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PLUHOWSKY WINS 2021 PWBA TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP FOR SECOND MAJOR TITLE

RENO, Nev. - Shannon Pluhowsky of Dayton, Ohio, captured her second major title, and first since 2006, in a dominating performance Sunday at the 2021 Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour Championship.

The 39-year-old left-hander defeated Bryanna Coté of Tucson, Arizona, 244-178 to claim the final major of the 2021 PWBA Tour season. Pluhowsky earned \$50,000 for the victory, and Coté collected \$25,000 for her runner-up finish.

The stepladder finals of the Tour Championship were broadcast live from the National Bowling Stadium on CBS Sports Network.

Pluhowsky's last win came at the 2006 United States Bowling Congress Queens, which also was held at the 78-lane venue. "I finally did it," said Pluhowsky, a 21-time Team USA member. "I finally got over that hump. I get asked that question a lot, and I can erase it now. Fifteen years is a long time, but it's worth the wait."

In the title match, Pluhowsky built the early advantage after connecting for four consecutive strikes, beginning in the second frame. Coté left back-to-back splits the first two times she bowled on the left lane and was unable to convert either. She struggled to find a consistent look on that lane to get back into the match, and Pluhowsky filled frames to pull away.

Pluhowsky, the No. 2 seed, looked comfortable under the bright lights in both of her wins Sunday. She started her semifinal match against Latvia's Diana Zavjalova with 10 consecutive strikes, before a 6 pin ended her bid at a perfect game. It would've been the sixth 300 game during the championship round of a PWBA Tour event.



2021 PWBA Tour Championship Winner Shannon Pluhowsky

Pluhowsky averaged 266.5 on Sunday, defeating Zavjalova, 289-199.

"They were a little different, which typically happens on TV," Pluhowsky said. "My ball reps told me to bowl my A game. I was able to throw it a little harder, so I could stay a little closer to it, and it worked out. I caught a couple lucky breaks, and you need

that to win. I've had some bad luck on TV, but today was different."

Pluhowsky has been a top competitor on the PWBA Tour since it relaunched in 2015, making 15 championship-round appearances prior to Sunday's appearance at the Tour Championship.

She had been unable to turn those opportuni-

ties into victories, however, but a new approach has helped her enjoy each moment.

At the U.S. Women's Open in August, she qualified for the stepladder and rolled 279 in her first match, before losing her ball reaction on the way to a third-place finish.

"I've had to work really hard," Pluhowsky said.

"I'm just trying to have fun. It's not life or death anymore. I took it way too seriously and was trying too hard for too long. The last few times, I just tried to have fun. I lost my ball reaction at the U.S. Women's Open and didn't throw it the greatest in the second game, but here, I had a good look and tried to do what I needed to do."

Sunday's win also was special for Pluhowsky because she was able to share it with her wife, Carrie, and father, Nick.

"Things are looking up and really good," Pluhowsky said. "We got married in July, and it means a lot that she's able to travel with me. My dad flew in for the show, and he was worried he was going to jinx me. My mom was too nervous to come, so she stayed home. I wish the kids were here, but I'm glad he came and she's here. It's great."

Coté was the top seed for Sunday's stepladder after averaging more than 233 in match play Friday and Saturday, but she had trouble figuring out the left lane on the championship pair.

She noted some struggles on that lane earlier in the week during the finals of the PWBA Reno Classic, where she also was the top seed and finished as the runner-up to Stephanie Zavala of Downey, California.

"I feel like I had the right lane down pretty well, but I'm still trying to figure out what was happening on the left lane," Coté said. "I struggled with it at the Reno Classic, too. I made some moves, but you only get five shots on each lane, and everything is a guessing game when you get lost in that position. Shannon was bowling great, and I had to try to find ways to strike."

Coté still was able to collect some hardware Sunday. Her runner-up finish secured her spot at the top of the season-long points list, and it earned her PWBA Player of the Year honors for the first time in her career.

