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Chris Barnes Gets a Major Win at the PBA50 World Championship

By: Jill Winters

Jackson, MI – Chris Barnes was experiencing a little bit of déjà vu on Sunday. The last time he won a PBA50 tournament was at the 2022 PBA50 David Small's JAX 60 Open when he climbed the stepladder from the fourth

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Chris Barnes takes home the \$25,000 Top Prize

seed to earn the victory.

When he won that event, it was his fourth PBA50 title and he collected \$7,500. Today, in the same bowling center, it was for a

major title and \$25,000.

After leading the majority of the PBA50 World Championship during the inaugural PBA50

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Johnson, Gullette, Lorts, McDonald Win SASBA 70/60/50/Lady at Lions Lanes



TJ Johnson, Kiyoko McDonald, Ken Gullette and Lee Lorts

By: Kathy King

ENNIS, TX - We had 18 strong teams bowl the 70/60/50/lady foursome at Lions Lanes in Ennis.

In the first Baker stairstep match, Team Shuffler (John

Shuffler, Darin Wilson, Scot Nack, Alecia Henderson) and Team Hoefs (Ben Hoefs, Pete Seibel, Brandon Moore, Caitlyn Chapman) tied 236-236.

They had a 4 frame roll-off Continued on Page 2

Darry Weigle, Brandon Carlson, Joe Lecroy Win SASBA Trio at Holiday Lanes

By: Kathy King

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK - We had 24 strong teams compete in the 60/50/trio at Holiday Lanes in OKC.

In the first match of the Baker stair step, Team Terry (Raif Terry, Kelly Bonta, Austin Boulds) beat Team McCulley (David McCulley, Clint Owens, Aaron Hearn) 205-194.

The Terry team then defeated Team Bender (Scott Bender, Greg Short, Cedric Gaines) 245-180.

In the third match, Team Hestand (Mo Hestand, Steve Fields, Jimmy Beavers) defeated



Darry Weigle, Brandon Carlson and Joe Lecroy

Team Terry 210-202. In the final match, tourna-Continued on Page 5

Zachary Smullen and Veronyca West Claim TSUSBC Youth Masters and Queens Titles



Champions Zachary Smullen and Veronyca West

By: Genie Franklin, *Publisher*

GEORGETOWN, TX – The top 8 boys and 8 girls competed last weekend to claim the Texas State USBC Youth Masters and Queens titles at Mel's Lone Star Lanes in Georgetown.

The youth bowlers qualified

for the event through their scores posted at the TSUSBC Youth State Championship in June.

Zachary Smullen defended his title and defeated Keegan Alexander to claim \$1,300 SMART money and the title.

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Simonsen and McEwan Complete Comeback to Win Storm PBA/ PWBA SABC Mixed Doubles Title



Champions Danielle McEwan and Anthony Simonsen

By: Nolan Hughes

HOUSTON, TX – When qualifying concluded on Saturday evening at Copperfield Bowl in Houston, Anthony Simonsen and Danielle McEwan sat in 30th place, more than 250 pins behind the tournament leaders.

But rather than run from the massive deficit, they ran straight at it.

"Hey, I get it was a rough day, but tomorrow's a new day," Simonsen said he texted McEwan on Saturday night. "And it's more enjoyable to run the lead down than it is to lead and try to hold on."

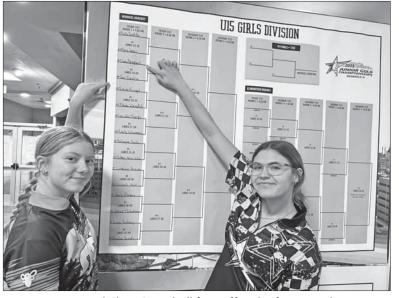
Simonsen and McEwan embraced the challenge and emerged with the 2023 Storm PBA/PWBA Striking Against Breast Cancer Mixed Doubles tournament title.

This marks Simonsen's 13th career PBA Tour title and third of the season. McEwan earns her

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Random Thought

Tony Franklin, Publisher



Tori and Clara Campbell face off in the first round of the Elimination Bracket at Junior Gold

We had a great week and a half in Indy for the Junior Gold 2023 event. We started with the Youth Open on Thursday and finished with the last day of Elimination brackets the following Saturday. For Tori, she bowled 11 straight days which included lots of practice, lots of competition, and I think lots of fun.

She finished in the top 10 in

the U15 Girls division, her best finish by far in her Junior Gold career. We were so proud of her with the performance, but more importantly than that, we were proud of how she managed herself and her emotions. She puts a lot of pressure on herself to perform, which creates a lot of stress, but she battled well and did the small things well, which in turn helped her score...which

70/60/50 LADY

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with Team Hoefs coming out on

In the second match, Team Nichols (Bill Nichols, Mike Moscato, Tony Franklin, Genie Franklin) defeated Team Hoefs 257-194.

Team Nichols then when on to defeat Team Thompson (Gene Thompson, Rodney Black, Billy

Hutchinson, Keondra Eaton) 204-194 in the third match.

The final match Team TJ (TJ Johnson, Ken Gullette, Lee Lorts, Kiyoko McDonald) beat the Nichols team 257-195 for the

It was the 15th SASBA title for TJ, the 4th for Kenny and the 6th

Kiyoko had the high game of the weekend with a 299. She also had the high ladies average with

232.70 and won the tournament! Thank you to Tice and April Hopkins and staff for hosting. Aug 5-6 is a Member/Guest doubles at Firelake Bowling

Center in Shawnee OK. Aug 12-13 is a modified singles at Terrell Bowling Center in Terrell TX. Limited to 80 bowlers. Don't get shut out.

August 19-20 is a 60/50/50/ quest Foursome at Cowtown Bowling Palace in Fort Worth.

TSUSBC MASTERS QUEENS

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Alexander, who qualified third, earned \$900 for his second place finish.

Keegan faced William Jewell III in the opening match of the stair step final. William never found his strike ball during

money for 4th place.

Brady McDonough posted a big 277 the last game of match play to qualify second for the final, but Alexander was too much during the match leaving McDonough with a third place finish and \$650 SMART money.

Other Boys Finalists

- 5. Colton Bennett \$200
- 6. Tyler Galbreath \$200
- 7. Matthew Sorola \$200 8. Jashur Winski \$200

Veronyca West held of her

competitors to earn the number one seed in the stair step final. She bested Kyra Durham 228-205 to take the title and \$1300.

Number 3 seed, Durham earned \$900 SMART money for her 2nd place finish.

Durham started the finals facing 4th seed Miya Greene and advancing to face second seed Clara Campbell. Green took \$400 for her 4th place finish.

Kyra then defeated Clara Campbell in the second match to earn her way to the title match. Campbell claimed \$650 SMART money for her third place finish.

Other Girl Finalists

- 5. Morgan Davis \$200
- 6. Tori Franklin \$200
- 7. Charisse Graham \$200
- 8. McKenna Corbett \$200

the match, so Alexander moved on. Jewell earned \$400 SMART

is what she cares most about.

My only knock on Junior Gold has always been the lane conditions being way too tough for bowlers learning the tournament atmosphere and learning themselves. This year the lanes were a little easier if you look at the pattern ratios.

2022 2.2:1 to 3.5:1 for the four patterns

2023 2.7:1 to 3.4:1 for the four patterns

Yes, it's a slight difference, but the hardest pattern this year wasn't as hard as the hardest one last year.

Now if you look at the scores it tells a different story, in the U15 girls division only one girl averaged over 200 for the 16 qualifying games, where there were six in 2022 that averaged over 200.

For the U18 boys this year there were 68 that averaged over 200, but 118 that did in 2022. Lots of factors go into that, so I can't really gleam any real point of view, but at the very least from a strictly RATIO standpoint they were a little softer this year.

Let's keep that going USBC and make them even a little softer in 2024.

And speaking of the USBC, they really do an amazing job with this event. You've got over 3500 competitors, plus all of their family members, piles of practice squads, bowling centers all over town, managing all of the little things it takes to make a good competitive environment and somehow keep everyone moving forward with as few hiccups as possible. It's an extremely large project that they make look very simple year over year. Thank you for all you do for the youth bowlers out there!

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At Plano Super Bowl

Spurgin chalks up 812, Roberts snags 755

Donahue 300/805, Hobbs 802, Barrus, Crawford, Felder, Johnson, Ritsch, Sawyer, Steffin, VanValkenburg add 300's

Chris Spurgin was definitely on target last month at Plano Super Bowl as he dominated scoring with an award-winning 255-288-269 = 812 Jack & Jill league performance.

Mike Donahue, from the Pepsi Classic league, followed close behind Spurgin with an awardwinning 300/805 outing while Russell Hobbs finished with an award-winning 802 Suds Busters

Melanie Roberts topped the ladies scoring race with a rip-roaring 219-279-257 = 755 Sportsman set.

Andy Barrus, Don Crawford, youth bowlers Jaycob Felder and James Johnson, Chandler Ritsch, Edwin Sawyer, Jim Steffin and Bob VanValkenburg shared high-game

honors with Donahue with awardwinning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Witt (4 games) 278-843, Cathey Taylor (4 games) 203-687, Dale Letcher 279-736, Robin Preston 265-734, John Hoagland 200-573, Diane Halterman 200-492, Ron Blocker 269-713, Alexandria Sumruld 215-573, Chandler Ritsch 795, Loree Clark 234-641, Andrew Smith 279-796, Diane Wallentine 234-627, Billy Ketner 238-692, Jeanette Morris 199-565, Andy Barrus 797, Melanie Roberts 279-755, Deryck Lewis 269-751, Johnny Byrom 256-758, Dan Chisum 269-760, Chris Warren 277-760, Sheri Scroggins 242-693, Andrew Smith 267-756, Kaitlin Williams 226-616, Breanna Buchanan

Keith Beagle (4 games) 246-863, Caden 253-658, Rhonda Gibson 257-727, Bryan

PBA50 BARNES

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World Series of Bowling, Barnes fell out of the lead for the first time during match play on Sunday, but he was able to take what he learned on the 45-foot Dick Weber oil pattern to help him regroup and get the win.

"It was a culmination of a lot of mistakes over the last four blocks on this pattern," Barnes admitted. "When you make that many mistakes hopefully you learn a lot. We cycled through what I knew wouldn't work, caught some good breaks, and I am certainly going to enjoy this

The opening match presented Barnes with the chance to get past Tom Hess, who defeated him in the PBA50 Petraglia Championship on Friday. Barnes threw four out of five strikes to end the game for the 245-236 win.

In match two, Barnes only missed once and that was the 3-4-6-7-9-10 split in the third frame. His opponent John Janawicz opened the match with five of six strikes. Janawicz failed to strike in the 10th frame, and Barnes, who was working on six strikes after his open frame, struck out for the 258-244 win.

