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## Andrew Anderson Wins \$2,000 First Prize in MDUSBC Masters at Bowl One

Andrew Anderson of Holly won the Metro Detroit USBC Masters Tournament at Bowl One Lanes in Troy Sunday when he defeated Ryan VanHecke of Chesterfield Heights 730-710 to win the \$2,000 first prize and the title. VanHecke settled for the second place check of \$1,000.



Anderson, bowling in his first MDUSBC Masters, was the top qualifier with 2,363. The former Junior Team USA player averaged 240.2 for 28 games. He remained in the winner's bracket with wins over Michael Calvin of Warren 698-614, Peter Kaczmarczyk of Warren 774-694, James Koss of Brighton 736-663 and VanHecke 706-695 the first time as he awaited a challenger. He then lost to VanHecke 769-718 to force an overtime match, in which he prevailed.

"This ranks up there with the others," said Anderson, when asked how this title ranks with his other accomplishments. "Detroit is the toughest bowling market around with many quality players."



VanHecke qualified sixth with 2,260. He averaged 234.9 for 31 games. He remained in the winner's bracket with triumphs over Mark Milasinovich of Macomb 768-634,

David Reaume of St. Clair Shores 649-648 and Larry Walker of Garden City 639-608 before losing to Anderson 706-695.

In the loser's bracket he beat Harold Sullins of Chesterfield 703-672 to advance to the championship match. In the final match he defeated Anderson 769-718, before losing the championship match 730-710.

Sullins qualified 18<sup>th</sup> with 2,177 and averaged 226 for 34 games of competition. He lost his first match to Carleton Chambers of Detroit 668-645 to fall to the loser's bracket. Once there he ran off an impressive run of wins over Michael Calvin 668-640, Trey Raynes of Westland 768-687, 2014 champion Ronnie Sparks Jr. of Redford 801-723, David Reaume 606-548, James Koss 671-631, Larry Walker 675-576 before losing to VanHecke 703-672.

Walker qualified 23<sup>rd</sup> with 2,143. He averaged 227.4 for 28 games. He beat John Kelley of Clinton Township 742-607, 2011 champion Mason Brantley of Detroit 742-562 and Ronnie Sparks Jr. 763-639 before falling to VanHecke 639-608. In the loser's bracket he beat Mark Milasinovich 663-560 before ending his day by losing to Sullins 675-576. He took home \$600 for his fourth place finish.

James Koss qualified 12<sup>th</sup> with 2,218 and took home \$500 for this fifth place finish. Mark Milasinovich finished sixth for \$500, Timothy Mayer of St. Clair Shores seventh for \$450 and David Reaume eighth for \$450.

Defending champion John Nolen was seeded ninth with 2,240, won one match and took home \$375 for his 13<sup>th</sup> place finish.

Next year's event will be held at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

Full results can be found at [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com).

## Sandy Schultz beats Lisa Bishop in Women's Series event at Super Bowl

Sandra Schultz of Macomb won the Metro Detroit USBC (MDUSBC) Women's Series event Sunday with a 222-169 triumph over Lisa Bishop of Redford at Super Bowl in Canton. Schultz took home the top prize of \$500, while Bishop settled for \$250.

Schultz qualified eighth in the field of 28, with a four-game total of 781. In qualifying she had a pair of 168 games in games one and three, but made up for it with 224 in game two and a final game of 221 to grab the last match play spot. In match play she beat top qualifier Robin Orlikowski of Grand Rapids 226-206 and Kathleen Bishop of Westland 210-193 to advance to the finals. This was Schultz's third Women's Series title and moved her up to second place in the MDUSBC Cup standings with 312 points, only 11 points behind leader Bishop.

Bishop qualified second with 831 after a slow start with 176 in the first

game. Once past that she shot games of 236, 196 and 223 to get the second spot. In match play she beat Sarah Dorow of Midland 218-202 and Amanda Barry of Clinton Township 212-166 on her way to the finals. Bishop maintained her lead in the cup race with 323 points.

In qualifying Amanda Barry shot her first career 300 game and the first 300 game of this year's Women's Series. The 300 propelled her to qualify third. In match play she won her first match and dropped her second one to cash for \$100.

Top qualifier Robin Orlikowski paced the field by 109 pins over Lisa Bishop on games of 236, 227, 267 and 210 for 940.

The next MDUSBC Women's Series event will be March 12 at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

(Standings on page 3)



MDUSBC President John Vorpagel (c) congratulates Women's Series champion Sandy Schultz (l) and runner-up Lisa Bishop (r).

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# End of season awards and scholarship opportunities

Each year the Metro Detroit USBC selects deserving individuals for a number of year-end awards. Those awards include the Secretary of the Year, Coach of the Year and Volunteer of the Year. Selections are made from the nominations received from anyone who sees a deserving person from within the association. All applications are due to April 1, 2017.

To be eligible for Secretary of the Year a person must be a current league secretary in the MDUSBC. To be Coach of the Year the coach must be a current youth coach in the MDUSBC.

To be considered for Volunteer of the Year a person must be a MDUSBC Board Member or Officer; or Association Representative Coordinator or Association Representative.

MDUSBC will award four \$1,000 scholarships this year to two male and two female bowlers. Applicants must be at least 14 years of age and can only win once.

The scholarships are a result of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association, Detroit Women's Bowling Association and Pontiac Women's Bowling Association restricting funds for this purpose.

Applicants must write a minimum 100 word essay about their future educational plans and submit a completed application signed by their coach.

Applications must be submitted to the MDUSBC office by April 1, 2017.

Applications can be obtained by calling the MDUSBC office or visiting [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com) and clicking on forms.

## From the Editor

Mark A. Martin  
MDUSBC Association Manager



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## Bowling TV Schedule

Saturday, Feb. 4 - 10 a.m.	WADL-Detroit	Bowling Showcase Challenge Edition - Super Bowl vs Airway Lanes
Sunday, Feb. 5 - 2 p.m.	ESPN	PBA Main Event (Live)
Saturday, Feb. 11 - 10 a.m.	WADL-Detroit	Bowling Showcase Challenge Edition - Mayflower Lanes vs MDUSBC Lifetime
Sunday, Feb. 12 - 1 p.m.	ESPN	Barbasol PBA Players Championship (Live)
Friday, Feb. 17 - 9 p.m.	ESPN	Chris Paul Family Foundation PBA Celebrity Invitational
Saturday, Feb. 18 - 10 a.m.	WADL-Detroit	Bowling Showcase Challenge Edition - Five Star Lanes vs Vision Lanes
Sunday, Feb. 19 - 1 p.m.	ESPN	FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions (Live)
Saturday, Feb. 25, - 10 a.m.	WADL-Detroit	Bowling Showcase Magazine Edition
Sunday, Feb. 26 - 1 p.m.	ESPN	United States Bowling Congress Masters (Live)
Sunday, Feb. 26 - 3 p.m.	ESPN	World Bowling Tour Men's and Women's Finals (Live)

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# Mom the Bowler

## Personal Perspectives

Libbi Fletcher  
MDUSBC Director



She bowled at Farmington Lanes just off Grand River until they closed and bought Country Lanes. Country Lanes owner Jim Hamlin knows her by name and always has Bruce say hello to his mom. She bowled there until she moved to Livonia in 1992. Patricia currently has an average of 134, after a high average of maybe 150, she says. She hasn't bowled a 200 game in years, so she was so excited she had to call Bruce right after that game to share her good news, which she usually does anytime she has a good game or good series! How cute is that?