The 35-year-old right-hander collected her second career PWBA Tour title in January at the PWBA ITRC Classic, and she added three runner-up finishes in her six championship-round

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Bryanna Coté
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BOND CAPTURES THIRD TITLE OF 2021 IN DRAMATIC FINISH AT PWBA PEPSI CLASSIC

RENO, Nev. - Julia Bond of Aurora, Illinois, concluded the championship match at the Professional Women's Bowling Association Pepsi Classic with six consecutive strikes to win her third career title in an intense finish Thursday at the National Bowling Stadium. The 25-year-old right-hander was trailing throughout the match against Colombia's Maria José Rodríguez and recorded the victory after Rodríguez left a devastating 7-10 split to start her final frame, 234-222. Bond collected the \$10,000 top prize for her third win of the 2021 PWBA Tour season. The Pepsi Classic was broadcast live on BowlingTV.com.



In the title tilt, Bond fell behind early after she was unable to convert a 3-6-10 combination in the second frame. Rodríguez built her lead on the strength of six strikes through the first eight frames, and a spare in the ninth frame gave her the opportunity to lock out Bond in the 10th to secure her third PWBA Tour title.

Bond finished the match first, and her final three strikes forced Rodríguez to roll a strike on her first delivery for the chance to win the title. A nine count on the first offering from Rodríguez opened the door for the chance at a tie, if she converted the spare and rolled a strike on her fill ball.

"I'm very proud of the way I finished that match," Bond said. "I think it shows who I am as a person. I don't care if I'm losing or down, I'm always going to attempt to throw a great shot, because every shot holds the same importance for me. "This win makes me happy. It makes me feel like I'm where I'm supposed to be. I've learned a lot, and I'm continuing to learn, which makes me excited. There are things I still need to get better at and things I'm still learning, but being able to apply those things and succeed makes me excited for the future."

Bond won three matches in the stepladder and averaged 231 on her way to the title. She defeated Stefanie Johnson of McKinney, Texas, in Thursday's opening game, 203-192, and rolled eight strikes to defeat Missy Parkin of Laguna Hills, California, 256-220, to advance to the finals.

The championship pair did provide Bond with some initial trouble, however, since the ball that helped her make her fourth championship-round appearance of the season did not give her the best look. She also made a ball change at the end of the game against Johnson and felt she was making the right choices, while trying to think ahead for her remaining matches. "We knew what looked good based on qualifying and match play, but it didn't look great on the TV pair," said Bond, who won her first major at the 2021 United States Bowling Congress Queens, also held at the NBS. "I think we did a good job of being open-minded and flexible."

Rodríguez was making her first championship-round appearance of the 2021 season after earning the top seed for the stepladder by a single pin over Parkin. Rodríguez struck on her fill ball against Parkin in the position round earlier on Thursday to finish qualifying with a 5,646 total, including bonus pins. Parkin made her fifth championship-round appearance of the year. She has three runner-up finishes this season, including to Bond at the USBC Queens. Johnson made her second consecutive finals appearance at the PWBA Fall Classic Series after placing third at the PWBA Reno Classic on Tuesday. It marked her third championship-round appearance of the season.

The Fall Classic Series features the final three events of the 2021 PWBA Tour season - the Reno Classic, Pepsi Classic and PWBA Tour Championship. The Reno Classic and Pepsi Classic featured the same format. Each event featured 12 games of qualifying to determine the top 12 players for round-robin match play. At the conclusion of match play, the top four athletes, based on total pinfall and bonus pins, advanced to the stepladder finals.

Stephanie Zavala of Downey, California, won her third title of the season at the Reno Classic, defeating Bryanna Coté of Tucson, Arizona, in the title match, 207-194. The top 24 athletes based on their combined qualifying totals for the Reno Classic and Pepsi Classic (24 games) determined the advancers to the season-ending Tour Championship, the third major of the year.

Pinfall will drop at the beginning of the Tour Championship, with all advancers bowling three eight-game blocks of round-robin match play Friday and Saturday. The top five competitors, based on total pinfall and bonus pins, will advance to the stepladder finals.

The finals of the Tour Championship was broadcast Sunday at 5 p.m. Eastern on CBS Sports Network, with the winner earning a \$50,000 top prize.

All four finalists from the Pepsi Classic qualified for the Tour Championship, and Bond is looking to use the momentum from her win to make a run at a second major and the chance to win PWBA Player of the Year for the 2021 season, which is based on position on the season-long points list. "After this event, I know I'm throwing it well," Bond said. "It's a nice confidence boost and offers a little validation. Now, I need to make good choices and be smart. That's the goal heading into the next event."

Heading into the final event, the race for PWBA Player of the Year features six players within 8,600 points of current leader Verity Crawley of England.