Game 3 saw Barnes take on Brad Angelo, who was the first player to jump him in the overall standings on Sunday. After Angelo failed to convert the 2-10 in the fourth frame, Barnes made a ball change in the fourth frame after two single-pin spares and threw seven out of eight strikes to get the 248-211 victory.

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Halterman 279-635, Anne Crain 204-550, Edwin Sawyer 750, Kaitlyn Hoffman 264-742, Mike Donahue (4 games) 1048, Natalie Woodward-Hall (4 games) 234-850

Darius Colvin, Sr. 267-754, Breanna Buchanan 290-663, Chris Davis 280-739, Betsey Euliss 235-595,

Will Plagens 277-746, Tammy Crawford 245-633, Jon Crump 279-742, Liz Tolbert 257-630.

Landon Jones 224-650, Sherry Patrick 177-478, Matthew Baum 224-611, Michelle Shelton 212-540, Craig Smith 258-667. Jimmie Bannert 277-699. JoAnne Lewis 176-491, CJ Johnson 279-672.

Natalie Woodward-Hall 221-603, Ryan Sly 289-679, Sheldon Fulton 223-607, Eva Rabe 189-556, Matthew Baum 279-641, Michelle Shelton 166-437.

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1:00 AM	9/11/23	9/11 @ 10:00	Senior Sizzlers	Any 3 Seniors	Senior leaguenot certified
:00 PM	9/11/23	9/11 @ 4:30	Mon Jr Gold	Single youths	Youths bowl on different sport shots!
:00 PM	9/11/23	9/11@ 5:30	Fun Rollers*	Any 4 members	A fun way to start the week! *Short Season*
:30 PM	9/11/23	8/28 @ 5:30	Mon Blenders*	Any 4 members	Fun for All! Variety of averages
:00 PM	9/11/23	9/11 @ 8:30	Texas Trio	Any 3 members	Matchplay mixed league *Short Season*
:00 PM	9/11/23		NFL Trio	Any 3 members	Full season - 1 point per night competition
	Tuesda			(Section 2)	
:00 PM	9/5/23	9/5 @ 12pm	Senior All Stars	4 members Mixed	Senior leaguers - 55 years or better!
:00 PM	9/5/23	8/29 at 12pm	Swinging Seniors	Any 3 Seniors	Very social/not certified *Short Season*
:00 PM	9/5/23	8/22 @ 5:15	Sportsman*	Any 5 members	Competitive mixed league
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:30 AM	9/6/23	9/6 @ 9:00	Bowlettes	3 Ladies	Ladies LeagueRelax and have fun with friend
2:30 PM	8/2/23	8/2 @ 12pm	Plano Senior Stars	3 Senior Men	Attn: Active Senior Men Restarts every 9 week
:00 PM	9/6/23	8/23 @ 5:00	Jack & Jill*	5 members Mixed	All Adult bowlers welcome!
:00 PM	9/6/23 Thursd	9/6 @ 8:30	SudsBusters	Any 4 members	Beer/Pizza League Beginners welcome "Short Seaso
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2:30 PM	9/7/23	9/7 @ 9:00		4 members	Calling all Seniors 55 years or better!
:00 PM	9/7/23	9/7 @ 12pm	Super Seniors Roadrunners	(30000 (000 200))	Senior 50+ funnot certified
:00 PM	9/7/23	8/17 @ 12pm	Mixed Nuts*	Any 3 Seniors 5 members Mixed	- STORAGE AND ACCOUNT THE CO
:00 PM		8/31 @ 6:00			Fun mixed league!
:00 PM	9/7/23	8/24 @ 5:15	Thurs Classic* Texins*	Any 5 members	An instant Classic/ Variety of averages
:00 PM	9/7/23	8/31 @ 5:15	5,4100745	Any 5 members	Coed league - Match point
.00 PW	Friday	9/7 @ 8:30	Pepsi Classic	Any 3 members	Highly competitive 4 game league. The best in the metro
0:00 AM	9/8/23	9/8 @ 9:00	Las Vegas Doubles*	Any 2 members	Double your pleasure XX Double your fun!
:15 PM	9/8/23	8/18 @ 5:30	Fri Foursome*	Any 4 members	Weekend Fun! "Short Season"
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:00 AM	9/9/23	9/9 @ 8:30	Sat Bunch	Any 3 youths	Youth league/ Ages 11 and under
:00 AM	9/9/23	9/9 @ 8:30	PeeWees	Any 2 youths	Youth League/ Bumpers for 6 and under
:00 PM	9/9/23	9/9 @ 5:00	Sat Night Live	Any 4 members	Adults all ages & averages, couples welcome!
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:00 PM	9/10/23	-	Sun Youth/Adult	4 member	A fun way to end the weekend for the whole fami
:00 PM	9/10/23	9/10 @ 5:15	Plano Sundowners	Any 4 members	Adults of all ages/averages; Couples welcome
:00 PM	9/10/23	9/10 @ 5:30	Sport Challenge	Any 3 members	Get the pro experience on different Sport patterns - 4 ga





Southwest Area USBC Youth Scores

Keegan Alexander headed the Southwest-area USBC youth bowling last month with a thundering 260/749 High School League series at Killeen Bowlerama.

Mia Medina paced the girls with a super solid 278/630 Youth set at Tenpins & More.

Killeen Bowlerama, Killeen, TX – Jonathan Rosado 244-690, Thomas Shotwell 256-666, Solomon Loyd 224-619, Justin Alexander 203-545.

Tenpins & More, Rio Rancho, NM – Lucia Griego 167-474, Antonio Ontiveros 249-590, Carson Belnap 258-695, Kira Vanderlip 191-543, Dylan Lopez 222-607, Kylie Belnap 198-556, Donald Gallegos 224-634, Shane Muller (4 games) 201-650.

U18, U15 and U12 Champs Crowned at 2023 Junior Gold Championships

By: Gene J. Kanak

INDIANAPOLIS – After nearly two weeks of competition, the 2023 Junior Gold Championships officially ended Saturday when six champions were crowned following the stepladder finals in the 18-and-under, 15-and-under and 12-and-under divisions at Royal Pin Western.

This year's champions included Aidan Furukawa of Sunbury, Ohio (U18), Ernesto Reynoso of Folsom, California (U15), and Ryan Campbell of Clinton, South Carolina (U12), in the boys divisions. The champions on the girls side were Gianna Brandolino of Channahon, Illinois (U18), Larielle Tharps of Orlando, Florida (U15), and Alexandra McCowan of Anaheim, California (U12).



More than 3,250 United States Bowling Congress Youth members competed at Junior Gold 2023, traveling across six bowling centers in the Indianapolis area in hopes of winning a sizable portion of the approximately \$450,000 scholarship fund, making a run at a national title and claiming a spot on Junior Team USA.

BowITV.com provided livestream coverage of every round of the 2023 event leading up to the stepladder finals in each division.

The finals in each division were taped for broadcast on CBS Sports Network with telecasts adhering to the following schedule: U12 (Tuesday, Aug. 1 at 7 p.m. Continued on Page 17

North Texas USBC Youth Results

James Johnson headed the NTX USBC youth bowling last month with a power-packed 241-220-300 = 761 Saturday Showstoppers series at Plano Super Bowl.

Olivia Phillips paced the girls with a superb 190-202-298 = 690 Monday Gold set at Plano Super Bowl.

Jaycob Felder shared high-game honors with James Johnson with an award-winning 12-bagger at Plano Super Bowl.

Cowtown Bowling Palace – Matthew Hendrix 257-694, Gyanna Simmons 183-514, CY Salazar 235-654, Isbella Colbert 168-482, Isaac Marquez 205, Grace Gann 214-487, Jr Cain 128-347, Joseph Walker 126, Dakota Hardin 84, Nevaeh Chandler 86, Bo Shaw 122, Elizabeth Cain 102, Diego Marquez 112, Morgan Yaeger 70, JR Presley 103, Kaydence Chestnut 87, Oliver Nelson 87.

Forum Bowl – Tyler Brooks 201-531, Lindsey George 161-374.

Lions Lanes – Amari Browder 221-589, Charlie Rogers 189-522, Johnathan Lowey 164-480, Nate Bratcher 156-454, Morgan Hopkins 255-653, Marissa Thompson 216-525, Kylar Pride 140-395, Ashlyn Thompson 133-384.

Plano Super Bowl - Eliott In 136-365, Jade Achille 133-327, Joshua Hughes 138-374, Eviana Scott 118-323, Umberto Chang 153-409, Madeline Zabojnik 186-505, Preston Zabojnik 246-562, Abby Bellamy 136-304, Colton Rawdon 189-540, Eden Scott 238-574, Javcob Felder 260-673, Emily Mendez 265-618, Ahren Pearson 148-378, Avery Hughes 103-268, Parker Phoxayvong 158-429, Charlie Brown 165-419, Trevor Woodward-Hall 223-573, Preston Phoxayvong 158-429, Kiri Dykes 110-271, Trevor Woodward-Hall 213-620, Hannah Erickson 215-485, Anthony Gamboa 120-324, Jadelyn Bannert 104-262, Robbie Baum 255-667, Danika Casey 154-369,

Jaycob Felder 681, Alexia Moon 232-620, Amari Browder 210-566, Luke Henke 199-473, Zoha Calton 153-437, Diego de la Torre 244-691, Charisse Graham 224-578, Treavor Mason 237-562, Bella Rivera 161-443, Brady McDonough 247-637, Christopher Warren 257-657, Kaleb Herbert (2 games) 109-201, Allison Lee (2 games) 77-150.

Strikz – Maximus Rouse 236-647, Brody Schwartz 190-468, Jude May 142-403, Lincoln Beran 163-451, Joey Maulhardt 199-502, David Long 168-476, Aaron Nelson 185-460, Jake Sullivan 247-627, Misha Brown 222-542, Colin Stack 155-408, Owen Smullen 241-545, Christian Wages 202-506, Adrian Salinas 208-598, Vikram Krishna 213-576, Witen Albin 192-459, Keathan Jennings 214-553, Matthew Sifford 172-473, Enrique Arredondo 203-521, Jake Brierton 163-408, Avery Barnes 170-460, Nolan Shawen 174-443, Austin Ortiz 162-424, Edwin Carter 158-424, Jakob Harputczyk 159-423, Julia Rouse 192-519, Kamryn Bloodworth 146-379, Allison Rouse 131-351, Jayme Brooks 132-384, Vanessa Rodriguez 164-424, Ellie Rouse 143-410.

