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Thank You!

I want to say “Thank You” to all of the people across the country who inquired about the CTF Connection of late. Since the wait between issues has gotten longer over the past 2 years due to all of the uncertainties in our lives and schedules, a number of people have reached out about it. It’s appreciated.

Also, a big “Thank You” to the faithful reporters across the country who keep supplying their stories and updates to The Connection.

CTF Registration Cards

CTF gets many questions from our members about how they are supposed to get their CTF registration card. Since we went digital some years ago, some people are having difficulties retrieving and/or printing their card. Maybe this short explanation will help...

Once your League Secretary has submitted their Sanction Form and their Bowler Registrations to their Local Association (this should be done with the first 2-3 weeks of the season), then CTF will process that league. Registered bowlers will receive an email directly from CTF. This email explains how to access your personal portal on CTF’s website, so that you can access, or download your registration card. By the way, once signed on to your portal, you can see other things, such as your profile, your average, awards received, and more.

Here are the step-by-step instructions...

Go to www.tenpincanada.com, click on “Bowlers”, then “Member Login” Then select your Province, and then your Local Association. You will then reach a screen which directs you to either “Register”, or “Login”. If you are already registered online (this only has to be done once in your lifetime), then you click on “Login” and are taken to the Login screen. If you are not yet registered, then click on “Register” and go through the registration process.

Or, if you are already registered, you can avoid most of the above, by going directly to the Member Login screen using this link: <https://membership.tenpincanada.com/ctf/home/login.do>

Once there, you will be given a list of options, one of them is to Download your Registration card. If you click on that, you will be shown a PDF file of your CTF Registration Card. Once it is on the screen, you can save it to your computer/phone, or print it out, or do nothing with it. That’s all there is to it!

And if you need more help, you can send an email to mycard@tenpinbowling.com



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Manitoba News
Submitted by Dan Tereck

Kyle Tabo-oy – 1st Career 300 Game!



Congratulations to **Kyle Tabo-oy** (aka Derrick) for bowling his very first 300 game. Definitely something to celebrate!

It happened on Saturday, April 1st in the Mabuhay Mixed Bowling League, at Laverendrye Lanes. The perfecto was in his 2nd game. His scores for the session were 211, 300, and 170, for a series total of 681.

This is Kyle’s first season of bowling in a league. And he only recently started regularly bowling. He started the sport in August, 2021, thanks to his fiancée, Geraldine, and they came out to the lanes pretty regularly for open play, until he felt that he (they?) was ready to commit to bowling in a league. He (They) actually joined two leagues, where he averages 163 and 170. So, a 300 game is quite an achievement for him.

Kyle said “To be honest I still think it never happened haha!

Kinda funny that it happened on April 1st too and people thought it was a joke. Would just like to say thanks to everyone for a great year of bowling. Also special thanks to Geraldine (please buy me more bowling balls).

CONGRATULATIONS!!



Dean Garing – 1st Career 300 Game



Dean Garing, one of our local youth bowlers, rolled his first-ever perfect game while bowling in the Laverendrye Lanes Seniors League on Feb 6, 2023. I think the picture shows just how happy he was about it too! (Some people described him as “gleaming” – a fairly apt description in my opinion).

Congratulations Dean! I’m sure it won’t be your last!

2023 World Police and Fire Games Being Hosted in Winnipeg

As was reported in our last issue, the 2023 World Police and Fire Games (WPFG), is taking place in Winnipeg from July 28th to Aug 6th, 2023. They are still expecting to have over 8000 athletes in attendance who will be competing in over 60 sports! And of course, tenpin bowling is one of them!

The bowling events consists of Singles, Doubles, and 4-person Teams, and of course, All-Events. There are 3 different average categories, as well as some Gender divisions, and a Masters category (age 50+). There is no handicapping. The bowling takes place at Chateau Lanes, from July 31st – Aug 2nd. There are Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medals awarded for each category/event. One of the unique aspects of this tournament is that the Top 5 All-Events scores, regardless of age or gender, are pitted against each other in a TV-style rolloff at the very end of the competitions.

We are looking forward to the bowling competition, and are expecting a good mix of skill levels, including some that have an average of 220+! Although we have all of our bowling event volunteers lined up already, they are always looking for volunteers for some of the other sports. If you want to find out more about the schedule, and the sporting events, for either volunteering, or just being a spectator, please refer to their website: www.wpfg2023.com



**Manitoba Classic Bowlers Association
Finals, Mar 26, 2023**



Israel Potter receiving award from Gord Tereck

The MCBA has a series of tournaments during the season and finishes up with their “Finals”. This year, Israel Potter, was the eventual Champion, defeating Austyn Ducharme in the final stepladder match. Congratulations Israel!

You can see the complete details on the Winnipeg/Manitoba Associations website. Here’s the link:
<https://bowlingmanitoba.ca/mcba-finals-2023-2/>



Jim Dobbin – First Tournament Win for This New(ish) Bowler



Congratulations to **Jim Dobbin**, who is a fairly new bowler (think it's his 2nd year?) in the tenpin world. Not only did he win the Alan Boes Memorial Tournament, but he also won his Division in the 5-Divisional scratch tournament that runs in conjunction with the Alan Boes.

Was he happy? Was he excited? I included a few pictures that tells the story!

If you want to see all the details of the tournament, you can visit the Winnipeg/Manitoba Bowling Associations website. Here's the link to the tournament results: <https://bowlingmanitoba.ca/allan-boes-memorial-5-divisional-tournaments-2023/>

Manitoba Youth Bowlers Perform Well at Bowl Canada's YBC National Tournament

Congratulations to our youth bowlers who represented Manitoba at the YBC National Championships held in Guelph, Ontario at Woodland Bowl. They did incredible. Of note:

- Bantam Boys – Chase McVicar – Silver Medal
- Bantam Girls – Makaela Long-Gregory – 5th Place
- Junior Boys – Lyric Isfjord – Silver Medal
- Junior Girls – Alexis Cairns – 5th Place
- Senior Boys – Israel Potter – Gold Medal
- Senior Girls – Kristen Jolly – 5th Place
- Boys Combo Team – Gold Medal
- Girls Combo Team – 5th Place



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*** CROSS COUNTRY CANADIAN NEWS ***

One more thing: Israel Potter rolled a perfect game during his Singles competition! Congratulations Israel!

