

JACKSON, Mich. - The story of the 2023 Guaranteed Rate PBA Tour has been the unrivaled brilliance of EJ Tackett and Anthony Simonsen. The story of the PBA Jackson Classic was no different.

Simonsen, who has finished in the top 10 in every 2023 event, prevailed late in the final round of qualifying to earn the No. 1 seed - but Tackett, already a two-time champion this season, got his revenge in the title match.

Tackett defeated Simonsen 277-199 for his third title of the season and the 19th of his career.

"This is maybe the best title match I've bowled this year," Tackett said. "I hope I can keep bowling well, putting myself in position to win. Hopefully this train keeps rolling."

This week on dual patterns at JAX 60 in Jackson, Mich., Tackett and Simonsen battled for supremacy every step of the way.

They were separated by just a handful of pins as the conclusion of the final game of qualifying drew near. Simonsen's key ball change on the left lane - which featured the 44-foot Hardwick oil pattern proved to be the difference, bringing an end to Tackett's bid for a third No. 1 seed this season.

Tackett's win over the No. 3 seed, Shawn Maldonado, in the semifinal set up the championship match that almost everyone at JAX 60 wanted to see.

Early in the championship match, Tackett ap-



by Nolan Hughes



Jackson Classic Champion EJ Tackett

peared to display a heightened level of focus compared to his title in Shawnee a few weeks ago. Why?

"I was bowling Anthony Simonsen, probably the most talented player any of us have ever seen," Tackett said. "There are some players that you know can pop off a great game at any time. But you assume that Simo is going to be one that is going to bowl good every time he steps on the lanes."

"The last time I bowled him in a title match, it was a 267-tie and I lost in the roll-off."

In the title match, the same pattern that Simonsen solved to earn the top seed came back to bite him. A split in the third frame put him in an early deficit, then a super-washout in the ninth frame all but ended the match.

Tackett threw an emphatic strike in the ninth frame to seal the victory. He closed the game on the left lane, throwing the very same Venom Shock that he used to win the U.S. Open earlier this year.

"I used that ball a lot to make the show in Shawnee as well," he said. "That ball has a ton of games on it this year — a ton of really good games. Sometimes balls get retired, but that thing is going to stay around until it stops striking."

Tackett switched to that ball following a clean 247 in the semifinal against Maldonado. A trio of 10-pins were the lone blemishes on his scoresheet.

The first two frames of a match don't decide the outcome, but in the opening match between Maldocontinued on page 4

# **Dale Simpson Still Making His Mark at 97**

WINNETKA – COVID, Schmovid. Forced to take a week off from his Funtimers senior league so he could recover from a nasty case of COVID-19, Dale Simpson made a triumphant and memorable return to Winnetka Bowl last month.

Dale highlighted his afternoon by blistering a employee Oscar Monte-

negro to announce that Dale Simpson had just bowled his age. Well, 186 isn't quite

Dale's age. Dale is a mere 97

years old - though his 98th birthday is fast approaching in July. But the announcement got the desired effect.

by Fred Eisenhammer

Wednesday helped propel his Oldie Rollers team (that includes Saul Jenkins, 71, and Ritter, 65) to a weekly victory over the league's firsthalf champion.

"Once in a while, I surprise myself," Dale said.

But just a week earlier, Dale would have gladly hung up his bowldebilitating condition. "That's how bad it was. I kept telling myself, 'Why are you thinking that way? You'll get rid of it.' But that's easier said than done."

But after 10 days of recuperation, Dale was back on his feet and he was aching to bowl again. "I really felt like

Teammates George Ritter, left, and Saul Jenkins, right, have the back of Dale Simpson, a 97-year-old ageless wonder. Photo by Fred Eisenhammer

186 in his second game, a whopping 64 pins above his average.

Soon after, prankster teammate George Ritter rushed to the front desk and urged Winnetka

League bowlers got the message that Dale had just unleashed another gem.

For Dale Simpson, age is no impediment. Dale's efforts on this ing shoes just to be able to get out of bed. That's how bad he was feeling from the virulent COV-ID-19 strain that attacked him. "I just wanted to die," said Dale about his

the world had just got gold-plated. I felt so much better. My daughter (Heidi) had it before I did, and she told me how long it would take and continued on page 4



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# 2023 USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS GETS UNDERWAY IN RENO

by Aaron Smith

RENO, Nev. – The 119th edition of the United States Bowling Congress Open Championships kicked off Saturday for the first of 143 consecutive days of competition at the National Bowling Stadium.

The first 50 teams of more than 9,700 expected five-player groups hit the lanes at the 78-lane venue for the tournament's 14th visit to Reno and 11th stop at the Taj Mahal of Tenpins.