Lane Laughter



Deo Benard Claims 4th Title at PBA **Thousand Oaks Southwest Open**

By: Tony Lanning SAN ANTONIO, TX - Deo Benard continues to set the standard for young players in the Southwest Region by taking home his 4th title winning the PBA Thousand Oaks Southwest

Deo was the youngest player to win Regional Rookie of the Year honors when he earned that accolade in 2020 at 17 years old.

He is now a 4 time champion

The race was on to see who landed as the top seed as the lead changed multiple times.

Dallas Leong (Las Vegas, NV) led qualifying then Beau Peterson (McPherson, KS) took over the lead after the first Advancer Round.

Benard then claimed the top spot after Advancer Round 2 then extended his lead to 100 pins after Round 3 to take the #1 position going into the stepladder.

I must mention that Dallas Leong (28) got a chance to feel what it's like to be the "old guy" as the rest of the stepladder featured Benard (19), three time Champion Eric Jones (18) and two time PBA Jr. Champion Garrett Andrus (18)....The future if bowling is BRIGHT to say the

Andrus from Austin, TX started as the #4 seed taking on Eric Jones of Edmond, OK was able to seize an opportunity late in the match and advance with a 236-215 victory.

Andrus, sticking to what works, posted 236 again getting past Leong's 226 to earn a shot at the title.

In the Championship match, both players posted solid games but ultimately Benard found his way to the winners circle with a 224-203 victory.

Thanks to Evan, Debbie, Richard and the Bowlero Thousand Oaks team for being great hosts!



PBA SW Region Champion Deo Benard

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ment leaders Team Lecroy (Joe Lecroy, Darry Weigle, Brandon Carlson) defeated Team Hestand 245-203 for the title.

It was Joe's 39th title and Darry's 3rd.

Aaron Hearn had the only 300 game. There was a Dickinson and Westlake sighting. Darry won a title on his birthday!

Thank you to Kim & Tim Denny and staff for hosting.

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At Cityview Lanes

Edmonds blasts 764, Franco wheels in 681

Jordan 297

Stevo Edmonds collected highseries honors last month at Cityview Lanes with a power-packed 279/764 DPB Doubles league series.

Amanda Franco, Edmonds league mate, rolled an impressive 280/681 set to front distaff scoring.

Carl Jordan earned high-game accolades with a near-perfect 297

HONOR ROLL

Jack Simpson 751, June Barker 235, Claudia Dorsey 556, Humm Smith 276, Kendrick Gregory 721, Janet Allen 225-572, Frankie Brazos 247, William Cutler 717, Mellissa Ringinger 208, Tashia Wood 601.

Daniel Puente 270, Humm Smith 719, Ashley Megurdichan 234-637, Cassandra Norris (no tap) 300-767, Randy Beinlich 280, David Dewberry 716, Janet Allen 216, Judy Luttrell 536.

Sawn Lewis (no tap) 300, Adam Martin (no tap) 300, Chris Davis (no tap) 300, Scotty Atcheson (no tap) 300, Jeff Crenshaw (no tap) 300, Blake Martin (no tap) 300, Michael Dudley (no tap) 841.

Samantha Weyant (no tap) 258-717, Frank Lenihan 277, Staton Avery 747, Yolinda Lenihan 222-629, Bi Bird Irvine 267, Dick Ringus 713, Christy Irvine 198-528, Cyle Johnson 279, Sean Johnson 711.

Corrina Renteria 212, Heather Cross 544, Andy Felps 279, Robert Guthmiller 746, Deidra Van Nocker 245-628, Stephen Edmonds 246-621, Kelsey Quinney

At Red Bird Lanes

Green belts 777, Cathey lands 739

Green, Vogel 300, Cathey 299

David Green held the hot hand last month at Red Bird Lanes with a hard-hitting 259-239-279 = 777 Tuesday Men's Commercial league production.

Lauren Cathey, from the Members Only group, led the ladies with a solid 266-215-258 = 739 set.

David Green and Shannon Vogel shared high-game honors with award-winning perfectos while Billy Cathey took runner-up accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Phillip White 289-741, Brittany Pope 230-648, DeWayne Steed 235-656, Angelina Jimenez 154-413, Lauren Cathey 227-619, Michelle Haney 177-481, Billy Cathey 753, Jarrod Urban 255-728.

David Green 716, Lauren Cathey 257-707, Shannon Vogel 731, Paula Kennedy 223-585, Matt Wagner 235-641, Blanca Hinojosa 171-506, Terry Brinlee 225-610, Regenia Stewart 204-546.

Phillip White 235-625, Diane Ihle 114-309, Marcus Johnson (2 games) 122-236, Kendal Renfro (2 games) 136-239.



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Junior Team USA Doubles Teams Win Four Medals at PANAM Bowling Youth Championship 2023



Annalise O'Bryant, Katelyn Abigania Lara Kurt and Gianna Brandolino

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TUESDAY

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League Name

Monday Night Mixers

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By: Gene J. Kanak

LIMA, Peru – One day after capturing three of the six available medals in singles, Junior Team USA bowlers took things up a notch on Tuesday as all four American duos medaled during doubles competition at the PANAM Bowling Youth Championship 2023, which is being contested at VIDENA Bowling Center of La Villa Deportiva Nacional (VIDENA).

Lara Kurt of Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina, and Katelyn Abigania of San Diego. combined for a six-game total of 2,492 to secure the women's gold medal, while Spencer Robarge of

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Springfield, Missouri, and Julian Salinas of Richmond, Texas, came in with a score of 2,700 to take top honors for the men.

Brandon Bonta of Wichita, Kansas, and Ryan Barnes of Denton, Texas, used a 2,661 total to secure the men's silver medal, which left the Canadian duo of Nicholas Blagojevic and Mathis Blanchette to claim bronze with

The women's bronze medal went to the Junior Team USA duo of Annalise OBryant of Ball Ground, Georgia, and Gianna Brandolino of Channahon, IIlinois, who secured the final spot on the podium with a six-game

League Type

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total of 2,394.

That put the Americans one spot behind the Colombian duo of Catalina Gomez and Sara Duque, which claimed the women's silver medal with a score of 2,489.

Salinas authored Junior Team USA's best individual performance of the day, coming in with a six-game total of 1,407 (a 234.5 average) thanks to games of 237, 258, 224, 273, 225 and 190.

According to Salinas, there was no special secret to Tuesday's success; it was just a matter of sticking to his game plan.

"I had the same approach going into today as I had yesterday, but I was able to stay doing the same thing on the lanes a lot longer today, which was a big help," Salinas said. "I felt great

about how I bowled, and winning my first gold medal is just awesome."

Robarge got to experience that feeling by dominating the men's singles competition on

The lefty two-hander didn't

feel his Tuesday performance was quite as sharp; nevertheless, he was solid, contributing a 1,293 block total (a 215.5 average) on scores of 225, 195, 216, 210, 233 and 214, which, when combined with Salinas' mammoth total, was more than enough to bring home the gold.

"I feel fortunate to have two gold medals in two days now," Robarge said. "My shot-making wasn't quite as crisp today, but

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At Lions Lanes

Boroff notches 773, Armstrong tosses 685

Jones 299, Merrick 298, Pride 296

ENNIS, TX - Ryan Boroff's hard-hitting 248-278-247 = 773Tuesday Nite Trio session led scoring for the month at Lions Lanes.

Samantha Armstrong, Boroff's league mate, paced the ladies with a nice 214-226-245 = 685 set.

AJ Jones garnered high-game honors with a near-perfect 299 solo. Jalen Merrick took runner-up accolades with a 298 solo while Bam Pride followed with a 296 game.

HONOR ROLL

AJ Jones 741, Bam Pride 660, Keith Thomas, Sr. 289-762, Ryan Boroff 277-762, Christy Antle 269-612, Ryne McKenrick 246-643, Barbara Shaw 223-640, April Hopkins 244-640, Jalen Merrick 756.

Cade Pool 286-669, Greg Taylor 285-769, Matthew Jennings 279-618, Roger Zaeske 278-735, Tyler Coody 264-721, Wendy Jones 236-649, Catherine Wolf 224-504, April Hopkins 213-508.

Wendy Jones 227-651, Charity Risk 221-578, Ashlyn Risk 205-574, April Hopkins 193-527.



At Cowtown Bowling Palace

Roberts topples 815, Hines snags 647

Parker 300

Kevin Roberts hammered out hefty 287-269-259 = 815 Ebonite Classic Trio marks to win the high-series race for the month at Cowtown Bowling Palace.

Shell Hines, also from the Ebonite Classic Trio, headed the ladies' leader board with an outstanding 276-193-178 = 647 set.

Paul Parker garnered high-game accolades with an award-winning perfecto.

HONOR ROLL

Jason Hurst 256-674, Susan Johnson 212-596, Scotty Anderson 253-700, Susan Johnson 245-631, Lucas Helka 241-705, Michelle Teel 217-609, Brian Roberts 268-716, Julie McHugh 256.

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LIMA, Peru – There were two gold medals up for grabs during Wednesday's trios competition at the PANAM Bowling Youth Championship 2023, and Junior Team USA bowlers won them

Brandon Bonta of Wichita, Kansas; Spencer Robarge of Springfield, Missouri; and Julian Salinas of Richmond, Texas, dominated the men's division at VIDENA Bowling Center of La Villa Deportiva Nacional (VIDENA), combining for a six-game score of 4,319 (a 239.94 average per player per game), which put the Americans in first place by more than 600 pins.

The Puerto Rican squad of Edgar G. Burgos, Edgar J. Burgos and Jesus Colon secured the silver medal with a 3,717 total. Canada's Nicholas Blagojevic, Mathis Blanchette and Jacob Imoo took home bronze with

Bonta led the way for the Junior Team USA men on Wednesday, authoring a six-game total of 1,510 (a 251.67 average) thanks to scores of 279, 237, 237, 238, 275 and 244.

Salinas was next with 1,405 (203, 243, 246, 221, 246 and 246), while Robarge was one pin back at 1,404 (236, 279, 171, 259, 227 and 232).

Because trios competition only allows three bowlers to

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I felt like I was able to string strikes at times when I needed them, and I had one heck of a doubles partner."

Barnes and Bonta could each say the same.

The Wichita State teammates proved that they made a good match by putting up nearly identical scores on Tuesday with Bonta coming in with a six-game mark of 1,331 (179, 194, 212, 202, 290 and 254) and Barnes finishing one pin behind at 1,330 (193, 193, 258, 218, 248 and 220).

For Barnes, winning the men's doubles silver medal, his first medal as a member of Junior Team USA, was made even sweeter because of who he bowled with to get it.

"Winning this medal today was even more fun because I got to do it with one of my best friends," Barnes said. "Brandon (Bonta) and I have bowled together multiple times. We kind of struggled the first two games, but we stayed patient and worked through it."

