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ANTHONY LAVERY-SPAHR WINS PBA GRAND CASINO HOTEL & RESORT SOUTHWEST INVITATIONAL

SHAWNEE, Okla. — Anthony Lavery-Spahr from Pasadena, Texas defeated Stuart Williams, who now lives in Pflugerville, Texas, 244-233, to win the eighth annual PBA Grand Casino Hotel & Resort Southwest Invitational at FireLake Bowling Center Sunday.

Lavery-Spahr's \$4,000 winner's check was an early birthday present as he celebrated his 31st birthday the day after the victory.

In the title match, both finalists opened once in the first two frames, then started stringing strikes. Lavery-Spahr grabbed the lead with five strikes as Williams was able to get his string of strikes going, too. As Williams was closing in on Lavery-Spahr late in the game, Williams failed to strike and spared twice. Lavery-Spahr seemingly had the match won until he missed a ten-pin spare in his ninth frame. Williams then finished the game with four strikes, forcing Lavery-Spahr to mark in the tenth frame. Lavery-Spahr answered the challenge with a strike to claim his

ninth PBA Regional title.

After 12 games of qualifying, Lavery-Spahr was the sixth seed, and started his road to victory with a 3-1 win in the best of five matches against Tony Lanning, from Yukon, Okla. And Dino Castillo, of Carrollton, Texas fell to Lavery-Spahr 2-1 in the best of three, Round of 8 matches. A.J. Chapman, of Lewisville, Texas, fell to Lavery-Spahr in the semi-final match 215-202.

Williams advanced to the Finals with victories over Deo Benard, from Henderson, Nev., then former US Open champion Francois Lavoie, now living in Wichita, Kan., followed by a victory over Brad Miller, from Lee's Summit, Mo. Williams earned \$2,500 for second place. Miller and Chapman each received \$1,500.

The Southwest Region's final 2021 event will be the PBA50/PBA Houston Emerald Bowl Southwest Doubles Open, with a projected \$7,000 winner's check, Houston, Texas, Dec. 17-19.

TOM HESS EARNS 2021 PBA50 BOWLER OF THE YEAR AND ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Wins the season's final two majors to clinch both honors

by Jef Goodger

NEW YORK, N.Y. — PBA50 Tour rookie Tom Hess closed the 2021 season with victories in the Senior U.S. Open and USBC Senior Masters—defeating Chris Barnes in the title match of both—to claim the PBA50 Bowler of the Year and PBA50 Rookie of the Year Awards.

"It's not very often you set a lofty goal like that and go get it done," said Hess, who set personal pre-season goals to win both awards. "There was a lot of joy and a little relief too. It was nice justification that I'm good enough to compete out here and come through with so much on the line."

Hess competed in 13



events during the [2021 PBA50 season](#) and finished in the top 10 seven times. He made it to the stepladder finals in five of those events, winning the two season-ending major championships to prevail in a close contest for the

awards, both of which are based on competition points.

Going into the season's final event, the USBC Senior Masters, three players—Hess, Barnes and Brad Angelo—were still in contention for the Rookie

of the Year Award. Those three, along with then-leader Pete Weber, were also vying for the Player of the Year Award.

Hess qualified fourth for the USBC Masters stepladder finals and defeated continued on page 10

MARK SULLIVAN NAMED 2021 PBA50 DICK WEBER SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNER

Voted most sportsmanlike by his fellow PBA50 Tour competitors

by Jef Giidger

NEW YORK, N.Y.—Mark Sullivan of Indianapolis was voted by his peers to receive the 2021 PBA50 Dick Weber Sportsmanship Award, given to the player who best exemplifies the class and sportsmanship for which Weber was known during his career as a bowler and tournament director.

"I'm speechless," said Sullivan. "It's incredibly humbling to even be considered. Dick was one of my idols and he was so gracious to me when I got

started in the Midwest Region in the early eighties. I'm totally blown away to receive an award named after him."

Voting was open to PBA50 players who participated in at least half the 2021 PBA50 Tour events. The 95 eligible players first nominated deserving candidates, then voted on the five players who received the most nominations. Sullivan earned the award over fellow nominees Dick Gran, Jeff Johnson, Parker Bohn III and Lennie Boresch Jr.



"Those guys are all true professionals," said Sullivan. "They conduct themselves with class and are great competitors. It's an honor to be considered among that group."

Sullivan competed in 13

events on the 2021 PBA50 Tour, cashing in 11 of them and posting a best finish of sixth in the PBA50 Granville Financial Open.

"When you're competing, you're kind of in your continued on page 10

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ARLINGTON, Texas - The United States Bowling Congress Hall of Fame will have at least three new members when the 2022 class is inducted April 27 during the USBC Convention in Las Vegas.