The official opening ceremony for the 2023 event will take place Saturday, March 11 with local and bowling dignitaries welcoming the tournament back to Reno for the first time since 2016, but competition will take place throughout the week leading up to the festivities as the leaderboard begins to take shape.

The members of Virtue Bowling Supply 1 of Mesa, Arizona, and Silver Bullets Too of Beavercreek, Oregon, helped set a strong pace Saturday as they moved to the top of the standings in Regular Team and Standard Team, respectively.



In Standard Team, Silver Bullets Too improved each game at the NBS and rolled games of 933, 944 and 976 to move into the top spot with 2,853.

The group was powered by Rick Stone's 704 series, and he teamed with David Manecke (573), Charles Fick III (531), Julius Jones Jr. (529) and John Wyatt (516).

The 2023 USBC Open Championships will feature three average-based divisions in team, doubles, singles and all-events competition.

Led by Mark Myers' 740 series, Virtue Bowling Supply 1 put together games of 1,129, 1,007 and 1,102 to post a 3,238 total to take the early lead in Regular Team. They were the only group to average more than 200 as a team on the opening squad.

Myers' set included games of 268, 237 and 235, and he was joined Saturday by Riley Dempsey (686), Mathew Adragna (647), Mathew Jones (607) and Craig Spencer (558).



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The top overall team performance for all three events (team, doubles and singles) over 45 games will claim the coveted Eagle awarded to the champion in Team All-Events. Visit us on Facebook at the <u>official USBC</u> <u>Open Championships page</u>.



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# There's More Money In Grapes Than Bowling Lanes

A recent conversation with Lynn Matsubara of calusbc.com compelled me to contact Jim Decker, president of the Bowling Proprietors Association of America (BPAA), regarding all of the bowling center closings in Northern California. This was based upon my recent articles about some of the more famous bowling locations that have closed in Southern California and Arizona in recent years.

I first met Jim when I was part of a powerful team, Cattlemen's Restaurant, that was assembled to compete in the Holiday Masters bowling league in the early 1970's, at Holiday Bowl in Santa Rosa. The center was owned by Jim's father. He had purchased Holiday and Rose Bowl, also in Santa Rosa, following a career with the Brunswick Corporation, where he served as the director of new center installation.

"One day my dad came home and said we're headed for Kansas City," remembers Jim. "No one in the family wanted to move, so my dad decided to leave Brunswick Corporation and purchase Holiday and Rose Bowl from proprietor Stan Bauman." The rest, as they say, is history, with Jim's father creating a mini empire in Sonoma County that eventually included two additional locations in Sebastopol (L & L Lanes) and Rohnert Park (Double Decker Lanes).

Today, only Double Decker Lanes in Rohnert Park remains in the Santa Rosa metropolitan area, with a population of around 220,000. It is one of only four bowling centers in the entire county of Sonoma that remain, with a total population approaching 500,000 residents. The other major metropolis in Sonoma County is Petaluma, with about 60,000 inhabitants. It's home to AMF Boulevard Bowl, which is owned by Bowlero Corporation.

When I mentioned the topic of my article, Jim seemed quite interested in documenting all the closings that have taken place since the peak of bowling activity nationwide in the 1970's. While the overall population of Sonoma County has grown by 150% since 1970, the number of bowling lanes has not enjoyed the same progression. It's apparent that there's more money in grapes than bowling lanes.

Before we got started with the documentation of all the closed bowling centers, Jim confirmed that he had recently sold Double Decker Lanes to Bowlero and relinquished his presidency of the BPAA. "I was



Holiday Bowl (1959)

hoping to complete my term as the president of the BPAA, but the folks at Bowlero wanted to complete the deal before the end of 2022," said Decker. Double Decker will operate under the Bowlero brand, while Boulevard will maintain the AMF moniker.

"I don't know where to begin," said Jim. "There have been so many closings. My dad bought Holiday and Rose Bowl in 1970. Rose Bowl was a leased operation, and at the end of the 10 year lease, the shopping center did not want to renew the lease, so we put the lanes and all of the furnishings in a warehouse." By this time Double Decker Lanes had been open for about ten years and was doing quite well, so the elder Decker decided to expand the location with the old Rose Bowl equipment.

"Double Decker originally opened as a 26 lane facility, with 16 bowling lanes and equipment from Bagdad Bowl in San Francisco, and another 10 lanes from King City, near Monterey," said Jim. "We then added the 20 lanes from Rose Bowl and another four lanes from the closed Greenbrae Lanes in Marin County, giving us a grand total of 50 lanes in 1985." Jim said that it was like bowling in a travel league, with all of the different lane surfaces.

