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Bercier and Waliczek prevail in Women's & Men's Series at Westland Bowl



Valerie Bercier of Spring Lake won the MDUSBC Women's Series event with a 216-199 triumph over Ashley Denard of Southfield at Westland Bowl in

Westland. Bercier took home the top prize of \$500, while Denard settled for \$250.

Bercier qualified ninth in the field of 38, with a four-game total of 826. She started qualifying slowly in qualifying with 191 and 194 before finishing with 218 and 223. In match play she defeated Brandie Reamy of Livonia 212-206, top qualifier Robin Orlikowski of Grand Rapids 239-228 and Lisa Bishop of Redford 221-198 to advance to the finals.

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Orlikowski led qualifying by 66 pins with 935 over Sisk. She then lost her

first match against Bercier 239-228 and took home \$75.

Bercier has now taken the lead in the season long Cup race with 213 points, closely followed by Sandra Schultz of Macomb with 203 and last month's winner Julie Oczepek of Vassar with 201.



Brian Waliczek of Frankenmuth won the MDUSBC Men's Series event with a 258-239 triumph over Ronnie Sparks Jr. of Redford at Westland Bowl in Westland. Waliczek

took home the top prize of \$500, while Sparks settled for \$250.

Waliczek qualified seventh in the field of 40, with a four-game total of 902 on games of 259, 236, 207 and 200. In match play he beat Michael Dickerson of Detroit 274-218, last month's winner Darren Alexander of Essex, Ontario 258-195 and Tom Smallwood of Saginaw 238-226 to advance to the championship match.

Sparks led qualifying with 1,011, including a high game of 259. In match play he narrowly beat Justin Knowles of Okemos 189-188 and Brian Odom of Romulus 258-244 on his way to the finals.

Alexander leads the Cup race with 216 points. Second and third place are Dan Pollak of Clinton Township and Brian Odom with 194 and 193 respectively.

Upcoming Women's and Men's Series Events

Sunday, January 13, 2019 - Thunderbowl Lanes Sunday, March 10, 2019 - Mayflower Lanes Sunday, April 7, 2019 - Ford Lanes All events start at 10 a.m. Cost: \$45 in advance, \$50 day of event

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MCKAY TOURNAMENT RAISES OVER \$10,000 FOR CHARITY

The 28th Annual Tom McKay Pro-Am Invitational (formerly the Steve Cruchon Memorial Pro-Am) was held in December at Sterling Lanes in Sterling Heights and over \$10,000 was raised for two charities.

This event began in 1990 organized by Tom McKay, the late Ken Charrette and the late Lou Ivancik to raise money in Steve Cruchon's name to fight cancer and honor Cruchon with a memorial at the national Bowling Hall of Fame. While the causes are the same, the event was re-named several years ago.

Twenty-seven doubles teams gathered for some friendly competition and raising money for Karmanos Cancer Institute and the International Bowling Hall of Fame and Museum. After three games of qualifying, the top eight teams squared off in singlegame single-elimination match play to determine who would be the champions.

John Wesley and Phil Renaud paced the qualifying field with 1,384. The Wesley-Renaud duo won their first two matches to advance to the finals.

Qualifying seventh were Steve Scherle and Bob Nelson with 1,284. They won their first two matches to advance to the finals.

The championship match wasn't even close with Wesley-Renaud prevailing over Scherle-Nelson team with a 420-339 victory to take home the championship.

On the other end of the spectrum Ernie Segura Jr. and James Gajewski ended up in last place, which will put their names on the toi-

The top eight teams won a bowling ball. Manufacturers and pro shops in support of the cause donated the bowling balls. Thanks to all and a great deal of thanks to Kevin Wojcik for working with the manufacturers and pro shops to round up the balls.

Much thanks to the McKay Committee and the MDUSBC Board for their support of the event. Members of the McKay Committee are Scott Barker, Roy Biggs, George Bresinski, Tom McKay, Scott McLeod, John Vorpagel and Kevin Wojcik.

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DeCarlo's 6015 E. Ten Mile Rd., Warren

Mid-Season Update



It is critical that league secretaries return the December 31st average sheets for adult and youth leagues to the MDUSBC office. This information is used when verifying the results of the various MDUSBC tournaments. If you haven't sent it in yet simply mail or fax the form to us. The fax number is (248) 443-2690.

Along with the December sheets a list of bowlers registered in their league who had not paid their membership fees in any league according to our records.

While many of these have been resolved, some are still lingering. There are many reasons why this situation may have occurred.

One reason could be a lack of linking two bowlers with similar names together. One card may have been received with a first name of Charles, while the other may be Chuck or some other name the bowler goes by. Remember the Metro Detroit USBC Association database has over 350,000 names in it, so sometimes it is difficult for us to figure it out.

It also causes us extreme difficulty when the December 31st sheet comes in with added bowlers and no application cards for the bowler. Many times, they only come in with a first initial and last name. Do you know how many J. Smith's there are in the MDUSBC? Unbelievably there are 365 of them.

League secretaries when you get this letter about the bowlers get the information requested and mail or fax it back to us. We want to make sure everyone is accounted for.

MDUSBC TOURNAMENTS

Now that the calendar has turned to 2019, it's tournament time!!! Here's a few to consider.

The Masters will be held at Rosebowl Lanes in Roseville. The date for qualifying is Jan. 26 with match play on Jan. 26-27.

The entry fee is \$150 with a first prize of \$2,500, second place \$1,250 and final match play spot pays \$300 based on 120 entries. Justin Knowles of Okemos is the defending champion.