For complete results and details, you can visit the Bowl Canada website. Here's a direct link:

<https://ybcnationals.youthbowl.ca/>



(L-R) Earl Sobotkiewicz, Mike Boroskae, Israel Potter, Kristen Jolly, Lyric Isfjord, Alexis Cairns, Chase McVicar, Makaela Long-Gregory



Lambton County Tenpin Association News

Submitted by Rod Honke

Editor's Note: For your information, and for your entertainment, Rod regularly reports on the Lambton County tenpin community achievements and highlights on a weekly basis. It is called "Honder's Highlights". The reports can be found on the Lambton County website. Here's the link to Rod's reports: <https://www.lambtoncountytentpinassociation.com/weekly-results>



Doug Brooks tossed 749 (252–230 - 267) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl in LCTA bowling play this past week to top his previous high triple of 729. Brooks is averaging 203 for 90 games. His career high single is 288.



Devon Crowe rolled 680 (246-231-203) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League to record his personal high triple beating his previous 672. His career high single is 289. He is averaging 195 for 93 games.



Crystal Dunn tossed 566 (187–191-188 –140 pins over average for three games) in the Thursday Night Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to post her career high triple. Her career high single is 206. She is averaging 144 after 32 weeks.



Mark Roehler rolled 232 in his second game of the night in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record his career high single. His career high triple is 630. He is averaging 167 for 87 games.



Ryan MacKinnon bowled 180 in her second game of the day to record her highest single game. She was bowling in the Marcin Bowl Youth Bowling Program finishing the day with 455 which was also her highest triple. Ryan is averaging 135 after 30 weeks of bowling.



Dave Bruder rolled 278 (74 pins over average) in his second game of the day to tie his career high single game. He was bowling in the Sunday Morning Classic League ending the day with 667. Bruder, a right handed bowler, has a career high triple of 721 and is averaging 203 for 87 games.



Pam Marciniszyn fired her career 2nd 300 in the Thursday Night Mixed League at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with 771 (300 – 94 pins over average – 237-234 – 153 pins over average for three games). Her sanctioned high triple is 786. Pam bowls once a week and is now averaging 208 after 32 weeks.



Vaughn Vanderhorst rolled 663 (236 – 86 pins over average – 236 – 86 pins over average – 191 – 213 pins over average for three games) at Marcin Bowl with his new 14 pound finger tipped ball to record his career high triple. His high single is 252. Vaughn, who is a left handed but bowls right handed, is averaging 159 after 32 weeks on the lanes.



Shawn Cotterill fired 728 (288– 247–193) in the Sunday Morning Classic League at Marcin Bowl to record his career high triple. His career sanctioned high single is 290. Cotterill, a right handed kegler who bowls once a week, is averaging 192 for 78 games.



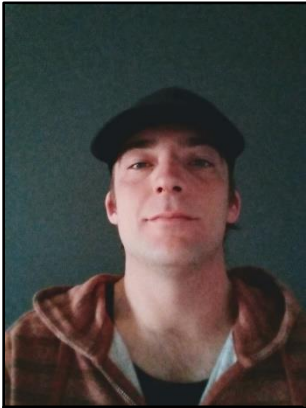
Brian Potvin fired 279 (88 pins over average) in his first game of the night in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to top his previous high single 277 game. He finished the night with 622. Potvin's career high triple is 707 (258- 248-201). Potvin bowls once a week and is averaging 193 for 66 games.



Connor A Smith rolled 269 in his second game of the night in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to post his career high single. He finished the night with 636. His previous high single was 268 and his career high triple is 659. Smith is averaging 185 after 63 games.



Paul Bernard fired 490 (164-154-172) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl to top his previous high triple of 462. His career sanctioned high single is 186. Bernard is 54 years old and just started 10-pin bowling this season. He started the year with a 66 average and has brought it up 126 after 84 games.



TJ Kinny fired his career first perfect game in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with 645. Kinny started bowling around age 5 going straight through the Hi-Way Bowl Youth Bowling Program until age 21. His personal high single was 279 and his high triple is an even 800 triple which he rolled as junior bowler at a Hi-Way Bowl.



Werner Koundakjian rolled 243 (84 pins over average) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl in his first game to post his career high single and his highest triple 559. Werner started bowling at age 39 and has been bowling for 13 years.



Will Finley wheeled 625 (212-182-231) in the Border City Men's League (BCML) at Marcin Bowl to post his career high triple. He also rolled a 267 in the BCML to establish a new high single beating his previous 231. Finley is averaging 167 for 75 games this year.



Mike Mitro rolled 695 (246-231-218) in the Sunday Morning Classic League (SMCL) at Marcin Bowl to beat his previous 676. Mike has 2-300's to his credit one which was bowled in the SMCL this season. Mitro, a right handed two finger no thumb bowler, is averaging 196 after 90 games.



Jim Hipple wheeled 536 (199-158- 179) in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record his career high triple. His career high single is 223. Jim bowls once a week and is averaging 156 after 96 games.



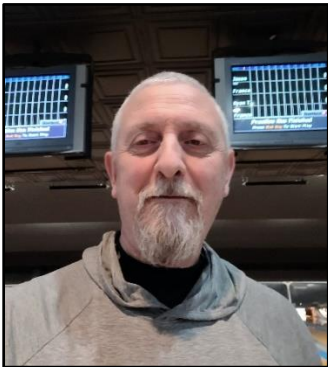
Paul Mezzatesta hurled 775 (269 - 258-248 -187 pins over average for three games) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl to register his career highest triple beating his previous 738. His career high single is 290.