Jim and I then began recounting all the bowling center closings in the area immediately north of San



Francisco. We came up with a total of 16 locations, including 9 in Sonoma County. While the size of those centers pale in comparison to the larger locations that have closed in Southern California, the percentage of closed centers is even more dramatic. Every little hamlet in Sonoma County had their own bowling center in the era of bobby socks and poodle skirts. Today, all are gone with the exception of the 50 lane Double Decker facility, the 40 lane AMF Boulevard Bowl, a 16 lane site near Fulton that features string machines (and no leagues), and a 24 lane center in Windsor.

We took time to reminisce about River Bowl in Guerneville and Monte Rio Bowl, which were both hot spots for vacationers along the Russian River during the summer months, with waiting lines for open bowling. Also gone are the Solar Bowl in Healdsburg, Cloverdale Lanes in Cloverdale, and Holiday Bowl in Santa Rosa, which is now home for a Walgreen's and other smaller shops. "L & L Lanes in Sebastopol is a mixed use shopping center anchored by a Starbucks, and the Sonoma Bowl is now a shopping mall known as the Olde Bowl Centre," said Decker.

We also recalled some of the unusual personalities that we encountered during those days. One was Tony Kozlowski, who I've written about before, that never wanted to bowl a 300 game. I saw him purposely throw away the 12th shot on more than one occasion, and I asked him why. He replied that if he ever bowled 300, it would take away the challenge of the game. Jim said that Tony had helped him to understand the layout of a bowling ball and different drilling techniques. Tony was truly a student of the game before it became avant-garde. "Retiring from the bowling business after 50 years is bittersweet," said Decker. "With both of my boys choosing different careers it was time for my wife and I to move on. We are thankful for the acquisition by Bowlero that means Double Decker Lanes will remain a bowling

Rose Bowl (1959)

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#### KYLE TROUP, ARIC ALMIROLA AND JIMMIE ALLEN TAKE HOME WINS AT GO BOWLING! PBA NASCAR Invitational at phoenix raceway

by Nolan Hughes

In a battle between superstars from professional bowling and racing, Kyle Troup and NASCAR's Aric Amirola emerged victorious at the Go Bowling! PBA NASCAR Invitational at Phoenix Raceway.

The tournament teamed up PBA and PWBA talents with NASCAR racers for a doubles competition. A custom two-lane venue built within The Barn at Phoenix Raceway was the only suitable host for the special crossover event between the PBA and NASCAR.

In the opening match, Troup faced off against his best friend on Tour, Jesper Svensson. Almirola picked up a pair of spares early to put him and Troup ahead.

Svensson's 2-4-6-7-10 conversion in the fourth frame seemed to wake up his teammate Chase Briscoe, who struck in the fifth frame. But the driver of Stewart-Haas' No. 14 car fell back asleep in the ninth frame, throwing a gutter after using the wrong ball.

He converted the spare, using his own ball time time, to give Svensson a chance to shut out Troup and Almirola. However, the two-handed southpaw left a 2-4-7 and put the match in Troup's hands.

"The oven is hot," Almirola told FS1's Randy Pedersen when asked about the pressure of the final frame.

The temperature was just right for Troup, who cooked up Thanksgiving dinner with a turkey to secure the win.

In the other semifinal, close friends on the PWBA Tour Daria Pajak and Verity Crawley went head-to-head as well. Crawley's quick double pushed her and Ryan Preece to the halftime lead over Pajak and 2023 Daytona 500 champion Ricky Stenhouse Jr.

Open frames from Preece and Stenhouse in the seventh frame knotted up the score. Stenhouse converted a clutch spare in the ninth frame to take the lead and Crawley's split in the 10th all but sealed their fate.

Another tough spare conversion from Stenhouse commenced the championship match.

Scores were tough to come by on the Checkered Flag oil pattern, but Almirola's strikes in the fifth and seventh frames put him and Troup back in front.

Troup's high shot in the eighth tripped out the 4-7-10, doubling to capitalize on Almirola's strike and putting the match out of reach.

Jimmie Allen, a multi-platinum, GRAMMY Award nominated country musician, joined the NASCAR crew for the Celebrity Super Clash. The one-ball roll-off competition pitted Allen against six NASCAR drivers, including Gray Gaulding, who shot a certified 300 game last October, and Jeffrey Earnhardt.

Gaulding wore his 300 ring, but the jewelry only held him down. A six-count eliminated the 25-year-old in the first round.

Briscoe may have struggled in the opening match, but he caught fire in the Super Clash. He tallied four strikes and a nine-count to reach the championship round against Allen.

The 28-year-old's hot streak stalled out in the final round. A six-count proved to be no challenge at all for Allen, who competed in the pre-tournament qualifier at the U.S. Open and PBA Jackson Classic earlier this season.

Allen knocked over eight pins with ease and added another piece of PBA hardware to his collection.

#### Dale Simson continued from page 1

how I would feel.

