Chris Barnes, Ron Mohr, Don Mitchell
Elected to PBA Hall of Fame

Inductions set for February 17 during Go Bowling! PBA 60th Anniversary Celebration in Indianapolis

CHICAGO – Eighteen-time PBA Tour champion Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas; two-time PBA50 Player of the Year Ron Mohr of North Las Vegas, and the late Don Mitchell, a renowned bowling center owner and PBA host from Indianapolis, have been elected to the Professional Bowlers Association Hall of Fame.

They will be inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Marriott North in Indianapolis as part of the Go Bowling! PBA 60th Anniversary Celebration.

Chris Barnes, 47, is one of five players to win both PBA Rookie and Player of the Year honors. He is one of six players to complete the PBA Triple Crown (2005 U.S. Open, 2006 PBA Tournament of Champions and 2011 PBA World Championship), and he ranked among the top 10 in PBA earnings for 16 consecutive seasons. He surpassed the $1 million milestone in career earnings in 170 events (2005), at the time the fewest events any player needed to achieve that milestone, and he won $200,000 “winner take all” prizes in Motel 6 Roll to Riches special events in 2005 and 2006.

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VIRGINIA YOUNG CAPTURES SOCAL QUEENS TITLE

LAKEWOOD – “Girls with dreams become Women with Vision”…This was the theme of the inaugural So Cal Queens event held on September 30, 2017 at Cal Bowl in Lakewood. Since the return of the PWBA in 2015, women bowlers throughout the state have been looking to compete. There has not been a state level Queens event in California since the CUSBC ended the event in 2010. Being an avid competitive bowler myself, I saw the need for women bowlers to have their own to test their skills and feed the competitive spirit they all have.

The tournament used a 1 day format where bowlers qualified in 3 separate divisions Queens (Scratch), Senior Queens (50+ Scratch) and Princess (Handicap). All bowlers bowled 5 games of qualifying on the 40ft Chichen Itza pattern. A total of 99 bowlers took to the lanes to compete for the title. At the conclusion of qualifying, the top 6 bowlers in each division advanced to the single game double elimination bracket. The top 6 qualifiers in each division were:

Queens – Brianna LeForbes +89, Virginia Young +17, Stacie Watson +4, Valerie Riggins -2, Jasmine Coleman -2 and Stephanie Cooksey -51
Sr Queens – Laura Hardeman +1, Janielle Sakata -44, Pam Pancoast -58, Theresa Prutch -60, Paula Vidal -71 and Polly Hale -75
Princess – Jessica Garcia +57, Jocelyn Bustanate +35,

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He was a late comer to PBA competition after four years as a member of the Wichita State University bowling team, a starring role with Team USA and a prolific nine-year career as a “professional amateur.” After joining the PBA just before his 28th birthday, he won PBA Rookie of the Year honors and added PBA Player of the Year honors 10 years later, joining Mike Aulby and Tommy Jones at the – as the third player to win both of those honors. In 379 PBA Tour tournaments, Barnes finished in the top five 91 times (an impressive 24 percent of the time) and cashed in 296 (78.1 percent of tournaments entered). All of that came years after a surprising performance in the Coca-Cola National Youth Championships as a youngster diverted his attentions away from a promising future as a basketball player growing up in Topeka, Kan. In high school, I was 180th behind Lonnie Walczek in the state Coca-Cola Youth Championship qualifier”, Barnes said of his future fellow PBA competitor. “I figured I was the fourth best bowler in Kansas, but I bowed led in the next to last game and won. And then I won the championship, so I got to go to the national finals. That’s where I found out how good the other guys in Kansas were.”

He then joined Walczek on the powerful Wichita State team – founded by Lonnie’s father, Paul, he began a string of 15 berths on Team USA – most of those at a time when pros were not allowed to bowl in international competition.

In 1998, Barnes decided it was time to take on the best of the best and find out where I could fit in. “I found out probably in my 30s, not many bowlers were doing that sort of thing,”

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2017 PBA HALL OF FAME SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE BIOS

CHRIS BARNES

Double Oak, Texas
Birth date: 2/25/70
PBA member since: 1998
Touring Pro/Exempt: 1998-present
Career money to date: $2,287,093

PBA TOUR
Bowled in 379 PBA Tour tournaments
Top five finishes: 91
PBA Tour titles: 18
Cashes: 296 (78.1% of tournaments entered)