The Van Dike family has quite a few good bowlers in the family. Her son Bruce Berry once carried one of the highest averages in town, having grown up working at Farmington Lanes and eventually managing Country Lanes where his wife ran the bar. Berry has several (8) 300 games and (6) 800 series to his credit. Bruce has (1) 300 game so far. Bruce has a yearbook of 203 from last year.

There are a few awesome parts to this story; a) she is excited when she bowls a 200 game, and b) she calls her son to let him know about it!

How refreshing that someone 82 years old still finds joy in our sport! I want to be like Patricia!!!!

Good luck bowling, Patricia! Bruce, thanks for sharing your mom's story and her joy of bowling!

I want to bowl forever!

Bruce Van Dike who bowls at Country Lanes and at Astro Lanes had posted that he had received a phone call from his 82-year-old mom who was so excited because she had just bowled a 213 game in her senior league! So, I asked Bruce to share his Mom's story.

Patricia Van Dike currently bowls at Merri Bowl in the Strikes & Spares league. She has been bowling pretty much her entire life. She began bowling when she was in high school at Baldwin High in Birmingham Michigan. The boys got the gym and the girls had to walk to the bowling alley to bowl. She didn't join a league until just before the last of her SEVEN sons was born in 1974.



Patricia VanDike on the right with her teammates.



### Upcoming Bowl For The Cure events

Saturday, Feb. 18 - 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. - Mayflower Lanes  
Call center at (313) 937-8420 for more details

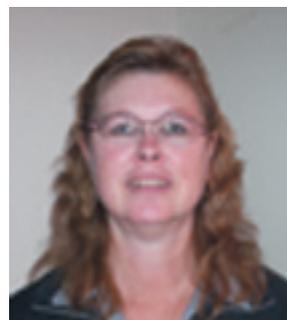
Saturday, Feb. 25 starting at 12 noon - Bowl One Lanes  
3 hours of no-tap bowling, pizza, raffles, 50/50 drawings and more  
\$20 if prepaid by Feb. 20, otherwise \$25.

Deliver your entry to Bowl One Lanes  
For more information contact Libbi Fletcher (248) 425-5728

The leagues below also contributed to the BVL league envelope program. A total of \$9,536.55 was raised from 118 leagues.

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### Women's Series Super Bowl Jan. 8, 2017 Final Prize List



1	Sandra Schultz	\$ 500
2	Lisa Bishop	\$ 250
3	Amanda Barry	\$ 100
4	Kathleen Bishop	\$ 100
5	Robin Orlikowski	\$ 50
6	Jenna Law	\$ 50
7	Angela Wilt	\$ 50
8	Sarah Dorow	\$ 50

### Women's Series Cup Standings Through 3 events

PI	Name	City	Points
1	Lisa Bishop	Redford	323
2	Sandra Schultz	Macomb	312
3	Natalie Miskiel	Toledo	297
4	Brandie Reamy	Livonia	296
5	Jenna Law	Milford	289
6	Julie Oczepek	Reese	278
7	Amanda Barry	Clinton Twp	270
8	Kathleen Bishop	Westland	267
9	Haley Lundy	Lasalle, Ontario	266
10	Lauren Roberts	Warren	262



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# Swing Is King

## Pro Tip

Michelle Mullen  
USBC Gold Coach



Last time we addressed grip pressure and the importance of a good ball fit. These are all key to being able to relax your hand in the ball, leading to a more relaxed swing. Let's take a further look at how to create a loose, repetitive armswing..

**STANCE.** Relax your arm and shoulders in the stance. To be able to fully relax your arm while holding the ball in the stance, be sure to *support the weight of the ball with the other arm*. If you are right handed, support the ball with your left hand in the stance. This will enable you to keep your right arm relaxed. Since something has to support the weight of the ball, make it your other hand so you can relax your swing arm!



Once you support the weight of the ball with the other hand, it's important to get rid of any residual tension remaining in the swing arm. It's very common for you to think you are relaxed, only to find out you are not! In lessons, I'll have the player set the ball down and stand beside me as I support the wrist of his swing arm in the stance position.

I'll I ask him to relax and once he declares that he is, I withdraw my support to see if his arm falls. If it does not, he obviously is not relaxed! Getting to know the difference is half the battle.

If you are tense and struggle with knowing if your arm is relaxed or not, try intentionally squeezing then relaxing your hand/arm in the stance to feel the difference between being tense and relaxed. This will help you develop your feel.



**START (PUSHAWAY).** To maintain a relaxed swing arm as you begin the approach, it is important to *continue to support the weight of the ball with the other arm as you move the ball into the swing*. Actually push the ball into the swing with your opposite hand so your swing arm can *stay relaxed* as you begin your armswing. This is integral to developing a loose armswing.

It is at this point in the start that most bowlers shift the weight back into the swing arm itself, creating tension that we just tried to eliminate with a good ball fit and a relaxed stance! If not in a conscious effort to steer the ball, shifting the weight to your swing arm can be subconscious, in an attempt to maintain control.



**SWING** As you use the opposite hand during the *entire* push away, let the ball naturally drop into the swing as you remove the opposite hand. The weight of the ball will go from the opposite hand straight to the shoulder of the swing, bypassing all the muscles of the swing arm to create more of a pendulum motion. With the support and use of the left hand, your right arm can remain entirely relaxed, *or passive*, to create a natural, repetitive swing. This leads to consistency and accuracy.

There is a big difference between swinging the ball and letting the ball swing!

Letting it swing with the use of physics will allow you to be more consistent and accurate than any swing you attempt to control from shot to shot, due to the varying amounts of tension you can create in various muscles throughout various points in the swing.

There is one natural swing. Developing the ability to let it swing is indeed a leap of faith, as you've probably heard the mantra, "trust is a must".

Using these techniques, you'll develop this trust as you see the ball go toward your target more often. Always remember: "swing is king!"

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# Here's Some Tournaments for You

## (Ann)ouncements

Ann Block  
MDUSBC Director



Now that the holidays are over, it is tournament time. There is something for everyone at this time of the year. The deadlines for some of the events have passed but you still have a way to participate in these tournaments. Here are a sampling of a few worthwhile events.

The 90<sup>th</sup> annual Michigan State USBC WBA Championship Tournament is being held in Bay City this year. The tournament deadline was January 11 but they will take late entries on a space available basis. You must call the office to inquire and set up dates and times. There is an additional fee of \$5.00 per person for each late entry. The tournament opens On February 18<sup>th</sup> and runs until May 14<sup>th</sup>. The MS USBC WBA can be reached by calling 616-635-2032. New this year is the use of a tournament average by entrants which have a minimum of 18 games over the last four years.