Billy Best rolled a perfect game in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl in his third game of the night finishing with a 660 triple. It was his career 3rd 300 and the 11th in the LCTA this season.



Robert Bonhomme rolled 626 (220-194-212) in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to record his career first 600 series. His previous high triple was 554 and his highest single is 236. Bonhomme is averaging 160 after 31 weeks.



Roy Mezzatesta fired 12 solid pocket hits in his first game of the night to record his career 9th perfect game. It was the 12th 300 in the LCTA this year. He was bowling in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with 747 (300-203-244). Mezzatesta has 15-700's this year posted in four leagues.



Jack Allen tossed 576 (172-160-244 – 108 pins over average) in the Marcin Bowl Youth League. He is eligible to receive a CTF watch for his single game achievement. His scores were his career highest numbers. Jack is averaging 138 after 30 weeks in the league.



Mel Kongus tossed 549 (183-183-183) in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record a triplicate in the LCTA.



John Armstrong fired 741 (247-247-247) in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to register the second triplicate in the LCTA this year.



Cheryl Karchewski fired 300 (100-100-100) in the RCAFA 403 Wing Mixed League at Hi-Way Bowl to post the third triplicate this year in the LCTA. Definitely a rarity for three in one year.



Paul Eddleston wheeled 603 (167-244- 108 pins over average – 192 - 195 pins over average for three games) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl to have a memorable night of bowling in the LCTA this week. He posted his career high single and triple and was the high over average for a single game in the LCTA this week. He is now averaging 148 for 87 games in the league.



Mark Brooker tossed 267 – 94 pins over average in his second game of the night in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record his personal highest single game. His previous high game was 255. He finished the night with a 642 triple. Brooker's personal highest triple is 652. Brooker, a retired Sarnia police officer, is averaging 173 after 84 games.



Marc Renaud fired 12 consecutive strikes in his first game of the night in the Thursday Night Mixed League at Marcin Bowl. It was his career 8th 300 and the 5th posted in in the LCTA 2022-2023 bowling season. He has 2 -800's (800-801) to his credit.



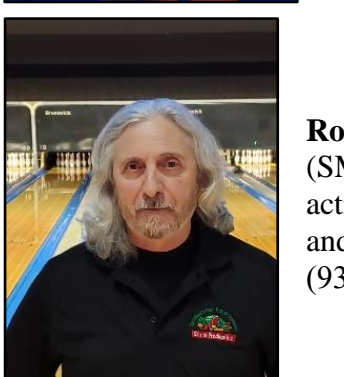
Dan Chopp tossed the first eleven rock solid pocket strikes in game two in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League. On his last delivery he left a solid unapologetic 10 pin to end up with a 299 finishing the night with a 685 triple. His career sanctioned scores are 300 (8) – 299 (3) - 298 (1) and 797. Chopp also has another 299 this season.



Jason Lucas hurled 670 (263-193-214) in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record his career sanctioned highest scores. His previous high scores were 649 and 255. Lucas started bowling at age 18 but not through a youth bowling league. He is presently averaging 175 for 96 games in the league.



Joe Simmons rolled 708 (258 – 92 pins over average – 203 – 247 – 210 pins over average for three games) in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record his career first 700 triple. Simmons started bowling at age 8 coming up through the Marcin Bowl Youth Bowling Program and he has been knocking down the pins for 30 years. His personal career sanctioned high scores are 300 (youth bowler) and 708. Simmons is averaging 178 for 93 games.



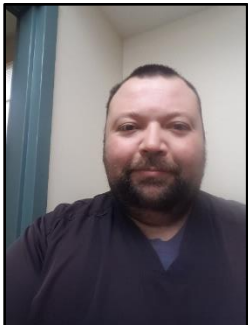
Roy Mezzatesta tossed 766 (225-263 –278) in the Sunday Morning Classic League (SMCL) at Marcin Bowl to post the second high triple of the week in LCTA bowling action. Mezzatesta is bowling full time in four leagues this year with his final averages and games in brackets: Target Trios League 199 (90), Border City Men's League 213 (93), Bluewater Monday Night Men's League 213 (87) and SMCL 210 (87).



Kyle Adamson tossed 299 in the Border City Men's League (BCML) at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with 733 (299 -7 pin – 223 – 211). Kyle finished with a 209 average for 93 games in the BCML this year. Adamson has a career sanctioned 22 Honour scores to his credit: 6-800's, 6-300's, 7- 299's, 3-298's.



Noah Legault tossed 541 (191-186-164 – 145 pins over average for three games) in the Marcin Bowl Junior Bowlers Program to record his personal high scores. Noah started bowling in the Hi-Way Bowl Youth Phantom Bowling Program at age 5 and he has been knocking down the pins for 5 years now. He is averaging 140 after 30 weeks.



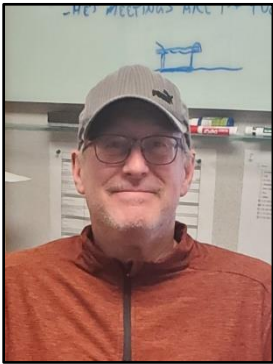
Ian Fraser tossed 723 (231- 213- 279 – 92 pins over average – 162 pins over average for 3 games) in the Thursday Night Mixed League at Marcin Bowl. It was his personal highest triple and he tied his highest single game 279 which he has now bowled twice. Fraser is now averaging 192 after 32 weeks in the league.



Ryan Webb fired 276 (107 pins over average) in his second game of the night in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl. This is Webb's second time in the last two years to achieve this accomplishment. Last season in the RCAFA 403 Wing Mixed League at Hi-Way Bowl he tossed 256 which made him eligible for a Canadian Tenpin Federation watch. Webb also posted two new personal high scores as he finished with a 639 triple with the 276. His previous high scores were 628 and 256. He is now averaging 179 for 78 games in the league.



Sarah Savage rolled 196 (62 pins over average) in her first game of the night in the Thursday Night Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to register her career highest single game. Sarah started bowling 10-pin last year and is currently averaging 135 after 32 weeks.