Crawley (118,600 points) is 300 points ahead of Ukraine's Dasha Kovalova (118,300) and 355 points ahead of Bond (118,245).

Two-time reigning PWBA Player of the Year Shannon O'Keefe enters the Tour Championship in fourth place with 115,770 points and is followed by Coté (111,445), Parkin (110,262.5) and three-time PWBA Player of the Year Liz Johnson of Niagara Falls, New York (110,060).

Where Are They Now?

Bud Horn Remembers Team Era Bowling

by Dave Williams

Since writing an article about “The Bowling Chain That Started Them All” in late July of 2021, I have been carrying on an email conversation with Tom Knapp, who happened to be a bowler at one of the American International Bowling Corporation (AIBC) locations, which was the topic of conversation in that article.

The next week he sent me a photo of his son enjoying the game of duckpins, which I used to supplement an article titled, “With Names Like Toots and Bookie, How Will Duckpins Ever Die?” Since that time Knapp has kept in touch and once again commented after the Donna Adamek article “Where Are They Now... Donna Adamek Fondly Remembers Western Columbia and Bobbe North.”

As it turns out, Mr. Knapp had moved from Maryland to California and was employed by Western Columbia during the time catalogued in the article involving the illustrious career of Donna Adamek. When he saw the title, “Where Are They Now,” Tom said that I should do an article like that about Bud Horn. He even followed up by providing me with an email address and phone number for Mr. Horn.

I called Bud earlier this week and had a delightful conversation about his bowling career. I did a bit of research before calling and decided to focus on Mr. Horn’s American Bowling Congress (ABC) record (now known as the United States Bowling Congress, or USBC). At 84 years young, his memory was as sharp as a tack, particularly when remembering acquaintances that he had made throughout his bowling career.

Bud grew up in Los Angeles and bowled in Junior Leagues with longtime friend Norm Meyers at Santa Monica Bowl. In addition to his fabulous career on the ABC Championship lanes each year, Horn also collected 2 wins on the PBA Tour in 1966 (Labor Day Classic, Heart Bowl, Dallas, TX) and the Mercury Open in 1970 (Hilander Bowling Palace, Oklahoma City, OK). In PBA tournament competition from 1963 to 1970, he made the top five 19 times, including 5 times in 1966 and 6 times in 1967.



Bud Horn
(Photo compliments of USBC Communications)



California Bombers, Fresno, CA (1963 photo)
(l-r) Bill Maglione, Johnny King, Bill Bunetta, Bud Horn and Norm Meyers
(Provided by bowlinghistory.wordpress.com)

The Munsingwear #2 team was also a team made up of five future Hall of Famers: Barry Asher, Roy Buckley, Norm Meyers, Nelson Burton Jr., and Horn. During all of those record setting team performances, Horn also managed to chalk up 11 consecutive all events totals of 1800 or better from 1966 to 1976, which at the time was an ABC record. He rolled the very first 300 game in ABC Masters competition in 1961, and rolled another 300 in the Classic Singles in 1976.

Bud Horn was elected to the ABC Hall of Fame in 1992. He competed in 21 annual events, averaging 202 over that time. He was drafted into the National Bowling League (NBL) by the San Antonio Cavaliers in 1961. “We played all of our games on the road when our top investor backed out, and the stadium was never built,” said Horn. “The league had 10 teams, but before the first season was complete, four of the teams had folded.”

One can only imagine what might have been for Bud Horn, a preeminent team player, had the NBL survived.

However, it was in team bowling that Bud Horn prevailed. During our conversation Mr. Horn commented with a chuckle, “I knew how to pick good teams,” when asked about his team accomplishments at the ABC Championships, an event that moves to a different city almost every year. The tall and gifted athlete, who now resides in Las Vegas, won 4 “Eagles” in the ABC Championships, emblematic of a first place finish in team, doubles, singles or all events.

All of Bud’s titles came in team play. His first came as a member of the 1963 California Bombers (Fresno, CA), and included teammates Bill Maglione, Johnny King, Bill Bunetta and childhood friend Norm Meyers. His next title came in 1967, as a member of the Balancer Glove team from Ft. Worth, TX. That team was comprised of five future Hall of Fame members: Dick Ritger, Wayne Zahn, Bill Bunetta, Johnny Guenther and Horn.