Tuesday's effort gave Bonta his second silver medal in two days, and even though there's nothing quite like winning for the first time, Bonta was equally

Junior Team USA Sweeps Trios Gold Medals at PANAM Bowling Youth Championship 2023

participate for each country, Junior Team USA's fourth men's bowler, Ryan Barnes of Denton, Texas, was forced to compete for all-events status only on Wednesday.

The talented two-hander made the most of that opportunity, however, leading all individual men's competitors with a six-game mark of 1,413 (225, 214, 279, 211, 227 and 257).

Barnes will return to the fold for the team event, which starts Thursday and wraps up on Friday.

The American men have been looking forward to bowling as a team ever since the tournament started, and if Wednesday's trios success is any indication of things to come, then rightfully

"I think it's going to be a great next couple of days," Salinas said. "There were only three of us bowling together today, but Ryan (Barnes) still went two hundred over. All of us can produce crazy scores, so I'm super excited to see us all come together and put up more of those big scores during team. It's going to be a great time."

excited about the medals he and Barnes earned together on Day 2.

'This feels great once again," Bonta said. "After winning silver in singles yesterday, I went into today with the same expectation. To have it happen the way that it did was really exciting for me and Ryan (Barnres); I just can't wait for more "

Kurt clearly felt the same way because just one day after winning silver in singles, she worked with Abigania to claim doubles gold.

Like Barnes and Bonta, Kurt and Abigania were a balanced pair on Tuesday, coming in with identical six-game totals of 1,246 to place themselves atop the women's doubles standings.

Kurt reached her total with games of 225, 214, 223, 201, 192 and 191, while Abigania got to hers thanks to games of 214, 194, 235, 181, 253 and 169.

For Kurt, medaling for the second day in a row and winning her first international gold medal was definitely special; however, what she liked most was getting to share the experience with Abigania.

It was so cool to bowl with Katelyn (Abigania) and have her as my doubles partner today," Kurt said. "Singles is fun, but it's so much sweeter getting to

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The Junior Team USA women will also be looking for a good time during the team event. To make that happen, they simply need to follow the same roadmap they used en route to trios gold on Wednesday.

That medal was brought home by Katelyn Abigania of San Diego; Lara Kurt of Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina; and Annalise OBryant of Ball Ground, Georgia, who topped the women's field by nearly 500 pins with a six-game score of 4,004 (a 222.44 average per player per game).

Lida Burgos, Isabella Colon and Itzel Salayet propelled Puerto Rico to the silver medal with a score of 3,505, which left Canada's trio of Alex-Anne Aclair, Jade Cote and Mei Yen-Lachapelle in position to claim bronze with 3,477.

Abigania tallied the highest score among the American ladies, shooting games of 226, 208, 227, 202, 288 and 227 for a block total of 1,378 (a 229.67 average).

OBryant wasn't far behind, coming in with a 1,356 total thanks to games of 212, 247, 225, 211, 226 and 235

Kurt broke 225 three times in six games (232, 265 and 226) to contribute 1,270 to the Americans' gold-medal effort.

Gianna Brandolino of Channahon, Illinois, competed in all-events on Wednesday, and she had a fine showing while doing so, leading all solo women's competitors with a six-game total of 1,265, which included a 258 in Game 5.



Ryan Barnes, Spencer Robarge, Brandon Bonta and Julian Salinas

Wednesday's double-gold effort in trios only served to further emphasize Junior Team USA's dominance at this years PANAM Bowling Youth Championship. Through three days of competition, the Americans have claimed nine of a possible 12 medals, five gold, three silver and one bronze.

They hope to put a bow on a fine week of bowling by winning another pair of gold medals in the team event, which brings the tournament to a close on Thursday and Friday.

For more information on visit BOWL.com/TeamUSA.

At JB's Allen Bowl

Foskey leads with 754, Plaxco strokes 702

Rash, Shelby 300's, Hammer 299, Pearson 298

John Foskey held the hot hand at JB's Allen Bowl last month after pocketing prime 246-252-256 = 754 numbers in Thursday Night Mixers action.

Brandy Plaxco, Foskey's league mate, fronted fem scoring with a sizzling 214-236-252 = 702 set.

Gid Rash and Joe Shelby shared high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers. Kevin Hammer took runner-up accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo while Blake Pearson followed with a 298 game. **HONOR ROLL**

Kevin Hammer (4 games) 1113, Lydia Gilbert (4 games) 236-863, Arnie Andreacchi 254-652, Elaine Gattenby 179-494, Marcus Patterson 268-736, Deanna White 235-672, Blake Pearson 729, Mya Murray 231-600.

SENIORS

Stephen Keblish 237-687, Kimbo Emerson 226-585, Bill Clary 267-673, Andi Hall 212-537.

FALL LEAGUES

LEAGUE NAME	START DATE	TIME	TEAM #'S	
Monday Senior Marvels	Monday September 11	12:00 PM	3	
Doubles 9-Pin No Tap	Monday September 11	8:30 PM	2	
Allen TNT	Tuesday September 5	6:15 PM	4 (Must include one lady)	
Tipsy Tuesday	Tuesday September 5	9:00 PM	2	
Wednesday Match Play (Waitlist)	Wednesday September 6	6:45 PM	4	
Steve Ray Doubles	Thursday September 7	12:00 PM	2	
Thursday Mixers	Thursday September 7	6:15 PM	4	
Late Night Match Play	Thursday September 7	9:00 PM	2	
Kings and Queens Scratch	Thursday September 7	9:00 PM	1	
TGIF	Friday September 8	10:00 AM	3 Ladies	
Friday 4 Play	Friday September 8	7:15 PM	4	
Sunday Doubles	Sunday September 10	5:30 PM	2	

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do things like this together. It just makes it that much more rewarding."

For Abigania, who captured her first international medal as a member of Junior Team USA with Tuesday's victory, simply getting to represent her country on the lanes is reward enough.

"It's so surreal being able to bowl for your country and being out here with the best bowlers in the world," Abigania said. "It's really an honor to be able to bring home gold."

Brandolino's and OBryant's doubles medals were a different color, but they worked just as hard to secure them.

OBryant led the way for the duo on Tuesday, using scores of 202, 229, 216, 197, 203 and 203 to come in with a six-game total of 1,250 (a 208.33 average). Brandolino contributed 1,144 on games of 213, 190, 186, 179, 177 and 199.

Although Brandolino wasn't able to light up the scoreboard quite as much on Tuesday as she usually does, what she was able to do was demonstrate the tenacity and selflessness that has made her one of the best young bowlers in the world.

"Annalise (OBryant) bowling better than I was today really

kept me going because I wanted to do well for her as much or more than I wanted to bowl well for myself," Brandolino said. "It's hard for me to put into words how it feels to win this medal. Even though it's bronze, it's still a great accomplishment."

OBryant's feelings were largely the same.

"I'm still speechless. It's always been a dream of mine to be a part of Team USA, so to be able to compete for the team and win my first medal is just beyond words," OBryant said. "I'm so happy right now; this is just

amazing."

That's also a good word to use to describe Junior Team USA's performance through the first two days of competition as the Americans have claimed seven of a possible 10 medals awarded thus far.

They hope to continue the momentum during Wednesday's action in trios before the team event brings the tournament to a close on Thursday and Friday.

For more information on Team USA, visit BOWL.com/TeamUSA.

At Forum Bowl

Empy smashes 772, Ratchford polishes off 674

Uthoff 299

Bryant Empy, from the Tuesday Trio group, pocketed power-laden 236-258-278 = 772 numbers en route to earning high-series honors for the month at Forum Bowl.

Tracy Ratchford dominated scoring with a blue-ribbon 220-236-218 = 674 Friday Doubles showing to lead the ladies.

Cody Uthoff captured high-

game accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

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SENIORS

Ira Bassett (9 pin) 277-774, Lucila McKey (9 pin) 274-646.



10 YEARS AGO

Tate Taylor shot a perfect 300 game at Junior Gold...Liz Johnson and Wes Malott take home \$50,000 each for their US Open titles in Columbus, OH...Charlie Whittle shot 808 at Diamond Lanes... Tom Hays an 801 at Plano Super Bowl...Adrienne Hare led the ladies with 826 at Tenpins & More...Cathy Sposito rolled 727 at Plano Super Bowl...Tawana Ramey had 697 at Killeen Bowlarama... Pete Thomas wins SASBA in Shawnee...Brian Himmler wins the Singles and Doubles titles at the Bowlers Journal in Reno...Mark Williams wins PBA50 Regional in Shreveport...Shannon O'Keefe and Bill O'Neill win Luci Doubles.

20 YEARS AGO

Wes Malott and Genie Franklin win Luci Doubles...John Handegard claims Ebonite SASBA at Copperfield Bowl...YABA bowler Chris Wichers led the honor roll with 300/816 at Plano... Sonny Howard had 803 at DC Cityview...Jason Traister with 797 at Big Town...Sandi Irvine rolled 704 at Killeen Bowlerama...Alecia Ramos had 698 at BRC Watauga...Trea Ward wins True Amateur Jackpot, beating the great Jason Belmonte to win \$20,000 for first place...Ron Winger wins first Ebonite SASBA title in Shreveport... Lesley Boczar becomes first woman to roll sanctioned 300 games with right and left hands...Chris Johnson and Kari Schwager win Mixed Doubles at DC West.

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After noticing the friction starting to get to his ball toward the end of the semifinals match, Barnes and ball rep Jim Callahan decided he should switch to a 900 Global Xponent for the championship match, based on how it had reacted on the 46-foot Petraglia pattern Friday.

"I went +200 the last four when they broke down before using that ball, so we took a swing for the fences, assuming Troy was going to shoot a big game," Barnes said. "Every once in a while, the stars align."

Barnes and Callahan hit a home run as Barnes slammed home six straight to start the match giving him a 41-pin lead. With Lint not having quite the same look on this pair that he had to power his way to the No. 1 seed, Barnes finished his impressive stepladder run with the dominant 278-193 win. Barnes averaged 257.25 during his fourgame title climb.

"At this point, this would be the most special of the five titles I have out here," Barnes said. "Tom (Hess) probably had the best overall week. But winning this one was my biggest goal, and this worked out as good as I

could hope."

Barnes, who bowled 72 games at the World Series of Bowling this week, joked that his \$25,000 first-place pay day will help pay for his family's trip to Lima, Peru starting July 30 to cheer on his son, Ryan, who is representing Junior Team USA at the PANAM **Bowling Youth Championship**

In addition to Barnes winning the PBA50 World Championship, and Tom Hess winning the PBA50 Petraglia Championship, Dan Knowlton won the PBA50 Ballard Championship for his first PBA50 title, and Jon Rakoski won his first title at the PBA50 Monacelli Championship to conclude the PBA50 World Series of Bowling.