PBA TOUR STATISTICS
Top 10 on money list (16 consecutive years):
- 3rd in 2015 ($117,565)
- 5th in 2014 ($96,958)
- 8th in 2012-13 ($105,364)
- 11th in 2011-12 ($80,280)
- 2nd in 2010-11 ($133,260)
- 4th in 2009-10 ($116,510)
- 5th in 2009-09 ($156,780)
- 5th in 2007-08 ($142,410)
- 5th in 2006-07 ($127,407)
- 5th in 2005-06 ($174,700)
- 3rd in 2004-05 ($194,300)
- 4th in 2003-04 ($191,550)
- 2nd in 2002-03 ($183,930)
- 7th in 2001-02 ($143,165)
- 5th in 2000 ($103,900)
- 3rd in 1999 ($123,885)

PBA Tour Scoring Average:
- 2000 George Young High Average award winner (220.93)
- Career scoring average 221.8671 for 9,175 games

PBA TOUR STANDARD TITLES (15)
- 1999 - Orange Open, Portland, Ore.
- 2003 - Days Inn Open, Dallas, Texas
- 2004 - Japan Cup, Tokyo, Japan
- 2007 - GEICO Classic, Irving, Texas
- 2008 - Bayer Classic, El Paso, Texas
- 2008 - Don Johnson Buckeye State Classic, Columbus, Ohio
- 2009 - Don Johnson Buckeye State Eliminator, Columbus, Ohio
- 2009 - Go RVing Match Play Championship, Norwich, Conn.
- 2012 - Columbia 300 Vienna Open, Vienna, Austria
- 2013 - Lucas Oil Milwaukee Open, Milwaukee, Wis.
- 2013 - Viper Open, Viper, Las Vegas
- 2014 - H.J. Erich Cup, Dubai, Qatar
- 2015 - DHC PBA Japan Invitational, Tokyo, Japan

PBA TOUR MAJOR TITLES (3)
- 2006 - PBA Tournament of Champions, Uncasville, Conn.
- 2011 - PBA World Championship, Las Vegas (became sixth player to complete PBA Triple Crown)

PBA AWARDS
- 1998 - PBA Rookie of the Year
- 2000 - George Young High Average Award (220.93)
- 2000, 2008-09, 2016-17 - Harry Smith Point Leader Award
- 2008 - PBA Player of the Year (became the third player to win ROY and POY awards; currently five have accomplished that feat)
- 2015 - Inducted into PBA Southwest Region Hall of Fame

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS
- 15-time member of Team USA
- Named United States Olympic Committee’s Athlete of the Year for Bowling in 1994, 96 and 97
- Won 2012 World Bowling Tour Men’s Finals (non-PBA title event), Las Vegas
- Won 2014 Qubica AMF Bowling World Cup, Wroclaw, Poland (joined wife Lynda [2005] as first husband and wife duo to win World Cup titles)
- Won 2015 SamHo Korea Cup
- Team USA medals include: 2015 PABCON silver medals in teams, trios and singles... gold medals at the American Zone Championships in the Dominican Republic in 1997... gold in trios and team, and bronze in Masters in 2011 PABCON... won 2014 Team USA Trials... team silver in 2014 WBA Men’s World Bowling Championships... gold in double

RON MOHR

North Las Vegas, Nevada
Birth date: 2/16/1956
PBA member since: 2008
Touring Pro/Exempt: n.a.
Career money to date: PBA Tour - $6,100; PBA50 - $245,655.

PBA TOUR
Bowled in 25 PBA Tour tournaments
Top five finishes: 1
PBA Tour titles: 0
Cashes: 4

PBA REGIONAL TOUR
Bowled in 3 Regional tournaments
PBA Regional titles: 0

PBA50 TOUR STATISTICS
PBA50 Regional titles: 19
Bowled in 69 PBA50 Regional tournament
Cashes: 97 (94.1% of tournaments entered)

PBA50 TOUR STANDARD TITLES (8)
- 2009 PBA Senior Jackson Open, Jackson, Mich.
- 2009, 2011 - PBA50 Player of the Year
- 2009, 2011 PBA50 Regional titles: 9
- 2012 PBA50 Tour titles: 9
- Cashes: 97 (94.1% of tournaments entered)

PBA50 TOUR MAJOR TITLES (8)
- 2009 PBA Senior Decatur Open, Decatur, Ill.
- 2011 PBA50 South Shore Open, Hammond, Ind.
- 2011 PBA Senior Northern California Classic, MTASSEVILLE, N.C.
- 2011 PBA Senior Miller High Life Classic, Mooresville, N.C.
- 2011 PBA Senior Decatur Open, Decatur, Ill.
- 2017 PBA50 South Shore Open, Hammond, Ind.