“We were all sponsored (except Bunetta) on the PBA tour by Ollie Jordan, a banker from Wisconsin,” said Horn, regarding the Balancer Glove team. “We later changed our name to Jordan Enterprises for a few years, and placed fourth in the 1971 tournament.” But it was in 1974 when Bud accepted an offer by Nelson Burton Jr. to join the powerful Munsingwear #2 team out of Minneapolis, that the pinnacle of his care was achieved.

“We missed the 1974 team championship by one pin to the Ebonite team from Hopkinsville, Kentucky,” remembers Horn, “and then we won the title in 1975 and 1976. We were the only team to win the Classic Division twice, and we almost won it three years in a row.” (The Classic Division began in 1961 in order to separate professional bowlers from non-professionals. It was discontinued after the 1979 event).



Balancer Glove, Ft. Worth, TX (1967 photo)
(l-r) Dick Ritger, Wayne Zahn, Bud Horn, Bill Bunetta and Johnny Guenther
(Provided by bowlinghistory.wordpress.com)

ARLINGTON, Texas — The International Bowling Media Association (IBMA) announced today that Randy Guley of Pahump, Nev., is the new Operations Manager for the organization by the IBMA's board of directors.

Gulley, who started Oct. 1, succeeds Brian Hirsch, who resigned for personal reasons after serving in the position since March 2020.

“Brian did a great job as Operations Manager, helping the group get through challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic,” IBMA President Johnny Campos said. “He will be missed. I have full confidence that Randy will be able to step into the role and continue the good work started by Brian.”

Gulley, a St. Louis native, has an extensive background in the bowling industry including as the unofficial photographer for the sport on social and print media. He has had many articles and photos published in various bowling publications and newspapers.

He also has had extensive experience as an administrator. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and worked for the Department of Defense for 32 years, mostly in administration. He was twice named Outstanding Administrator for the 15th Air Force and Strategic Air Command and won several other awards.

Gulley also has had held numerous positions in various bowling organizations. He was the Administrative Director at Federation Internationale des Quilleurs' (FIQ) for a year in Colorado Springs and was the Colorado State United States Bowling Congress president from 2007-08.

He served as the Colorado High School Bowling Federation President from 2008-10 after working on the Colorado Springs Bowling Association Board from 1991-2006. He was the Executive Vice-President of the group for three years, served as director of the Citrus Belt Bowling Association and was on the March Air Force Bowling Center Advisory Committee from 1981-1989.

As IBMA Operations Manager, he will work closely with the IBMA president and the organization's committee chairs to ensure that the IBMA's policies and procedures are followed. Gulley also will act as recording secretary for meetings, and as administrator for committee chairmen.

"I am looking forward to working closely with President Campos and the IBMA board," Gulley said. "I am looking forward to helping the organization any way I can."

The IBMA board of directors approved the appointment of Hirsch to return to the board of directors, where he served before becoming the group's Operations Manager last year. The board also approved the appointment of Gary Forman as a new board member.

by Frank Weiler

ANAHEIM – It was Sunday, October 14, 1984 when “Palmballer” Tony Bowman rolled the first perfect 300 game at Macy Bowl in the Open Scratch Six Gamer. It’s been 37 years since Tony stunned everyone at Macy Bowl claiming the \$1,000 bonus for a rolling his perfecto. It’s been 37 years since that “Big Day”. Tony Bowman’s “Big Day”.

Let us go back to those “good old days” and **Remember Tony Bowman’s “Big Day”**.

Those were the days, nearly four decades ago, when Tony Bowman was the terror of Southern California tournament bowling. Whenever Tony showed up to compete in any scratch tournament every bowler was on edge. They knew that Tony could post high scores at any time and annihilate his competition. Why? Because Tony was a "Palmballer". By palmballing his bowling ball Tony could generate 500 revolutions to his strike ball and blast pins off the pin deck. Palmballers blast pins off the pin deck just like the two handers in today's modern game.

In those days there were no two-handed bowlers and very few Palmballers. Tony was one of those few Palmballers. A “Palmballer” is a bowler who palms a bowling ball in one hand without placing his thumb in the thumb hole. That allows bowlers like Tony to get their hand around and turn a bowling ball with twice as much leverage as a normal bowler. That extra turn and leverage generates those extra ball revolutions. Current PBA champion Tom Smallwood is a current day “Palmballer”.