The field will be limited to the first 160 entries so it is critical for returning entrants to send their entry fee and blank in as soon as it is received.

The Senior Masters will be held at Indian Lanes in Wyandotte. The date for qualifying is Feb. 9 with match play on Feb. 10.

Troy Stus of South Lyon is the defending champion. The entry fee is \$120 with a first prize of \$2,000, second place \$1,000 and the final match play spot \$250 based on 120 entries.

Both events are sponsored by Turbo 2-N-1 Grips and Turbo Tech.

The Metro Detroit USBC will conduct Annual Women's & Open Championship Tournaments with both starting Sat., February 9 through March 17 at Century Bowl in Waterford. Squad times are 12:30 p.m. for the first three weekends of the tournament and 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. for the final two weekends.

All events, team, doubles and singles, for both tournaments will be contested at the same site. Handicap is based on 90 percent from 230. Squad organizers of 10 or more teams are eligible for \$10 per team organized. Spots can be paid for by check made out to MDUSBC, VISA or MasterCard. The prize ratio will be at least 1 in 10 entries.

For the Women's Championship there are two average divisions (165 and under and 166 average and up). The cost is \$25 per person per event and a \$5 all-events fee. The Women's Championship is open to all female members of the MDUSBC who bowled at least 21 games in the 2017-18 season in the Metro Detroit USBC Association or have 21 games or more in the current season in MDUSBC as of the time of bowling.

For the Open Championship the cost is \$25 per person per event and a \$10 all-events fee. There is an optional scratch feature in all of the events at a cost of \$10 per person per event. The Open Championship

is open to all members of the MDUSBC who bowled at least 21 games in the 2017-18 season in the Metro Detroit USBC Association or have 21 games or more in the current season in MDUSBC as of the time of bowling.

In the Open Championship bowlers can bowl as many times as they wish in the team, doubles and singles events. They can even bowl with the same exact lineup twice, but only cash once with that lineup. To bowl other times a team can compete by changing two bowlers. In doubles, the same two players can bowl together twice, but only cash one. In singles, a bowler can only cash once.



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Bowling TV Schedule



Saturday, Jan. 5 - 10 a.m. WADL-Detroit Bowling Showcase Youth Challenge - Final round from Merri-Bowl Merri-Bowl Phantom Strikers vs Wooland

Sunday, Jan 6 - 11 a.m. FS1 PBA PBA Hall of Fame Classic

Saturday, Jan. 12 - 10 a.m. WADL-Detroit Bowling Showcase Adult Challenge - First round from Merr-Bowl Bowl One vs Ansara-Shank

Sunday, Jan 13 - 11 a.m. FS1 PBA PBA Oklahoma Open

Saturday, Jan. 19 - 10 a.m. WADL-Detroit Bowling Showcase Adult Challenge - First round from Merr-Bowl Woodland vs Thunderbowl

Sunday, Jan 20 - 1 p.m. FS1 PBA
PBA Marshall Holman-Mark Roth Doubles Championship

Saturday, Jan. 26 - 10 a.m. WADL-Detroit Bowling Showcase Magazine show

Sunday, Jan 27 - 3 p.m. FS1 PBA PBA Lubbock Open





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Saturday
at 10 a.m.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



As we move into 2019, first, THANK YOU!

Thanks to the Board of Directors for their commitment to the sport; thanks to Mark Martin and his amazing staff, including Tommy who makes deliveries to all of the centers each and every week of the bowling season; thanks to the league officers, especially the secretaries who continue to support all of our league bowlers; thanks to the youth coaches who are making sure there is a Future for the Sport; thanks to the proprietors who provide us a place to enjoy the sport we all know and love; and thanks to all of you bowlers because without you there is NO SPORT!

This season is now in full swing, and most leagues have finished their first half of the season. Now we move into a strong tournament season. The Michigan State Open Tournament begins this month; the Michigan State Women's Tournament begins in February, along with the MDUSBC City Tournament, followed by the State Youth Tournament.

There are additional opportunities including the MDUSBC Masters, the MDUSBC Senior Masters, the Women's and Men's Series, the State Queen's, the State Masters, the State Senior Masters, MDUSBC Senior Team, and State Senior Tournament! PHEW!!! We are going to need a bigger BOAT!!! Please check our website for additional information and entry forms. We would love volunteers for any, and all these tournaments, if even for a day, we could use you!

A very special thank you to Thunderbowl Lanes, and Vicki Ingham for again hosting our Holiday party for the veterans from the John Dingell VA Medical Center! It was such a wonderful time as usual! They loved being able to bowl, play pool, receive their Goodie Bags, and we had wonderful food. A special thanks to Barbara Biernat Valensky for making and donating hats and gloves this year and to Sugar Thomas for the donation of toiletries for the veterans. They were SO appreciative, as am I.

Thank you to all of you who bought raffle tickets and donated through your leagues.

We have exceeded last year's donations so far and your "honor roll" is printed in this publication. There are still quite a few centers we have not heard from, so please get those envelopes in as soon as possible!

We have one additional fundraiser for BVL on tap for this year, and it will be January 19th at Universal Lanes at noon.

Our first annual "Drop Down and Give me 40" 40-frame game is happening!! We will have raffle baskets, military duck adoptions, ball raffles, and more! The entry blank is on the MDUSBC website under the Events tab. Please get in early!!! It is going

to be fun and again another way to honor our veterans! If that weekend does not work for you, please feel free to make a basket, donate gift cards or items for our raffle! Special thanks to Jessica Tyler for her help on this project!