PBA50 TOUR TITLES
- 2017 Super Senior Classic, Las Vegas
- 2011 Senior U.S. Open, Las Vegas

PBA60 TOUR TITLES
- 2009, 2011 – PBA60 Player of the Year
- 2016, 2017 – PBA60 Player of the Year

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS
- Three-time Team USA member (1989, ’91, ’98)
- Three-time Senior Team USA member (2013, ’15, ’17)
- Holds PBA50 eight-game (2,160) and 16-game (4,243) qualifying records; tied PBA50 record for most 300s in one event (3) in the same event in Columbus, Ohio
- PBA50 Tour career scoring average 222.28 for 105 events
- Won national amateur qualifying event at age 19 to bowl against Mark Roth, Marshall Holman and Lisa Wagner in the 1989 Brunswick Bowling Shootout.
- Won $200,000 winner-take-all prizes in Motel 6 Roll to Riches in 2005, 2006.

Statistics as of September 30, 2017

2008, cashed in seven of eight PBA50 Tour events, made match play in six of the eight.

Cashes, silver in Masters, team, all events and bronze in trios in 2013 WTBA World Championships
- Conducts annual Barnes Thanksgiving Classic scholarship tournament with wife Lynda (13 years and $200,000 in scholarships as of 2017) and annual Strike Out Diabetes tournament to raise funds for Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (8 years and $375,000 as of 2016).
- Bowled 2nd nationally-televised 300 in 2011 Shark Open, Las Vegas
- Became the fastest player to earn $1 million in 2005 (170 events—since broken), fastest to earn $2 million (319 Tour events).
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It has been almost four years since the passing of Professional Bowlers Association (PBA) Hall of Fame member Billy Hardwick (November 16, 2013). I remember fondly my first meeting with Mr. Hardwick as we crossed lanes together at the 1975 U.S. Open in Grand Prairie, Texas, after I had won the California State Qualifying Tournament.

It was an exciting trip that was filled with all the wisdom of Will Roger’s famous statement, “If you don’t like the weather in Texas, just wait a minute,” or something to that effect. When we landed in Dallas on Sunday it was raining, with a threat of sleet. By the next morning it was snowing, and before I left later in the week we had experienced 80 degree temperatures and a tornado warning!

When I arrived at the lanes the first day with my bowling ball (yes, only one bowling ball) and house rental shoes that I had borrowed from L & L Lanes in Sebastopol, California, the pressure was placed upon me from the first moment that I met Harry Golden, the Tournament Director.

He informed me that I would need to get a haircut before the first qualifying squad the next day (there was a requirement that hair could not go below the bottom of the collar at that time), and that I would need to purchase my own bowling shoes.

Luckily Bobby Meadows, an excellent bowler and the General Manager of Jeanie Hulsey’s Triangle Bowl in nearby Arlington, Texas, overheard my plight and set me up with a local barber and a nice pair of Lind Bowling Shoes.

Somehow I managed to shrug all of that off and showed up the next day for the first 8 game qualifying round. I was paired with Fred Conner, a fellow Californian and general nice guy; and Billy Hardwick, one of my favorite living legends and greatest bowlers of all time, originally hailing from San Mateo, California.

The pairing could not have been better and I felt completely at home in the palatial Forum Bowl, owned by Ms. Hulsey, with chandeliers above every pair of lanes in the concourse area. What I was not comfortable with was the automatic scoring! I had never before bowled in a center with the giant new Brunswick Scoring monsters.

The worst part was the cursor on each lane that had to be moved to your name, or slot, before you bowled each time. Needless to say, with all of the aforementioned Harry “Goose” Golden pressure, and trying to concentrate on my own game, and the double jump rule that was new to me… I kept forgetting to move the cursor to my slot!

In an April, 1975 article in the Press Democrat newspaper, sports writer Ralph Leef commented that the pros were ignoring my “double jump” courtesies, which allows one bowler from each adjoining pair of lanes to bowl before you can step upon the approach.

Leef recounts: “I guess it was really bothering me and Billy could see it,” said Williams.

Hardwick quickly put Dave to ease. “If anyone gives you a dirty look, give it right back,” Hardwick told Williams.

“Don’t worry about these guys,” the master pro said.

Messrs. Hardwick and Conner must have been upset every time that I forgot to move the cursor, but they never said a word and instead blamed the machines. They even invited me to have a beer with them after the squad was done (I had a Coke).

I called Billy at his “Billy Hardwick’s All Star Lanes” in Memphis, Tennessee, and after reminiscing about the automatic scoring debacle in Texas, he said that his son Chris was in town and he would see what he could do about the photos.