The USBC Hall of Fame Committee recently elected Bo Goergen of Midland, Michigan, in the Outstanding USBC Performance category, Bill Allen of Orlando, Florida, in the Veterans category and Roger Zeller of San Antonio in Meritorious Service.

In addition to the three electees, the USBC Hall of Fame Committee selected six bowlers - five men and one woman - for the Superior Performance ballot that will be distributed to a national panel of USBC Hall of Fame members, USBC Board members and veteran bowling writers.

Selected for the men’s national ballot are Dave Ferraro of Kingston, New York; Bryan Goebel of Shawnee, Kansas; Wes Malott of Fort Wayne, Indiana; Randy Pedersen of Orlando, Florida; and Mike Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas.

Named to the women’s national ballot was Tammy Turner of West Palm Beach, Florida.



Goergen, a 61-year-old right-hander and current USBC Board member, is a two-time champion at the USBC Open Championships.

He won the 2009 Regular Singles title with a record score of 862, which included games of 299, 299 and 264 and still is the highest series ever rolled in Open Championships competition.

Goergen returned to the tournament lanes in 2010 as a defending champion, and though he was not able to repeat in singles, he posted a 2,031 all-events total and helped Northern Lanes Pro Shop of Sanford, Michigan, to the Team All-Events title with a 10,284 total, the ninth-highest total since the category was added in 1947.

In 42 years on the tournament lanes, Goergen has maintained a 205 average and collected five additional top-10 finishes. He also earned a pair of titles at the 2015 Bowlers Journal Championships.

Allen and Zeller both will be inducted posthumously, as they died in 1992 and 1997, respectively.

Allen was a 13-time Professional Bowlers Association Tour champion, with all of those wins coming between 1963 and 1968. During the same time frame, he collected three top-10 finishes at the U.S. Open.



He was a regular on the USBC and Bowlers Journal All-America teams in the 1960s and claimed seven top-10 finishes at the Open Championships between 1966 and 1976.

Allen was inducted into the Florida State USBC Hall of Fame in 1970, the Orlando USBC Hall of Fame in 1982, the PBA Hall of Fame in 1983 and the Central Florida Sports Hall of Fame in 1984.



Zeller helped leave his mark on the sport as the owner, president and chief executive officer of Columbia Industries, which he purchased in 1960. He initially focused on the creation and distribution of plastic and polyester bowling balls.

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The California Bowling Writers has adopted Operation Freedom Paws! Operation Freedom Paws nonprofit organization was founded by "California Bowler and Veteran" Mary Cortani in 2010 that has provided service dogs and training support to veterans and others who suffer from post-traumatic stress syndrome, complex PTSD, traumatic brain injury and other physical, neurological, psychological and mobility needs. According to experts, service dogs help empower people with disabilities to live quality lives. Operation Freedom Paws carefully matches clients with their specially chosen four-legged companions, most of which come from rescue shelters. The partners then begin a 48-week program which trains the clients to train their own dogs. At the end of the program, they're certified together as service dog teams.

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Memories of Mark Roth...

Bowling From The “Joisey” Side

New Jersey, Mark Roth’s adopted home for most of his adult life, is the fourth smallest state in the USA. It is the most densely populated, with a high level of ethnic and religious diversity. There’s also that crazy accent that anyone from “Joisey” (aka New Jersey) projects when speaking.

That unusual accent might have been the reason that bowling superstar Mark Roth kept saying, “I don’t want to talk, I don’t want to talk,” as he approached his first television finals at the 1972 Brunswick World Open. He would eventually finish second to another PBA legend, Don Johnson, in the telecast that was broadcast from Brunswick Northern Bowl in Glendale Heights, Ill.

In a recent Bowlers Journal article by Lyle Zikes it was revealed that the PBA’s TV Coordinator Frank Esposito, another “Joisey” resident and proprietor of the famed Paramus Bowl, put Roth at ease and coached him on what to say whenever he made the finals. You can be certain that it’s also one of the reasons that by January of 1975 the PBA had instituted a “PBA School” as a requirement for membership.

Roth’s incredible career on the lanes has been catalogued many times in the past couple of weeks, so rather than regurgitate the obvious records, I decided to include some anecdotes from fellow “Joisey” residents about the man they knew so well. Perhaps one of the most notable behind the scenes friends of Mr. Roth was Don Corcione, the manager of the Lanes at Sea Girt for many decades, until its closing earlier this year.

Corcione often would tell me while we both were employed by Nationwide Bowling Centers, that as long as he was the manager at the Lanes at Sea Girt, Mark Roth would not be paying for his practice bowling. As the Director of Marketing for Nationwide Bowling, I completely agreed with Don and we used the opportunity to promote the fact that Sea Girt was the place where Roth practiced while not on tour.