"She was pretty much right on the money in everything she told me," said Dale, a widower who lost his wife Mary in 1998 after 48 years of marriage.

That Dale Simpson missed only one week of bowling from COVID-19 and returned with a bang is no surprise.

"He's amazing," said Mike Willis, the longtime general manager of Winnetka Bowl. "I hope that I'm still standing when I'm his age."

Dale didn't embrace bowling until his late 70s and then he totally immersed himself in the game in his 80s when he joined three leagues at Winnetka Bowl. He studied the game by reading books and taught himself the nifty hook he throws today.

Dale, a former three-days-a-week golfer, made it a point to throw a hook right after he joined his first league. "I'm watching these guys with the big hook and I thought, "I have to learn that.'"

That bender once allowed Dale to knock down eight strikes in a row.

Still, that wasn't his biggest highlight. His brightest bowling memory came when he was in his mid-80s at a Sweepers tournament, which is held one week after the league competition has ended.

"I had a 161 average and the first game I had a 243," Dale recalled. "The next one was a 251 and the next one was a 180 and needless to say I won a bunch of money. I won over 300 dollars.

"I don't know why I bowled so well but I did. All the guys were accusing me of being a sandbagger. I just said I bowled the same as I always do," said Dale, who drives himself to his league from his Winnetka home.

Even at 97, Dale is still popping big scores. Earlier this season, he blasted a 196. He credits his teammates for being supportive and helping his game.

That's one of the biggest reasons he has no plans to quit. "The association with people," as he calls it, is something that he won't give up easily.

"I'm going to bowl as long as I can," he said.

And he added with a big laugh, "As long as they don't kick me out."

#### Jackson Classic continued from page 1

nado and Tommy Jones, it felt that way. Jones left a pair of brutal splits — a 4-8-10 on the left lane and a 4-9 on the right lane — while Maldonado carried all 10 pins on both.

Maldonado took advantage of the opportunity and fired the first 11 strikes. However, he missed right and came up just shy of 300, shooting 298.

With a 19th career title, Tackett tied Chris Barnes on the PBA's all-time list.

"Chris is one that I grew up watching and definitely one of the greatest players that's ever played this game," Tackett said. "To be able to share history with him, forever at this point, is pretty cool."

Tackett will look for title No. 20 and to carry over his dominance for the first time this season as the Tournament of Champions, the second major of the season.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND SCORES

EJ Tackett def. Anthony Simonsen, 277-199 EJ Tackett def. Shawn Maldonado, 247-190 Shawn Maldonado def. Tommy Jones, 298-192

#### **FINAL STANDINGS**

#### MATCH SCORES

Semifinal 1: Kyle Troup and Aric Almirola def. Jesper Svensson and Chase Briscoe, 178-159

Semifinal 2: Daria Pajak and Ricky Stenhouse def. Verity Crawley and Ryan Preece, 167-134

Championship: Kyle Troup and Aric Almirola def. Daria Pajak and Ricky Stenhouse, 176-135

#### **CELEBRITY SUPER CLASH SCORES**

**Round 1:** Aric Almirola 7, Chase Briscoe X, Rickey Stenhouse Jr. 7, Ryan Preece 9, Gray Gaulding 6, Jeffrey Earnhardt 8, Jimmie Allen X

Gray Gaulding eliminated.

Round 2: Aric Almirola X, Chase Briscoe X, Ricky Stenhouse Jr. 7, Ryan Preece

9, Jeffrey Earnhardt 8, Jimmie Allen 9

Ricky Stenhouse Jr. eliminated.

Round 3: Aric Almirola 3, Chase Briscoe 9, Ryan Preece 8, Jeffrey Earnhardt 7,

Jimmie Allen X

Aric Almirola eliminated.

**Round 4:** Chase Briscoe X, Ryan Preece 7, Jeffrey Earnhardt X, Jimmie Allen 9 *Ryan Preece eliminated.* 

**Round 5:** Chase Briscoe X, Jeffrey Earnhardt 0, Jimmie Allen 7 *Jeffrey Earnhardt eliminated.* 

Round 6: Chase Briscoe 6, Jimmie Allen

Chase Briscoe eliminated — Jimmie Allen wins.

1.	EJ Tackett,	\$25,000
2.	Anthony Simonsen,	\$15,000
3.	Shawn Maldonado,	\$10,000
4.	Tommy Jones,	\$7,500
5.	Cody Shoemaker,	\$6,000
6.	Santtu Tahvanainen,	\$5,300
7.	Matt Russo,	\$4,900
8.	AJ Johnson,	\$4,650
9.	Tom Smallwood,	\$4,400
10.	Jason Belmonte,	\$4,200
11.	Marshall Kent,	\$3,900
12.	Kevin McCune,	\$3,900

More information on the PBA Jackson Classic is available here.