In this rare photo from 1969, Billy Hardwick is seen enjoying a High Life Beer with a Miller Brewing Company executive, after the filming of the “Miller Makes It Right” commercial. Photo courtesy of Professional Bowlers Association, LLC.

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by Dave Williams

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*$Donor requested $100 allocated to each division to pay 1st out of cash and last place.

QUEENS

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Yvonne Parker +34, Kagan Kopp +19 and Odette Dalton -38

The top 2 seeds in each division received a bye for the first round matches.

In the Queens division, the finals featured Virgin-ia Young and Valerie Riggin. Young was the unseeded player in the bracket, while Riggin entered the loser’s bracket in the 2nd round and fought her way back including a 9-10 frame roll off with Jasmine Coleman after tying at 222 each. Riggin’s work was not over as she would have to win twice to become the division champion. Both bowlers started strong but it was Riggin taking game one 246 to 220 forcing a 2nd game. In the game 2, both bowlers had highs and lows. Young posted her score first, and Riggin needed 9 X to capture the division title. She threw the shot that has helped her win all day, but this time left a 4-9 split, awarding Young the division title 191 to 178.

In the Princess division Jessica Garcia sailed through the winners bracket while Yvonne Parker, who also entered the losers bracket in the 2nd round was the one to survive to take on Garcia. Parker needing to make up a 17 pin handicap in the 2nd round game one 207 to 190. Parker and Garcia were neck and neck through 7 frames in game 2, and Parker was starting to pull away until a disastrous 3-6-7-9-10 in the 8th thwarted Parker’s chances of catching Garcia. Garcia marked in the 9th and 10th frame to secure her victory in the Princess division 226-203.

The Senior Queens division featured 2 veterans in CUSBC Hall of Famer Laura Hardeman and SLACUSBC Hall of Famer Pam Pancoast. Both bowlers were fairly dominant throughout the bracket but it was Hardeman that remained undefeated going into the championship finals, defeating Pancoast to secure her spot in the finals. Pancoast then bowled another CUSBC Hall of Famer Paul-a Vidal for the chance to take on Hardeman. Pancoast handily defeated Vidal 265 – 205 and would face Hardeman in the title match. Pancoast would need to defeat Hardeman twice for the division title. Unlike the other 2 division matches, only one game was needed to determine a winner as Hardeman ended Pancoast’s run in one game, winning 217 to 176. All three division champions then bowled a single game to determine the overall champion of the event. Garcia would receive her 32 pins of handicap for this match as well. The match started slow as I believe all three champions were basking in the glory of their division titles as no bowler appeared to pull away, in fact going into the 10th frame, all three women had a chance to win. Garcia finishing first went XX9 to finish with 191 (159+32). Hardeman was next up with 141 in the 8th on a spare and in true hall of famer fashion, she threw 3 strikes in the 10th to tie Garcia at 191. Young was the last to finish with 162 in the 8th on a spare. Needing 9 1/2 to win, many spectators were unsure of the outcome given the way matches had gone throughout the day, but Young silenced all doubt throwing a commanding strike on the first ball in the 10th and a spare to end with 202, making her the overall champion of the event and allowed her to take home the title and the beautiful plaque! (Thanks again to our legends for allowing me to use their photos)

I spoke to Virginia after her win, and this is what she had to say:

“Going into this tournament, I just wanted to keep my head in the game and focus on my shots. I knew spare making would be key to staying in the cut. I had been struggling with consistency and didn’t come into the tournament with much confidence. Once I got settled in, I started getting that confidence back. I didn’t put up any big games in qualifying but I was consistent and stayed in the moment and I was rolling the ball better than I had been in a while. My goal coming in was to make cut and go from there. Winning the event was something I knew I was capable of, but I didn’t come in expecting to win. I have to thank my coach, Mark Beker, for constantly pushing me to be better and not settle for just ok. There have been many sacrifices I’ve had to make pursuing my passion but wins like this make all the evenings and mornings spent on the lanes worthwhile. I may have been the last ball, but without my amazing support system I wouldn’t be able to do what I love.”