“He even had his own heavy pins that he would bring with him to practice,” said former mechanic Jon Matunas in an article that I shared earlier this year (Another One Bites The Dust... The Lanes at Sea Girt Permanently Closing). Corcione commented that Roth did not like the “popcorn” lightweight pins that were in use at most bowling centers, so he brought his own pins to get a more realistic reaction.

Corcione’s relationship with Roth was confirmed recently when he received a note from Mark’s wife Denise stating, “It was always Mark’s wish to open a new 32 lane center in New Jersey and to have you run it.” This would not have been Roth’s first adventure into bowling center ownership, as he had previously purchased Rainbow Lanes in Brooklyn, N.Y., and later Parkway Lanes in Elmwood Park, N.J.

Rainbow Lanes, where Roth grew up bowling in junior and adult leagues, and also working as a mechanic, was a two story, 52 lane bowling center in the Sheepshead Bay section of Brooklyn. The building still exists today, but now houses a large indoor Public Storage facility; while Parkway Lanes, a 42 lane center, is still in operation as a bowling center under the ownership of John Fatigati, President of the state affiliate of the Bowling Proprietors Association of America.

When Fatigati purchased Parkway Lanes there was a tribute to Mark’s famous conversion of the 7-10 split on network television, with two giant ten foot pins at either side of the main entrance — a 7 pin to the left and a 10 pin to the right. A modernization of the facility required that one of the pins be removed so that a handicap ramp could be installed, but the giant 7 pin still remains to the left of the main entrance.

Hal Farber, who passed away in 2020, was also a notable “Joisey” proprietor in the life of Mark Roth. He played a big part in Mark’s recovery from his stroke



Parkway Lanes 7-10 Tribute

Only the 7 pin remains following the remodel of Parkway Lanes, which required the removal of the 10 pin for a wheelchair ramp (Photo: Parkway Lanes) along with Roth’s beloved wife Denise, according to Corcione. Both Farber and Roth began their bowling careers in New York before moving to New Jersey. Hal owned and operated JIB Lanes in Queens before moving to New Jersey and working for Nationwide Bowling Centers as a center manager for many years at both Linden Lanes and Hudson Lanes.

I remember meeting with Hal at Harold’s Deli, a famous restaurant in Edison, N.J., on a monthly basis after we had both left Nationwide Bowling following years of service, to pursue individual marketing opportunities. The deli, operated by Harold Jaffe of Carnegie Deli (New York City) fame, is well known for oversized portions. If you are ever in the New York City area, you must take the time to visit this “Joisey” landmark.

My first experience at Harold’s Deli took place in 1995 when Bill Kinney, the night manager at Hudson Lanes, discovered that I lived in Edison. His daughter worked at the adjacent Ramada Inn and Bill said, “You must try Harold’s Deli.” One night as I was driving home from a function at Hudson Lanes, I decided to stop by and pick up a sandwich to go from Harold’s.

After what seemed like an exceptionally long wait for the Roast Beef Sandwich that I had ordered, the attendant brought out two large brown bags. The cost was \$10 which seemed a bit steep for just a sandwich, but I was too tired to argue and grabbed the two bags and headed for home. When I opened the bags I was surprised to find a twelve inch high sandwich in one bag, and an entire loaf of rye bread in the other! I had enough sandwiches for a week from that one order!

So there you have it — memories of Mark Roth from the “Joisey” side. Many bowlers have commented about how they emulated Mark’s style at an early age, but for me it was just the opposite. Roth’s complete dominance of the tour in 1978 brought me to the realization that at the age of 27, I could not copy his style after perfecting my own game as a “frustrated stroker” for so many years. It was then that I decided to accept an offer from AMF and join their Manager Trainee program.

I probably never spoke more than one sentence to Roth over the years. Mark was strictly business on the lanes, and not available for small talk. When you watch old YouTube videos of his matches, you begin to understand his intensity on the lanes and focus on his target. To say that he was an intimidating figure would be an understatement. I was in awe of his ability, and only wish that I had taken the time to know Mark off the lanes, like my fellow “Joisey” residents Don Corcione, Jon Matunas and Hal Farber.



Rainbow Lanes in Brooklyn - Now a Public Storage facility - (Photo: PublicStorage.com)

To The Editor

Inquiry on ABC/USBC National Tournament Champions in Southern California

I was wondering how many Southern California Amateur Bowlers have won the Annual ABC/USBC National Bowling Tournament Singles Title? (in any division)

I won the Classified Singles Division in 2000 held in Albuquerque, New Mexico with a 722 scratch 3 game series and have not heard of anyone before or since winning who was a bowler from Southern California.

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Temporary Production Halt, Layoffs at Bowling Pin Manufacturer QubicaAMF Caused By Supply Chain Issues

by Julie Abbass • jabbass@wdt.net

LOWVILLE — Supply chain challenges plaguing the nation have hit home locally, making a temporary production shut down and workforce layoff necessary at bowling pin manufacturer QubicaAMF.