Lennie Boresch Jr., Pete McCordic and Fred Borden will make up the PBA Hall of Fame Class of 2023. Boresch will enter in the superior performance category for his PBA50 career and McCordic and Borden will both enter for meritorious service.

The PBA Hall of Fame induction ceremony was be held March 12, 2023 in Fairlawn, Ohio prior to the PBA Tournament of Champions.

#### LENNIE BORESCH JR.

Boresch, of Kenosha, Wis., won the 2022 Senior U.S. Open in June for his fifth PBA50 title and second major, making him eligible for PBA Hall of Fame consideration. At his first opportunity of eligibility, he was elected and will enter the PBA Hall of Fame in 2023. He's already a member of the USBC Hall of Fame, having been inducted in 2012.

PBA Tour commissioner Tom Clark broke the news to Boresch prior to the Friday-morning league at Castle Lanes in Racine, Wisconsin, where Boresch owns Bowler's Choice Pro Shop. Clark addressed the league—a league Boresch created—under the guise of relaying information on the new PBA LBC National Championships tournament, then surprised everyone by announcing Boresch's upcoming induction into the Hall of Fame.

"It was a total shock," said Boresch. "I saw Tom earlier and he told me he was making the rounds to talk about the tournament, and then when he said I was going into the Hall of Fame, I was caught way off guard. I met the criteria for consideration this year but I don't know how that all plays out. I thought maybe some day, but not this quickly."

In addition to Boresch's five PBA50 titles, he has eight second-place finishes and also owns 33 PBA Regional Tour titles (25 standard and eight PBA50).

"I was always a late bloomer," said Boresch. "I joined the PBA when I was 19 and didn't win my first regional until I was 32. I never gave up and then all of a sudden I've put together a little success these last several years. It's still kind of surreal to me."

# **BARBARA BRADLEY IS "Bowler of The Week"**

by Frank Weiler

REDLANDS – Barbara Bradley is "Bowler of The Week". Spread the news: a woman has outperformed all our local bowlers. She outperformed the guys! So why is Barbara Bradley "Bowler of The Week"?

What is a "Bowler of The Week"? What does it take? What did Barbara do to be chosen our top



"Lennie is a great example of a bowler who extends his bowling career with the PBA50 Tour," said Clark. "He joined the Tour, went full-bore into it, won some big titles against some of the best ever to play, and now he gets into the Hall of Fame. It's inspirational for a lot of people."

"It really hasn't sunk in yet," said Boresch. "I look around at all the Hall of Famers out there and it's the guys I watch on TV, and now I'm one of them? Going into the Hall of Fame was a goal of mine. I've been very blessed in my career."

#### **PETE MCCORDIC**

Long-time Southwest Region manager McCordic, of Katy, Texas, retired in 2022 after 25 years running the region. Overwhelmingly respected by the players for his excellence, consistency and fairness, McCordic will enter the PBA Hall of Fame for his meritorious service to the game.

"Having bowled on Tour for about 18 years, I know what it's like trying to make a living competing," said McCordic. "I did the best I could to give the bowlers chasing that dream a great experience in every tournament."

"The PBA has been blessed with great regional managers," said Clark. "They keep the PBA together by running a regional system that is the backbone of the PBA. They understand tournament bowling and how to create a consistent, fair environment for the players. Pete McCordic was all those things and he was also a great player."

Prior to devoting his time to amplifying the regional program, McCordic was a touring pro, winning two PBA Tour titles and bowling a perfect game in the 1987 Greater Los Angeles Open. It was the fourth televised 300 game in PBA history and first in 13 years. In 2018, during the PBA's 60th anniversary season, McCordic's perfect game was designated the fourth-most memorable moment in PBA history.

"He sacrificed his own playing career to take on the Southwest Region and give opportunities for so many players to compete," said Clark. "Pete's going into the Hall of Fame for meritorious service, and his unforgettable performance on the lanes is the cherry on top."

"I was literally speechless when Tom told me," said McCordic. "I loved my job. I was blessed to be able to be around great bowlers 25 weekends a year, if not more. I got to see Chris Barnes and Wes Malott win their first titles and it was a joy to watch those players and so many other greats. I have no complaints or regrets. It was a great way to spend my adult life and it's a tremendous honor to be inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame."

#### **FRED BORDEN**

Coach, teacher, proprietor and author Fred Borden's impact on the PBA began at the very beginning. When Eddie Elias announced the formation of the PBA in 1958, 17-year-old Borden, like Elias a resident of Akron, Ohio, fast-tracked his devotion to bowling.