I cannot thank my helpers (Deanna LeForbes, Tom Leigh, Bret Haynes, Patrick Tellerson, Jason Eubanks and Alex Tucker) enough for keeping things moving along. It would easily be an impossible feat, but bowlers always pitch in where they can, as we all love this sport so much! We were able to pay almost $6K total which is a pretty good return on a $65 entry fee. We also received an anonymous donation of $100 per division to pay $50 to high out of cash and $50 to last place, raised $695 in our raffle, and all income from brackets was invested back into continued page 7
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QUEENS DIVISION

Final Standings
1. Virginia Young
2. Valerie Riggin
3-4. Brianna LeForbes, Jasmine Coleman
5-6. Stacie Watson, Stephanie Cocksey

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CHINA BOOSTS WSOB IX FIEL TO 28 COUNTRIES
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS IS OUT

After losing his home and his job to Hurricanes Irma and Maria, 33-year-old Adrian McCoy of Road Town in the British Virgin Islands had to forego his fourth visit to GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling IX, he’s represented by Eldorado Reno Properties, preventing the international field from being even larger than its record entry of 28 countries.

The opening events of the Go Bowling! PBA Tour season grew to 28 nations with the entry of China’s Fang Jiafei, also but will be without an entry from Bermuda for the first time since 2012.

“My family is good as well as I am,” McCoy, a corporate representative for a trust company, told the PBA Media Relations staff. “The devastation of hurricane Irma and Maria left me without a home and a job, so regrettably I won’t be able to make it to the World Series this year. I’ve had an awesome time for the past three years and hoped to make it this year. “Currently I’m still in the British Virgin Islands, but I’m anticipating traveling to Boston for a few weeks to get away from it all and do some bowling. I managed to save my equipment during the storm (that was a plus for me). “I just want to let the PBA know that I’m okay for the most part,” he continued “I hope to be logged into Xtra Frame to watch all the action of the PBA qualifiers. Watch Belmo, Bob Leam, (Kyle) Troup, everyone that I’ve met and Maria left me without a home and a job, so regrettably I won’t be able to make it to the World Series this year. I’ve had an awesome time for the past three years and hoped to make it this year.

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Duran - Leforbes & Olson - Smock
Early Leaders at Citrus Belt Open Doubles Tournament
by Frank Weiler

CARAZON – With one squad remaining to be bowled two doubles teams share the “unofficial” lead in the ongoing Citrus Belt Open Doubles Tournament at Canyon Lanes.

Michael Duran and Brianna Leforbes finished the first day of competition, last Saturday, with a 1,547 combined doubles score.

On Sunday morning Philip Olson and Gil Smock started the second day of competition with another 1,547 combined doubles score.

After leaving the tournament site I heard another doubles team may have scored 1,550 on Sunday afternoon. Everything is “unofficial” at this time. The “official” results will be announced in a few weeks after all averages and scores are verified.

SATURDAY SPORT MEMBER SCORE’S A WIN
by Ken Clay

Week six of the Pins ‘N Pockets Saturday Sport league was our last week on the difficult WTBA Stockholm oil pattern. Although this was the league’s third opportunity to conquer this pattern, the challenge of playing the gutter still resulted in a limited number of over-average games. How- ever, there were some who used the previous two weeks experience to toss some very nice scores. These include Stephanie Sanders +39=226, Scott Everson +43=203, Luke Rosenbaum +31=146, Cheryl Robinson +33=214, Clare Saavedra +38=186, and Ken Clay 224,214,222/660.

Finally, a hearty CONGRATULATIONS to Kira Sanders on (unofficially) winning the 2017 California State Singles Championships Women’s 175 and Below division. The tournament was contested on October 14 & 15 at Keystone Lanes in Norwalk, CA. Kira’s six-game total with handicap was 1635! She triumphed over second place by 44 pins which is a considerable margin for the number of games bowled. Kira’s mom, Stephanie, said that Kira’s Stockholm experience was key in her spectacular performance. So, the bottom-line is, if you want to win, GO BOWL SPORT!
The Perfect Game

by Steve Felege

As promised, the coming weeks will be dedicated to teaching information necessary to be your own best coach. Toward that end, you will learn how to perform the four basic skills that produce unerring accuracy. But before we get to them, there are two aspects of self-coaching you must understand. The first is, “coaching” is synonymous with “changing.” In other words, when what you’re doing isn’t working, you need to do something differently. That means overcoming your hesitancy to change, and embracing adjusting. That is the essence of coaching.

The second, and most important aspect to coaching any bowler, including yourself, is the necessity of using the targeting system built into the lanes. Precision adjustments require it, and you must absolutely, positively dedicate yourself to learning, and using it. Fortunately, this isn’t difficult, but does require discipline. You must force yourself to NEVER again look at the pins once you step onto the approach. Failure to do this will doom every attempt you make to improve your scoring ability. Embracing that suggestion will make your possibilities sky-high.