Save the Date for our annual Bowl for the Cure event at Bowl One – February 23rd at noon! Entry blanks and raffle tickets will be available later this month. I am dusting off the tutu!

Thanks again for supporting the Bowling Capital of the World!

It is our pleasure to serve.

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What's the Oil Pattern?



Allow me to make myself feel old for a second and say, I remember when I was young and bowling tournaments. We never asked what oil pattern was out there or how many feet it was. We just bowled on what was out there. Today's game is different though. It's almost an automatic question nowadays. Most tournament bowlers have a need to know what oil pattern will be used at a tournament. Some even go further and will ask what kind of surface the lane is, what oil machine you use and even what oil you put in the machine. Has it become too obsessive? Where do vou stand on this modern day debate?

On one side of this fence are the people that believe it has become too much. Especially if it outright affects the decision of someone bowling or not bowling. Tournament organizers work very hard to put out a fair yet competitive shot, but inevitably there will be bowlers that may make the decision not to bowl based on the length, volume of the pattern or history on a specific pattern. What's more frustrating is having bowlers become upset during and or after an event because the oil pattern does not play the way they think it should. This can happen for a variety of reasons. Some of which we covered a few issues ago when we talked about atmospheric conditions in this article. So what can be done about these variables? More than that, is it too much to have to worry about not only losing bowlers to what oil pattern you choose but hoping the oil pattern plays the way, "it should"?

Now the bowlers that believe it is necessary to know the oil pattern and all the intricacies that go along with it will tell you that it's simply not the same game as it was, "back in the day". Between the strides in not only equipment, but the viscosity and variety of lane oil and conditioner, it's simply a different game today. Bowling balls are almost like pitchers in baseball. There are specific bowling balls for almost every kind of reaction you want and if you want to tweak them then all you have to do is grab a sandpaper pad of one grit or another and change the surface to get yet another different reaction before competition begins. Knowledge is power on this side of the fence and it's a very compelling fact based argument. So who's right?

I have my own opinions on this but I will say there is no real right or wrong here. It truly is a different game today than it was in some aspects, but the characteristics of each house and how it will affect the way an oil pattern may play is a big part of the game too. Can you sometimes know too much and have it change your expectations? Whatever side of the fence you stand on, the part that should be important to everybody is that we all want and need more people to bowl and support the people and centers that run and host tournaments. So with that said, always try to have some fun and go bowl a tournament when you can. When you're at a center that chooses to host a tournament always try to support the center and have some food and drinks while you're there too. After all, it's the people that do all of these things and more that gives us so many options to bowl aside from league. These people, along with all of you out there, is part of what makes us the bowling capital of the world! I'll never claim to have all the right answers but I hope I've given you a different perspective. See you on the lanes.



Tell us about those that have passed so we can honor them



I have just one quick little request to anyone who reads these words. In very early February the Metro Detroit Association will hold their annual meeting. The very first thing on the agenda each and every annual meeting is the memorial service. The service is meant to honor and remember all our friends who left us during the past season. My request is that names of our bowlers be turned in, to be included in this very brief ceremony. If you have and know of someone who should be included please, submit the name to me (ann.block @ mdusbc.com) or the Metro Detroit **USBC** (mark.martin@mdusbc.com) via email. This is a service for all of the members of our local association. You may send in names of folks who may have retired from the sport during to their age, illness, or disability. It is our desire to honor the memory of all our bowlers past and present.

Thanks and until next time!



DAVID MOBUS, JR. WINS 88TH OLD TIMERS TOURNAMENT



David Mobus, Jr., 51, of Livonia emerged as the overall winner of the 88th Greater Detroit Old Timers Bowling Association tournament

held on November 24 at Thundebowl Lanes in Allen Park. Leading the field of 262 bowlers, David's total of 706 on games of 289, 192, and 225 brought him to the victory. He won by two pins over David Eatmon, 63, of Ferndale who bowled 704. Frank Robinson III had the only honor score in the tournament, a 300 game. Mobus was awarded a wrist watch and plaque for his win.

This year's tournament was dedicated to ninety-four-year-old Jack Dahlstrom. Dahlstrom is a past president of the association and current board member.

Opening ceremonies included three local high school seniors each receiving a \$500 scholarship and recognizing members of the association that have passed away since the last tournament. Most notably recognized was Ken Charrette. Charrette had held positions of association president, secretary-treasurer, and board member.

Age 40-49:

- 1. Adam Tuck 693
- 2. Robert St. Onge, Jr 680
- 3. Justin Jeffery 669

Age 50-59:

- 1. Robert Stein 696
- 2. Frank Robinson, III 692
- Dino Ignagni 657

Age 60-64:

- 1. David Eatmon 704
- 2. Robert Michaux, Jr. 691
- 3. Mike McCleskey 672

Age 65-69:

- 1. Robert Slayden, Jr. 678
- 2. James Millen, Jr 669
- 3. Michael Orient, Sr 668 Age 70-74:
 - 1. Larry Moore 669
 - 2. Ed Austreng 647
 - 3. William Schepke 643

Age 75-79:

- 1. Len Cianciolo 680
- 2. Tom Strobl 671
- 3. Denny O'Neill 656 Age 80-84:
 - 1. Dick Beattie 588
 - 2. Bill Haynes 585
 - 3. Gilbert Phelps 558

Age 85 and over:

- 1. Ernie Segura, Sr. 551
- 2. Armando Papais 548
- 3. Ted Mack 538





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12:30 PM & 6:30 PM PBA Scorpion Qualifying Championship 14 Spectator Pass: \$10 per round THUR All Day Pass: \$15