"When I was 15, I made up my mind I was going to own a bowling center or two," said Borden, "but I knew I wasn't going to bowl professionally. Our junior coach had us older kids coach the younger kids, and one of the kids I coached bowled a 300 game. I always respected my coaches and I realized there was a lot to coaching beyond just the Xs and Os. Then when Eddie announced the PBA, I got really serious about bowling. I never expected it would lead to this. I'm really taken aback by this honor."

Borden, studied biomechanics, sports psychology, physiology and began coaching women's learn-to-bowl schools that had 600 women taking lessons at the same time.

"Harry Smith started telling people I've been coaching," said Borden, "and up comes Don Johnson. He hadn't won yet but he was a very coachable person. He would try anything, saying, 'Bords, that's so clever, I've never heard of that.' Then he started telling a lot of players. George Pappas, Johnny Petraglia, Barry

local bowler last week? What did it take to outshine a field of hundreds of bowlers plying our local lanes in several dozen leagues. What scores had to be bowled or was there more involved than scoring when it came to selecting her for this prestigious award?

First of all, Barbara Bradley is a great personality and a positive influence on everyone around her. She is particularly supportive of her bowling teammates. She is quick to smile and offer encouragement. AND, while leading her team to victory last week she bowled a huge score in sanctioned league play.

Barbara bowled a season and league high 586 (170 - 223 - 193) series for the women of the senior Noonlighters league. "HOLY COW". Eight and a half decades of experience is not stopping this lady nor her female counterparts from performing.

Barbara used her Roto Grip Hustler drilled by Joel at Laughlin's Riverside Lanes to roll her big score. Thanks to Joel for keeping Barbara on top of the lanes and scoring high. Barbara is a senior bowler, showing that experienced ladies can bowl.

Congratulations to Barbara Bradley for her great bowling and high scoring. She is another example of why "CALIFORNIA BOWLERS ARE THE BEST BOWLERS IN THE WORLD". Asher—they all started showing up. They became friends, not students. My wife would make spaghetti and they'd stay at the house and show up and bowl."

Borden continued coaching the top players and honing his own coaching skills, eventually famously working with eight-time PBA Tour champion John Mazza. "I told him, Johnny, I want you to think of yourself as world class every time you go out there. To this day, he calls me World Class. The relationships I've developed in this game are so special to me."

"Fred's credentials are amazing," said Clark. "The work he did with the PBA and its players since the sixties is unmatched. The art of coaching is something Fred mastered and the PBA is proud to recognize that skill and how important and influential it is on the game and the players."

Borden, a member of the USBC Hall of Fame since 2002, owns five patents in the world of bowling and is a former head coach of Team USA. Borden was instrumental in creating the USBC Bowling Coaches Certification Program and spent time as the color analyst with the PWBA among many other roles in the industry.

"Bowling is a sport that's good for everybody," said Borden. "This is the biggest thrill of my life. I didn't do these things for the accolades so I just need to know how blessed I am to be appreciated. I didn't do this by myself by any means."



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# PBA HALL OF FAMER JIM DOTY DIES AT 73

by Johnny Campos

Jim Doty, the general manager of Indianapolis' Royal Pin Entertainment and one of the most iconic venues in professional bowling, leaves behind a tremendous legacy.

For more than 40 years, Jim Doty set the gold standard for how to host a bowling tournament, especially for the Professional Bowlers Association Tour.

As the general manager of Royal Pin Entertainment, which includes Royal Pin Woodland (formerly known as Woodland Bowl), Doty was host to all five PBA major tournaments, as well as standard PBA events and a few other non-standard events since 1981. No other venue has hosted all five PBA major championships.

He was there for the first tournament, the 1981 Kessler Classic, all the way up to the U.S. Open earlier this year.

Doty died of a heart attack on Saturday, March 4, at the age of 73, leaving a strong legacy and a long list of friends in the bowling industry.

"The response has been unbelievable from the locals and from the bowling world," said Doty's son Jeremy. "It's been pretty overwhelming."

Jim Doty and his wife Mary were in New Smyrna Beach, Fla., at the time of his death.

"My mom and dad 'snowbird,' and they were down there when it happened," Jeremy said. "My wife and I had just gotten off a cruise ship, so we were in the area and were able to hang out with mom and dad for a couple of hours. We were getting ready to get on a plane when mom called and said dad had passed. We left the airport and got back to her.

"It was sad and upsetting, but somebody was looking out for us, making sure she wasn't alone when it happened."

Jim Doty was inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 2019 for meritorious service. But he was very unassuming about his contributions to the organization.

"Jim was a serious businessman, but could be wickedly funny," said awardwinning bowling writer Bob Johnson, who also was in the 2019 PBA Hall of Fame class. "He was highly accomplished but extremely humble. He was genuinely becontinued on page 10





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wildered when elected to the PBA Hall of Fame. I remember spending 10 minutes on the evening of our induction convincing him that he was deserving.

"It was an honor knowing him."