So, what exactly is this system? Simply, it consists of dots on the approach and arrows on the lane. The dots allow you to quickly relocate a successful starting position again and again; the arrows are targets. Using them allows you to take advantage of the concept that two points create the line your ball will follow to the pins.

One point is created by the position of the ball in your stance. The other point is the target, at which you aim. Changing either one changes the path of the ball; the secret to consistently making strikes and spares. Using the dots and arrows is referred to as “spot-bowling.” It works far better than pin-bowling* because the target-arrows are so much closer than the pins.

As an example of how effective this system is, consider this. I threw my first game at the age of 12. I bowled with my cousin of the same age and, as a beginner, it seemed obvious to step onto the approach, grab the ball and look at the pins; after all, that’s where I was going to throw it. I scored 29! (We thought the dots and arrows were nice little decorations.)

On the other hand, a friend of mine named Carol Mancini (perhaps you’ve heard of her**), rolled her first game at the age of 17. Her score was 156!

What created that huge gulf between our scores? Her advanced maturity? NO! Luck? NO! The difference was that Carol first bowled in the company of a competent bowler. What that person taught her made all the difference. She taught Carol how to spot-bowl! That tutor told her where to stand and what target to roll her ball over. Because of that, Carol learned to bowl properly from the very start of her career. No wonder she’s now in four different bowling Halls of Fame! The targets worked for her; they will work for you also.

Now it’s time to learn how this system is set up. The lane is constructed of 39 boards.*** The boards of the lane align with those of the approach area. Right-handers count these boards from the right-side channel; left-handers count them from the left-side channel.*** The boards of the lane align with those of the approach area. Right-handers count these boards from the right-side channel; left-handers count them from the left-side channel. For both, board #20 is the center of the lane.

If you look closely, you will notice something peculiar about board #20. If you begin at the approach area, you will see that the center dots from each of the three rows of dots are embedded in it. Follow that board 16 feet down the lane and there is the center target-arrow. Not only that, but this arrow points directly at the center of the head-pin because that lies on board #20 also.

Coincidence? Not at all. In fact, if you look even closer, you will see that every fifth board to the right and left of #20 also contains embedded dots and an arrow. These align with, and point to, the very center of corresponding pins. Knowing this makes it easier to understand why you never need to look at the pins while bowling. These embedded markers provide all the information you need to make one accurate shot after another. In fact, they greatly enhance your ability to do so.

Why is all this important? Because bowling is a game of accuracy and consistency. You must be able to hit the two points that take your ball to its intended pin(s). The dots on the approach define an exact starting point for your ball, and the targets create directional consistency like sights on a rifle. Elite bowlers know this system; pro bowlers couldn’t make a living without it. Now, it’s your turn!

Join us next week to learn how to begin using the targeting system.

* Pin-bowling means looking at the pins while delivering the ball; a spot-bowler looks at a target.** She publishes this newspaper. *** Even synthetic lanes are designed to appear true to this statement

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Glenn Allison missed a 900 series in 1992 at La Habra 300 Bowl in Orange County but his performance has not been sanctioned. Still, he's considered the authentic ‘Mr. 900.’

California bowlers remain steamed that Glenn Allison isn't on the official 900 list. He appeared to be the first bowler to rack up a sanctioned 900 in 1982 when he fired three 300s at La Habra 300 Bowl in Orange County. A lane inspector from the American Bowling Congress, the forerunner of the United States Bowling Congress, shook up the bowling world by finding fault with La Habra’s lanes and failing to sanction Allison's masterpiece. There have been many intense lobbying campaigns to reject that ruling, but the USBC has held fast and appears to have closed the book on any further challenge.

Allison, for his part, has been gracious about being denied the honor. A few years ago, he told this reporter that he believed he had received far more publicity and attention than if his feat had been sanctioned.

Allison, known as ‘Mr. 900,’ repeated that sentiment last year on a Bowling Evolved video cast. “The bowling public recognizes me perhaps more (than) if it was sanctioned,” said Allison, now in his late 90s. “I really would love to see it happen, but I don’t really believe it will ever happen, even if it went. The accomplishment was unbelievable when it happened.” He added that he’s been saluted all over the world for being the original “Mr. 900.”

On the theme of perfectos, has anyone bowled more no-tap 300s without rolling a true 300 than Greg Kolski? Greg, who bowls at Winnetka Bowl and Corbin Bowl in Tarzana, has blasted 32 no-tap perfectos. He has bowled a true 289 and seems just a whisper from reaching his covered goal. Greg undoubtedly is motivated to attain his goal after friends Mike Hahn and Chris Ivey recently clocked their first perfectos. “It’s coming,” Greg says of his first 300.

