 1,975
- 22, Greg Young, Viera, Fla., 1,860
- 23, Sam Cooley, Australia, 1,740
- 24, Dom Barrett, England, 1,685
- 25, Osku Palermaa, Finland, 1,680
- 26, Bill O'Neill, Langhorne, Pa., 1,670
- 27 (tie), Josh Blanchard, Mesa, Ariz., 1,615
- Francois Lavoie, Canada, 1,615
- 29, Patrick Girard, Canada, 1,515
- 30, Dick Allen Lexington, S.C., 1,513

PBA PLAYER'S PERSPECTIVE: ANTHONY SIMONSEN'S 2019 PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

The youngest player in PBA history to win two major titles is the topic of Anthony Simonsen's PBA Player's Perspectives on YouTube, re-living his win in the 2019 PBA Players Championship. That episode will debut on the PBA's You-

Tube channel on Tuesday, Feb. 11, as Simonsen begins his title defense at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio.

Future Player's Perspectives on the schedule for introduction on Tuesdays include:

- Feb. 18 - Norm Duke talks about winning his 39th career title in the 2019 Go Bowling Indianapolis Open.

- Feb. 25 - Jason Belmonte and Bill O'Neill share insider thoughts about winning the 2018 Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship.

To view the entire series of PBA Player's Perspective episodes, visit the PBA's YouTube channel and click on the PBA Player's Perspective play list. A wide range of Player's Perspectives currently reside in the archives on YouTube. Among the most recent are:

- Jakob Butturff's 2019 USBC Masters win (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-cuYcXxfXXs>).

- EJ Tackett's 2017 DHC PBA Japan Invitational victory. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=91yoFd7nd8g>).

- Kris Prather's 2019 PBA Scorpion Championship win (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-aVe_n8uCOM).

- Bill O'Neill's 2019 PBA Hall of Fame Classic victory that made him title-eligible for future PBA HOF consideration (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OeHXCyXWH4o>).

- Jakob Butturff's 2019 PBA Oklahoma Open win (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JOsC36SxxxA&list=>).
- Sean Rash's 2012 PBA TOC victory (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tkzuCw4Cpqs>).

- Jason Belmonte's record-tying 10th PBA major championship in the 2019 PBA Tournament of Champions (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Si3d6oPhBo>).

Fans can follow all of the latest video clips and more by enrolling as a subscriber to PBA's YouTube channel. It's easy and it's free. Visit [YouTube.com/PBABowling](https://www.youtube.com/PBABowling) and click on the "subscribe" button.

PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: BRAD ANGELO, THOMAS LARSEN WIN PBA/PBA50 DOUBLES TITLE

Brad Angelo of Lockport, N.Y., in his first tournament as a PBA50 competitor, teamed up with Thomas Larsen of Denmark to defeat PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Fla. and team mate Nate Garcia of Port St. Lucie, Fla., 2-0, in a best-of-three-game title match to win the PBA/PBA50 Don Vay Memorial Central Doubles Classic title at Legend Lanes Sunday.

Teams in the PBA Central Region's first tournament of 2020 included one bowler age 50 or older, and one bowler under the age of 50. The title was Angelo's fourth overall in

PBA Regional competition and Larsen's first. They also split a \$3,950 first prize.

In the semifinal round, Angelo, who turned 50 on December 23, and Larsen blanked Doug Kent of Newark, N.Y. and Tim Pfeifer of Oakdale, Pa., 2-0, while Williams and Garcia shut out Tom Adcock of Decatur, Ill. and Jake Peters of Las Vegas, 2-0, in the best-of-three semifinal round.

- Regional competition over the Feb. 21-23 weekend includes the PBA50 Dave Edwards Toyota South Open at Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C., and a pair of tournaments at South Point in Las Vegas – the Southpoint West Challenge for non-titlists and a Southpoint Member/Non-Member Doubles Tournament.

- Closing out the February regional calendar over the Feb. 28-March 1 "leap year" weekend will be the PBA Plaza Lanes Central/Midwest Open in Crawfordsville, Ind.