Everett Mauger rolled 584 in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League to record his career highest triple. His highest single game is 258 which he recorded in 2018. Mauger started 10-pin bowling 5 years ago at age 50 and is currently averaging 150 for 91 games.



Jamie Barron wheeled 235 (85 pins over average) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin bowl to record his career highest single game. His career highest triple is 622 which he also rolled this season. Barron is currently averaging 161 for 87 games in the league.



Braeden Scott fired 659 (287-105 pins over average -226-146) in the Marcin Bowl Youth League to record his career highest triple. His previous high scores were 631 and 244. Braeden is eligible for a CTF watch for being 100 pins over average in his first game. He is currently averaging 183 after 30 weeks of bowling.



Jordan Croskery tossed a 300 in his first game of the day in the Canadian Tenpin Federation Team Trials Tournament that ran from January 3 to January 6 at Laurentian Lanes in Montreal. It was his career 9th perfect game. He was competing against some of the best bowlers from Canada including PBA (Professional Bowling Association) members Francois Lavoie from Quebec and Mitch Hupe from Manitoba.



Brian Leneve rolled 740 (230-231-279 – 86 pins over average – 161 pins over average for three games) in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League (FNFML) Marcin Bowl to record his career highest triple. His highest sanctioned game is 290. Leneve followed the footsteps of his dad when he started bowling at age 6. Leneve is currently averaging 194 after 31 weeks of bowling in the FNFML.



Zyg Mazgaj fired 644 (206-192- 246 – 84 pins over average – 158 pins over average for three games) in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to post his career personal high scores. Mazgaj started bowling at the ripe age of 53 and has been bowling steady for 22 years. Mazgaj is averaging 165 after 57 games in the league.



Craig Desmarais wheeled 266 (102 pins over average) in his first game of the night in the RCAFA 403 Wing Mixed League at Hi-Way Bowl. His accomplishment makes him eligible to receive a CTF watch in recognition of his score. He is currently averaging 163 for 87 games in the league. His personal sanctioned high scores are 682 and 279.



CONGRATULATIONS goes out to Sarnia born **Jill Friis** from the LCTA and the London and District 10 Pin Bowling Association. Jill qualified for the women's Team Canada Senior Team once again at the team trials tournament which was held at Laurentian Lanes in Montreal.



Ben Lapointe fired twelve canonizing, explosive, solid pocket hits to register his career 3rd perfect game in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with 747 (300- 268 -179). It was the 6th 300 in the LCTA this season. Lapointe also has 3-299's, 3-298's and 1- 297. He has 80 – 700 sanctioned triples with 16 this season. His sanctioned high triple is 787.



Blake Ingles wheeled 278 (113 pins over average) in the Marcin Bowl Junior Bowlers Program to register his personal sanctioned highest single game. Blake started bowling at age 9 and has been on the lanes for 10 years. He is currently averaging 166 after 30 weeks of bowling. Ingles highest sanctioned triple is 620.



Pat Legault bowls in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl. He is having a great year as he has posted 7-700's - 728 (278-223-227) -715 (242-265-208) - 704 (236-243-225) -700 (219-214-267) – 714 (225-279-210) – 716 (289-214-213) and 780 (259-256-265). His sanctioned career high scores are 796 and 300. He is a once a week bowler averaging 214 after 31 weeks on the lanes.



Rob Plamondon fired 762 (279 – 82 pins over average – 246 – 237 – 171 pins over average for three games) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League at Marcin Bowl to record his career highest triple. His sanctioned high single is 299. Plamondon started bowling at age 8 and been knocking down the pins for 33 years. He is averaging 200 for 51 games in the league this year.



Kevin Dunn tossed 297 in the Thursday Night Mixed League (TNML) at Marcin Bowl. Dunn is a right two handed bowler. He also fired a 278 (+102) in the TNML this year. His career personal sanctioned high scores are 710 and 298. He is averaging 176 after 31 weeks this year.



David Paquette rolled 717 (231 – 264 – 222 – 159 pins over average for three games) in the Sunday Morning Classic League at Marcin Bowl in LCTA bowling activity to record his career personal high triple. His previous high triple (his career first 700) was 704 (227-242-235) which he rolled last season in the SMCL at Hi-Way Bowl when Marcin Bowl was closed. His career sanctioned high single is 290. Paquette is averaging 197 for 84 games.



Makayla Apter rolled 650 (193-190-267- 95 pins over average for 3 games) in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to record her career personal high triple and high single with a new bowling ball in LCTA bowling activity. Makayla is averaging 174 after 20 weeks in the league.



Dave Slater bowled 691 (255-244-192) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League at Marcin Bowl to register his career high scores. His previous high scores were 633 and 247. Slater is averaging 167 after 84 games.



Zyg Mazgaj rolled 619 (203-202-214) in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record a career first. It was the first time that he bowled all 200 games in a triple. Mazgaj, a right handed kepler who partakes on the lanes once a week, is averaging 170 for 93 games. His career high sanctioned scores are 644 and 246 which he bowled 5 weeks ago.



Jeff Gark rolled 725 (277-266-182) in the Sunday Morning Classic league at Marcin Bowl to record his career high triple. His previous high triple was 709 and his high single is 289. The lefty is averaging 194 for 36 games in the league as a spare. Gark is a retired Sarnia police



Nineteen year old **Bryce Watson** bowled his career first 300 in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with a 690 (202-188-300 – 105 pins over average) triple. His previous sanctioned high single was 257 and his personal high triple is 698 which he bowled this season. Watson is averaging 196 after 31 weeks of bowling.



Jim Lapointe bowled a perfect game in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with 708 (300-218-190). It was his career 7th 300 (5-Marcin Bowl – 2 – Hi-Way Bowl) and the 8th in the LCTA this season. Jim's sanctioned high triple is 845 (300-300-245). He also has an 835 and 802 (rolled this season).