12:30 PM & 6:30 PM PBA World Championship Casher Rounds 15 \$10 per round Spectator Pass: FRI All Day Pass: \$15

12:30 PM & 3 PM PBA World Championship Match Play 16 Spectator Pass: \$10 per round SAT All Day Pass: \$15

4 PM 17 Pro-Am SUN

PBA Cheetah Championship Match Play Noon & 3 PM 18 LIVE CHEETAH CHAMPIONSHIP FS1 FINALS 8 PM MON

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PBA Chameleon Championship Match Play Noon & 3 PM 19 LIVE CHAMELEON CHAMPIONSHIP FS1 FINALS 8 PM TUE Spectator Pass: \$10 per Match Play Round

All Match Play Pass: \$15 \$15 (18 and older); \$10 (Youth) TV FINALS:

20 PBA Scorpion Championship Match Play Noon & 3 PM LIVE SCORPION CHAMPIONSHIP FS1 FINALS 8 PM WED Spectator Pass: \$10 per Match Play Round

All Match Play Pass: \$15 TV FINALS: \$15 (18 and older); \$10 (Youth)

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APOLLO LANES (14)	29410 Gratiot Ave	Roseville	48066	(586) 772-2070
ASTRO LANES (48)	32388 John R Rd	Madison Heights	48071	(248) 585-3132
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BEECH LANES (16)	15492 Beech Daly Rd	Redford	48239	(313) 531-3800
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BIDDLE BOWL (8)	708 Biddle St.	Wyandotte	48192	(734) 283-0660
BONANZA LANES (44)	24600 Hoover Rd	Warren	48089	(586) 756-3000
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BOWLERO LANES (16)	4209 Coolidge Hwy	Royal Oak	48073	(248) 549-7500
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COLLIER LANES (32)	879 S Lapeer Rd	Oxford	48371	(248) 628-2851
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DETROIT ATHLETIC CLUB (8)	241 Madison St	Detroit	48226	(313) 442-1003
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TURBO 2-N-1 RESEARCH FACILITY (2)	46460 Continental	Chesterfield	48047	(586) 598-3948
UNIVERSAL LANES (28)	2101 E 12 Mile Rd	Warren	48092	(586) 751-2828
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
WESTLAND BOWL (60)	5940 N Wayne Rd	Westland	48185	(734) 722-7570
WONDERLAND LANES (40)	8265 Richardson Rd	Commerce Township	48390	(248) 363-7131
WOODHAVEN CENTER (36)	20000 Van Horn Rd	Woodhaven	48183	(734) 675-3554
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PBA 50 Tour and PWBA Hall of Fame



The PBA Tour announced the 2019 PBA50 Tour and PBA60 Tour schedule that includes three new sites and three major tournaments.

The season again starts with the Florida and East Coast swing in April and May: Clearwater (a new site) and The Villages in Florida; Mooresville, N.C.; and Trenton, N.J. (a new site) The Villages stop is the first major: the PBA50 National Championship presented by Spanish Springs Lanes and Radical.

The West Coast and Las Vegas swing follows in late May and June: Brentwood, California, and then the season's two other PBA50 majors in the USBC Senior Masters at Sam's

Town and the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by Storm at Suncoast.

The USBC Super Senior Classic for players 60 and older precedes the USBC Senior Masters.

The bulk of the schedule follows in July and August in the Midwest, with stops in Monticello, Minnesota; Hammond, Indiana; Anderson, Indiana; Wyoming, Michigan; and Jackson, Michigan (a new site); with the final two PBA60 events following in Jackson, and Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Trenton and the two stops in Jackson are new to the PBA50 and PBA60 Tour.

If I make my one annual PBA50 Tour appearance it will be in Hammond, and even if I don't compete I plan to take a day and go to Hammond to hang out and see old friends.

All of the PBA50 and PBA60 competition will be webcast live on Xtra Frame on FloBowling.

2019 PBA50 TOUR SCHEDULE

April 14-17 – PBA50 Johnny Petraglia BVL Open presented by Brunswick, Maple Countryside Lanes, Clearwater, Fla.

April 22-26 – PBA50 National Championship presented by Spanish Springs Lanes and Radical, Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla. April 28-May 1 – PBA50 Mooresville Ford Open presented by Columbia300, Victory Lanes Family Entertainment Center, Mooresville, N.C. May 3-5 – PBA50 Hamilton Lanes & Entertainment Center Open, Hamilton Lanes & Entertainment Center, Trenton, N.J.

May 25-28 – PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV, Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif.

May 29-June 2 –USBC Super Senior Classic, Sam's Town, Las Vegas. June 2-9 – USBC Senior Masters, Sam's Town, Las Vegas.

June 9-14 – Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by Storm, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas

July 9-12 – PBA50 River City Extreme Open presented by Hammer, River City Extreme, Monticello, Minn.

July 15-18 – PBA50 South Shore Open presented by Ebonite, Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind.

July 20-23 - PBA50 Dave Small's Championship Lanes Classic presented by Roto Grip, Dave Small's Championship Lanes, Anderson, Ind. July 25-28 – PBA50 Spectrum Lanes Open, Spectrum Lanes, Wyoming, Mich.

July 30-Aug. 2 – PBA50 Dave Small's Jax 60 Open, Jax 60, Jackson, Mich.

Aug. 3-5 –PBA60 Dave Small's Jax 60 Open, Jax 60, Jackson, Mich. Aug. 7-9 – PBA60 Dick Weber Championship presented by 900 Global, Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind.