The Michigan State USBC BA Tournament is currently underway in Jackson at Airport Lanes. The annual championship event started the first weekend in January and runs until May 7<sup>th</sup>. This tournament does take walk-ins on a space available basis. As with any tournament it is advisable to contact the tournament director as to availability to avoid unnecessary travel and inconvenience. Contact information for the MS USBC BA can be found at [www.mistatebowl.com](http://www.mistatebowl.com).

The Michigan State USBC Youth will hold their annual championship tournament in the Metro Detroit area this year. The team event will start at Cherry Hill North in Clarkston on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> and the doubles and singles event will take place at Century Bowl in Waterford.

The tournament will run thru May 7<sup>th</sup> with the exception of Easter and USBC Convention weekend. The entry deadline is January 25<sup>th</sup> but late entries will be taken on a space available basis and with an additional \$5.00 per person cost. Late entries must contact the state youth office as to the availability. The contact for the state youth is their e-mail [mistateyouth@comcast.net](mailto:mistateyouth@comcast.net).

Another tournament offered in conjunction with the youth state tournament is the Adult/Youth Baker Tournament. This tournament is held every Friday night during the state tournament. This event will be held at Century Bowl. This competition is available to walk-ins entries but as always reserving a spot guarantees there will be no disappointment. Entries and rules can be obtained and are fillable on-line at [www.michiganstateyouthbowling.org](http://www.michiganstateyouthbowling.org).

Did you know there is a state tournament for folks over the age of 50? The Michigan State Senior Championships are run in May every year. The tournament is run in age classes. Competition is held in doubles and singles with the all-events winner in each division going on to the national tournament held every year in August. The all-events winners are given a paid entry to the national tournament, a tournament shirt, and a travel stipend. Every year the Michigan WBA and BA send twelve individuals to represent the state. The national tournament is a chance to represent and is a great prize in and of itself just ask my friend Mary Cizio-Duhl two-time all-events champion. The national senior tournament is a serious good time. The kids don't have all the fun in our sport. This year's tournament will be held in Jackson at Airport Lanes. The tournament is run for nine days. The dates are Wednesday, May 10 thru Saturday, May 13 and will continue Wednesday, May 17 thru Sunday, May 21. The only squad time is 12 noon on all the tournament dates. For complete rules and information a fillable entry is available on both the WBA and BA websites.

It goes beyond saying everyone reading this article should be entered into the Metro Detroit City Championship Tournament. The women's and open competitions are being held this year at Cherry Hill in Dearborn Heights.

The forms are in this publication and can be found at all MDUSBC centers.

Want a tournament where you can make a difference. The Burns Tournament presented annually by several local sponsors will start Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and run weekends thru March 4<sup>th</sup> at Ten Pins of Trenton (formerly Parkway) in Trenton. The tournament is in its 36<sup>th</sup> year and benefits the University of Michigan Trauma Burn Center. This tournament is USBC certified in the team event and is available to non-bowlers for a participation fee. The tournament also offers a nine no-tap doubles. This tournament is a good time and each squad begins with a fireball start. The entry can be found at

[www.bowlforburns.org](http://www.bowlforburns.org).

The Metro Detroit Junior Masters will be held Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at Woodhaven Lanes in Woodhaven. This tournament is a Junior Gold Qualifier and is held annually in memory of Dan Ottman. The cost is \$45.00 for registered bowlers and \$50.00 for walk-ins based on availability. The entry form can be obtained at [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com).

This is just a few of the great offerings in the coming weeks for tournament competition. Do you know the best way to get someone involved in a bowling tournament? Invite them to join you in the event.

Bowling=fun, not bowling=not fun.

Until next time!

### 86th Annual Detroit Old Timers Singles Tournament results Thunderbowl Lanes November 26, 2016

**Overall Champion  
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40 - 49 age group		50 - 59 age group	
1. Chris Michalik	762	1. Paul Stokes	721
2. Mark Moore	743	2. Ernie Segura Jr.	709
3. Bob St. Onge Jr.	729	3. Keith Guerin	708
60 - 64 age group		65 - 69 age group	
1. Kevin Scott	721	1. John Lingenfelter	708
2. Robert Michaux	716	2. James Coleman	695
3. Joe Buffa	684	3. Dave McDaniel	694
		3. Charles Graddick	694
70 - 74 age group		75 - 79 age group	
1. Tom Treusch	762	1. Bill Dewid	665
2. Ralph Bennett	743	2. William Holloway	659
3. Larry Martinez	729	3. Gary Nagle	622
80 & up age group			
1. Hurston Wallace	636		
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3. Joe Saikowski	602		