Hosting PBA events was one of the highlights every year for Doty, who spent most of the tournament weeks at the center.

"Dad always loved having the PBA there," Jeremy said. "The one year he didn't have it he was so bummed out. Every year he had them he wanted to go above and beyond to make those guys happy.

"He was so proud to have the U.S. Open last year, this year and next year at Woodland. He would be there in the morning and stay usually until they were done at night. He was a very passionate advocate for the sport."

That was not lost on many of the players, who made some fond memories at the center over the years.

"I won three major titles and two regionals there, so Woodland Bowl will always have a special place in my heart," said Pete Weber. "Jim knew everybody and went out of his way to make sure that everything was going to run smoothly.

"It was always a pleasure to go there and see Mr. Doty and be in Indianapolis." Woodland was also the site of one of Weber's most memorable moments – dropping and breaking the eagle trophy after winning the 1991 U.S. Open.

"I think Jim probably has a piece of the trophy somewhere," Weber said. "I'm pretty sure I gave him one or he picked one up from the approach. It's hard to not remember that. One of my great moments in bowling, along with saying, 'Who do you think you are? I am!' They come back around again and again."

What makes the center (which will always be Woodland Bowl to many of the long-time pros) even more special to Weber is the display of trophies and memorabilia from his father, Dick Weber, who was originally from Indianapolis.

"Jim called me right after Dad died and asked me if there was anything he could have to put on display there," Pete said. "I dropped off some trophies, and the next time I was there they were on display. What a great honor for my dad!"

Also on display at the Beer Thirty bar and other areas of the bowl are championship banners of bowlers who have won titles at Woodland.

"When we walk into Woodland Bowl and see our banner, it might seem like a small thing, but it means the world to us," said Norm Duke, who has won four titles there. "This place will go down as one of the most iconic and one of my favorite places to compete.

"It has become like a second home, partly because of the way they welcomed us – the way they have respected us over the years. Jim was so loved by the players not only because of his commitment to us, but also the genuine respect and love that he had for us."

"Woodland is a part of the fabric of the PBA," said PBA Commissioner Tom Clark. "For most of us, it simply feels like home. This is largely because of Jim Doty, the perfect host. He loved the sport, treated our professionals with the utmost respect, and his business acumen and negotiations were always fair and accommodating. We are very proud Jim is forever in the PBA Hall of Fame."

Duke won his first title at Woodland in 2007, but capped his Hall of Fame career 12 years later when he claimed the 2019 Go Bowling! PBA Indianapolis Open – his 39th title – a month before turning 55.

"You're talking about 42 years of history in that building, and some pro bowlers' lives have changed there," he said. "Jim knew that he was facilitating some things we wanted more than anything. He gave us a chance to complete careers in some cases, and to start careers for others. In my case, he gave me a chance to end it." One of the bowlers who started their careers there is Sean Rash, who has been friends with the Doty family for more than 20 years.

"I bowled my very first college event at Woodland Bowl when I bowled for Wichita State," Rash said. "I have some great memories there, including the 300 game I shot in the Tournament of Champions and multiple shows there."

The one thing that Rash has not done yet is win at Woodland, which would earn him a championship banner at the bowl. Doty took care of that, too.

"He did a banner for me and Ryan Shafer, the two guys who shot televised 300s in the building," Rash said. "Jim was just an unbelievable human being. He was a mentor to so many people in the industry, on how to run a bowling center and be successful. He was a friend to so many people in the industry – from the USBC to the BPAA, the PBA and all the manufacturers."

Another player who got his career kick-started with success at Woodland is Ron Palombi Jr., who won two of his six career titles there, including the 1990 U.S. Open.

"I did get to spend some time with Jim every year that we were there," he said. "I made it a point to find him right away or he would come find me.



"It all goes back to my rookie season. I had my best finish (ninth) of my rookie year there and was pretty much an unknown. He went out of his way to say he had watched me bowl and enjoyed my game and wished me luck. Every year we went back, the friendship was there. He was just such a down-to-earth, genuine guy." Doty's death left a void at Royal Pin Entertainment, where he worked in management for 45 years.

"Jim lived and loved the sport of bowling," said Craig May, the chief executive officer at Royal Pin Leisure Centers. "I personally met daily with Jim for over 20 years, and the friendship that we developed was priceless. He will be truly missed both personally and professionally. Jim has made countless friends and touched so many lives in the bowling community."

There will be a visitation for Doty on Sunday from 2-7 p.m. at the Randall and Roberts Funeral Home, located at 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, Ind. The funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at Our Lady of Grace Church, also in Noblesville. More information is available <u>here</u>. "We're expecting quite a few people to drop in, but we really don't know what to expect," said Jeremy Doty, who works for Brunswick. "But we hope we don't stop hearing those stories about him. Every time I walk into a bowling center that I'm traveling to, I love when they hear my last name and say, 'Are you Jim's son?' Then they will go on for half an hour with stories about him.