PWBA Hall of Fame

With the resurrection of the PWBA Tour by the USBC and BPAA in 2015, the resurrection of a PWBA Hall of Fame become a logical next step that will happen in 2019.

That will lead to plenty of fun and interesting discussion as players, media, officials and fans figure out how to factor in the lack of a PWBA from 2003 to 2015, depriving many players of opportunities to win titles.

The PWBA Hall of Fame has 35 members; 19 in Performance, 10 in Pioneer and six in Builder.

Donna Adamek, Patty Costello, Dorothy Fothergill, Mildred Ignizio, Marion Ladewig, and Betty Morris in the Performance category, LaVerne Carter, Helen Duvall and Shirley Garms in Pioneer, and Georgia Veatch in the Builder category were in the inaugural PWBA Hall of Fame class in 1995.

The most recent PWBA Hall of Fame class in 2003 featured Anne Marie Duggan and Virginia Norton in Performance.

Some obvious Performance candidates for 2019 include Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, Leanne Hulsenberg, Wendy Macpherson, and Kim Adler — all members of the USBC Hall of Fame. Other like Liz Johnson, Michelle Feldman and Shannon O'Keefe only need to turn 50. (Apologies in advance to any obvious candidates I missed.)

Bowling historian Eric Hartman sent me an email after doing some research and he said other players with 10 titles or more who are 50 or older include Carol Gianotti, Cheryl Daniels and Sandra Jo Shiery, although one of Shiery's wins came as a non-member, which may mean she officially has just nine titles and isn't eligible.

Hartman said players with at least five wins and two majors who are 50 or older are Pam Buckner, Dede Davidson, Kim Terrell/Kearney and Marianne DiRupo.

The categories and eligibility criteria are:

PERFORMANCE — A minimum of 10 PWBA Tour titles or a minimum of five PWBA Tour titles including two majors. Minimum age is 50.

AMBASSADOR — At least one PWBA Tour title and made a major impact on the growth of the PWBA Tour. Minimum age is 50.

MERITORIOUS/BUILDER — Advanced the PWBA as an organization, promoted the PWBA Tour through media, and must show a minimum of five years of support.

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One issue is how PWBA will count the Queens and U.S. Women's Open during the PWBA dark years, which have not been counted as official PWBA titles: Will they count for Hall of Fame consideration?

Every person I have ever talked to about that issue thinks those majors should be counted as PWBA titles and hopefully that will become the case.

But since they are not, an all-time great like USBC Hall of Famer Kelly Kulick isn't even eligible for the PWBA Hall of Fame, as she has just two official PWBA Tour titles on herPWBA bio, one being the 2003 U.S. Women's Open, though she also won the USBC Queens and U.S. Women's Open in 2010 and the U.S. Women's Open in 2012, not to mention the 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions.

The release states that PWBA Hall of Fame committee will be appointed by the PWBA Player Committee, with approval of PWBA stakeholders (USBC and BPAA). The committee will consist of PWBA Hall of Fame members, bowling media members, and appointed board of directors from USBC and BPAA.

The induction ceremony for the PWBA Hall of Fame Class of 2019 will take place May 15 in Wichita, Kansas, in conjunction with the 2019 USBC Queens

The 2019 PWBA Tour season will have 14 events, starting with the PWBA Greater Cleveland Open on April 25-27 at Yorktown Lanes.

BVL All-Star Leagues

These 104 MDUSBC leagues passed the BVL envelope in November and raised \$9,567.95 to push the MDUSBC BVL contribution to \$16,037.66

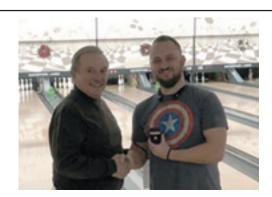
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Astro	B T I Sunday Mixed	Rosebowl	Early Birdetts
Astro	Chrysler Elks	Rosebowl	Fri Nite Kings & Queens
Astro	Eagles Nest	Rosebowl	
			Guys and Dolls
Astro	Hazel Park Eagles Mens	Rosebowl	Kolping Keglers
Astro	Sat Nite Mixed	Rosebowl	Our Lady Queen of Peace
Astro	Thursday Night Men	Rosebowl	Saturday Nite Mixed
Astro	Wednesday Night Strikers	Rosebowl	Super Senior Classic
Bonanza	Community Mixed Plus Two	Shelby	Greater Utica Men
Bowl One	Adams & Eves	Shelby	Kings & Queens
Bowl One	Business Womens	Shore	Bon Secours
Bowl One	Eastside Senior Travel	Shore	Shore Lanes Mixed
Bowl One	GM Mens #1	Shore	Shore Thursday Men
Bowl One	Gus Ponder Senior Classic	Skore	Dearborn Rec Ladies
Bowl One	Hal Brenizer Memorial	Skore	Downriver Mens Classic
Bowl One	Lady Bowlerettes	Skore	Friday Seniors
Bowl One	S&B Ladies	Skore	Knight & Ladies
Bowl One	Saturday Night Mixers	Skore	Queen's Mixed
Bowl One	Saturday Nite Special	Skore	Robert H Jones Tues Mens
Bowl One	Sunday Moanin	Skore	Rolling Thunder
Escape	Crittenton Mixed	Skore	Siver Fox Seniors
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Escape Five Star	Troy Exchange		Thursday Mens Sr Classic EastSide Lutheran Mens
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Five Star	Job Shop	Sterling	Eastside Sr Classic
Five Star	St Jane Men	Sterling	Fallen Angels
Five Star	Tuesday Morning Eyeopeners	Sterling	Friday Senior Trio
Harbor	Harbor Kings & Queens	Sterling	Mon Senior men
Hartfield	Adcraft Mixed	Sterling	Oldtimers
Hartfield	American Christian Bowlers	Sterling	San Marino
Imperial	Hits & Misses	Sterling	Sterling Pin Ups
Imperial	Imperial Friday Night Men	Sterling	Wed Ladies Trio
Imperial	Imperial Queens	Sterling	Wed Night Mixed
Imperial	Monday Night Mixed	Sterling	WOW Funtimers
Luxury	Luxury Ladies	Summit	Sunday Night Mixed
Luxury	Young Bowling Friday Night Mens	Superbowl	Cantonettes
Madison Park	Wayne Count Mixed 4Some	Superbowl	Double Nickel
Mayflower	Friday Seniors	Superbowl	Friday Funsters
Mayflower	Monday Night Mixed Trio	Superbowl	Monday Canton Seniors
Mayflower	Monday Seniors	Superbowl	Monday Nite Mixed
Mayflower	Saturday Night Going Nowhere	Superbowl	Powertrain Mens
Mayflower	Sundays Best	Thunderbowl	Allied Towing
Merri-Bowl	Saturday Goodtimers	Thunderbowl	Wed A.M. Mxd Dbls
Merri-Bowl	Thursday Senior Mixed	Total Sports	Sunday AM Beer
Plaza	3 PM Mixed	Total Sports	Tuesday Jr House
Plaza	Bowling Buddies	Westland	L T P Salaried
Plaza	Happy Kings & Queens	Wonderland	Misfits
Plaza	Plaza Men	Wonderland	Tuesday tTpplers
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Regal	Father Kramer	Woodland	Plymouth Bowling Club
Regal	Friends and Family of Fun	Woodland	Sunday Funnies
Regal	K of C Mixed	Woodland	Sunday Kings & Queens
Roosevelt	Early Birds	Woodland	Woodland Thursday Night
		Woodhaven	Monday Night Ladies