Tony's generating of 500 revolutions to a bowling ball made him the preeminent Striker of his time. A generational bowling talent. A CALIFORNIA legend. And because of his power bowling I have always referred to Tony as **"BOOM BOOM" BOWMAN** during the many years we have been friends.

Four decades ago “**BOOM BOOM**” was a sailor in the United States Navy. He was stationed on the U.S.S. KITTY HAWK, sailing out of San Diego. While an active duty sailor Tony bowled in Bowling Centers throughout the country, competing wherever the Navy called. He was a terror in the Midwest before coming to California. While bowling in the Chicago area before his transfer to San Diego Tony rolled one of his many perfect 300 games.

While in the San Diego area Tony bowled in one league. Because of his palmballing he was a threat to roll a perfect 300 game anytime he laced up his bowling shoes. Prior to his perfect game at Macy Bowl Tony rolled at least three other perfect games. In fact, in the six months prior to his Macy Bowl perfect Tony rolled 300 games at Pacific Lanes and Village Lanes in El Monte.

“WOW”! Tony Bowman was rolling multiple 300 games in Bowling’s “Stone Age” when very few bowlers rolled perfect games. The only bowlers that rolled multiple 300 games back then we’re professionals like **Don Carter** and **Dick Weber**. And those guys didn’t roll any more perfect games than Tony “Boom Boom” Bowman!

Interestingly Tony used a borrowed bowling ball, a Columbia Yellow Dot, to roll his Macy Bowl perfect! The ball belonged to his friend and shipmate Mark Miller. After the tournament was over Tony purchased that Yellow Dot from Mark for \$300. He also bought a round of drinks for all the bowlers at Macy Bowl that day. Not only is Tony a great bowler but also a generous guy.

I wish I could go back in time and have been there on Tony's Big Day. The best I can do is remember that "BIG DAY". **"REMEMBERING TONY BOWMAN'S BIG DAY"** gives me goose bumps! I hope Tony gets goose bumps reading about and remembering his "BIG DAY" knowing many of us CALIFORNIA bowlers also remember.

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appearances during the season. She entered the events in Reno this week eighth in points but quickly entered the conversation for the postseason award with her runner-up finish Tuesday.

“I had talked to my husband about it, and coming into Reno, we never even thought player of the year was on the table,” Coté said. “I knew the points were very close, especially with two regular events and a major to go, and things could shift around pretty easily. You can’t count out those ahead of you, though, because they’re there for a reason. All I could do was just bowl and try to bowl great. When I realized I was getting closer and put myself in position to be player of the year, I just stayed the course and tried to stay focused. If it was meant to be, it was meant to be.”

Zavjalova, a two-time major winner and four-time PWBA Tour champion, earned her spot in the semifinals with a 190-164 victory over Zavala, the 2021 PWBA Rookie of the Year.

Zavjalova took advantage of a missed single pin by Zavala in the eighth frame and rolled strikes on five of her last six shots to advance.

Zavala, a three-time winner during her rookie season, kicked off the stepladder with a 203-200 win over two-time PWBA Player of the Year Shannon O’Keefe of Shiloh, Illinois.

Zavala needed to fill 17 pins in her final frame to eliminate O’Keefe and struck on her first delivery. A nine-count on her second shot secured the victory.

O’Keefe entered the broadcast with the chance to earn the PWBA Player of the Year award for a third consecutive season, but she needed to record at least a fourth-place finish to force Coté to win the Tour Championship to earn enough competition points.

The Tour Championship was the third event of the PWBA Fall Classic Series, which also included the Reno Classic and PWBA Pepsi Classic.

After Zavala won the Reno Classic on Tuesday, Julia Bond of Aurora, Illinois, captured her third win of the year at the Pepsi Classic on Thursday.

The Tour Championship featured the top 24 athletes from the first two events of the Fall Classic Series. The combined qualifying totals from the Reno Classic and Pepsi Classic (24 games) determined the players to advance to the season-ending event. Pinfall dropped at the beginning of the Tour Championship, which featured three eight-game blocks of round-robin match play Friday and Saturday. Total pinfall, including bonus pins for each victory, determined Sunday’s five finalists. The 2021 PWBA Tour season featured 20 events, kicking off in January at the PWBA Kickoff Classic Series in Arlington, Texas.

Stephanie Zavala’s Facebook Post

That’s a rap on the PWBA 2021 Tour Season! The last several months have been nothing short of amazing. I wouldn’t trade the the ups and downs, the mental and physical grind and overall experience for anything.