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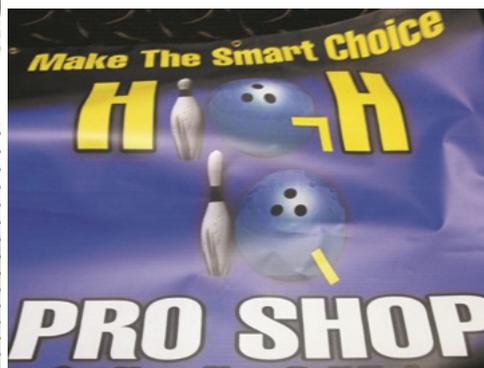
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ALLEY 59 (24)	44925 N Groesbeck Hwy	Clinton Township	48036	(586) 469-6411
APOLLO LANES (14)	29410 Gratiot Ave	Roseville	48066	(586) 772-2070
ASTRO LANES (48)	32388 John R Rd	Madison Heights	48071	(248) 585-3132
BEECH LANES (16)	15492 Beech Daly Rd	Redford	48239	(313) 531-3800
BELMAR LANES (16)	4035 Fort St	Lincoln Park	48146	(313) 381-4242
BIDDLE BOWL (8)	708 Biddle St.	Wyandotte	48192	(734) 283-0660
BONANZA LANES (44)	24600 Hoover Rd	Warren	48089	(586) 756-3000
BOWL ONE LANES (40)	1639 E 14 Mile Rd	Troy	48083	(248) 588-4850
BOWLERO LANES (16)	4209 Coolidge Hwy	Royal Oak	48073	(248) 549-7500
BRONCO LANES (32)	22323 Ryan Rd	Warren	48091	(586) 756-8200
CENTURY BOWL (52)	7345 Highland Rd	Waterford	48327	(248) 666-4700
CHERRY HILL LANES (52)	300 N Inkster Rd	Dearborn Heights	48127	(313) 278-0400
CHERRY HILL NORTH (36)	6697 Dixie Hwy	Clarkston	48346	(248) 625-5011
CLASSIC LANES (32)	2145 Avon Industrial Dr	Rochester Hills	48309	(248) 852-9100
COLLIER LANES (32)	879 S Lapeer Rd	Oxford	48371	(248) 628-2851
COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT (6)	2220 Country Club Dr.	Grosse Pointe Farms	48236	(313) 881-8000
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DRAKESHIRE LANES (40)	35000 Grand River Ave	Farmington Hills	48335	(248) 478-2230
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HARTFIELD LANES (52)	3490 12 Mile Rd	Berkley	48072	(248) 543-9338
HAZEL PARK BOWL (24)	24211 Hughes Ave	Hazel Park	48030	(248) 543-7303
IMPERIAL LANES (80)	44650 Garfield Rd	Clinton Twp	48038	(586) 286-8700
INDIAN LANES (32)	4500 13th St	Wyandotte	48192	(734) 283-4700
LAKESHORE LANES (16)	31025 Jefferson Ave	Saint Clair Shores	48082	(586) 293-2722
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MAYFLOWER LANES (32)	26600 Plymouth Rd	Redford	48239	(313) 937-8420
MERCURY LANES (16)	7630 Schaefer Rd	Dearborn	48126	(313) 846-4900
MERRI BOWL LANES (40)	30950 5 Mile Rd	Livonia	48154	(734) 427-2900
METRO DETROIT BOWLING & RESOURCE CENTER (8)	7023 E 14 Mile Road	Sterling Heights	48312	(586) 268-4001
NORTH HILL LANES (32)	150 W Tienken Rd	Rochester Hills	48306	(248) 651-8544
NORWEST LANES (16)	32905 Northwestern Highway	Farmington Hills	48334	(248) 626-2422
NOVI BOWL (40)	21700 Novi Road	Novi	48375	(248) 348-9120
PLAZA LANES (40)	42001 Ann Arbor Rd E	Plymouth	48170	(734) 453-4880
PLUM HOLLOW LANES (24)	21900 W 9 Mile Rd	Southfield	48075	(248) 353-6540
PREMIER LANES (34)	33151 23 Mile Rd.	Chesterfield	48047	(586) 725-2228
RECREATION BOWL: (8)	40 Crocker Blvd	Mount Clemens	48043	(586) 468-7746
REGAL LANES (34)	27663 Mound Rd	Warren	48092	(586) 751-4770
RENAISSANCE FAMILY CTR (40)	19600 Woodward Ave	Detroit	48203	(313) 368-5123
ROOSEVELT LANES (20)	6701 Roosevelt Ave	Allen Park	48101	(313) 381-0222
ROSEBOWL LANES (48)	28001 Groesbeck Hwy	Roseville	48066	(586) 771-4140
SHELBY LANES (24)	50721 Van Dyke Ave	Utica	48317	(586) 731-4800
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SKORE LANES (48)	22255 Ecorse Rd	Taylor	48180	(313) 291-6220
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VISION LANES (32)	38250 Ford Rd	Westland	48185	(734) 641-8181
WATERFORD LANES (40)	7100 Cooley Lake Road	Waterford	48327	(248) 366-4778
WAYNE BOWL & RECREATION (40)	36900 Michigan Ave	Wayne	48184	(734) 721-7530
WONDERLAND LANES (40)	8265 Richardson Rd	Commerce Township	48390	(248) 363-7131
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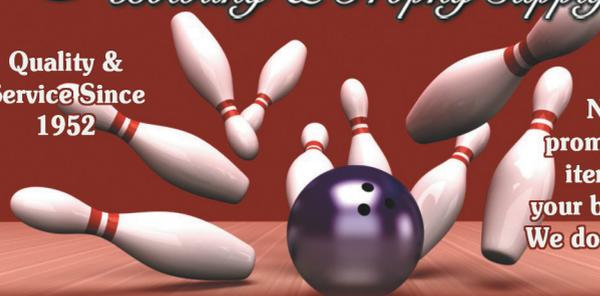
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# PBA changes formats

## USBC reveals new Open Championships brackets

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As expected, the formats for the 2017 Barbasol PBA Players Championship and 2017 FireLake PBA Tournament of Champions will not include the traditional round-robin match play with bonus pins that has been a staple of the PBA for decades.

PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark talked about working with the players on format changes in my Q&A with him during GEICO World Series of Bowling VIII earlier this month.

Bill O'Neill of the Players Committee told 11thFrame.com during the World Series that there have been instances in PBA history of players throwing matches for friends

to give them the 30 bonus pins for a win and the bigger issue is of players being so far behind at the end of match play that they aren't as focused and matches get effectively thrown.

The Players Championship runs Feb. 6-12 at Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl in Columbus, Ohio.

The format will feature 8-game qualifying rounds on Tuesday, Feb. 7 and Wednesday, Feb. 8, with the squads divided with the top half in earnings on one squad and the bottom half on the other squad.

A third 8-game qualifying round on Thursday, Feb. 9 will feature a re-aligned field with the bottom half after 16 games bowling the early squad and the upper half bowling the late squad.

The top 24 after 24 games then advance to the "Qualifying Round of 24" and the top 16 after 32 games then advance to the "Qualifying Round of 16," both on Friday, Feb. 10.

The top five players after 40 games then advance to the stepladder finals live on ESPN on Sunday, Feb. 12 at noon Central time.

The Tournament of Champions runs Feb. 13-19 at FireLake Bowling Center and Arena in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

The format will feature 8-game qualifying rounds on Tuesday, Feb. 14 and Wednesday, Feb. 15. A third 8-game qualifying round on Thursday, Feb. 16 will feature a re-aligned field with the bottom half after 16 games bowling the early squad and the upper half bowling the late squad.

The top 24 after 24 games then advance to the "Qualifying Round of 24" and the top 16 after 32 games then advance to the "Qualifying Round of 16," both on Friday, Feb. 17. After the seventh game of the rounds, the players are re-assigned to lanes based on their total pins, making those position rounds.

The top five players after 40 games then advance to the stepladder finals live on ESPN on Sunday, Feb. 19 at noon Central time.

The TOC again will feature a qualifying Regional tournament for those with PBA Regional titles but not PBA Tour titles, with only PBA Tour champions who are PBA members in good standing eligible to directly enter the tournament.

After the Jan. 13 entry deadline, any unused spots will be added to the 24 spots available via the PBA FireLake Southwest Winter Open & TOC Qualifier.

The Regional is an open event with a regional entry fee and prize fund, but only PBA Regional champions who declare their intent before the Regional starts can earn TOC spots.

Players who are ineligible and who haven't declared their TOC intent do not count in figuring the players advancing to the TOC. For example, if a non-member wins the Regional and a PBA Tour champion finishes second, the player finishing in third is the first eligible player to enter the TOC, assuming they are a Regional champion and declared their TOC intent in advance.

Those who advance must pay the TOC entry fee of \$500.

One of the much-discussed problems with the new three-division format for the 2017 United States Bowling Congress Open Championships is what it may do to brackets.

The addition of the Standard division means that brackets will be split three ways and by age, rather than two ways and by age, as has been the case.

The scenario that has many concerned is ending up on a squad where there is little action in their division and age.

This not only would leave some bowlers disappointed, but also potentially lower USBC's bracket rake, and revenues are a constant concern for USBC as membership continues to decline.

Back in June I noted those problems and a possible solution of running the daily 8-person \$5 and \$10 brackets as tournament-long brackets.

USBC is adopting that idea, but not as replacements for daily brackets. Instead, they will be additional offerings, giving bowlers the chance to enter daily \$5 and \$10 8-person brackets and/or tournament-long versions of those.