“They can’t get what they need to keep production going,” said Cheyenne L. Steria, Lewis County Industrial Development Agency director of finance and incentives. “They’re hoping a little hiatus will help solve that for them.”

Lewis County Board of Legislators Chair Lawrence L. Dolhof and Mrs. Steria both confirmed that it has been their understanding that all production will be temporarily stopped while the supply chain issues are confronted. Mr. Dolhof said it is likely there will be some staff members who will be kept on in the interim.

According to County Manager Ryan M. Piche, about 120 people are employed at the Lowville plant.

On Sept. 20, an email sent to county officials by Cheryl A. Mayforth, director of The WorkPlace in both Jefferson and Lewis counties, said QubicaAMF would “need to layoff their workforce due to being unable to obtain raw materials” and that a WARN letter issued by the company to its employees would be forwarded. It is unclear if the need for a WARN letter was triggered by the short-term nature of the layoff.

The federal Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, or WARN Act, requires certain businesses planning to reduce hours by 50% or lay off at least 50 people at a single location with at least 100 employees to issue letters with 60 days’ notice. State WARN law is stricter and requires 90 days’ notice of a 50% layoff for businesses with at least 50 full-time employees.

Laid off workers would be eligible for unemployment assistance.

Although the number of employees that have been laid off is not clear, it is expected to be a short-term shut down, with reopening planned for December.

“Your hope at a time like this, with so many employers looking for workers, is that (the laid-off workers) don’t jump ship so (QubicaAMF) has a workforce to come back to in December,” Mrs. Steria said.

Last week, the employer communicated with public officials that the layoff may be necessary but that they were hoping to find a solution first, according to Mrs. Steria.

It is unclear as to whether the availability of raw materials is the issue, or if the nationwide commercial driver and transportation shortage is creating the problem for QubicaAMF.

“There’s layers of issues with the supply chain and it’s worse than anybody predicted,” she said.

Questions still remain about the start date for the production halt and layoffs.

A local representative for QubicaAMF said the company has no comment because it is “proprietary information.”

Ms. Mayforth could not be reached Wednesday.

Early in the COVID-19 pandemic, the pin maker was able to get a special waiver through the Empire State Development Corporation to continue manufacturing with available wood supply that may have otherwise been damaged from sitting outside for an extended period if a shut down had occurred.

Because QubicaAMF was not eligible for the Paycheck Protection Program, the company had to furlough some employees at that time but was able to bring people back as soon it could, Mr. Piche said at that time.

According to the company’s corporate website, the 117,000-square-foot facility builds more than one million bowling pins annually.

QubicaAMF also manufactures pinspotters, bowling lanes and other bowling products in its 360,000-square-foot facility with more than 300 employees in Virginia, and the electronics for bowling alleys in Bologna, Italy, at a 38,750-square-foot facility that employs more than 110 people.



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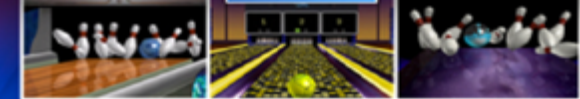
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Columbia 300 served as the title sponsor for many professional events on both the men's and women's tours over the years, and Zeller was elected to the PBA Hall of Fame for meritorious service in 1995.

Zeller also spent time as a proprietor, served as a National Bowling Council board member and as trustee for the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame.

He was inducted into the San Antonio Bowling Council Hall of Fame in 1977 and received the Billiard and Bowling Institute of America Industry Service Award in 1988.

Zeller established the John Jowdy Scholarship Fund and created the Roger L. and Laura D. Zeller Charitable Foundation, which funded a wing of the Cancer Therapy & Research Center in San Antonio. Along with the 2022 inductees, the six members of the 2020 class and the four members of the 2021 USBC Hall of Fame class also are awaiting their inductions.

The 2020 class will take the spotlight in Las Vegas on the night of April 26, and the inductees for 2021 and 2022 will celebrate with a separate ceremony April 27. Both will take place at The Orleans Hotel & Casino as part of the 2022 USBC Convention and Annual Meeting.

The 10 waiting bowlers were slated for induction in 2020 and 2021, before COVID-19 forced the cancellation of the 2020 Convention in Las Vegas, along with all supporting activities and events. The 2021 Convention was held virtually, and inductions were delayed to 2022.

The 2020 class includes Marianne DiRupo of Succasunna, New Jersey, and Patrick Allen of Garfield, New Jersey, in the Superior Performance category, Patrick Healey Jr. of Niagara Falls, New York (USBC Outstanding Performance), Bob Learn Jr. of Erie, Pennsylvania (Veterans), and Andrew Cain of Phoenix and Jim Zebehazy of Leesburg, Florida (both in Meritorious Service).