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Match 1: Barnes def. Hess, 245-236

Match 2: Barnes def. Janawicz, 258-244

Match 3: Barnes def. Angelo,

Championship match: Barnes def. Lint. 278-193

FINAL STANDINGS Chris Barnes, \$25,000 Troy Lint, \$13,000 Brad Angelo, \$8,000 John Janawicz, \$6,000 Tom Hess, \$5,000

At Strikz

Shuffield unloads 761, Trigos tips 664

FRISCO - Jason Shuffield collected high-series honors for the month at Strikz after rolling a hard-hitting 238-267-256 = 761Monday Mixerz series.

Daniela Trigos, also from the Monday Mixerz league, posted a rollicking 202-263-199 = 664 set to lead the honor roll for the ladies.

HONOR ROLL

Doug Beebe 196-571, Tiffany Emerson 228-597, Ed Matthies, Sr. 234-620, Rick Irvine 258-689, Eddie Matthies, Jr. 247-697, Debbie Colby 233-585, Bobby Brierton 211-580, Mark Johnson 222-622.

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Josh Cain 269-701, Chandler Ritsch 237-703, JoJo Schmidt 193-527, Eileen Inderlied 181-524, Tommy Davis 257-672, Mark Johnson 224-623, Bobby Brierton 222-611, Debbie Colby 234-619.

Dylan Simmerman 237-622, Shelton Fulton 224-629, Kraig Johnson 247-612, Candy Torrey 279-627, Billie Bennett 256-666, Bruce Southerland 226-663, Felipe Trigos 247-650, Trish Raney 190-532.

Mark Connor 249-669, Adrian Salinas, Sr. 223-628, Alonso Sabido 233-610, LaMarr Moss 226-570, Vinh Nguyen 198-575, Liliana Rogers 213-559, Jason Shuffield 219-637, Robert Gorrebeeck

David Gallagher 204-580, Rick Irvine 257-720, James Winton 221-614, James Burk 223-600, Scott Eastwood 254-672, Michael Mendez 196-557, Seth Mendez 198-564, Steven Gilmore 226-608.

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Dan Mustaca 194-538, Barry Higgins 224-557, Mark Winnie 180-530, Andrell Shabe 244-565, Ben Murphy 217-560, Shawn Cerda 194-546, James Estes 193-543

58th Terrell Invitational Final Results

By: Phil Clark

TERRELL, TX - The Terrell Invitational wrapped up its 58th year on May 21st.

This year's event played host to 66 teams.

We would like to extend a very special thank you to Adam Vincze and Platinum Ford for their continued support of our tournament and bowling in the DFW area.

This year we had three bowlers post perfect 300 games. They were Ryan Boroff, Micah Potter and Ray Chupp.

We also had one 800 series with Chandler Ritsch posting an

Once again, this year, bowlers from Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana

SIMONSEN/MCEWAN

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eighth career PWBA Tour title and first of 2023; she also won the last time she competed in this event in 2021 with EJ Tackett.

'We have heart," McEwan said. "That's what we kept saying all day."

Simonsen led all match play advancers by averaging 243.15 for his 13 games during the semifinals and finals, while McEwan paced the women with a 208.46 Sunday average. That's how they turned a 252-pin deficit into a 118-pin victory.

Despite the final margin, two teams were within striking distance heading into the position round. The defending champions, EJ Tackett and Diandra Asbaty, trailed by 82 pins in third place; Tommy Jones and Shannon Pluhowsky sat just

and Oklahoma made their way to Terrell to take their shot at the prize fund, bracket action and enjoy the hospitality of our local community.

Congratulations to our Champions; Handicap Team goes to Whitt's Way from FT. Worth with an outstanding 2921.

Whit's Way also captured the Scratch Team with a 2795 total. Whit's Way was made up of General Whitfield, Ron Boroff, Adam Beasley and Ryan Boroff.

Handicap Doubles champions are Daraseres and Patricia Overton from Lafayette, LA with a 1468, Handicap and Scratch Singles champion is Ryan Boroff with a 773.

Ryan Boroff also takes home

top honors in Handicap All-**Events and Scratch All-Events** with a 2263

Phil and Susie Clark of Clark's Promotions, and Josh Orr and Bill Russell of Terrell Bowling Center would like to thank all of this year's bowlers for their participation and continued support.

Mark your calendars' for next year's Terrell Invitational which will be held next spring on April 20-21, April 27-28, May 4-5, & May 18-19, 2024.

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61 pins back with a head-to-head matchup and 30 bonus pins in front of them.

Moreover, Jones and Pluhowsky had just defeated Simonsen and McEwan by 20 pins on the same pair where the position round would be held. And McEwan's ball reaction had disappeared — she clawed out a 186 that game while never knocking down more than eight pins on any of her final four first-balls.

The 11-time Team USA member remained resilient, starting the final game with a spare and three consecutive strikes.

"I definitely thrive off bowling with a team and having a teammate," McEwan said. "Especially in today's situation, even when I was lost, I had somebody to pick me up and to talk to when I wasn't seeing it clearly instead of having to listen to your own thoughts. I was able to have a

conversation with somebody and figure it out and that helped me tremendously."

"I felt like I had a really good ball reaction, so as long as she can keep us close, I can keep us moving up," Simonsen said.

Simonsen's ball reaction was illustrative of how the 26-yearold has rewritten the PBA record books over the past 10 years.

While other players chased the lane transition on the 41-foot pattern left of the sixth arrow, Simonsen did the opposite. He moved nearly 20 boards right and fired his fill ball about four miles per hour faster up the 8-board to close the fifth game of match play. He told McEwan he was going to commit to that move the next game.

"I had full trust in him," McEwan said. "It goes back to our familiarity bowling around the world with each other for at

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Jim Stephens and Ryan Barnes Win SASBA Member/Guest in Longview

By: Kathy King LONGVIEW, TX - We had 31 teams competing in the Member/ Guest doubles at Oil Bowl in Longview.

Jim Stephens and Ryan Barnes were in 6th place and 174 pins behind the leaders going into the 10 Baker matchplay games on Sunday.

They won 8 of their first 9 matches and had a 103 pin lead going into the final match against Greg Derrick and Paul Henderson.

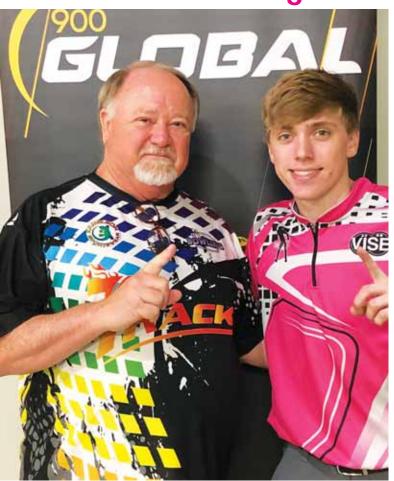
Stephens/Barnes won that match 244-213 to take the title and \$2100 first place prize.

It was Jim's 45th SASBA title and Ryan's first SASBA win.

Derrick/Henderson finished 2nd, Brad Hunter/RJ Klann claimed 3rd, Eddy Kelley/ Andrew Smith took 4th and CK Moore/Matt McGill rounded out the top 5.

We had no 300 games this tournament. Pete Seibel is a Foosball wizard. Always great to see Dalton out coaching the bowlers.

Thank you to Tra and Dalton Autry and staff for hosting.



Jim Stephens and Ryan Barnes







Dan Knowlton Wins First Career PBA50 Title at PBA50 Ballard Championship

JACKSON, MI - In his third season on the PBA50 Tour, Dan Knowlton achieved something he didn't even expect. He won his first PBA50 title at the PBA50 Ballard Championship.

"It's a dream I didn't know I had," the Florida native said. "I turned professional when I was 50. I am 52, and I never thought I would have a chance at a title."

After qualifying third, Knowlton defeated Paul Fleming Walter Ray Williams Jr. and John Janawicz to put himself in the best-of-three championship finals on Wednesday against lefty Troy Lint, who won his first title at the PBA Senior U.S. Open.

In the first game, Knowlton started with four strikes and kept the momentum throughout to earn the win, 228-201. In the second game, as both players continued to use urethane, Knowlton chopped a 2-4-5-8 in the third frame followed by a pocket 7-9 split for back-to-back open frames, but he wasn't

"I felt really confident I was going to win that game even when I was down 30 early," he



PBA50 Champion Dan Knowlton

said. "I just felt like I could get on a run, and I knew his look wasn't very good. So, I tried to brush it off and get back to business."

Lint was able to post strikes in the fourth thru seventh frames. Knowlton responded with five straight strikes after his open frames. With the lead in the eighth, Lint's shot was wide resulting in the 3-7-9 split and an opening. Lint finished with 224 and Knowlton stepped up and delivered in fashion.

"I've gotten a bunch of top fives, but I just keep shooting myself in the foot. This time I didn't," he said. "I am just so glad I had the opportunity to double to win and did it."

With his hands straight up in the air he celebrated the title along with his wife, Michelle, his parents, and his son who was on FaceTime.

"My parents have been my biggest supporters outside of my wife," he said fighting back tears. "It's awesome to have family here. It means everything."

Knowlton is the fourth firsttime PBA50 winner so far this season. His close friend Michael

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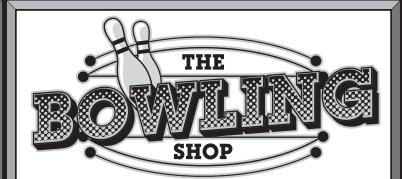
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One thing I get asked from time to time is why I don't write more about up-and-coming bowlers. When the Junior Gold finals are on CBS Sports Net is one thing, but the opportunity made itself available to see more on a Saturday a little over a month ago when Diandra Asbaty asked if I could handle live stream duties for her Elite Youth Tour, a Chicago-area scholarship bowling group she founded over a decade ago.

After looking at the roster, some of whom you've already seen in this column, I was really looking forward to watching them and many of the others who will be names you'll be reading about in the next few

The first sign this was going to be very different tournament in a good way happened during the morning announcements, although it made perfect sense. Before the ten-minute practice, one of the series sponsors, Paul Schroeder of Fast Track Physio conducted a mini stretch session for each of the 75 bowlers, offering advice on stretching and effective body movement, using a tennis ball and a softball to illustrate his points. As Schroeder later explained on the stream, being a league bowler (according to his website, he bowled in the 2007 U.S. Open) opened his eyes to the specific needs of bowlers. His findings and subsequent training techniques have caught the attention a handful of PBA and PWBA players, providing his services.

After my own frustration trying to demonstrate to physical therapists what a competitive bowler goes through, if it were possible. I would have loved to have had Schroeder's tutelage six years ago after my left knee procedure.