Details on what USBC calls "play-the-field brackets" are described as: *For the first time, bowlers will be able to participate in eight-person brackets, randomized at the end of the tournament, from the full field of participants in each division and event. The entry fee for Play-the-Field Brackets is \$5. First prize is \$25, and second place pays \$10. Bowlers may enter up to 200 Play-the-Field brackets in each division for which they are eligible.*

Another interesting new product for 2017 is called "sorted brackets," which will be offered by division and during team event only.

Sorted brackets work just like traditional 8-person brackets, with the twist that all competitors' scores are sorted from highest score to lowest score, rather than going in the order they were bowled.

For example, a bowler rolling 187, 154 and 235 in their team event would use 235, 187 and 154 in sorted brackets.

Sorted brackets will cost \$10 and pay \$50 and \$20, with USBC keeping \$10.

In addition, the ultimate mulligan had been changed for 2017 and is being offered to all three divisions. The ultimate mulligan now uses a player's best game from each event to form a 3-game series total.

All other products — reverse brackets, super brackets, super side pots, strike and 30 clean jackpots, etc. — are unchanged from last year, other than where competition is now in three divisions instead of two. Seniors and super seniors will be offered a variety of products for competition in their age groups, but not by division. Limits are given only for the tournament-long brackets at 200.

Same-day payouts will be made at South Point Hotel & Casino Sportsbook, site of the tournament being held at South Point Bowling Plaza.



Ryan Winters (l) poses with coach Tom Colosimo at Woodland Lanes with his awards for 2015-16 High Male Youth Average in the nation with 241 and awards for winning 2016 Youth Open Scratch Team and All-Events.



Shane Ferris (l) accepts his 300 ring from Mark Martin in the Monday Doubles league at Airway Lanes.

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# Do You(th) Know Bowling?

## Bowling, etc.

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- *How many frames are in a game?*

- *What's a perfect score in bowling?*

- *How is a strike scored, 10 pins plus what?*

- *How many of you have ever bowled in a weekly club/league?*

- *How many of you have ever bowled in a tournament?*

In the past, we would have a fair number of students raise their hands in each class with a correct answer or confirmation on their level of participation. In some districts, the response was higher than expected. As we all know, things have changed. Do you know how many students per class currently raise their hand to the above questions now? Similar to the question about how many miles to the gallon does the twin engine speedboat get, the wrong question is being asked. The correct question for the speedboat is, "How many gallons to the mile?" The correct question for students who know bowling as a sport is "How many classes does it take to find one student to know the answers to the above questions and/or who has participated in a weekly club/league?"

Though it is clear youth bowling has enough participants to ensure it's not a lost sport, we still need to continue to put forth effort to build it. High school bowling continues to be strong and some varsity bowlers from the past can be seen bowling in adult leagues. On a Thursday evening last year, I walked into a familiar bowling center and it felt like our Saturday morning youth league was bowling; only this time with beards. Currently, we are starting After School Bowling Clubs to follow Bowler's Ed and get new youth bowling on a weekly basis. In addition, we have created an after school club for middle school students that simulates varsity bowling in a simplified manner. In some cases, we have been successful in providing transportation from school to the bowling center. However, more ideas and programs are needed.

For the past 15 plus years, significant time has been spent in Physical Education classes throughout Michigan and South Bend, Indiana. The Bowler's Ed In-school Bowling Program has opened the doors to schools and provided access to teaching the sport of bowling to our youth. Over the years, the emphasis of Bowler's Ed by many proprietors has dwindled in proportion to the reduction of traditional league bowling. The in-school bowling equipment may get left at the school but follow up is minimal. The question then becomes, "What impact does this have on our youth?"

The IBC Youth Resource Center is abundant with resources and well developed programs/tournaments. It has been organized extremely well and our youth bowlers have more opportunities at their fingertips than ever before. Does this mean more youth are familiar with bowling as a sport?

When in school classes, the first 5 minutes is spent talking about bowling basics and opportunities. Students are first asked if they have been bowling within the past year. Almost every student raises their hand. They are then asked if they have been to a birthday bowling party or danced under glow lights while bowling. Usually, about half the class will raise their hands. The next question asked is "How many of you have bowled with your grandparents?" The response is less than half the class. We then talk about bowling as a sport, perfect for youth of all sizes and abilities, and the following questions are asked:

The final questions are:

1) ***"Do you know your area youth?"***;

2) ***"Do your area youth know bowling?"***;

**and**

3) ***What are you doing to build youth bowling as a sport?"***

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## Hall Of Famer Ken Wyatt beats Gerald Johnson to win The Michigan Majors Thunderbowl Open

By: Darrin Hill

The Arena at Thunderbowl Lanes is the crown jewel of Detroit bowling centers. Since it was built in 1960, this historic venue has hosted it's share of noteworthy events. The arena was built exclusively for the National Bowling League. That was a professional bowling league back in 1961. Te great television program Bowling For Dollars was filmed there. And in 2009, the Arena host the PBA Tour's World Series Of Bowling. Now on Sunday January 15, 2017, the Arena played host to the inaugural tournament of the Michigan Majors Bowling Association's 50th season. It's quite fitting that the Association's president Ken Wyatt won this event. Wyatt defeated Gerald Johnson in the championship match, 215-202. This was Wyatt's 14th MMBA title in his Hall Of Fame career.

"I've climbed the ladder in the stepladder finals numerous times. But after doing it today, I'm exhausted," said Wyatt after accepting his championship trophy. "I guess there's still some bark left in these old dogs. Those young bucks better look out."

"I thought that I played the lanes correctly and made the nice ball changes at the right time. I was happy to get the scores that I got," said Johnson. "I ended up with a big 279 in the final game to move from fourth to first after the position round."

Wyatt of Sterling Heights was leading the field of 43 bowlers after stroking a 1,480 6-game qualifying block, 54 pins ahead of Ian Sosa of Dearborn Heights. Along with Wyatt and Sosa, moving on to the three-game position round included: Gerald Johnson, Frank Snodgrass, Dale Hofmeister, Brian Newcomb, Marcus McClain, Tony Moses, Kurry Crayton and Dan Pollak. Snodgrass posted the high game in qualifying shooting a 290.

Along with a trophy, Wyatt received a championship check for \$1,000. He was the high qualifier of this event after shooting a 1,480 6-game qualifying block. For his second place finish, Johnson received a hard earned check for \$500. Hofmeister finished in third place and earned a check for \$300. Snodgrass finished in fourth place. He earned a check for \$250. And Sosa got a fifth place check for \$200.