The 2021 class includes Sandra Jo Shiery of Coldwater, Michigan, and Mark Williams of Beaumont, Texas, in the Superior Performance category and the hus-

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own little world,” said Sullivan. “I’m not aware of anything in particular I’ve done that would be deserving of this honor, but maybe that’s why I’m so surprised. It’s very humbling.”

Dick Weber, who, like Sullivan, was born in Indianapolis, was a founding member of the Professional Bowlers Association and won 30 PBA titles in his career, including four majors. Weber is considered by many to be the greatest ambassador bowling has ever seen and his name is appropriately attached to the PBA50’s sportsmanship award, first given out in 2008.

PREVIOUS PBA50 DICK WEBER SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNERS
2020 – no winner (season canceled)

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|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 2019 – Sammy Ventura | 2015 – Tom Carter | 2011 – Ray Randall |
| 2018 – Chris Keane | 2014 – Chris Keane | 2010 – Robert Harvey |
| 2017 – Ted Staikoff | 2013 – Robert Harvey | 2009 – Larry Graybeal |
| 2016 – Kerry Fulford | 2012 – Dave Soutar | 2008 – Fred Baldwin |



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Donnie Hogue to earn a match with Weber, who qualified third. Hess got past Weber and No. 2 seed Doug Kent, setting up another major championship match with Barnes and guaranteeing the winner would receive both Bowler of the Year and Rookie of the Year honors.

Because Barnes was undefeated through the double-elimination match-play bracket, Hess had to win twice to claim the title. He did so, winning 278-226 and 237-203. Hess is the third player in PBA50 history to win the Senior U.S. Open and USBC Senior Masters in the same season, joining Tom Baker (2006) and Weber (2016).

“It’s unreal,” said Hess. “I tried to be as prepared as possible and work as hard as I could all year, but even the best in the world don’t expect to have a season like that. Especially the last two months. To have the season end the way it did was just magical.”

Hess is the first player since 2014, and third ever, to win both PBA50 Bowler of the Year and Rookie of the Year Awards in the same season, joining Norm Duke (2014) and Tom Baker (2005).

PREVIOUS PBA50 BOWLERS OF THE YEAR

- 2020 – no winner (season canceled)
2019 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2018 – Michael Haugen Jr.
2017 – Brian LeClair
2016 – Pete Weber
2015 – Pete Weber
2014 – Norm Duke
2013 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2012 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2011 – Ron Mohr
2010 – Wayne Webb
2009 – Ron Mohr
2008 – Tom Baker
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2004 – Bob Glass
2003 – Bob Chamberlain
2002 – Mark Roth
2001 – Bob Glass
2000 – Bob Glass
1999 – Dale Eagle
1998 – Pete Couture
1997 – Gary Dickinson
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1990 – John Hricsina
1989 – Jimmy Certain

PREVIOUS PBA50 ROOKIES OF THE YEAR

- 2020 – no winner (season canceled)
2019 – Eugene McCune
2018 – Rolando Sebelén
2017 – Michael Haugen Jr.
2016 – Eddie Graham
2015 – Mike Scroggins
2014 – Norm Duke
2013 – Pete Weber
2012 – Amleto Monacelli
2011 – Ricky Beck
2010 – Walter Ray Williams Jr.
2009 – Brian Voss
2008 – Wayne Webb
2007 – Sam Zurich
2006 – Bob Kelly
2005 – Tom Baker
2004 – David Ozio
2003 – Don Sylvia
2002 – Vince Mazzanti Jr.
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LORRI SCOTT Leads the Inland Empire Ladies Club

by Frank Weiler

REDLANDS – Lorri Scott is one of the top female bowlers in the Citrus Belt USBC Association. She consistently averages 210 or higher. That’s why It is no surprise to see her averaging 213 this season and standing atop the IELC Leader Board.

When I watched Lorri bowl on a recent Sunday morning she rolled five consecutive strikes out of the gate and finished with a 245 scratch game. I thought I was watching professional striker LIZ KUHLKIN as I watched Lorri Scott bowl. Lorri is as powerful as Liz and if she pursued bowling full time could compete successfully on the Professional Women’s Bowling Association (PWBA) Tour.

Why is Lorri Scott such a good bowler? First, she is consistent, hitting the pocket on nine out of ten strike balls. Second, Lorri rolls a very powerful bowling ball. Her ball speed averages about fifteen miles per hour. She also generates a great degree ball revolutions. I estimate she generates about 450 ball revolutions on every strike shot. That’s close to the number of revolutions generated by two-handed bowlers!

How does Lorri generate all that power? She is a tall, statuesque bowler. At least six feet tall and weighing about one hundred eighty pounds. She throws that weight around when bowling. She uses a high backswing and swift arm speed to generate her power. To top it all off, she brings her hand swiftly around the side of her bowling ball snapping the ball onto the lane with a high degree of energy.