Beyond that, I was pleasantly stunned at what I saw for six hours. I kept seeing myself at a given point in my teen years, then comparing it to what these young people were doing now was hardly a fair comparison. It's not even an apples and oranges comparison, but more like an apple to a 767-jet airliner. All I was used to was getting ten minutes of warm up after two shifts of Friday night league, knowing the only places to play were outside first arrow and left of third arrow. In the late 1970s, stretching was only something classmates who were on high school teams did

As Publisher Tony, Publisher Genie, and daughter Tori have seen the last few years in Team TBN's trek the last few years, the youth scholarship tour scene is quite the sensory experience. From two-handers from either side to the more traditional style, it's revs, revs, and more revs. The more experienced players also use urethane where it fits, then switch to reactive when it's time to go to the middle of the lane, so that's the same.

What impressed me the most was the overall attitude and mental aspect these young

bowlers possess at this point in their young careers. They were pleased with good shots, but not totally dejected with shots not going according to plan. So yes, I did not see, or hear, one ball return hood get touched softly or harshly.

The support these players receive is wonderful. Not only is Asbaty's EYT (and other scholarship tourney groups) mentoring these skilled players into being better bowlers and better people, but the learning curve for the next level is getting much, much shorter. Many players have seen sport and similar competitive patterns by the time they get to high school, college, and top level amateur and pro competition. The old adage of spending several years on a pro tour honing one's craft is just that now, old. I'm looking forward to call more Elite Youth Tour action soon.

Hope someone took the over/ under number of 2.5 over in consecutive column mentions of PBA Midwest Regional Manager Toby Contreras because you can cash your ticket now. Besides the two-part interview in the June and July JPAs, Contreras made a run at doing something only four other regular professional tour titlists have accomplished. That's win a PBA/PWBA Tour title and the legendary Petersen Classic, the unique unsanctioned tournament with wild lane conditions, numerous light and heavy pins not always spot, and no reracks unless there are ten pins standing, where an eight-game score of barely over 1600 has been the winning score.



By Mark London Mark@TheBowlingNews.net



Each lane has its own unique oil pattern, some pins are barely three pounds, some pins are almost six pounds, and off spot pins are common. If ten pins are standing, you bowl, and there are no practice shots on the tournament lanes. The first ball counts.

Contreras shot a 1607 in early July in a squad he has organized for almost twenty years, coming within three pins of the lead, placing second at the time.

Will Welch took over the lead with a 1,639 less than a week later. And last week, Contreras got bumped to third as Steve Bohn clocked in with 1,657.

Only Mike Berlin (1968 Pete, 1977 ToC), Ted Hannahs (1995 Pete, 1981 Waukegan), Liz Johnson (2010 Pete, 1996 U.S. Women's Open, 2017 WSOB Chameleon), and Kevin McCune (2022 Pete, 2023 PBA Players) have won The Pete and a regular pro tour title.

Two PBA50 titlists have also won The Pete, Phil Ware (1981 Pete, 1993 ABC Sr Masters) and Tom Adcock (2006 Pete, 2021 PBA50 Spare Time Lanes).

In the final year of the current television contract with Fox Sports, the PBA's Nielsen ratings have been steady on the main Fox network and increased slightly on FS1.

With the exception of the opening telecast of 2023, the U.S. Open on February 6 that drew just over one million, the rest averaged between 710,000 to 767,000 viewers. The Tournament of Champions drew 767,000 March 19 to 742,000 for the USBC Masters April 2, and 710,000 for the World Championship April 23. Shows on the main Fox network drew between 800,000 to almost 1,000,000 the last two years while FS1 first run telecasts have increased slightly over the same period. Remember, FS1 and FS2 air PBA telecasts multiple times, adding to viewership numbers and ad revenue.

One point about how valuable media partners can be for high profile sports was made by PBA Commissioner Tom Clark, made on the June 16 episode of the Spare Time Bowling Show podcast. Clark stated one idea to get more fans to follow the PBA Tour and watch its telecasts was one of the purposes of the PBA League Bowler Certification program and national tournament in Milwaukee this spring

"The goal in those two years is to do so well with viewership, attention, relevancy, prize money, the kinds of fans, and the kind of attention we want, so the

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A Week To Remember **For Tom Hess**

What a week for Tom Hess. After finishing 3rd in the Ballard Championship on Wednesday, he took second the next day in the Monacelli Championship, and on Friday he captured his fourth career PBA50 title, winning the Petraglia Championship at JAX60 Bowling Center in Jackson, Michigan. For his efforts, Hess received \$5,000 for the Petraglia Championship on Friday (in addition to \$3,000 on Thursday and \$2,500 on Wednesday).

The event is actually four tournaments in one, with the Ballard Championship (won by Dan Knowlton of Dade City, Fla., for \$5,000), Monacelli Championship (won by Jon Rakoski of Estero, Fla., for \$5,000) and finally the Petraglia Championship, won by Hess, all leading to the PBA50 World Championship on Sunday, with a first-place prize of \$25,000. Through Saturday night action, Hess is seeded 5th in the World Championship, with a total of 8,264 pins for 36 games.

The term "seeded" is appropriate for Hess, who is a sod installer by trade in his native home in Granger, Iowa. He won the 2011 USBC Masters for his first PBA Tour victory, as well as his first major, at the age of 41. He joined the PBA50 tour in 2021, winning two major championships (PBA50 US Open, and USBC Senior Masters), the PBA50 Player of the Year, and Rookie of the Year — all in the same season!

The other leaders going into the final day of action on Sunday include: Chris Barnes of Denton, Texas, 8,422; John Janawicz of Winter Haven, Fla., 8375; Brad Angelo of Lockport, N.Y., 8297; and Ryan Shafer of Horseheads, N.Y., 8269. Perennial favorite (and now a super senior over the age of 60) Pete Weber of St. Ann, Mo., sits in 7th place with a total of 8,196 (all totals are including bonus points).

It's always interesting to look at the previous trade or profession of PBA50 competitors. Gene Stus was the first to shock the bowling world when he came from virtual obscurity as a retired General Motors auto worker, to dominate the seniors for many years. Stus took advantage of a program offered by GM (age plus years of service) to retire at age 50 and join the PBA50 Tour in 1990. One of his most amazing statistics is an incredible 50 top-five finishes in 173 senior events.

Another senior tour player that took advantage of an early retirement program was Ron Mohr, an air traffic controller from Anchorage, Alaska. Mohr retired at age 52 and decided to give the PBA50 Tour a shot. In the intervening years he racked up enough achievements to merit a Bowling Hall of Fame selection, thirteen PBA50 victories, two Player of the Year awards (2009 and 2011) and two Super Senior Player of the Year awards (2016 and 2017). I wonder if he still does 550 sit-ups and 180 pushups everyday?

After winning the Petraglia Championship for his fourth career PBA50 title, Hess sat down with Jill Winters of pba.com for an exclusive interview. "I am one win away from being Hall of Fame eligible," said the Iowa native. "That was my goal. To now finally be out here, this is all I am focusing on, and the results are showing."

In the best of three championship match against Chris Barnes, Hess started the first game with a strike and a washout open in the second frame. Then he struck nine consecutive times to finish with a 263. Although he lost to Barnes in the second game, you could just sense that Hess was going to win. He finished the third game with seven consecutive strikes for a 258-164 route, and a 2-1 victory. "It has really been a good week making the top 4 in each of the last three tournaments," said Hess. "I was able to be patient, stay focused and get it done today."

Ms. Winters reported that after three titles have already been awarded in the WSOB for seniors, it all comes down to the finals of the PBA50 World Championship on Sunday. "The guys in front of me are not going to lay down," said Hess. "I am going to have to run down, chase them and catch them. Hopefully I



Tom Hess



Gene Stus



(I to r) Ron Mohr with Harvest Park Bowl owner Jim Wangeman at Nor Cal Senior Classic (2011)

can stay in the same momentum and get things done."

The final day of action on Sunday will begin at 9 a.m. for the final 12 games of match play. Then the final top five players will convene for a more traditional stepladder finals that is set to start at 6 p.m. Sunday evening. Tune in to see if Tom Hess will become eligible for the Hall of Fame. All of the action will be aired (and archived) on bowltv. com, or you can look for the final results at pba.com.

(Gene Stus passed away in 2014, at the age of 74)

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Belmonte Is Just That Good

Growing up in the tiny community of Sebastopol, California, most noted as the residence of Peanuts cartoonist Charles M. Schulz in those days, also had its share of notable bowlers that one could sit and watch on any given day for hours. Ron Lisher, Bruce Lofgren, Steve Wallack, Tony Kozlowski, Marlin Shimizu and countless others could be viewed as they honed their craft on the drives at L & L Lanes. A couple of these men averaged above the 200 mark at a time when it was considered "as scarce as hen's

The greatest bowler of them all in that era was Don Carter of St. Louis, the first million-dollar athlete in any sport. Everyone had to have the ball that he made famous, the Don Carter Gyro Balanced Ball by Ebonite. My parents drove me to Oakland, Calif., to meet George Gee, the best ball driller in the area. My average improved greatly with the purchase of the Gyro, and soon I was averaging over 200 in junior leagues.

Today a similar story must be taking place in many towns around the world, as the image of two-handed bowler Jason Belmonte has changed the game of bowling, perhaps like no other athlete in any sport, for at least a generation. Some have compared Belmonte to Tiger Woods in golf, or even Babe Ruth or Shohei Ohtani in baseball. But when you

add to his record the revolutionary two-handed style employed by Belmo, you begin to see the overall impact he's had on every facet of bowling.

A recent article in GQ Magazine ("The Man Who Broke Bowling") brought to light the amazing accomplishments of the 39-year-old Belmonte. Author Eric Wills put into words what many of us have known for more than a decade... Belmonte is just that good! Wills writes, "When he first alighted on the scene, Belmo, as he's known to his fans, resembled an alien species: one that bowls with two hands."

Wills continues, "He uses two fingers (and no thumb) on his right hand, palms the front of the ball with his left, and then, on his approach, which is marked by a distinctive shuffle step, rocks the ball back before launching it with a liquid, athletic whip, his delivery producing an eyepopping hook, his ball striking the pins like a mini mortar explosion."

To say that Belmonte has ruffled a few feathers would be putting it mildly. "He's been called a cheat and told to go back to his native Australia," writes Wills. But one of the top pros, Pete Weber, never condemned Belmonte's style, and often applauds him for his lofty achievements when it comes to victories in the major events like the U.S. Open, Tournament of

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least six years. When he knows what he's doing, he knows how to make it work.

Simonsen shot 298, which propelled them into the lead for good.

With the first-place finish, Simonsen earned his 16th top-10 finish in 16 PBA Tour title events in 2023. He'll have one final test at the Storm Lucky Larsen Masters in September.