My favorite bowler of all time: Andy Varipapa. He was called “the greatest one-man bowling show on Earth” for his trick-shot bowling exhibitions and it's sad the younger generation never got a chance to witness his antics. Varipapa, who died in 1984 at 93, was a terrific pro bowler who won numerous titles. He was a whirling dervish on the lanes—a true character much in the manner of the ordinary to my fellow bowlers.

My favorite event: A wedding between bowlers at a bowling center. It's such a glorious and solemn event that you can hear a pin drop.

Second favorite term: “sandbaggers.” It refers to bowlers who deliberately misfire so they can lower their averages. My personal gripe is that no one accuses me of such a heinous act when I'm bowling in my usual funk. Guess nothing seemed out of the ordinary to my fellow bowlers.

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ANAHIM — Frank Berlucchi has recovered nicely from his recent surgery and topped the leader board Friday morning at Linbrook Bowl. He posted the only 900 of the week and added a couple of new names to the list of players with 800+, as he added 193 to a tally of 909. Congrats, Frank! I do believe you're on the honor roll now.

Other impressive scores as follows: Willy Bordenave bowled very well and posted games of 235-211-214 and 204 for 1,206 and 747.

Next in line was Norm Walker. He has been bowling well as well and is gaining on players of 211-207-220 and 213 to record 872.

Last week's high achiever, Hong Kha was in on hand with a 731, as he posted games of 237-220-224.

Rounding out the list of 850 shooters is Juan Sandoval, who added a couple of 200+ for his score of 712.

Other hot scores: Mark Guillaume (new member to our league) added his score with 220-220-220 and 220 for 880. Don Hafner 214-819, Don Gardner 234-819, Larry Green 227-833, Matt Hafner 232-810, and Peter Sorace added 231 to record 872.

We'd also like to congratulate our iron men this week and hope to let you know who made the honor roll for this week. Please read on.

PICKWICK BOWL 921 Riverside Dr. Burbank, CA 91506 (818) 942-5640 by Toby

BURNABY — Are you wondering as I am, just when is Fall going to fall? The heat is incredible for this time of year. We have had a few more weeks. And try to get in the spirit of the season.

LAKEWOOD — This is the last chance for you to enter our LEAGUE FEES RAFFLE. Tickets are $5.00 each or 5 for $20. Win your league fees (one league for each team) for your league! Don't miss your chance to win! Deadline is this Saturday, Wednesday November 1st.

Wednesday night’s iron man turned in and we are happy to let you know who made the honor roll for this week. Please read on.

BOWLING LEAGUE:


Sunset Rollers:

Lynbrook Bowl

LA HABRA — Check out our weekly No-Tap, Friday morning at 9:45. Our league sheets have been turned in and we are happy to deliver the basket to you. See any of the youth bowlers or call (909) 381-4599 or emailing tbybp@citrusbelt.org for more infor-

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Burkly's 300 Bowl

370 E. Whittier

La Habra, CA 90631

(562) 692-7611

by Ed Salleh


Marcy Lewis: She bowled very well and posted games of 235-221-214 and 231 to record 872.

Russo’s 300 Bowl

201 S Brookhurst St.

Anaheim, CA 92801

(714) 774-2253 by Joy Mc McGregor

LET IT RIDE:

Sour: 697 Mike Rivera, 631 Bonkers Brown, 712 Paul Roper, 695 Tim LeCount, and Adults - 532 Michael Voyagis, 263 Zack Cannon, 413 Aaliyah Christian, 368 Mia Maston, 224 La- melly Owens, 167 Tim LeCount, and Adults - 532 Michael Voyagis, 263 Zack Cannon, 413 Aaliyah Christian, 368 Mia Maston, 224 La- melly Owens, 167 Tim LeCount, and Adults - 532 Michael Voyagis, 263 Zack Cannon, 413 Aaliyah Christian, 368 Mia Maston, 224 La-

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Come Bowl the 2nd Annual Tony Martin Memorial Tournament

EUREKA – The second annual Tony Martin Memorial bowling tournament is happening November 3rd through the 5th at Harbor Lanes in Eureka, CA (2136 Broadway). This is open to all sanctioned bowlers who just want to bowl a great tourney, help a good cause and remember one of the kindest men who ever stepped into a bowling center. Not only will there be raffle giveaways, 50/50 drawings, but one half of all entry monies will be donated to the Tony Martin Scholarship fund. This amazing scholarship program supports the bowling youth of today and help them further their education thru their love of bowling.