Watch for your league's Bowl For The Cure envelope in February to put your league on the list and help fight breast cancer.

MDUSBC 300/800 November 2018

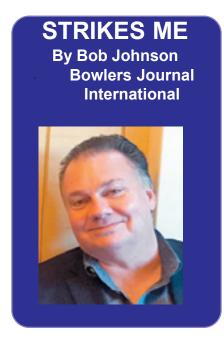
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Jared Juszczyk	Nov 1 2018	Garden Bowl	Detroit All Star Classic	Donald Moore Jr	Nov 18 2018	Regal Lanes	Friends And Family Of Fun
Veran Rawls	Nov 1 2018	Thunderbowl Lanes	Gasco Detroit Mixed	Eric Tulley	Nov 19 2018	•	Detroit Firefighters
David Fisher	Nov 1 2018	Woodland Lanes	Livonia Thurs Night Men	Daniel Thomas Jr		Plaza Lanes	Plaza Men
John Green	Nov 2 2018	Cherry Hill North	Skirts & Shirts	Robert Cook	Nov 19 2018	Rosebowl Lanes	Our Lady Queen Of Peace
Marc Kropidlowski	Nov 2 2018	Regal Lanes	Father Kramer K Of C	Bradley Toporek		Rosebowl Lanes	Our Lady Queen Of Peace
David Nelson		Waterford Lanes	Wood's Saturday Mixed	Christopher Craft		Waterford Lanes	Monday Mens
Stephen Tominac	Nov 3 2018	Woodland Lanes	Saturday Kings & Queens	Quinn Chandler		Westland Bowl	T.C.A.C.
Frank Robinson III	Nov 5 2018	Bowl One Lanes	Gus Ponder Memorial	James Gooden		Country Lanes	RCA Tuesday Trio
Jeremy Jurvelin	Nov 5 2018	Classic Lanes	CTC Trios	George Juszczyk Jr		Plaza Lanes	St Colette Mens
Raymond Shinosky	Nov 5 2018	Merri-Bowl	Detroit Firefighters	Kevin Gray		Total Sports Lanes	Tuesday Jr House
Matthew Bederka	Nov 5 2018	Westland Bowl	T.C.A.C.	Richard Dolph III		Wonderland Lanes	Tuesday Mens Invitational
Michael Lotito	Nov 6 2018	Detroit Athletic Club	Tuesday 5:30	Nicholas Dallas	Nov 21 2018		Pontiac Motor Inter Office
Michael Lotito	Nov 6 2018	Detroit Athletic Club	Tuesday 5:30	Sam Girgenti	Nov 21 2018		Wednesday Inv Bowling Lge
Zack Wabshall	Nov 6 2018	Westland Bowl	Tues Men Invitational	Ryan Mitter	Nov 21 2018	,	Wednesday Inv Bowling Lge
Cody Miller	Nov 6 2018	Wonderland Lanes	Tuesday Mens Invitational	Jody Riddle		Astro Lanes	Hazel Park Eagles Mens
Michael Mitchell	Nov 7 2018	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League	David Alexander Jr		Indian Lanes	Wyandotte Wed Men 2017-18
Shane Kinnell	Nov 7 2018	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League	Zachary Kuzdzal		Indian Lanes	Wyandotte Wed Men 2017-18
Michael Marlow	Nov 7 2018	Plaza Lanes	Bill Brown Ford Invitational	Michael Gundle		Plaza Lanes	Bill Brown Ford Invitational
Brett Marx	Nov 8 2018	Five Star Lanes	5 5 5 League	Mark Gundle		Plaza Lanes	Bill Brown Ford Invitational
Chad Moran	Nov 8 2018	Fraser Star Lanes	Veterans Mens Invitational	Anthony Green		Regal Lanes	Electrical Workers L U 58 Men
Stacie Prostell	Nov 8 2018	Renaissance Bowl	World Traveler's Mixed	Cory Young		Bonanza Lanes	Sat Night Mixers
Thomas Berger	Nov 8 2018	Vision Lanes	Big Thursday	Frank Robinson III			Gr Detroit Old Timers
Leandre Thomas	Nov 9 2018	Harbor Lanes	Friday Night Invitational	Gregg Smith		Universal Lanes	Saturday Nite Live
Stephen Barry	Nov 9 2018	Harbor Lanes	Friday Night Invitational	Timothy Magyar	Nov 26 2018	Mayflower Lanes	Monday Seniors