For as long as I can remember, all I’ve ever wanted to be was a professional bowler. Bowling alleys have always been the one place I feel I belong and I’m so glad I was able to live out my life’s dream this summer.

To my parents, Armando Zavala & Estela Zavala, thank you doesn’t even seem to cover it. You guys saw my passion at a young age and did everything and more to make sure I could achieve my dreams. Dad, you bought me my first bowling ball and coached me until I was 18. I know I never made it easy but thank you for pushing me to work hard. Mom, thanks for always being my rock and being there when I looked back to smile, laugh, or cry about an outcome. I couldn’t have done this without you guys.

Chris, from day one we knew it was you and I against the world. Thank you for drilling, cleaning, traveling, coaching and more than anything for believing in me and my abilities. Your ball repping skills were unmatched but more importantly you never doubted and always told me I could do it— Even when I shot 96 or needed to be talked off a cliff. You’ll always be my VIP.

Special thanks to my sponsors 900 Global, Bowlifi, Vise Inserts, and BowlerX.com for setting me up for success with the best products in the business. I’m looking forward to many more seasons.

To the best ball reps on tour: Matt, Shawn, Steve, and Jim, I know I do things a little unconventional but you guys always had my back and for that I appreciate you lots.

To the ladies on tour, thank you for welcoming me into the family. It was a pleasure grinding out the season with you guys. To everyone who has reached out to me and shown their love and support throughout the season, your words have meant more to me than you’ll ever know.

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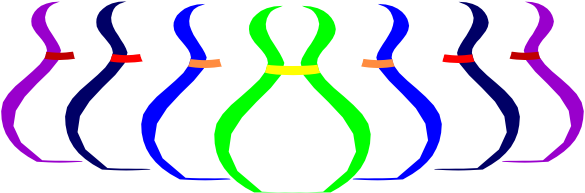
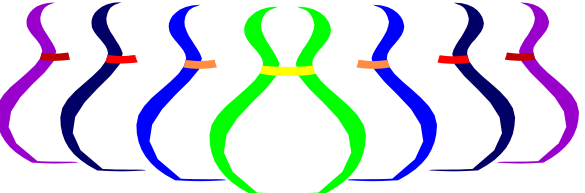
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DOWNEY –The Forever Hope Foundation ran away from the field in the first round of the Invitational, but as the veterans of the league always say, the season starts now. The pattern for the next seven weeks will be our own short oil pattern, and the house shot will not be on the lanes again for quite some time. Sidepot scores will be much lower, making spares is critical, & teams strive to grind out wins.

Three teams managed sweeps on the first night of the round. The first of which was **Cal Bowl**. Leonard Ruiz Jr. led the way for Cal Bowl with an amazing 256-258-215/729 set. During the set, he stayed clean for all 30 frames, which is hard enough to do that the league has a challenge pot set up for it, which Leonard broke on the first night. His teammates, Herman Ferguson and Ramon Torres, both helped out with a couple of 200 games each. After returning home with a new PWBA trophy, Stephanie Zavala led **Family Ties** in defeat with 216-211/608.

Joining Cal Bowl with five wins is the **U.S. Foods** team as they swept past **Westminster Lanes**. Paul Barraco was lined up during the first game, shooting a huge 266 game. Even with it, Westminster Lanes only lost by 15 pins as they had Marquan Rivers, Ray Minter and Jonathan Gale all over 200. In the middle game, it was Kasey Uyesugi doing the damage for U.S. Foods with 235, and he got help from Gabriel Martinez with a 215. At this point, Westminster was down 2-0, but only trailing for the all-important total pins by 44. Unfortunately for Westminster Lanes, that gap would only get wider as Uyesugi posted a 257 finale along with 238 from Martinez. Kasey topped the pair with his 684 set as well.

The final team to go 5-0 was **Bowlium**. It wasn't a high scoring match on the pair as they took on **Team #5**. Bowlium took the opener by only seven pins and the middle game by 36, to lead by 43 heading into the final game. Much like the previous match, it then became a blowout. David Schiada struck eleven times for a 279 which was all Bowlium needed to run away with the game. Derek Lee had a 226/611 for the opposition but he didn't have enough support on this night.