Joe Windover fired 651 (203-236-212) in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to record his career highest triple. His previous high triple was 644 and his high single is 297 both scores tossed in the 403 Wing Mixed League last season at Hi-Way Bowl.



Sarah Ingles rolled 567 (147-210-210) in the Friday Night Fun Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to record her career highest triple. Her previous high triple was 561 which she bowled at the start of this season and her high single is 247. Sarah is averaging 169 after 31 weeks on the lanes.



Jason Fox fired 469 (130-185-154) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl to post both his career high triple and single in LCTA bowling action. Fox started bowling two years ago at age 47. Jason is averaging 121 for 87 games this year.



Bill Mayea rolled 211 in the Border City Men's League at Marcin Bowl to top his previous high single of 184. He also beat his previous high triple of 501 which he bowled three weeks ago in the league with a 510. Last year Mayea averaged 135 for 54 games in the BCML and this year he is presently averaging 144 for 87 games.



Paul Bernard tossed 186 (67 pins over average) in his second game of the night to register his personal highest single game. He was bowling in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin bowl finishing with a 420 triple. His highest triple is 462. Bernard is 54 years old and just started 10-pin bowling this season. He started with a 66 average and finished with a 126 for 84 games this season..



Zachary Ingles rolled 595 (194-212-189 – 175 pins over average for three games) in the Marcin Bowl Youth Bowling League to record his career highest triple. His high single is 225. He started bowling at age 5 and is in his 10th year of bowling. Zachary is now averaging 144 after 30 weeks.



Logan Hannah rolled 242 (+81) in his second game of the day to record his personal high single game. He was bowling in the Marcin Bowl Youth League (MBYL). His previous high single game was 233 and his career high triple is 597. Hannah is averaging 162 for 30 weeks in the MBYL.

**Windsor-Essex-Chatham-Kent Bowling Association**

Submitted by Catherine Wilbur



WECKBA would like to congratulate 2023 Molson Masters Champions, **Darren Alexander** (OPEN Division) and **Mike Voligny** (SENIORS Division). This year's tournament was the 67th, and was completed on Saturday, February 11, 2023.

The Molson Masters is a tournament with a very long, rich history. It has been hosted at Palace Recreation, Crescent Lanes, Revs Bowlero, and now at Revs Rose Bowl. Nick Stein (Tournament Director) deserves much credit for this year's tournament success, along with Jeremy Bas (Tournament Coordinator), and Tournament Sponsors (Molson's, Reaume Chevy Olds-LaSalle, Revs Rose Bowl). Once again insurance agent, Glenn Bondy from Desjardins Insurance offered to pay \$1,000 for the first 300 game bowled. He also directed a second \$1,000 as a donation to Drouillard Place.

Cogeco is now in its 37th year hosting the Molson Masters TV telecast.

There was \$12,390 in prize money for the 2023 tournament including \$6,950 for the TV finals with \$2,000 going to first place in the Open division and \$900 for first place in the Senior Division.

The Open finalists featured two-time champ Darren Alexander (2015 & 2020) as the #1 seed who only needed to win one game to claim his 3rd title. Marty Sanders finished strong in match-play to grab the #2 seed. Dan Aqwa, a one-time champ (2016), was the #3 seed. Steve Kubis finished match-play as the #4 seed, followed by Ryan Trussler as the #5 seed. Trussler from London had to bowl a one game roll-off at the end of match-play to secure the final seed. This was the first time in Molson's long history that a tie occurred at the end of match play.

Veteran Charlie Yott, the 2016 champ, easily claimed the top spot in the Senior Division as the #1 seed. He was followed by Mike Voligny, the #2 seed and a finalist last year. Two first timers grabbed the final 2 places, with Marcel Pinard as the 3rd seed and Ralph MacDuff from Sarnia as the 4th seed.

The **Molson Masters** runs over 4 weekends. It features a **Senior Division** (55+) and an **Open Division**. The tournament starts with two weeks of **Qualifying**, followed by one week of **Match Play**, and the fourth week is the **TV Step Ladder Finals**. To qualify in the Senior Division bowlers bowl 4 games over 4 pairs of lanes while the Open Division participants complete 5 games over 5 pairs of lanes.

The TV format is set up so that the Open Division and the Senior Division alternate the match play bowling in the stepladder finals. The Open Division bowls the first match then the Senior Division bowls a first match. The wait between matches is very challenging in that it makes it harder to bowl and stay consistent because lanes can change between the starting and stopping. Sometimes the #1 seeds might see this as an advantage because they do not have to bowl then sit and wait to bowl again.

SENIOR DIVISION - For Match Play - the top 15 Senior bowlers, plus last year's Champion, are divided into 4 groups of 4 bowlers each. They bowl each bowler once in their division. Then they bowl a final position round within their own group. Each time a bowler wins their match he earns a 30-pin bonus added to their score. They move over to a new pair of lanes for each new game bowled. The top Senior bowler from each of the 4 Senior Division groups advance to the TV stepladder finals.

**Senior Division – Match Play – Final Results**

GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
1 MIKE VOLIGNY 906	1 CHARLIE YOTT 1049	1 RALPH MACDUFF 896	1 MARCEL PINARD 936
2 TODD SIM 954	2 BRIAN NEELS 868	2 JON MYRONYK 860	2 ED STAUDT 929
3 DAVE FORFITT 853	3 CHRIS WOODMAN 867	3 NORM WILSON 825	3 LARRY SALVATI 923
4 TOM SCOTT 772	4 COLIN KNIGHT 799	4 LES ROSS 764	4 JOE AMARAL 728

Senior Division – Step Ladder- TV Finals

In the Senior Division Step Ladder finals, the results were as follows:

Ralph MacDuff (183) vs. Marcel Pinard (147)

Ralph MacDuff (188) vs. Mike Voligny (223)

Mike Voligny (250) vs. Charlie Yott (166) – **Mike Voligny is 2023 Senior Molson Masters Champion**