David Jegla	Nov 9 2018	Imperial Lanes	Friday Night Men	Marvin Thomas III		Mayflower Lanes	Mon Night Mxd Trio
Dana Elle	Nov 9 2018	Regal Lanes	Father Kramer K Of C	Diane Brown		Westland Bowl	T.C.A.C.
Jeffrey Roderick	Nov 10 2018		Digital Mixed	CJ Edward Harris III		Westland Bowl	T.C.A.C.
Leandre Thomas	Nov 10 2018	Thunderbowl	Fantastic Mx Trio	Leon Lusane II	Nov 26 2018	Westland Bowl	T.C.A.C.
Christopher Solak	Nov 11 2018	Ford Lanes	Ford Tool & Die	Cullen Cacicedo	Nov 26 2018	Woodland Lanes	Monday Nite Mens
William Isanhart Jr	Nov 12 2018	Plaza Lanes	Plaza Men	Christopher Capen	Nov 26 2018	Woodland Lanes	Monday Nite Mens
Leonard Parker	Nov 12 2018	Sterling Lanes	San Marino Mens	Ryan Coloma	Nov 27 2018	Cherry Hill North	Waterford Merchants
Verlin Terry	Nov 12 2018	Westland Bowl	T.C.A.C.	LaMont Seals		Plum Hollow Lanes	Tuesday Mixed Foursome
Craig Speakman	Nov 13 2018	Astro Lanes	CAM Afternoon	Joseph Szarek	Nov 27 2018	Total Sports Lanes	Tuesday Jr House
George Juszczyk Jr	Nov 13 2018	Plaza Lanes	St Colette Mens	Cory Coffey	Nov 27 2018	Vision Lanes	Big Money Tuesday
Richard Dolph III	Nov 13 2018	Wonderland Lanes	Tuesday Mens Invitational	William Russ	Nov 28 2018	Alley 59	Wednesday Inv Bowling Lge
Jacob Wilk	Nov 13 2018	Woodland Lanes	Tuesday Night Mix Inv'l	Claude Lafnear Jr	Nov 28 2018	Collier Lanes	Oxford Wildcats
Jody Riddle	Nov 14 2018	Astro Lanes	Hazel Park Eagles Mens	Ryan Staschke	Nov 28 2018	Imperial Lanes	Clinton First
Robert Stein Jr	Nov 14 2018	Imperial Lanes	Clinton First	Patrick Perry	Nov 28 2018	Indian Lanes	Wyandotte Wed Men 2017-18
Daryl Roquemore	Nov 14 2018	Mayflower Lanes	Eloise Mixed League	George Juszczyk Jr	Nov 28 2018	Plaza Lanes	Bill Brown Ford Invitational
Scot Woodward	Nov 15 2018	300 Bowl	3 Man Major	Richard Sanford	Nov 28 2018	Thunderbowl Lanes	Semi Seniors Invitational
David Jones	Nov 15 2018	Ford Lanes	Renaissance	Kenneth Allen Sr	Nov 28 2018	Thunderbowl Lanes	Semi Seniors Invitational
Timothy Weimer	Nov 15 2018	Plaza Lanes	Fomoco Thurs Night	Daniel Frederick	Nov 29 2018	Ford Lanes	Mens Comedy Central
Stephen Teart	Nov 15 2018	Renaissance Bowl	World Traveler's Mixed	David Darling	Nov 29 2018	Harbor Lanes	Thursday Nite Mens
Franklin Snodgrass		Harbor Lanes	Friday Night Invitational	Ryan Staschke	Nov 29 2018	Imperial Lanes	Business & Industrial
Kevin Dawson		Harbor Lanes	Friday Night Invitational	Matthew Coleman	Nov 29 2018	Luxury	Detroit All Star Classic
John Balicki		Regal Lanes	Father Kramer K Of C	Jeremy Dixson	Nov 29 2018	Luxury	Detroit All Star Classic
Timothy Keat		Skore Lanes	Fairlane Mixed	Benjamin Neuman	Nov 29 2018	Ten Pins Of Trenton	Thursday Invitational
Charles Cassise Sr		Woodhaven	Jacks & Jills Invitational	William Marohn		Wonderland Lanes	Thursday 6:05 Men
Ronald Bradley Jr		Bonanza Lanes	Sunday Aft Mixed Travelers	Tom Treusch	Nov 30 2018	Sterling Lanes	Fri Sr Trio
James Williams	Nov 18 2018	Five Star Lanes	Storm Sunday Morning Classic				