Now you know how and why Lorri Scott dominates. Lets take a look at the list she “TOPS”. The Inland Empire Ladies Club League leaders are:

Name	“Peterson Points”	Average	High Game	High Series (4 Game)
1. Lorri Scott	40.80	213	247	860
2. Margaret Vassar	35.62	194	266	823
3. SueLee Santero	33.96	193	268	841
4. Kathy Nakano	33.90	173	227	766
5. Sherley Bourland	33.40	162	185	681
6. Therese Weiler	33.22	172	201	699
7. Janice Riley	32.96	181	225	816
8. Stephanie White	32.44	168	192	712
9. L. Elias	31.56	145	167	630
10. Cari Burris	31.50	151	169	608

SueLee Santero’s 268 is this seasons high scratch game. Lorri Scott’s 860 four game scratch series is this season’s high.

Lorri Scott wants to thank League Secretary CARI BURRIS for all the work she does for the league. Without Cari there would be no Inland Empire Ladies Club!

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band-and-wife duo of Bill and Barbara Chrisman of Pleasant View, Utah, the co-founders of Storm Products, Inc., who were elected by the committee in the Meritorious Service category. They will be the seventh husband and wife overall to be inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame.

Through 2019, there are 432 members of the USBC Hall of Fame - 223 in Superior Performance, 120 in Meritorious Service, 51 in Veterans, 22 in Pioneer and 16 in Outstanding USBC Performance.

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STORM STRIKES KEYSTONE LANES - TWICE!

by Tony Lizama

NORWALK – On December 9, 2021, Keystone Lanes in Norwalk, Southern California experienced a light rain shower. However, indoors it was quite the opposite: A Thunderstorm by the name of Ramiro Garcia was in town! You could note his presence by the bowlers from the Paint Manufacturers League surrounding his lane as he was about to bowl a perfect 300!

A 300 game is not new to Ramiro, however, bowling two 300s in one night? That’s a feat that’s hard to repeat by anyone, let alone a professional bowler. Ramiro did just that! Not only did he accomplish two perfect scores in one night, but Ramiro also bowled a total scratch score of 845, matching his highest score this year.

The Paint Manufacturers League regularly bowls on Thursday evenings. This night, in particular, was Ramiro’s night! His 845 scratch score ranks him amongst the highest scores at Keystone Lanes which puts him alongside various accomplished bowlers.

Ramiro has been bowling for over 20 years now. When asked what helped him bowl so well that night, Ramiro responded, Well, I used my trusty ELECTRIFY by Storm. I also had the support of my good buddies in my corner, and.. a couple of beers did help!”

Congratulations Ramiro Garcia on a job well done!



Ramiro Garcia with his teammates posing after achieving two perfect scores at Keystone Lanes

photo courtesy of Tony Lizama

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 23 2022	6:00PM EST	PBA Players Championship Southwest Region Finals LIVE.....	FS1
MONDAY, JANUARY 24 2022	7:00PM EST	PBA Players Championship West Region Finals LIVE	FS1
SATURDAY, JANUARY 29 2022	8:30PM EST	PBA Players Championship Finals LIVE	FS1
SUNDAY, JANUARY 30 2022	2:30PM EST	PBA Jr. National Championship Finals and PBA/PBA Jr. Doubles.....	FS1
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16 2022	6:30PM EST	THE PBA STORM CUP: David Small's Kokomo Open LIVE	FloBowling
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Bowlum Finally Closes Out Round 2 Victory

by Jonathan Garza

DOWNEY, Calif. -- A week after completely imploding in the "A" matchup against Round 1 winner, Forever Hope Foundation, Bowlum fought adversity in the face, overcame it and took the reins to clinch Round 2 and qualify for the end of the season roll-off. Congratulations to the Bowlum roster, which includes Butch Jackson, David Schiada, Arnold Cheesman and Billy Myers, Jr.

Forever Hope Foundation was the actual leader of the round, but since it already has qualified for the roll-off, the determining night of the round would see **Bowlum** and **DV8** face off. Both teams entered the night with 21 points. The winner of this one was guaranteed the round. Two subs (Jon Huff and Joe Jimenez) would replace JT Jackson and Mike Cammarata as they went for the round in the "A" match against the team that had run away with the round. The first game saw Jimenez lead the pair with a 217 game in a 738-714 victory for DV8, giving it its first lead of the round. Game 2 brought out the best of the pair. This is a pattern that doesn't see many high scores, but in this game, five of the eight bowlers shot 200 or better. However, it was Jackson's 244 that helped Bowlum take an 809-791 win. It was time for Game 3 and only six pins separated these hungry contenders. That's where Myers picked the right time to shine with his 258 game. Jimenez struggled with a 102 as Bowlum earned a 45-pin win, 798-753. It's worth noting that DV8 did not go down without a fight as Scott Smith shot 235 alongside Jeff Carr's 233 game. You're only as strong as your weakest link, though. Bowlum moves on to the roll-off! Bowlum finishes the round with 25 points to DV8's 22. Leading the way for Bowlum was Myers with a 628 set. Smith was the high man for DV8 with a 615.