Ralph MacDuff (4th seed) bowls in Sarnia where he bowls in two leagues Sunday morning and Friday night. This season he carries an average of 211. He has bowled seventeen 300 games and two 800 series. His match play record was 3-1, where he averaged 201 in match-play. Ralph came back from 46 pins down in the final game of match play within his group to claim a spot in the TV finals. He qualified 10th for match play with a 4-game series of 836. MacDuff bowled well in the TV finals but his three open frames in the semi-final match proved to be very costly. This was Ralph's first time in the TV finals as he was attempting to become the 2nd bowler from Sarnia to earn a Molson Championship. MacDuff indicated that he was not able to play baseball, so a friend introduced him to bowling and he loves the competitiveness in the sport. The most influential local bowler in his life is Steve Lewicki and his all-time favourite PBA bowler is Earl Anthony. Ralph's best bowling memory was winning a no-tap bowling tournament with his wife.

Marcel Pinard (3rd seed) bowls in the Friday Night Drifters where he carries an average of 209. He has bowled five 300 games and one 800 series. His match play record was 3-1 and he averaged 211. He qualified 11th for match play with a 4-game series of 833. Pinard narrowly beat his group in match play by 7 pins to make it to the stepladder finals. Marcel struggled in the TV finals with two splits and two open frames. This was Marcel's first time in the TV finals, and his performance indicates that he is likely to be back. Pinard said "The Gatt Family (Sue & Tony)" got him interested in bowling. The most influential local bowler in his life is Norm Wilson and his favourite PBA bowler is Jason Belmonte. Marcel's best bowling memory was his first back-to-back 300 games on Friday and Sunday over a single weekend.

Mike Voligny (2nd seed) bowls in two leagues: Monday Nite Men's and Thursday Mixed. This season he carries an average of 212. He has bowled eighteen 300 games and has five 800 series. His match play record was 3-1 where he averaged 217 in match play. He qualified 4th for match play with a series of 899. In the TV finals matches Mike was one of the few bowlers in the Senior Division who was able to figure out the tough shot on lane nine. Voligny was in the TV finals last year but lost in the semi-final match. This year Mike made the adjustment needed to **earn his first Molson Masters Senior Championship**. Voligny revealed that "My



mom was my support system; she got me involved in bowling at the age of 5.” The most influential local bowler in his life is Rick Vittone and his favourite PBA bowler is Pete Weber. Mike’s fondest bowling memory was bowling his first 300 game in 1998.

Charlie Yott (1st seed) bowls in three leagues: Seniors at Revs Rose Bowl, Major Handicap, and Seniors at Super Bowl. This season he carries a 208 average. He has fifteen 300 games and three 800 series. His match play record was 4-0 and averaged 232 in match play. He qualified 1st for match play with a series of 939. Yott claimed the 2016 Senior Champion and was the high qualifier for this year’s tournament. Charlie struggled in the TV finals and found it difficult to figure out a line on the lanes. This was Charlie’s third time in the TV finals. Yott revealed that he became interested in bowling when he was working setting pins at Bruner Mond Club in Amherstburg where the manager, Norv Bertrand, was his mentor. The most influential local bowler in his life has been Dave Forfitt and his favourite PBA bowler is Earl Anthony. Yott indicated that his fondest bowling memory was being inducted into the WECKBA Hall of Fame in 2016.

OPEN DIVISION - For Match Play - the top 39 Open bowlers, plus last year’s Champion, were divided into five groups of eight bowlers each. They bowled each bowler once in their division. Then they bowled a final position round within their own group. Each time a bowler wins their match they get a 30-pin bonus added to their score. You move over to a new pair of lanes for each new game bowled. The top Open bowler from each of the 5 Open Division groups advance to the TV step ladder finals.

Open Division – Match Play – Final Results

GROUP "A"	GROUP "B"	GROUP "C"	GROUP "D"	GROUP "E"
STEVE KUBIS 1922	DAN AQWA 1953	MARTY SANDERS 1978	DARREN ALEXANDER 2055	RYAN TRUSSLER 1885
DYLAN HUNTER 1862	ROB GIRMONTI 1790	COREY FORFITT 1916	DAVE SHANBAUM 1839	JACOB EMERY 1885
ALEX FORMOSA 1835	RANDY CRUCHILL JR 1777	JORDAN SMITH 1849	JORDAN CROSKERY 1822	CHUCK TENO JR 1828
STEVE WALLS 1796	CONNOR SMITH 1747	STEVE HUNTER 1787	COURTNEY HICKMOTT 1811	CHRIS BEAULIEU 1710
STEVE MACLELLAND 1742	JOHN BATSON JR 1660	RYAN BOISMIER 1774	MIKE THOMAS 1709	KURT RIDGEWELL 1687
CHRISTIAN HACKETT 1560	DYLAN HALL 1638	WEBBER SNOW 1713	KEN LEMIRE 1676	CHAD MATCHETT 1686
TREVOR MARTIN 1518	MYKAELA MITCHELL 1621	CODY TERSIGNI 1641	JAY GENDREAU 1562	BRAD WALTON 1680
JON WONG 1489	HALEY LUNDY 1471	TYLER DUPUIS 1570	BRYCE AQWA 1509	BRENT RANKIN 1648

Open Division – Step Ladder - TV Finals

In the Open Step Ladder finals, the results were as follows:

Ryan Trussler (233) vs. Steve Kubis (160)

Ryan Trussler (171) vs. Dan Aqwa (215)

Dan Aqwa (218) vs. Marty Sanders (223)

Marty Sanders (182) vs. Darren Alexander (249) - **Darren Alexander is 2023 Open Molson Masters**

Champion

Ryan Trussler (5th seed) comes from the London area and bowls in two leagues: Sparoids (London) and Men’s Memorial (St. Thomas). This season he is averaging 205. He has bowled seven 300 games and had one 800 series. He had a match play record of 6-2 and averaged 213. He qualified 4th with a 5-game series of 1139. Ryan ended up tied in his group after 8 games of match play, so he had to bowl a one game roll off to make the TV finals. Trussler bowled well in his first game of the TV finals but found it difficult to come back and bowl and find the line in the second game. This was Ryan’s 3rd time in the TV Finals and was attempting to be the 1st



bowler from London to be a Molson Champ. Trussler became interested in bowling while watching his cousin James bowling at Super Bowl when he was younger. The most influential local bowler in his life is Fred Phillips and his favourite PBA bowlers are Ray William JR and Francois Lavoie. Ryan indicated that “My fondest bowling memory was winning the Silver Medal at the World Cup National Finals in Thunder Bay.” Some of Trussler’s bowling accomplishments include the following: Won the Ontario Provincial Team event twice, Bowler of Year with London Bowling Association four times, and Four Steps to Stardom Provincial Round winner (Juniors).