Name	Score	Date	Center	League
David Nelson	822	Nov 3 2018	Waterford Lanes	Wood's Saturday Mixed
Thomas Hill II	800	Nov 4 2018	Thunderbowl Lanes	Lads And Lassies
Michael Richards	804	Nov 6 2018	Plaza Lanes	St Colette Mens
William Taylor	803	Nov 7 2018	Belmar Lanes	Wayne County Men
Chris Pilarski	823	Nov 7 2018	Sterling Lanes	Eastside Sr Classic
Stephen Barry	803	Nov 9 2018	Harbor Lanes	Friday Night Invitational
Leandre Thomas	826	Nov 10 2018	Thunderbowl	Fantastic Mx Trio
Scot Woodward	811	Nov 15 2018	300 Bowl	3 Man Major
Jeremy Dixson	805	Nov 15 2018	Madison Park Bowl	Detroit All Star Classic
Josh Coklow	804	Nov 15 2018	Renaissance Bowl	World Traveler's Mixed
Willie Rushing Sr	813	Nov 16 2018	Country Lanes	Friday Mixed Trio
Christopher Craft	814	Nov 19 2018	Waterford Lanes	Monday Mens
Andrew Boyd	806	Nov 21 2018	Imperial Lanes	Clinton First
Timothy Magyar	847	Nov 26 2018	Mayflower Lanes	Monday Seniors
Leon Lusane II	814	Nov 26 2018	Westland Bowl	T.C.A.C.
Charles Renfrow	809	Nov 29 2018	300 Bowl	300 Senior Classic Trio
David Darling	803	Nov 29 2018	Harbor Lanes	Thursday Nite Mens



MDUSBC Association Manager Mark Martin presents Anthony Watson his 800 ring at Waterfod Lanes

Making a List, and Checking it Twice...



My 10 favorite things about being a bowling writer...

1. Access.

When you write for Bowlers Journal, as I have for 40 years, people pick up the phone. They understand that being covered by that magazine will be noticed by friends and colleagues. For many bowlers, appearing on the cover of BJI ranks as a career highlight; for others, never making the cover of BJI is a career snub.

2. A front-row seat for watching bowling's greatest players.

Actually, I prefer a seat off to the side, out of the range of the television cameras, where I can spread out and take notes. But no matter where I sit, getting to see the greats of the game compete up close is a privilege I do not take lightly.

3. Amazing stories to tell.

At tournaments, people often will ask me, "Who are you rooting for?" Of course, a legitimate journalist never roots for a specific individual or team. So my answer to that question is always the same: "I'm rooting for the best story." When there is a great story to tell, it makes writing the story so much easier.

4. Great characters.

Bowling has a long history of being populated by colorful men and women, and when you're a bowling writer, you get to come in contact with them. From the hustlers to the pranksters to the fashion plates — and you all know who you are — some of the best stories come from people who are just a little bit off-center.

5. Inspirational tales.

I cringe when I hear someone say of bowling, "Anyone can do it," because it tends to devalue the talent of the sport's elite players. But the truth is that almost anyone can bowl, including those with severe physical or mental challenges. It's truly inspiring to see the smiles of satisfaction on their faces, whether it's for recording a strike or simply keeping the ball on the lane.

Tenpin temples.

Every time I drive by the empty lot where the Showboat Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center once stood, I am struck not only by the breathtaking view of the Las Vegas Strip, but of the bowling history that unfolded within the walls of the 'Boat. From one of the longest-running tournaments on the PBA Tour to the most lucrative tournaments of the megabuck era, the Showboat hosted some of the top events in bowling history. If only its walls could talk... if only its walls still existed. And as anyone who lives in or near one of bowling's great historic cities will tell you, a center does not need 106 lanes in order to be considered a tenpin temple. To this day, whenever I step inside such a

center, I am in awe. Enjoy Detroit's remaining tenpin temples while you still can.

7. Road trips.

As an example, I probably never would have visited Tokyo were it not for the former practice of flying a BJI writer to cover the Japan Cup. Attending that tournament, and being exposed to that culture, has informed my reporting ever since.

8. Free water.

Bowling writers often are invited to partake of a complimentary buffet or meal, but I always pass. I never want to give the impression that favorable coverage can be bought through my stomach — although you'd never know it my looking at my stomach. I will accept bottled water, however. I do not know why I think of water differently.

9. The people.

Bowlers are the best. Period. If you're going to be a writer, you could do far worse than spending your time writing about bowlers.

10. It beats working for a living.

I know this because, when shaking hands, I'm often told how soft my right hand is. Typing isn't exactly a producer of calluses, and I thank my lucky stars I've been able to make a living by writing about a sport I love while using (primarily) my two index fingers.

Several of the things that make being a bowling writer great also are great reasons for being a bowler. All of us are fortunate to have found a sport that gives us so much.

Never take it for granted.

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Senior Singles Open www.ssopen.org

2019 SCHEDULE

DATE	CENTER	TIME
1/5/19	THUNDERBOWL LANES	10 AM
1/19/19	WOODHAVEN LANES	10 AM
2/23/19	BONANZA LANES	10 AM
3/23/19	NOVI BOWL	10 AM
4/6/19	ROSE BOWL LANES (OVER / UNDER 50)	10 AM
4/27/19	ASTRO LANES	10 AM
5/18/19	OAK LANES	10 AM
6/22/19	TOWN & COUNTRY LANES	10 AM
7/20/19	WESTLAND BOWL	10 AM
8/3/19	CENTURY BOWL (NON CHAMPIONS)	10 AM
8/24/19	300 BOWL	10 AM
9/21/19	WAYNE BOWL	10 AM
10/26/19	PLAZA LANES - HOF	10 AM
11/16/19	5 STAR LANES	10 AM
12/7/19	ASTRO LANES	9 AM
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