# MDUSBC 300 Games December 2016

Name	Date	Center	League Name	Name	Date	Center	League Name
Jordan Hornes	12/01/2016	Century	Detroit All Star Classic	Randy Warnken	12/15/2016	Beech	Detroit All Star Classic
Ronnie Sparks Jr	12/01/2016	Century	Detroit All Star Classic	Andrew Anderson	12/15/2016	Beech	Detroit All Star Classic
Michael Grabtree	12/01/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational	Kenneth Harvey	12/15/2016	Cherry Hill Lanes	Ford Truck
George Schester Jr	12/01/2016	Universal Lanes	Thursday Community	David Goldsmith	12/15/2016	Ford Lanes	Renaissance
John Paul Jr	12/01/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational	Daniel Busch	12/15/2016	Five Star Lanes	Job Shop
Keith Quail Jr	12/01/2016	Five Star Lanes	5 5 5 League	Ryan Tikey	12/16/2016	Merribowl Lanes	Detroit Firefighters
Michael Ciegotura	12/01/2016	Premier Lanes	Thursday Night Men's Misfits	Shawn Smith	12/16/2016	Regal Lanes	Father Kramer K Of C
Drake Armstrong	12/02/2016	Thunderbowl Lanes	Postal Mxd Trio	Timothy Austin	12/16/2016	Imperial Lanes	Friday Night Couples
Todd Sims	12/02/2016	Woodland Lanes	Grandale	Marcus Zeoli	12/16/2016	Luxury Lanes	Friday Night Trio
Matthew Moskal	12/02/2016	Wonderland Lanes	Bucks & Does	Dann Flores	12/17/2016	Plaza Lanes	Happy Kings & Queens
Ryan Clark	12/03/2016	Super Bowl	Saturday Mix & Match	Benjamin Neuman	12/17/2016	Plaza Lanes	Happy Kings & Queens
Tom Treusch	12/03/2016	Sterling Lanes	Fri Sr Trio	John Morgan	12/17/2016	Ford Lanes	Saturday Nite Mixed
Anthony Bonk	12/04/2016	Bowl One Lanes	Sunday Moanin'	Dann Flores	12/17/2016	Plaza Lanes	Happy Kings & Queens
Ater Darghali	12/05/2016	Rosebowl Lanes	Chrysler Sandbaggers	Jeffery Curry	12/17/2016	Plum Hollow Lanes	Hartford Memorial Mx
George Wolshon	12/05/2016	Rosebowl Lanes	Our Lady Queen Of Peace	Louis Dodoro II	12/17/2016	Bonanza Lanes	Sat Night Mixers
Gregory Randolph	12/05/2016	Bonanza Lanes	Local 961	Brad Smyth	12/18/2016	Five Star Lanes	Storm Sunday Morning Classic
Lenton Morrow	12/05/2016	Renaissance Bowl	Monday Morning Trio	Ronald Koch	12/18/2016	Astro Lanes	B I I Sunday Mixed
Donald Worthington	12/05/2016	Merribowl Lanes	Detroit Firefighters	Daniel White	12/18/2016	Rosebowl Lanes	Our Lady Queen Of Peace
Gregory Randolph	12/05/2016	Bonanza Lanes	Local 961	Kenneth Nikkila	12/18/2016	Merribowl Lanes	Detroit Firefighters
Donald Worthington	12/05/2016	Merribowl Lanes	Detroit Firefighters	Gary Schultz	12/19/2016	Five Star Lanes	Metro Monday Men
Christopher Steward	12/06/2016	Sterling Lanes	Metro East Men	Jessica Tyler	12/19/2016	Luxury Lanes	Luxury Ladies Inv. League
Curtis Rogers	12/06/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Nite Train Express Mixed	Karl Parafinowicz	12/19/2016	Rosebowl Lanes	Super Senior Classic
Scott Moore	12/06/2016	Plaza Lanes	St Colette Mens	Nathaniel Pinkett Jr	12/20/2016	Plum Hollow Lanes	Tuesday Mixed Foursome
Michael Fink	12/06/2016	Plaza Lanes	St Colette Mens	Chris Sumpter	12/20/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Nite Train Express Mixed
George Collias	12/06/2016	300 Bowl	300 Tues House Lge	David D'Angelo	12/20/2016	Astro Lanes	Chrysler Eiks
Robert Hunyor	12/07/2016	Astro Lanes	Hazel Park Eagles	Steven Andriola	12/20/2016	Shore Lanes	St Margarets Tuesday Early
Jonathan Murphy	12/07/2016	Astro Lanes	Hazel Park Eagles	Tony Grote	12/20/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational
Scott Bowersock	12/07/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational	Jacob Howell	12/20/2016	Five Star Lanes	Chrysler Engineering
Kyle Wallis	12/07/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational	Frank Radtke	12/20/2016	Imperial Lanes	Imperial Businessmen
Jeremy Forrester	12/07/2016	Troy Lanes	Troy Exchange	David VonKnorring	12/20/2016	Collier Lanes	Oxford Merchants
Donn Richardson Jr	12/07/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League	Stephan Miller	12/20/2016	Classic Lanes	Untouchables Mixed
Ryan Mitter	12/07/2016	Alley 59	Wednesday Inv Bowling Lge	John Kochanski	12/21/2016	Imperial Lanes	Wed Night Happy Hour
Aiger Walker	12/07/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League	Lionel Eicock	12/21/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League
James Szczepkowski	12/07/2016	Sterling Lanes	Eastside Sr Classic	Tom Treusch	12/21/2016	Sterling Lanes	Eastside Sr Classic
Jeffrey Searcy	12/07/2016	Roosevelt Lanes	Ford Traffic	Bruce Falcon	12/21/2016	Detroit Athletic Club	Wednesday 5:30
Cory Young	12/08/2016	Universal Lanes	Thursday Community	Daryl Moore	12/21/2016	Thunderbowl Lanes	Semi Seniors Invitational
Ryan Mitter	12/08/2016	Harbor Lanes	Thursday Nite Mens	Brian Edwards	12/21/2016	Regal Lanes	Electrical Workers L U 58 Men
Ferlin Ammons	12/08/2016	Cherry Hill Lanes	Ford Truck	Steven Lovalvo	12/21/2016	Alley 59	Wednesday Inv Bowling Lge
Jerome Penxa	12/08/2016	Five Star Lanes	Job Shop	Michael Petrone	12/21/2016	Imperial Lanes	Clinton First
Daniel Pollak	12/08/2016	Five Star Lanes	Job Shop	Robert Hanson	12/22/2016	Waterford	Detroit All Star Classic
Josh Coklow	12/08/2016	Renaissance Bowl	World Traveler's Mixed	Kevin Inrke	12/22/2016	Classic Lanes	Thurs Men
Steve Davis	12/08/2016	Imperial Lanes	Business & Industrial	Eric VanHovel	12/22/2016	Classic Lanes	Thurs Men
Frank Radtke	12/08/2016	Imperial Lanes	Business & Industrial	Jamey Lynn Jr	12/22/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational
David Mainella	12/08/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational	William Axler	12/22/2016	Sterling Lanes	Thursday Mens Ind
Brandon Thompkins	12/09/2016	Bronco Lanes	Friday Nite DPL	Donald Pinneo	12/22/2016	Five Star Lanes	5 5 5 League
Michael Calhoun	12/09/2016	Ford Lanes	Friday Five	Ryan Mitter	12/22/2016	Harbor Lanes	Thursday Nite Mens
Branden Dale	12/09/2016	Regal Lanes	Father Kramer K Of C	James Kelly IV	12/22/2016	Rosebowl Lanes	Suburban Industrial
Scott Tutas	12/09/2016	Woodland Lanes	Grandale	Isaiah Hayes	12/23/2016	Bronco Lanes	Friday Nite DPL
Lee Pociask	12/09/2016	Ford Lanes	Friday Five	Clint Bell	12/23/2016	Five Star Lanes	Sportsmens
Nate Harris	12/09/2016	Regal Lanes	Father Kramer K Of C	Bryan Beatty	12/23/2016	300 Bowl	Friday 300 Mixed
Jay Rocheleau	12/09/2016	Regal Lanes	Father Kramer K Of C	Michael Stephens	12/23/2016	Bowl One Lanes	St Cletus Mens
Nicholas Hagar	12/10/2016	Wayne Bowl	WA201 Wayne JR/SR	Scott Schulz	12/26/2016	Rosebowl Lanes	City Lutheran
Jordan Born	12/10/2016	Airway Lanes	Pontiac Rollers	James Irvine	12/26/2016	Woodland Lanes	Monday Nite Mens
Bryan Thomas	12/10/2016	Alley 59	Joker's Wild	Charles Henry	12/26/2016	Belmar Lanes	GLSM Dick Jeannette Memorial
Cory Young	12/10/2016	Bonanza Lanes	Sat Night Mixers	Paul Grauzer	12/26/2016	Woodland Lanes	Monday Nite Mens
Carl Gray	12/12/2016	Beech Lanes	Monday Morning Mixed Foursome	Aaron Simms	12/27/2016	Astro Lanes	Tues Goodtimes
George Haggarty	12/12/2016	Detroit Athletic Club	Joe Paulus Classic	Thomas Cary	12/27/2016	Five Star Lanes	Chrysler Engineering
Kenneth Barnasch	12/13/2016	Five Star Lanes	Chrysler Engineering	Andrew Featherstone	12/27/2016	Wonderland Lanes	Tuesday Mens Invitational
Kevin Ingram	12/13/2016	Bronco Lanes	Chrysler Tuesday Mom Mix	Joseph Quattrocchi Jr	12/27/2016	Imperial Lanes	Imperial Businessmen
Anthony Livingston Jr	12/13/2016	Bronco Lanes	Chrysler Tuesday Mom Mix	Scott Lurry	12/28/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League
Paul Jensen	12/13/2016	Plaza Lanes	St Colette Mens	Todd Boland	12/29/2016	Five Star Lanes	Job Shop
Christopher Schneider	12/13/2016	Wonderland Lanes	Tuesday Mens Invitational	Michael Lucente	12/29/2016	Harbor Lanes	Thursday Nite Mens
Gregory Diskin	12/14/2016	Plaza Lanes	Plaza Wed Nite Men	Mark Minca	12/29/2016	Rosebowl Lanes	City Lutheran
Rob Joliff	12/14/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational	Scott Trionfi II	12/29/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational
Robert Kowalski	12/14/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational	Wayne Baik	12/29/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational
Jonathan Murphy	12/14/2016	Astro Lanes	Hazel Park Eagles	Steve West Jr	12/29/2016	Ford Lanes	Renaissance
Anthony Rata	12/15/2016	Premier Lanes	Thursday Night Men's Misfits	Carl Boldt	12/29/2016	Airway Lanes	Thursday Night Men
Mark Milasinovich Jr	12/15/2016	Beech	Detroit All Star Classic	Jimmy Robertson	12/30/2016	Imperial Lanes	Friday Night Men