Steve Kubis (4th seed) bowls in a Super Bowl Rock & Bowl league where he averages 219. He has rolled sixty-three 300 games and thirty-five 800 series. His match play record was 6-2 while averaging 217. He qualified 30th for match play with a 5-game series of 1022. In the first game of the TV finals Kubis was unable to match the string of strikes thrown by his opponent to advance. This was his 2nd trip to the TV finals. Steve said he became interested in bowling because his friends were bowling in the Youth bowling program so he decided to join them so he could hang out more with his friends. The most influential local bowlers in his life are Sid Scott and Paul Hickmott. His favourite PBA bowler is Brad Miller. Kubis said that “My fondest bowling memory is shooting a 279 triplicate and tying the Canadian record.” Steve was named to the Local Bowling Association Men’s All-Star teams for the years 2012 through 2018 and was Bowler of the Year in 2013.

Dan Aqwa (3rd seed) bowls in a Saturday Night League where he carries an average of 224. He has recorded seventy-five 300 games and thirty-one 800 series. His match play record was 7-1 and he averaged 217 in match play. He qualified 26th for match play with a 5-game total of 1033. A past Open Champion in 2016, Dan has been Runner-up 5 times, and High Qualifier 5 times. Aqwa bowled well in his first game of the TV finals but in his second game of finals he left a 4-9 split in the 10th frame that cost him the match. This was his 10th time to TV finals. Dan said he became interested in bowling through his mom and dad since the family bowled all the time. He started bowling at Crescent Lanes when he was 5. The most influential local bowlers in his life have been John Pavicic and Wayne Dubs who always encouraged him and taught him a wealth of information about bowling. His favourite PBA bowler is Marshall Holman. Aqwa said “My fondest bowling memory was winning my first Molson Masters title when my parents were still alive to see it happen.” Dan has numerous other bowling accomplishments which include induction to the WECKBA Hall of Fame, highest three-game series of 846, and induction into Ontario Provincial Bowling Association Hall of Fame. He currently holds the WECKBA 9-game block record of 2273.

Marty Sanders (2nd seed) bowls in four leagues: Invitational (Country Lanes - Farmington Hills, Michigan), Wednesday Night Majors (Super Bowl), Seniors (Super Bowl) and Grandale (Woodland Lanes – Livonia, Michigan). This season he carries a 228 average. He has amassed thirty-five 300 games and nineteen 800 series. Averaging 228, Marty’s match play record was 5-3. He qualified 2nd for match play with a 5-game total of 1160. Marty needed to throw the front 10 strikes to move from 2nd to 1st in the final match play game. He had just one open frame in his TV finals match, but he could not figure out the left lane to string the strikes to match his opponent. This was his 4th time to the TV finals. Sanders said, “I became interested in bowling by watching the sport on TV as a kid, my dad, Ron, taking me with him bowling, and bowling through the Junior Program and adult leagues.” The most influential local bowler in his life was his dad. His favourite PBA bowlers were Earl Anthony when he was a kid and then Jason Couch as he got older. Marty recalled, “My fondest bowling memory was being down by 109 pins after 3 frames in the 50 Over/Under 550 Tournament and then coming back to win by 30 pins.” Sanders’ numerous bowling accomplishments include induction to the WECKBA Hall of Fame in 2016, Bowler of the Year in 2015, breaking the Team Single Game Canadian



Record in 2006, Winning his first 550 (Senior Singles Open) Title, and making multiple 1st Team and 2nd All-Star Teams.

Darren Alexander (1st seed) bowls in Wednesday Majors at Super Bowl where he carries an average of 228. He has chalked up seventy-three 300 games and forty-two 800 series. His match play record was 6-2 with a 234 average. He qualified 3rd for match play with a 5-game series of 1158. Alexander was twice an Open Champion - in 2015 & 2020, was Runner-up 2 times, and was High Qualifier 4 times. Darren just needed to bowl one game in TV finals, and he made the most of it largely because he was the only Open Division finalist who was able to figure out that troublesome left lane which allowed him to **become the Molson Masters Open Champion** for a third time. This was his 7th time to make the TV finals. Alexander said “My grandparents got me started in bowling when I was 18 months old with paper towel rolls and golf balls. When I grew older, they switched to plastic pins like everyone else had when they were younger. I started in a league when I was four at Thunderbowl in Essex.” The most influential local bowler in his life is Dan MacLelland. His favourite PBA bowlers were Norm Duke and Robert Smith. Darren confessed that “Getting to travel the world because of a sport I love has been more than I could have ever dreamed of. I love seeing new places and trying to soak it all in as much as possible.” Alexander has numerous bowling accomplishments including being a 5-Time Team Canada Member (2019-2023), Doubles Silver Medal World Games, Cali Columbia Pan Am Championships 2021 – Team-Silver and Trios-Bronze, Lima Peru Pabcon Championships 2019 – Team-Bronze and Trios-Gold. After the match was completed, Darren said “I’m super excited to be able to say I won the Molson’s for a 3rd time. The pattern this year was more difficult, which for me was a welcome change. With it being flatter and a lot of friction down lane I threw a urethane ball for all but 3 games during qualifying, match play and the finals. Two of those 3 games, including the finals, I used a reactive ball were on the TV pair because I was seeing too much early friction with urethane. I was happy with my decision making and committing to it. I really think that’s what allowed me to be successful this year.”