McEwan closes out the 2023 PWBA Tour next month in Iowa. PRIZE FUND

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The Belmonte Family at the 2020 PBA World Championship -(I to r) Silvie, Jason Belmonte, wife Kimberly, Aria and in the foreground, son Hugo. (Photo provided by PBA, LLC)

Champions, USBC Masters, and the like. Another all-time great, Walter Ray Williams Jr., has even won a regional event using the

In regards to his accomplishments in the majors, Belmonte now has won 15. That's four more than anyone else in the history of bowling, and in only 12 years. That is simply amazing. And he's only 39, which is relatively young in the bowling game. Both Weber and Walter Ray, now in their 60's, recently announced retirement from the regular tour, but they're not giving up the PBA50 Tour for pros over the age of 50.

Belmonte now laments his style, which has brought about a new generation of talented players with eye-popping rev rates, according to writer Wills. It has grown more challenging for

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Michael Haggitt Claims First PBA50 Title at South Shore Classic

By: Jill Winters

HAMMOND, IN – Michael Haggitt had himself a memorable day on Thursday at the PBA50 South Shore Classic. He rolled a perfect game during the advancers round to start off his day. He then added another 300 in his first game of match play, and he ended the day by winning his first PBA50 title.

"There are so many guys out here that have been trying to get there, so to have this within three years is awesome," the 53-year-old said. "I spent a lot of time in the offseason on my spares because last year I missed a couple of cuts because I wasn't making a lot of 7-pins, so I had to work on that a lot."

The tall left-hander came into the day thinking he should throw a new Hammer Vibe, but his ball rep Jeff Johnson recommended going with a Hammer Ocean Vibe instead.

"I am glad I listened to him because it worked out well," he said. "This was my third time on a show, and I've had a lot of people around me give me great advice."

After earning the top seed for the stepladder finals inside Olympia Lanes, Haggitt used his Ocean Vibe in the champion-

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KILLEEN – Tony Smith rolled a hard-hitting 742 Rebels series to take top billing on the honor roll for the month at Killeen Bowlerama.

Samantha Kriner, Smith's league mate, paced the ladies last month with a sizeable 685 set.

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PBA50 Champion Michael Haggitt

ship match against one of the hottest bowlers on tour, USBC Senior Masters champion John Janawicz. The two matched one another through the first three frames. Janawicz gained a two-pin advantage in the fourth frame, and in the fifth frame he converted the 2-4-8-10 to keep his lead. He maintained the small lead through seven frames.

Knowing he would finish on the left lane that he felt was hooking more than the right lane, Haggitt "moved my target away from me and smoothed it out a little bit." That seemed to be the right decision as he ended the game with five straight strikes, four on the left lane alone, for the 237-219 win. He averaged 257.33 for his 12 games of bowling on Thursday.

"Getting a (champions) banner is everyone's goal and I can't really explain this feeling," the Springfield, Ohio native said.

In the opening match, lefty Jason Couch needed a double in the 10th frame against Ryan Shafer to advance. He got the first strike then left the 7-9 on his second shot to lose by three, 249-246.

Shafer, who used the new Teal Rhino Pro on the right lane and Trouble Maker on the left lane, put together four straight strikes in frames seven through the first shot in the tenth to defeat Glenn Smith, who was making his first stepladder finals appearance, 215-207

In the semifinal match, Janawicz struck on his first six shots, while Shafer didn't strike until the sixth and seventh frames. Janawicz finished that match off 247-210.

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Eastern); U15 (Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 7 p.m. Eastern); U18 (Tuesday, Aug. 22 at 9 p.m. Eastern); and U20 (Tuesday, Aug. 29 at 7 p.m. Eastern)

U18 Boys

Aidan Furukawa of Sunbury, Ohio, took home the U18 boys title by defeating Andrew Robitaille of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 197-181, during the final match of the 2023 Junior Gold Championships.

Any good bowler will tell you that making spares is crucial to being successful on the lanes, and that fact was on full display during this championship bout.

Aidan didn't record a double and only struck four times in total, but he also made each and every spare conversion he was forced to contend with.

Andrew, meanwhile, was saddled with four splits in the first seven frames, and despite some very solid spare attempts, each split led to an open frame.

Those opens outweighed any and all benefits created by his six strikes and allowed Aidan to wrap up the victory before the 10th frame was completed.

Aidan didn't come to Junior Gold 2023 with victory on his mind, so the gravity of what he had just accomplished hadn't yet sunk in during the moments immediately following the match.

"My only goal coming into this year was to try to make the first cut, so the fact that I won and am now on Junior Team USA is a lot to take in," Aidan said. "This feels amazing, but it's going to take a while to really comprehend how it feels."

Another thing that took a moment to comprehend was how nerve-racking it was to bowl on TV for a national title.

Aidan appeared to be handling that pressure just fine as he was smiling and playing to the crowd from the moment he walked onto the set

However, according to Aidan, the relaxed, lighthearted appearance on the outside masked what he was truly feeling inside.

"I looked calm, but deep down I was terrified," Aidan said. "I just did my best not to let that show on the outside."

He definitely accomplished that, but his more impressive accomplishments were taking home the U18 title and earning his first berth on Junior Team

Again, those goals weren't necessarily on his list at the start of this year's tournament, but he is certainly glad that he'll be able to add both to his resume from this point forward.

"I've never accomplished anything like this before, so getting this win and earning my way onto Junior Team USA definitely ranks first among anything I've ever done," Aidan said. "I didn't expect to get here, but being here feels amazing."

Andrew earned the opportunity to play spoiler by using a late five-bagger to erase an early deficit and rally past No. 2 seed Daniel Robertson, 226-214, in the semifinals.

Andrew's momentum slowed during the championship match, however, which allowed Aidan to walk away as champion while Andrew settled for third place.

U18 Girls

Gianna Brandolino of Joliet, Illinois, delighted her sizable cheering section by coming away with the U18 girls crown by virtue of a 228-202 defeat of Karina Capron of Fremont, Nebraska.

Karina certainly didn't go down without a fight, throwing a clutch four-bagger in frames six through nine to force Gianna to get a strike and six pins in the 10th frame to win.

The top seed proved that she was up to the challenge, however, getting the all-important strike and then counting nine on her next ball to officially lock up her first Junior Gold title.

Despite her young age, Gianna has already accomplished plenty on the lanes; nevertheless, becoming a Junior Gold champion immediately jumped to the top of her personal list of achievements.

"Winning today, by far, ranks first among all the wins I've had so far," Brandolino said. "Me and my team won the USA **Bowling Championships last** vear, and that was No. 1 at the time, but winning this has a different feeling. Knowing that I accomplished this by myself is just great."

Gianna was certainly great during the title match, staying clean and using an opening double and a turkey in the sixth, seventh and eighth frames to keep the advantage firmly on her side.

That advantage was bolstered by the fact that Karina left a pair of early splits that led to open frames.

Still, Karina wasn't about to give up, and when she came up with that late four-bagger, suddenly, Gianna had something to think about.

A lesser player may have stumbled as the pressure mounted, but not Gianna. Perhaps that's because her mom often seems to be willing to fact that pressure for the both of them.

"I'd like to say that I'm the one who's the most nervous in those big moments, but it's probably

my mom," Gianna said. "She's always pacing up and down. She just wants the best for me. I want the best for myself too, so I just have to push the nerves aside and go out and do what I do."

What she did on Saturday night was capture her first Junior Gold title, and that's a memory she won't soon forget.

"It's an honor to know that my name is going to be on the same banner as players like Landin Jordan and Stefanie Johnson," Gianna said. "Also, it's crazy to think that next year I'm going to come and see my name and picture listed among the champions.

Karina was hoping to add her name to that exclusive list on Saturday night, but that goal will have to wait at least one more

Still, she performed admirably all night long.

She earned her place in the title match by doubling in the 10th frame to beat No. 3 seed Kaitlyn Stull of Raleigh, North Carolina, 231-226, during a thrilling U18 girls semifinal.

Then, she fought hard and gave Gianna all she could handle before eventually running out of frames and being forced to settle for third-place honors.

The U18 division featured 588 girls and 1,313 boys at the 2023 Junior Gold Championships.

Junior Gold 2023 kicked off July 10 with U20 competition. Carter Street of Dublin, Ohio, and Jenna Stretch of Auburn Township, Ohio, won titles in their respective divisions.

Junior Team USA 2024

Six boys and six girls from the U18 division also earned spots on Junior Team USA for 2024 based on their performances this week at the Junior Gold Championships.

The boys team will feature Furukawa, Robitaille, Braden Mallasch of Waupaca, Wisconsin; Christian Liquori of Merritt Island, Florida; Garrett Andrus of Austin, Texas; and Josh Hammons of Topeka, Kansas.

Brandolino, Capron, and Stull will be joined on the girls team in 2024 by Victoria Varano of Stony Point, New York; Erin Klemencic of Powder Springs, Georgia; and Katelyn Abigania of San Diego.

U15 Boys

In just his third appearance, Ernesto Reynoso of Folsom, California, reached the Junior Gold winner's circle for the first time by defeating top seed Matteo Quintero of Smyrna, Tennessee, 237-198

Although Matteo, who won the 2021 U12 boys title, was the player with previous Junior Gold stepladder finals experience, Ernesto looked like the seasoned

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veteran on this day, delivering a clutch six-bagger in frames four through nine to keep Matteo at arm's length.

As expected, Matteo fought from start to finish; however, when his attempted conversion of the 2-4-5-7 left the 5 pin standing, resulting in an open frame in the seventh, Ernesto's lead was just too big to overcome.

That allowed Ernesto to secure the victory and become the newest U15 boys national champion.

The victory capped off a long and challenging week for Ernesto, but the outcome made it all worthwhile.

"This week was a long grind, so I knew I needed to stay patient and make my spares," Ernesto said. "That approach allowed me to qualify second, get through the advancers rounds and make the show.

"Once I reached the stepladder, I knew that I needed to stay patient, not let the nerves get the best of me and make my best shots. I did that, and that's what allowed me to be standing here holding this trophy."

In addition to the trophy,

this week's stellar effort allowed Ernesto to earn a spot on the 2024 Junior Team USA Developmental Team, and that meant just as much to him as the Junior Gold title.

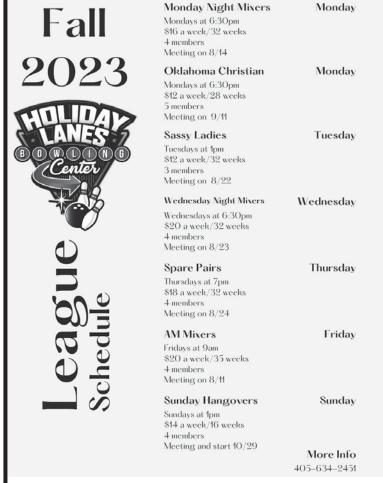
"The trophy and the Team USA jacket are about equally special to me," Ernesto said. "I was happy with whatever happened on TV because I had already earned the jacket. To be on Junior Team USA and get the win makes this even better. Honestly, once I'd realized I'd won, I was like 'wow, there's no way I just did that."