# MDUSBC 800 Series December 2016

Series	Name	Date	Center	League Name	Series	Name	Date	Center	League Name
812	Corey Miller	12/01/2016	Century	Detroit All Star Classic	820	Franklin Snodgrass	12/14/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational
800	Daniel Pollak	12/01/2016	Five Star Lanes	Job Shop	826	Andrew Anderson	12/15/2016	Beech	Detroit All Star Classic
811	Brett Marx	12/01/2016	Five Star Lanes	5 5 5 League	810	John Kelley	12/15/2016	Five Star Lanes	Job Shop
801	Darin Flores	12/02/2016	Woodland Lanes	Grandale	815	Anthony Zelechowski	12/15/2016	Universal Lanes	Thursday Community
813	Justin Nelson	12/04/2016	Century Bowl	MDUSBC Youth	890	Darin Flores	12/17/2016	Plaza Lanes	Happy Kings & Queens
803	Ravone Bentley	12/04/2016	Bonanza Lanes	Sunday Gents	817	Louis Dodoro II	12/17/2016	Bonanza Lanes	Sat Night Mixers
802	Aaron Wilks	12/05/2016	Shelby Lanes	Greater Utica Men	825	Benjamin Neuman	12/17/2016	Plaza Lanes	Happy Kings & Queens
809	Michael Nouhan	12/06/2016	Imperial Lanes	Knights & Guards	802	Terrance Nelson	12/17/2016	Plum Hollow Lanes	Saturday Nite Elite Mixed
825	Parshae Matthews	12/06/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Nite Train Express Mixed	825	Benjamin Neuman	12/19/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Monday Nite Trio
806	Michael Kowalski	12/07/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational	803	Richard Dolph III	12/20/2016	Wonderland Lanes	Tuesday Mens Invitational
812	Cedric Mann	12/07/2016	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League	805	Michael Lucente	12/20/2016	Harbor Lanes	Tuesday Night Mens
825	Corey Olsen	12/07/2016	300 Bowl	Pontiac Motor Inter Office	802	Bryan Hodges	12/20/2016	Woodland Lanes	Thursday Night Mix Inv'l
804	Floyd Spear	12/07/2016	300 Bowl	Pontiac Motor Inter Office	853	Jacob Howell	12/20/2016	Five Star Lanes	Chrysler Engineering
815	Kyle King	12/07/2016	Alley 59	Wednesday Inv Bowling Lge	816	David VonKnorring	12/20/2016	Collier Lanes	Oxford Merchants
833	Jonathan Murphy	12/07/2016	Astro Lanes	Hazel Park Eagles	816	Ryan Kelley	12/22/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational
836	Ferlin Ammons	12/08/2016	Cherry Hill Lanes	Ford Truck	812	Kyle Manni	12/22/2016	Woodland Lanes	Livonia Thurs Night Men
824	Josh Coklow	12/08/2016	Renaissance Bowl	World Traveler's Mixed	816	Douglas David	12/22/2016	Harbor Lanes	Thursday Nite Mens
815	David Mainella	12/08/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational	805	Jim Bowl	12/23/2016	Imperial Lanes	Friday Night Men
813	Brandon Parker	12/09/2016	Bronco Lanes	Friday Nite DPL	814	Ryan Nelson	12/23/2016	Imperial Lanes	Friday Night Men
824	Dan Fosdick	12/09/2016	Bowl One Lanes	St Cletus Mens	821	Jimmy Magolan	12/26/2016	Shelby Lanes	Greater Utica Men
821	Bryan Thomas	12/10/2016	Alley 59	Joker's Wild	810	Joseph Quattrocchi Jr	12/27/2016	Imperial Lanes	Imperial Businessmen
804	Cory Young	12/10/2016	Bonanza Lanes	Sat Night Mixers	804	Jeff Cramer	12/28/2016	Novi Bowl	Mens Lutheran
801	Kenneth Rogers Jr	12/11/2016	Wayne Bowl	National Traveling Bowling Lea	802	Todd Boland	12/29/2016	Five Star Lanes	Job Shop
805	Steve Lezotte Jr	12/13/2016	Cherry Hill Lanes	Tues Nite Men	802	Kyle Manni	12/29/2016	Woodland Lanes	Livonia Thurs Night Men
817	Paul Jensen	12/13/2016	Plaza Lanes	St Colette Mens	836	Scott Trionfi II	12/29/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational
833	David Lipinski	12/13/2016	Shore Lanes	St Margarets Tuesday Early	810	Caelen Jablonski	12/29/2016	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational
812	Christopher Schneider	12/13/2016	Wonderland Lanes	Tuesday Mens Invitational	832	Jeffery Hicks	12/30/2016	Shore Lanes	Friday Nite Men
803	Alan Butzin	12/14/2016	Plaza Lanes	Great 8 Invitational					