Four teams are one game back, starting with the first round winner **Forever Hope Foundation**. They had a tight match with **DV8**, who finished the opening round in 2nd place. It was a tight match, split at 1-1 after two games with DV8 holding a slight edge for totals. Game three was not close at any point though,

as Forever Hope Foundation shot an 860 game to run away with totals for a 4-1 win. Vernon Adams led the Foundation with 221/608 although it certainly wasn't done in Vernon fashion as the lanes were certainly tricky. When he struck flush in the pocket at 10:07 p.m. (during game #3) there was actually a brief debate over if it was his first time in striking in the pocket during the match. I think we agreed there may have been one more. Regardless, it goes to show how hard the pattern is when a string of Brooklyn strikes can literally turn a match. Matt Murtishaw got lined up off the gutter for a 233 in the final game, while Ramsey Basurto turned in a 225 to open up the gap in the match. Jeff Carr, back after weeks of travel, led the DV8 team with 238/619.

Bowling Guys is also 4-1 after taking down **Team Hu\$tle**. Bobby Campagnale was the only bowler on his team to break 550, but he broke it by quite a bit, shooting 222-223-268/713. That score was enough to hold his team up for the wins. Vince Duarte was subbing for Team Hu\$tle and led them with 256/625. The 256 game is when Hu\$tle got their only win in the opener. After that, it was all Bowling Guys.

J.A.T. is 4-1 as well, as they rebounded from an opening game loss to take the next two games and totals from **California Timberline**. Donnel Carter started hot for Timberline with a 245 game, helping them to an 18 pin victory. In game #2, J.A.T. had big scores from Kevin Valmonte and Anthony Santos, shooting 257 and 243 respectively. Santos stayed hot in the final game with a 213 for a team leading 629 series. David Yamauchi helped with a steady 220/622 set to go along with his delicious sugar cookies.

Forest Lanes and **Threadworks** had a much closer match than the 4-1 score would indicate. The opener was all Forest Lanes, as they took a 1-0 lead behind a 248 game from JT Diso. In the middle game, Threadworks won by 12 pins. Eric Snow led the team with 248. In the final game, it came down to the anchor bowlers with Jon Diso needing to match Ryan Cunningham. Cunningham managed to double, but Diso did the same to win the game for Forest Lanes by only two pins. JT Diso topped the team with 629, while Jon added 620. For Threadworks, a 660 set by Snow wasn't enough, even with 600's from Paul Varela and Kevin Jones.

The final match of the night was between the **Professional Approach** and **TDI Refrigeration**. Bryan

TOP 10 TEAMS ROUND 2			
U.S. Foods	5	Junior Amateur Tour ..	4
Cal Bowl	5	Bowling Guys	4
Bowlium.....	5	Professional Approach	4
Forever Hope Foundation	\$ 4	Threadworks	1
Forest Lanes.....	4	DV8.....	1

TOP 10 THIS WEEK			
Leonard Ruiz Jr.	729	Gabriel Martinez	634
Bobby Campagnale ..	713	Anthony Santos	629
Kasey Uyesugi	684	JT Diso.....	629
Eric Snow	660	Kevin Valmonte.....	627
David Schiada.....	653	David Yamauchi	622

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Osborned started strong for the Pro Approach with 231 on his way to a 596 set. Game two was much closer but still fell in favor of the Pro Approach. TDI Refrigeration had a steady team effort in the final game to get on the board with a win though, as Joe Ray and Jonathan Huezo both broke 190 to help the squad. The win didn't help them get totals though, as the Pro Approach escaped the match with four wins.

Sidepot action was won by Vince Duarte and Leonard Ruiz Jr. in the opening game, as they tied with a score of 256. In game #2, Ruiz won again with 258. Anthony Santos got 2nd place money for his 243 game. The final game Superpot was won by Bobby Campagnale, throwing the first eight on his way to 268, which won him \$144. Kasey Uyesugi settled for \$72 in 2nd place with 257.

The Financial Advisors Pot was also won by Leonard Ruiz Jr., earning him another \$160. Kevin Valmonte had a 257 to earn runner up money.

Six more weeks of short oil. Some bowlers were ready to go, while others learned a lot and will be prepared next Monday night. Some are already looking forward to the long oil in the 3rd round. And, as I write this at 11:51 p.m., Vernon is still looking forward to hitting the pocket. Come down to watch the action at Del Rio Lanes next Monday night.
We hope to see you there.

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