But he did, and he made the lanes look fairly easy in the process.

Before shooting 237 against Matteo in the title match, Ernesto rattled off a sevenbagger in frames four through 10 to defeat No. 2 seed Landon Dreibelbis of Ashland, Ohio, 246-200, in the semifinals.

Landon recorded eight strikes during that battle, but a pair of splits led to open frames in the third and sixth frames, which was all the room Ernesto needed to jump ahead and never look

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back.

For his efforts, Landon exited Junior Gold 2023 with a solid third-place finish.

U15 Girls

In what was undoubtedly the match of the day, Larielle Tharps of Orlando, Florida, captured the U15 girls title by topping Macy Jones of Shobonier, Illinois, (10-7) in a one-ball roll-off after the two players finished 10 frames tied at 226.

Larielle opted to begin the roll-off on the right lane, which was where she struck on her fill ball just moments earlier to force the extra session.

Wasting no time, Larielle calmly stepped up and delivered another flush strike, which Macy needed to match in order to extend the roll-off and keep her national championship dreams alive.

Macy's shot appeared to be on target as it raced down the lane, but it wound up hooking high through the head pin, leaving the 4-7-10 split and ending the match in Larielle's favor.

The win was especially gratifying for Larielle because

she had come so close twice before, grabbing a runner-up finish in the U12 girls division in 2021 and finishing in the top five in U15 action last year in Grand Rapids.

"This feels wonderful because it makes it clear that all the time and practice I put in this past year has paid off," Larielle said.

Early on, it looked like Larielle was going to enjoy a smooth and easy path to the title as she used an opening four-bagger to jump out to a 42 pin lead over Macy just four frames into the match.

Larielle's pace would slow from there, however, with her striking just twice over the course of the next five frames.

Macy, meanwhile, recovered from an open in the fourth frame by notching a four-bagger of her own in frames five through eight to cut Larielle's lead down to just 10 pins heading into the 10th frame

Feeling the momentum shifting in her favor, Macy delivered three must-have strikes in the tenth to put even more weight upon Larielle's shoulders.

Nevertheless, as Larielle stepped up for her own 10th frame, her destiny rested solely in her own hands.

If she struck on her first ball, she would win. If she didn't, she'd have to convert the spare and strike on the fill ball to tie.

Larielle's first shot in the tenth hit the pocket, but it left a flat 10 pin, meaning the right-hander would have to make the spare and strike to push the match to a roll-off.

Showing the moxie of a player more than twice her age, Larielle did just that, covering the 10 pin with ease and then delivering a no-doubt strike to force the roll-off she'd go on to win.

Although she appeared perfectly calm throughout those heart-stopping frames, afterward, Larielle admitted to feeling a lot more pressure than she was letting on.

"Going into the 10th frame, my nerves were at an all-time high," Larielle said. "I didn't know what was going to happen, so I just tried to breath and trust my ball. Thankfully, I was able to spare and strike.

"I took the opportunity to go first in the roll-off to apply the pressure so that I wouldn't have all of it on myself. I was hesitant on that last shot on whether it would hold or not, but thankfully it did."

It certainly did, and that allowed Larielle to finally break through and collect the Junior Gold victory that had so narrowly escaped her twice before.

"When I realized I'd won, my first thought was 'wow, I can't believe I did this,'" Larielle said. "This is just so awesome and amazing; it's all that I've ever wished for, and I'm so glad that it finally happened."

Macy earned the right to battle Larielle for the title by defeating No. 2 seed Anna Antony of Farmington, Connecticut, 212-161, in the semifinals.

Anna bowled amazing all week long enroute to the second seed; unfortunately, she got off to a slow start on the TV pair, opening the first three frames to allow Macy to quickly jump out to a 64 pin lead.

As expected, Anna kept battling until the very end, but she was simply unable to erase the damage and was forced to settle for a third-place finish.

The U15 division at the 2023 Junior Gold Championships included 326 girls and 700 boys. U12 Boys

The U12 boys title went to Ryan Campbell of Clinton, South Carolina, who struck on seven of his first eight shots enroute to a 230-144 victory over Kristofer Wagner of Deland, Florida.

With the victory, Ryan was able to fully erase the disappointment of last year's runner-up finish and officially add his name to the very decorated list of Junior Gold champions.

When asked how it felt to join such a legendary group, Ryan wasn't sure how to respond.

"I'm speechless. I never thought I was going to be on that list of great bowlers, but now I am," Ryan said. "Winning takes a lot of weight off my back because now I can actually tell people that I won Junior Gold."

And Ryan didn't just win; he won impressively.

The two-hander started the title match with three strikes in a row before coming in light and leaving the 2 pin in the fourth.

Undaunted, Ryan converted the spare easily and then ripped off a four-bagger in frames five through eight to put the match away before either player stepped up for their final frames.

"It was around the seventh frame when it hit me that I was going to win," Ryan said. "I was on a roll, and Kristofer had a few splits in a row at that same time. When I knew I had won, it was a feeling that I've never had before in my life. I've never been so nervous and so happy."

Part of Ryan's happiness was due to the realization that he'd bested a very strong opponent to get to the winner's circle.

Kristofer made that quite clear during his 256-168 semifinal victory over No. 3 seed Miles Gordon of Columbus, Ohio.

Kristofer started that match with six strikes in a row before his seventh shot crept high, leaving the 6-9-10 and ending his bid for perfection.

Nevertheless, Kristofer converted the spare and struck on three of his final four shots to breeze to victory.

Unfortunately, Kristofer was unable to maintain the momentum during the title match.

After starting spare, strike, spare, spare, Kristofer split during four of the next five frames, allowing Ryan to establish an unsurmountable lead and take home this year's U12 boys national title.

It's a victory that Ryan will carry with him as he takes the next steps in his bowling career.

"I never thought this was going to happen, but it feels incredible," Ryan said. "Now, I'm just going to keep working hard and continue striving."

U12 Girls

Alexandra McCowan of Anaheim, California, led this year's U12 girls division from wire to wire, so it was fitting that she capped her impressive week of bowling off by defeating Jayne Juhasz of Ormond Beach, Florida, 188-160, to take home the 2023 U12 girls national title.

Both bowlers were solid throughout the title match, but as had been the case all week long, in the end, Alexandra's striking power was just too strong.

Alexandra notched clutch doubles in the third and fourth and sixth and seventh frames to establish a 33 pin lead over Jayne with just three frames to go.

Jayne delivered a flush strike in the eighth, but when her first shot in the ninth came in light and left a 4-5 split, it was clear that Alexandra would be taking home this year's title.

Nevertheless, Alexandra maintained the same cool, business-like expression and body language that she'd displayed all week long.

When asked later how she managed to stay so relaxed and under control, Alexandra made it clear that that's just how she is.

"That's just kind of the way I appear all the time," Alexandra said. "Also, I had a pretty good head start, so I wasn't nervous at all."

That shows just how poised Alexandra is because most bowlers would've been a bit uneasy after watching Jayne's performance in the semifinals.

Jayne was in complete control of her nerves and the lane conditions during that battle with No. 3 seed Isabella Jones of Edinburgh, Indiana, locking in on the 1-3 pocket and staying clean enroute to a comfortable 200-155 victory.

Jayne attempted to employ a similar strategy during the title match, but a pair of splits and a missed single pin was just too much to overcome, allowing Alexandra to take home the title.

It was one that she didn't necessarily see coming; nevertheless, she's very happy to have attained it.

"I competed last year, and I didn't do very well," Alexandra said. "So, I wasn't really expecting to do that well this year, but after making the advancers round, match play and now this, I'm really excited."

The U12 division featured 102 girls and 226 boys at the 2023 Junior Gold Championships.

Junior Team USA Developmental Team 2024

The U15 division also served as a qualifier for automatic spots on the 2024 Junior Team USA Developmental Team. In the boys and girls divisions, the top two qualifiers after 26 games of qualifying, the event champion, and the event runner-up earned places on the team.

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Haggitt got his first title at last week's PBA50 South Shore Open.

"It's really surreal," Knowlton said. "We are pretty close to each other in standings and in total points. Just seems like we are neck-and-neck on just about everything, so I think it is pretty fitting we got titles back-to-back."

Knowing the PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Tournament of Champions will be taking place only 30 minutes from his home

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next media deal will be larger, as well as the next one after that. So that's the number one partner in order to get into the world of where NASCAR, golf, and tennis are, you must have a much larger media rights fee and demand. That only comes from real value and real numbers they all can

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Jason to maintain his supremacy. "As soon as I feel comfortable, there are 15 other (two-handed) guys who are just as comfortable as I am now," says Belmonte. "You've got to be smarter."

Wills comments on Belmonte's sense of humor which we highlighted in an earlier column late last year ("Don't Go There... A History of Two-Hand Bowlers"). In case you missed it, here's the tongue in cheek video prepared by Belmonte from that article:

in Florida, Knowlton has been competing in lots of tournaments this summer trying to get a title to qualify. Now that he will be getting a banner with his name on it, he also will get to sleep in his own bed when the final event of the season takes place at Orange Bowl Lanes in Lakeland, Florida.

The PBA50 World Series of Bowling will award another title Thursday. The PBA50 Monacelli Championship bracket match play will start at Noon ET with the Round of 16 and best-of-five matches followed by the Round of 8 and best-of-three-game

see. That's the goal, is to keep being more and more valuable to a media partners, then that makes the media partners want to sell us themselves," Clark said.

The remaining PBA telecasts on Fox Sports for this season are the PBA Elite League Elias Cup quarterfinals, Semis, and finals on Monday to Wednesday September 26 to 28, then the PBA LBC National Championships Clash amongst various division

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Belmonte's sincere approach in this video had me convinced that he was suffering from a rare disease known as singular chirophobia, or fear of using one hand, until viewing the film in its entirety... and even then, I wasn't fully convinced. Wills says that Belmonte sends messages from his fan account with the tagline, "This email was typed using #2HANDS."

We have to wonder again, as we did in the article from last year, if Mr. Belmonte is paving the way for another career in Hollywood. His videos make you

ask the question... Is singular chirophobia real? We made the comparison to Orson Welles and "The War of the Worlds" radio broadcast from 1938 in that column. Although Welles famous broadcast contained a disclaimer at the beginning of the CBS radio broadcast, if you tuned in late there were many listeners who thought it was real, with creatures emerging from what Welles claimed to be alien spacecraft.

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