# 2 More Happy Bowlers Than Usual

## STRIKES ME

By Bob Johnson  
Bowlers Journal International



The vast majority of five-player stepladder final rounds on the PBA Tour through the years have produced one happy bowler and four unhappy ones.

Exceptions have occurred fewer than two dozen times, when a bowler other than the eventual champion rolled a 300 game during the telecast to pick up a nice bonus prize — typically \$10,000, and at times as much as \$100,000.

Rare is the PBA tournament that has concluded with a telecast that produced *three* happy bowlers. But the 1987 Greater Los Angeles Open was one such rarity.

Of course, the happiest player that day was Pete McCordic, who earned a \$100,000 bonus for his perfect game — \$82,000 more than another happy player, Mats Karlsson, received for winning the tournament.

The third happy player? That would be Ricky Corona, the top-seeded bowler who lost the championship match to Karlsson.

How could a player who came so close to winning a PBA title actually be happy when he came up short? To fully comprehend the answer to that question, you have to know Ricky Corona.

“I remember everything about that week,” says Corona, even though it is now 30 years in the rear-view mirror. “It was the greatest week of my bowling life, despite not winning the last match.”

He’s not the only person who remembers that near-miss. Nelson Burton Jr., Chris Schenkel’s broadcasting partner on “Pro Bowlers Tour” telecasts, was still bowling on the PBA Tour at the time, and he and Corona had crossed lanes together a few weeks earlier in the U.S. Open.

“Ricky was a very likeable guy, and I noticed how his game had improved since the first time I’d seen him,” Burton says. “So it wasn’t a huge surprise that he was the tournament leader. It’s a terrific accomplishment whenever you do it, and he did it without a trick — like a ball nobody else had available to them, for instance.

“He did it on the square. He just beat everybody. That’s a win for him.”

R.F. Corderman is one of the few journalists who covered both McCordic’s 300 and the one rolled by Jim Stefanich 13 years earlier.

“I was the 21-year-old editor of the *Citrus Bowler*, and after Stefanich rolled his 12th strike, I jumped up and kicked my camera half-way to the approach,” Corderman recalls.

As the 34-year-old editor of another Southern California bowling weekly, the *Pacific Bowler*, Corderman managed to hold on to his camera following McCordic’s 12th strike. But that week resonates for another reason.

“[My wife] Berdalee and I have special memories of that tournament watching our good friend, Ricky, all week,” he says. “It was the best showing of his tour career; unfortunately, he couldn’t buy strikes in the title match.”

The host center, Gable House Bowl, was so packed on the Friday night before the Saturday telecast that journalists were allowed to sit in the settee areas during the position-round matches.

“I remember being comfortably in the show and chit-chatting with R.F. and Berdalee during that match,” Corona says. “That was fun.”

The memories go on. Corona says he had worked most of the previous month with Bob Fenton on improving his game, and it all came together at

Gable House. He recalls driving home to Diamond Bar, 45 miles away, on Friday night and sleeping “remarkably well, considering I was going to bowl on TV for the first time.”

He recalls arranging for another long-time bowling friend, Leslie Fidone, to meet him at Gable House early on Saturday and give him a haircut. And while he was disappointed that he didn’t carry better in the title match, he still recalls the 1987 Greater Los Angeles Open with pride for having led it through 42 games.

A spinal cord injury that Corona says was “sudden and unexpected” ended his bowling career in 2007, and today he works in the insurance industry. He says the injury — even though it requires him to walk with a cane — may actually have been a good thing.

“The next year, my son started playing baseball, and he’s still playing now, going into high school,” Corona says. “I’m glad I’ve gotten to see him play the game he loves, and I wouldn’t give that up for anything. Being able to be the dad is phenomenal.”

Almost as phenomenal as looking back on a second-place finish in a PBA tournament with fondness.

(Editor’s Note: You can read about Pete McCordic’s memorable televised 300 game in the January issue of *Bowlers Journal International*.)

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## 2017 SCHEDULE

DATE	CENTER	TIME
1/7/17	THUNDERBOWL LANES	10 AM
1/28/17	300 BOWL	10 AM
2/25/17	IMPERIAL LANES	10 AM
3/4/17	BONANZA LANES (SENIOR / SS)	10 AM
3/18/17	WESTLAND BOWL	10 AM
4/8/17	ROSE BOWL LANES - WINDSOR	10 AM
4/29/17	ASTRO LANES	10 AM
5/20/17	NOVI BOWL	10 AM
6/3/17	OAK LANES (OVER / UNDER 50)	10 AM
6/24/17	TOWN & COUNTRY LANES	10 AM
7/22/17	WONDERLAND LANES	10 AM
8/5/17	MERRI BOWL (NON CHAMPIONS)	10 AM
8/26/17	WAYNE BOWL	10 AM
9/23/17	SUPERBOWL LANES	10 AM
10/28/17	PLAZA LANES	10 AM
11/18/17	5 STAR LANES	10 AM
12/2/17	CENTURY BOWL	9 AM
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Team handicap 90% from 1150, Doubles 90% from 460, Singles 90% from 230  
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**Dates:** February 11, 12, 18, 19, squads at 11 a.m.  
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Entries close March 12 at 12:30 p.m.  
Unless tournament extended.

**Awards:** Price fee returned 100%. Prize ratio 1 in 10 entries.  
**Divisions:** Division I—(166 and Up), Division II (165 and Under)  
**Organizers:** Squad organizers receive \$10.00 per team by organizing 10 teams or more. (see Rule #9).  
**Cost:** \$25 per person per event for optional scratch division.  
**Lane dressing:** The lanes are freshly dressed for each squad.  
**Brackets:** The only authorized brackets will be operated under the direction of the MDUSBC.

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_ Captain \_\_\_\_\_ Organizer \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, City, State, Zip, Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
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D/S Event (Date/Time) 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Bowler's Name	Avg. per rule #3	ID #	\$25 Team	\$25 Doubles	\$5 Actual A/E	\$5 Hdcp A/E & older	\$5 Sr Hdcp A/E150 & older	\$5 Senior A/E150 & older	Optional Scratch Division			
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Doubles and Singles Pairings Only  
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