"I always joked with him that I'm glad he had a good legacy, because it would be very hard for me to walk into bowling centers if people didn't love him."

Based on the response from the bowling world about Doty's death, there's not much chance of that.

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# **36th Year!** Brunswick **Finishing Touch Floors Strikes Into The Round Lead**

DOWNEY - The Brunswick Invitational took the lanes for the fourth week of the round continuing to battle on the 2022 USBC Nationals Team pattern. The top teams were off to hot starts and were looking to continue their success while the others were trying to bank some wins and close the gap.

In the "A" match, Professional Approach was cruising, starting the round off 13-2 but facing the second round winners Finishing Touch Floors who led the league last week to get to the top match. Professional Approach took the first game but Finishing Touch Floors stormed back with two big games for the 4-1 result. Sub Stephanie Zavala was huge for Finishing Touch with a 681 set while Scott Silva led Professional Approach with a 565 set. Finishing Touch Floors will remain in the "A" match next week.

The "B" match featured Allied Paving and US Foods with both teams averages this round sitting within a mark of each other. The night was all US Foods as the snuck out a game one win by 20, second by 44 and held on game three for a 3 pin win and a 5-0 finish. Gabriel Martinez led US Foods with a 629 effort while Allied Paving was led by Edward Estrada with a 577 set. US Foods will jump into the "A" match next week with the 5 wins.

HB Complete Builders came off a sweep in a lower match to face Cal Bowl who took four last week to bounce to 6th. Cal Bowl came out huge with a 216 pin game one win but HB Complete Builders came back to take games two and three to salvage a 3-2 loss to Cal Bowl. Carl Labayan led Cal Bowl with a 608 set while Christian Eichelkraut was sold for HB Complete Builders with a 603 set.

Junior Amateur Tour was looking to get back into the win column after getting rolled by the league-high series the previous week as they took on third-round winners DV8 who dropped down after an uncharacteristic week three. JAT came out strong, taking game one. Game two came down to the anchors with JAT taking a close 16 pin win. DV8 came back to take Rio Lanes starting at 8:00 p.m.!

#### by David Yamauchi

game three by 41 but it wasn't enough for totals as Junior Amateur Tour banks the 4-1 win. Kurt Arakaki was strong for JAT with a 574 while sub Marguan Rivers was steady for DV8 with a 580 set.

Forest Lanes and Threadworks met up in the 9-10 match with Threadworks trying to keep the winning going and Forest looking to bounce back after a tough week. Forest Lanes took the first two then dropped a close game three by 8 for the 4-1 win. JT Diso paced Forest Lanes with a 589 set while Eric Snow was high for Threadworks with a 598 series.

Bowling Guys who started the round quick but cooled off matched up with Westminster Lanes who jumped up to 11th after a sweep in week three. Westminster Lanes took the first two including a big 877 game to lock up the 4-1 result. Bryan Osborne led Westminster with a 584 series while Preston Epps was high for Bowling Guys with a 576 effort.

Family Ties, J.K. Inc., Bowlium and Don Julio Tequila rounded out the bowling on Monday. J.K. Inc. came to bowl as they took two close games by 31 and 3. Family Ties finished up with a big game to salvage totals and a 3-2 result. Mikey Villarreal led Family Ties with a 585 set while Ian Markstrum was big for J.K. Inc. with a 633 series. Bowlium came out with a big 802 to start the night but dropped a close game two. Bowlium sealed the 4-1 win with a strong finish. Ramiro Garcia was huge with a 633 set for Bowlium while William Morris put up 598 for Don Julio Tequila.

Financial Advisor's Pot went to Ian Markstrum (277) for \$160 with 2nd to Michael Barnett (259) for \$70. Sidepots went to Scott Silva (233) and Ian Markstrum (277) for \$46 each with 2nd to Arnold Cheesman (214) and Michael Barnetts (259) just edging out Barney Boardsplitter for \$23 each. Third game SuperPot was hit by Gabriel Martinez (234) for \$138 with 2nd to

#### **TOP 10 TEAMS OVERALL**

Finishing Touch Floors \$\$ 84	
Family Ties \$73	Forest Lanes
DV8 \$\$\$	US Foods66
Cal Bowl76	Bowlium63
Junior Amateur Tour74.5	Professional Approach 60.5

#### **TOP 10 TEAMS ROUND 4**

Finishing Touch Floors \$\$ 16	Cal Bowl12
US Foods15	Allied Paving11
Professional Approach 14	DV8 \$\$\$
Junior Amateur Tour 13	Forest Lanes 10
HB Complete Builders . 12	Westminster Lanes10

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