Besides a beloved family man, originally from Stockton, CA, Tony always had smile on his face and loved to talk to anyone, even if it was outside the bowling world. Besides his youth coaching, working as Vice President of Sales and Marketing at California Bowling (LaneMasters/Lord Field/ Legend), where his son still works today, carrying on his legacy. I bet you didn’t know he is a member of two different Bowling Halls of Fame.

For those bowling the practice session on Friday night, LaneMasters will have some demo balls on hand. Try some of the equipment from the company that Tony held so dear to his heart.

The tournament has both scratch and handicapped divisions, with both divisions having 1:4 payout ratio. For more details, contact Kent Ames at the Harbor Lanes Pro Shop or at (707) 443-4533.

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SYSCO Sweeps Forest Lanes to Force One Game Rolloff, Wins Rolloff to Clinch the First Round of the Brunswick Invitational

By Mike Cammarata

DOWNEY - Monday marked the final night of the first round in this season's Brunswick Invitational at Del Rio Lanes in Downey. Giving me play by the start of the night, only two teams were still in contention for the round, as Forest Lanes squeaked off against team SYSCO. Forest Lanes had a five point lead for the round, but with a five point scoring system, SYSCO was still in contention, although they were in need of a sweep.

The match between them was on lane 19-20. Game one wasn't close, as SYSCO jumped up early and never looked back. Paul Barraco shot 246, Charlie Kinstler a 242 and Gabriel Martinez added a 233 to put the game very much in doubt. The final score of this one was 951-799. Rob Renko bowled well for Forest Lanes with a 246, but it wasn't enough.

In game two, Forest Lanes started out the way they had been the entire night, as Eric Espinoza posted a 254 game and Danilo Bowman added a 206. As a team, the high score was 290. It wasn't enough though, as SYSCO only got better in this one. Paul Barraco shot the final frame for a 294 game, while Charlie Kinstler stepped right behind him with a 246. Gabriel Martinez added a 243 to help get the win. SYSCO won this one, 968-939.

Forest hung around early in the final game, but the consistent striking from SYSCO was just too much and they wound up opening another big lead towards the end. This time it was Gabriel Martinez leading the way, with a nice 278 game. The final score was 880-765, completing the sweep and forcing the one game rolloff. For the three games, Gabriel Martinez led SYSCO with a 257-235-278 and a 760 series. Paul Barraco bowled well for Forest Lanes with a 235 and 246, and Joe Jimenez added in a matching 715 series. Rob Renko bowled well for Forest Lanes with a 246, but it wasn't nearly enough.


Buddy Lucas led Buddy's Bowling Supply is in a five game sweep over Herzog Insurance. Lucas had a perfect 300 in the second game on his way to a 754 series. Kurtman Fruitdrinks aided Buddy's with a 257-705 series. Danny Wilson was the top scorer for Herzog with 233-309.

The next match between Brownie and The Bowling Cops. Bowlroom came out on top in this one, four games to one. Billy Myers Jr. led the way with 276-220-111. Roman Gonzalez added 241-99 to help in the victory. Matt Hanes took the final frame for Brownie, while Armando Champion topped Linder's with 245-99. Leonard Ruiz Jr. of Cal Bingo led this one with 290-204.

Contests 21-22 - My Real Estate swept their match against Threadworks. The Century 21 team won the night all night posting games of 841-576-515. Johnny Sikki was the leader with 289-761. David Schidlin and five others added in adding 715 series.

Three Olive Vodka took four out of five games from J.A.E. Michael Mountains. Three Olive closed out the set with a 279 game for a 703 series to lead the team.

The Professional Approach closed out the first round with a bang taking the game from Los Altos Trophy. Jeremy Glover had a bowing set, striking 247-292-245 to lead The Pro Approach. Matt Schermerhorn added in 244-262.

DV8 swept all five games from Don Julio-Tequila on the final night. Dan Cove put it nice out together with 267-257. Marcus St. John had a 269-264 for 3rd place for Don Julio.

The first set of the night went to Jeff Carl for his 209 game. Paul Barraco took the 2nd set with 256. Michael Mountain won the third game super pot for $160 with his 278 game.

The Financial Advisor's Pot was won by Buddy Lucas for his 300 in the second game. That team Buddy 300. Paul Barraco got the $100 contribution pot on his 290 game.

The second round starts next week. Most of the veterans consider this the start of the season, and the first seven weeks is just a warm up to the real bowling. The partners start coming to play, so the next seven weeks will be booked on our 26 foot short oil pattern.

Congratulations to SYSCO for clinching the first spot in the rolloff. See you next Monday night!