- For complete PBA Regional schedules including rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on PBA Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. Whether you are a competitor or a fan, you can follow "live scoring" for all PBA Regional events on pba.com (easily accessible for Apple and Android device users using the PBA app).

QUICK NOTES

- Unrelated note #1 re: 1970

PBA TOC: PBA Hall of Famer and founding member Carmen Salvino, who improved upon his own record as the oldest player to bowl in a PBA Tour event when he rolled his first shot in his 30th TOC appearance at age 86, was sitting on the sidelines when Don Johnson rolled his 299 in the 1970 TOC title match. Salvino finished that tournament in sixth place, 50 pins behind Jim Stefanich, who was the No. 5 qualifier for the ABC-TV telecast. Salvino therefore served as "alternate" to the TV finals. It was standard practice in those days to have a backup ready in case one of the finalists was unable to bowl in the TV finals.

- Unrelated note #2 re: 1970 PBA TOC: all five finalists for the 1970 TOC telecast were subsequently elected to the PBA Hall of Fame. The qualifiers in order were: Don Johnson, Mike Durbin, Dick Ritger, Barry Asher and Jim Stefanich.

- Entering the PBA Tournament of Champions after finishing second in the PBA Jonesboro Open, Chris Barnes had moved into sixth place on the PBA career earnings list with \$2,481,331. He passed fellow Hall of Famer Amleto Monacelli who has earned \$2,475,574. Barnes' next goal is to catch and pass Brian Voss who is fifth on the list with \$2,577,979.

- In his first television ap-

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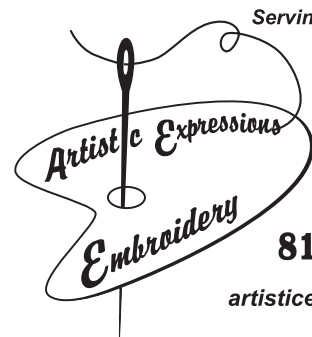
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Feb 22-23	Cityview Lanes	Fort Worth, Tx.	Non Champ Singles
Mar 14-15	Planet Bowl	Midwest City, Ok.	Member/Guest Doubles
Mar 28-29	All Star Lanes	Shreveport, La.	60/50/Guest Trio
Apr 11-12	Cowtown	Fort Worth, Tx.	70/60/50/Guest Foursome
Apr 25-26	Emerald Bowl	Houston, Tx.	Age Bracket
May 2-3	Plano Super Bowl	Plano, Tx.	SASBA Masters
May 9-10	University Lanes	Denton, Tx.	Super Singles Singles
May 23-24	Armadilla I	Pasadena, Tx.	Age Bracket
June 13-14	USA Bowl	Dallas, Tx.	70/60/50/Guest Foursome
June 20-21	Oil Bowl	Longview, Tx.	Member/Guest Doubles
July 3-6	Plano Super Bowl	Plano, Tx.	SASBA Firecracker
July 11-12	Holiday Lanes	Oklahoma City	60/50/Guest Trio
July 25-26	Broken Arrow	Broken Arrow, Ok.	Member/Guest Doubles
August 8-9	Armadilla I	Pasadena, Tx.	M/G Dbles Seperate Qual
August 15-16	University Lanes	Denton, Tx.	Member/Member Doubles
August 22-23	Cowtown	Fort Worth, Tx.	60/50/50/Guest Foursome

JUST PAYING ATTENTION

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preliminary rounds are all done on Saturday, and that the actual TV filming will be on Sunday. Do I give up the cruise for a chance to win? What if I don't win my first or second match and am not bowling on the TV show? There must be a way to salvage one or the other!

Friday, November 15, 2019

I call Jillian and explain the slight dilemma. I tell her that I will forfeit the cruise for sure if I make the TV show, but just in case, can I plan to leave on Sunday and make the cruise still if I lose my match in the first two rounds? She agrees and says that will be fine.

November 20, 2019

Announcement Day! Bowlero releases the names of all the participants on the third, and final BES Show of the year! It's very cool to see my name and pic on all of their promotional material. I'm getting all sorts of friend requests on FB from names that seem familiar. Oh wait...those are my competitors! It seems everyone is reaching out ahead of time to say congrats and looking forward to our experience! Nice.