Both teams were technically out of the round, but let's not forget that later on in the league, overall points will matter for the final roll-off spot. **Forest Lanes** had its way with **US Foods** in a clean sweep between two teams with 18 points. Game 1 saw Chris Oakes shoot the first of his back-to-back 251 games as Forest Lanes jumped out to a 780-766 win. Forest Lanes came alive with Tony Brunning and JT Diso joined Oakes' 200 games in an 886-780 victory. They forgot Jon Diso in Game 2, but he wasn't to be left out in Game 3, shooting 244 to lead Forest Lanes to a 798-752 win and sweep of US Foods. Oakes led the way for Forest Lanes with a 688 series. Forest Lanes jumps to 23 points for the round and 43 points overall, trailing only DV8, which now has 45. Gabriel Martinez led the way for US Foods with a 657 series.

All round, Leonard Ruiz, Jr. has had his way with the short pattern, and tonight would be no different. Ruiz broke the Clean 30 pot in back-to-back weeks and was the only bowler this round to do so. Congratulations once more to him. He and defending champion **Cal Bowl** faced off with **Westminster Lanes** on the final night of the round. If there were round MVPs, Ruiz arguably deserves the Round 2 MVP. But Michael Jordan may never have won six rings without Scottie Pippen, and if Ruiz is Michael this season, Ramon Torres is definitely Scottie. In Game 1, Torres shot 223 to lead Cal Bowl to a 778-694 win. Game 2 saw Ruiz explode for a 258 game in an 846-732 win for Cal Bowl. In Game 3 it was more of Ruiz. He shot a 265 to finish off a 734 series in an 822-770 win and sweep for Cal Bowl. It's worth noting that Torres shot 678. Marquan Rivers shot 586 to pace things for Westminster Lanes. Cal Bowl finishes the round with 22 points while Westminster Lanes stays at 16 points for Round 2.

Every week I talk to Kevin Jones before bowling, and every week he tells me the same thing, "I sure hope I'm going to shoot a number worth talking about." You did it, buddy, but we'll get to that in Game 3. Jones and **Threadworks** matched up with **Team Hu\$tle** in a matchup of the two 15-point teams. Game 1 was very close, and while Paul Varela led the pair with a 233 game, it was Alejandra Urrutia's 227 score that would help Team Hu\$tle pull out a 730-721 win in Game 1. Sub Vince Duarte took Brandon Grant's place in more ways than just on the lanes in Game 2. Duarte shot a 229 in a 803-690 blowout in Game 2. Back to Jones. He wasn't going to let Threadworks get swept. He

rose up big in Game 3, shooting 234 in a 789-766 win for Threadworks. Urrutia led the way for Team Hu\$tle with a 637 as the team finished Round 2 with 19 points. Threadworks gets to 16 points for Round 2 behind Varela's 606 series.

Red ink usually denotes an important match, so we'll go with it as the recap between **Junior Amateur Tour** and **Professional Approach Pro Shop** was handed in on red ink. Junior Amateur Tour took this one with ease and it wasn't close. Walt Blackston shot 211 as Junior Amateur Tour took Game 1, 736-692. Blackston kept going in Game 2 with a 203 game in a 761-692 win. Game 3 was led by David Yamauchi's 202 score in a 760-646 sweep for Junior Amateur Tour. Blackston led the team with a 598 series. Junior Amateur Tour goes to 19 points for the round. Bryan Osborne shot 569 to lead the way for Professional Approach Pro Shop, which finishes Round 2 with 13 points.

The Bowling Guys team ended Round 2 with a bang and sweep of **Family Ties**. It hopes to take that momentum with it into Round 3. Hey, at least Game 1 was close. Austin Sugarman shot 205 to lead Bowling Guys to a 731-712 Game 1 win. Ricardo Mendoza would take over the show from there, shooting 245 in Game 2 in a 829-754 win. Game 3 was more of that Mendoza show. He was consistent too, shooting 244 in an 808-697 win and sweep for Bowling Guys. Mendoza finished the night with a 673 series. He was helped by Bobby Campagnale's 640. Bowling Guys finishes the round with 17 points. The top score on the pair actually belonged to Mikey Villarreal with his 678. Family Ties finished the round with 12 points.

Don't tell **TDI Refrigeration** that it's bad. It certainly wasn't on this final night of the round. It took out some round-long frustration on **California Timberline**. In Game 1, Preston Epps shot 200 on the nose to lead TDI Refrigeration to a 718-655 win. Then Epps went off with a 266 to win that game for TDI Refrigeration, 751-698. In the final game, Will Hinckley got tired of the losing ways for the night and put his team on his back with a 190 game in a 708-672 win for California Timberline. Totals belonged to TDI Refrigeration, though, and Epps was its leader with a 680 series. TDI Refrigeration finished the round with 14 points. Gary Duran led the way for California Timberline with a 539 series. California Timberline finishes the round with 12 points.

We didn't forget about **Forever Hope Foundation**. With it earning the berth in the roll-off thanks to winning Round 1, it winds up playing **WBPI** in a matchup of the best team of the round and its cellar dwellers. Game 1 showed the difference in talent as Forever Hope Foundation flexed its muscles with a 225 game by Matt Murtishaw, 224 game by Ramsey Basurto and 223 game by Joe Smith. Together it was an 859-680 win for Forever Hope Foundation. Whoever assumed it would be a sweep is, well, forever mistaken. Game 2 saw Derek Lee play up to his competition as he shot 243 and helped WBPI pull out a narrow 755-745 win. But hey, a win is a win no matter how you put it. WBPI kept things competitive in Game 3, but it was Basurto and his 235 game lifting Forever Hope Foundation to an 810-765 win. Chalk up another four wins for Forever Hope Foundation as it finished Round 2 with 27 points, and holds 58 points overall for the season, a whopping 13 points better than DV8. We still have three rounds to go, though. Lee shot 637 to lead the way for WBPI. WBPI finishes the round with five points.

The first game sidepot was won by Paul Varela with a 233. He wins \$44. Second place went to Matt Murtishaw with a 225 -- good for \$22.

Game 2 went to Leonard Ruiz, Jr. with his 258, good for \$44. Second place was earned by Ricardo Mendoza with his 245 game. He gets \$22.

In the final game, Leonard Ruiz, Jr. got paid again, taking home \$132 for his 265 game. Mikey Villarreal's 246 score earned him \$66.

The Financial Advisors Pot went to Leonard Ruiz, Jr. for his 258 game, which was worth \$160. Ricardo Mendoza earned \$70 for his 245 game.

Just like that, Round 2 is over, and so is bowling in the Brunswick Invitational for 2021. The league will take two weeks off before resuming play on January 3, 2022. Round

TOP 10 TEAMS ROUND 2			
Forever Hope Foundation	\$ 27	Team Hu\$tle	..... 19
Bowlum	\$ 25	Junior Amateur Tour	.. 19
Forest Lanes	..... 23	U.S. Foods	..... 18
DV8	..... 22	Bowling Guys	..... 17
Cal Bowl	..... 22	Westminster Lanes	... 16

TOP 10 THIS WEEK			
Leonard Ruiz Jr.	..... 734	Ricardo Mendoza	.... 673
Chris Oakes	..... 688	Gabriel Martinez	.... 657
Preston Epps	..... 680	Bobby Campagnale	.. 640
Ramon Torres 678	Derek Lee 637
Mikey Villarreal 678	Alejandra Urrutia 637

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3 features the league's long pattern.

One thing to begin tracking is the aforementioned overall win totals. They are important for two reasons. First, the season-ending roll-off takes five teams. It takes the first four round winners, and then qualifies the overall points leader at the conclusion of the league. Second is seeding for the roll-off. If you didn't know, the roll-off is a stepladder final with the team with the most overall points for the league sitting pretty at the top waiting for the challenger in a best-of-5 game roll-off.

Let's take a look at the overall points leaders going into 2022 and Round 3:

1. Forever Hope Foundation (58) - *Round 1 winners*
2. DV8 (45, 13 points back)
3. Forest Lanes (43, 15 points back)
4. Cal Bowl (40, 18 points back)
5. Bowlum (40, 18 points back) - *Round 2 winners*
6. US Foods (38, 20 points back)
7. Team Hu\$tle (38, 20 points back)
8. Westminster Lanes (37, 21 points back)
9. Threadworks (36, 22 points back)
10. Junior Amateur Tour (36, 22 points back)
11. Bowling Guys (36, 22 points back)
12. Family Ties (30, 28 points back)
13. California Timberline (28, 30 points back)
14. Professional Approach Pro Shop (24, 34 points back)
15. WBPI (21.5, 37.5 points back)
16. TDI Refrigeration (15, 43 points back)

What do you foresee for Round 3? Will Forever Hope Foundation continue its dominance or will a perennial contender rise up to take its spot in the upcoming roll-off. Is a 13-point lead worthy of its own story in the 2021-22 Brunswick Invitational?

There's really only one way for you to find out. Come down to Del Rio Lanes beginning on January 3, 2022 at 8 p.m. as the best bowlers in Southern California battle it out to establish bowling supremacy. On behalf of the staff at Del Rio Lanes, I would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and lots of strikes in between here and there.

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