Friday, December 13, 2019

I got an email today from Jon Salas, a PR executive work-

ing with Bowlero and he has an interview opportunity for me with Houston Life, a daily tv show on KPRC channel 2 here in Houston! They want to chat with me about the Bowlero Elite Series! I'm in!

December 19, 2019

Off to the studios to chat with Derrick and Courtney from Houston Life! When we arrive at the studio, we are escorted to the 'green room', and meet producers for the show. When they walk me into the studio, we are all just chatting and it's exciting to see a set with so many different features! There are several areas to shoot segments, a desk, a couch, a kitchen set up etc. Derrick and Courtney are filming a segment as we stand there, and I find out that the show is mostly taped ahead of time, but especially this time of year because of the holidays. Both Derrick and Courtney are really nice and down to earth! I sit on the couch and we just start having a discussion among us....then they say ok, let's tape! I feel at home in front of the camera, and really enjoy the process. I think our segment went well! Great conversation and a good plug for the show to generate interest! I could get used to this!

Friday, December 20, 2019

After a crazy month of travel for work and trying to bowl as

much as possible to get ready for this event, the day has come to head to Jupiter, Florida for a chance of a lifetime! Soooo many details had to be ironed out. We have to pack for a cruise we may or may not go on, as well as get everything ready to take to compete with! Scheduling pet sitters, and lots of moving parts keep the anxiety level quite high.

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Before ending the column this week, I must mention the Houston bowling community lost one of its great supporters with the passing of Jean Ellis, wife of USBC and Texas USBC Hall of Famer Don Ellis.

Those who attended or bowled the annual PBA/PBA50 Southwest Doubles every December saw one of her most distinguishable touches at Emerald Bowl. Remember all Christmas decorations at the various places, including the garland above the masking units and the heavily decorated tree in the snack bar area? Mrs. Ellis wanted everyone to share in the holiday spirit she felt each and every holiday season. I think of her smile and cheery voice asking me how things were going, even delivering a bowl of chicken soup every time I even had a hint of a sniffle. It put a smile on my face answering her daily question on how things were.

CARMEN SALVINO

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500 Festival Tournament of Champions. It's an often-overlooked event because the tournament would not be held again for three years.

In 1965, when Firestone began its landmark sponsorship,

the classic moved to Bowlarama in Akron and then to AMF Riviera Lanes the following year where it remained for 29 years. PBA's signature event made its return to AMF Riviera Lanes in 2018 after a 24-year absence.

"I never won the Tournament of Champions but it was always my favorite tournament," said Salvino. "The big-

gest reason I kept coming back was the fans – they always made me feel special.

"Every athlete should be thankful for the fans because without the fans we can't compete," the Chicago native added. "If we don't have the fans you don't have a paycheck. The way the fans treated me here made the last 30 years all worthwhile whether I bowled good or bad."

Salvino's best TOC finish was third in the inaugural tournament. Joe Joseph won with a two-game total of 480 pins followed by fellow Michigan star Billy Golembiewski with 413 pins and Salvino with a 409 total.

"I knew it was going to be emotional for me but I was able to keep it under control until about the middle of the last game," said Salvino as he bowled his final frames. "Then I started thinking that this was going to be the last time and that's when it really got to me."

It was Salvino's 734th PBA Tour event since competing in the first PBA tournament ever held – the 1959 Empire State Open at Schade's Academy in Albany, N.Y. He is a member of numerous Halls of Fame and was ranked 17th on PBA's 2009 list of 50 greatest players in PBA history.

At Cowtown Bowling Palace

D Drescher explodes with 300/781, A Drescher runs over 720

Sanchez 300, Brown 297

Team Drescher has headlined the Cowtown leaderboard back-to-back weeks.

Dennis Drescher's Ebonite Trios session led the men with a top notch 257-300-234 = 781 series last week at Cowtown Bowling Palace.

Amy Drescher's banner 208-275-237 = 720 Ebonite Trio outing paced the ladies high-set chart.

Keiler Sanchez shared high-game honors with Drescher with an award-winning 12 bagger. Trent Brown took runner-up accolades with a near-perfect 297 solo.

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