This year’s tournament did not disappoint as we had a mix of some previous champions, individuals with previous experience bowling in finals and some bowlers relatively new to the stepladder process. In most of the matches the momentum kept going back and forth between competitors right until the final ball. Setbacks like trouble reading lane 9, a few missed spares, a split in a late portion of the game or a string of strikes were the deciding factors in many of the matches.

It is important that we congratulate each of the finalists. Each of them considers it an honour to make it to the finals. All experienced nervousness and most had trouble reading that troublesome 9th lane all day. The lane conditions were much more difficult than in prior years so ball selection and choosing a line and then reestablishing that line between the Open and Senior matches was crucial. Each of these competitors reached a major milestone. It was exciting to watch the TV finals as each of these competitors made the matches nerve racking right down to the final ball.

New Canadian Records !

AN OUTSTANDING NIGHT OF BOWLING was bowled by a new Women’s team, “The Girls”, from the Super Bowl Major Hdcp League, bowling in their very first season together. They bowled a high one game scratch score of 1007 with a high scratch series of 2849. Mykaela indicated “We are super excited as this is our first-year bowling as a team and some of us have only known each other since the beginning of the season as I am from London- newly living in Windsor as of 2022.” The averages for each of the women on the team are as



follows: **Ann Bogl** 197, **Jessica Campbell** 195, **Jennifer Young** 210, **Mykaela Mitchell** 210, and **Haley Lundy** 202.

Mykaela said “Although it was Haley's night off, we always want to include her. We are so excited for our team, and I am incredibly proud to be a part of this amazing group of ladies. We are the only all women’s team in this league.”

CTF Canadian Women's record

4 person team
high game
1007

CTF Canadian Women's record

4 person team
high 3 games
2849

THE GIRLS	Handicap	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Scratch	Total
ANN BOGL	0	227	227	221	675	675
JESSICA CAMPBELL	0	247	201	224	672	672
JEN YOUNG	0	279	300	255	834	834
MYKAELA MITCHELL	0	187	279	202	668	668
Scratch		940	1007	902		2849
Team hdcp	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		940	1007	902		2849

Congratulations
“The Girls”
Awesome bowling



Michael Ouellette – Hazel McLeary Leadership Award

Michael Ouellette of Tilbury Ontario is presented the Hazel McLeary Leadership Award by Wayne Dubbs (member of Windsor, Essex Chatham-Kent Association)

The CTF will recognize persons who have made significant contributions to the sport of bowling through their dedication and leadership on and off the lanes. This award is aimed at those who overcome obstacles, show community involvement and demonstrate the ideals of sportsmanship and character synonymous with its namesake.

Mike is the 6th recipient of this prestigious award - Hazel McLeary, Dwight Safroniuk, Cathy Innes, Sherry Hobson, and William Mitchell were the first five recipients.



Not only is Mike a true leader in the sport, he can play the game. He has multiple tournament wins including the Canadian Mixed Championships Singles Champion and in the same year placed 2nd in Doubles with partner Dan Corchis.

Congratulations Mike!!

If you know of someone who deserves to be nominated, please see the Nomination Information that is on this website page: <https://tenpincanada.com/.../hazel-mcleary-leadership-award/>

Regina News **Submitted By Dannie Ward**

Congratulations to one of our local bowlers, **Glenn LaPointe**, who rolled a 289 game recently. What makes it super-impressive is that LaPointe's average hovers in the 163'ish area. Yes, that means he bowled about 125 pins over his average in that game! Not too shabby! Keep it up Glenn!

Also, we also had a YBC youth doubles tournament here at Glencairn Bolodrome on March 26th. Below are pictures of the results, and the medal winners. Congratulations to all!



CTF CONNECTION

*** CROSS COUNTRY CANADIAN NEWS ***



L-R: Glencairn 4 – **Makayla Thrithardt** and **Kallum Materna** (tie 2nd); Glencairn 2 – **Carissa Thrithardt** and **Sam Bloos** (1st), Fairhaven 1 – **Brandon Tan** and **Jovan Tan** (tie 2nd)

Glencairn Bolodrome 1620 9th Avenue East - Regina (306) 788-0306						
Date: 3/26/2023 Time: 13:53						
Best team details						
Thournament	YBC 16-19 Low Doubles 10 Pin					
P	Team	Results	Scratch	Hdcp	Sc. avg.	Tot. avg.
P 1	Glencairn2	Sam Bloos (ID:19 - 10 pin POA) 158 180 162 180 Carissa Thrithardt (ID:20 - 10 pin POA) 107 088 107 115	710	236	177.50	236.50
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,137	680	142.13	224.63
P 2	Fairhaven1	Brandon Tan (ID:8 - 10 pin POA) 165 230 208 165 Sam Tan (ID:14 - 10 pin POA) 113 162 167 082	786	112	197.00	225.00
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,262	492	157.75	219.25
P 3	Glencairn4	Makayla Thrithardt (ID:23 - 10 pin POA) 107 143 147 113 Kallum Materna (ID:24 - 10 pin POA) 077 083 102 110	510	372	127.50	220.50
	Bonus					0
	Team total		882	872	110.25	219.25
P 3	Glencairn5	Laurie Michel (ID:25 - 10 pin POA) 148 096 106 125 Gage Dock (ID:26 - 10 pin POA) 078 083 087 082	475	404	118.75	216.75
	Bonus					0
	Team total		805	948	100.63	219.13
P 4	Glencairn3	William Bloos (ID:21 - 10 pin POA) 148 127 123 138 Haley Materna (ID:22 - 10 pin POA) 139 129 115 133	534	344	133.50	219.50
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,047	700	130.86	216.36
P 5	Fairhaven4	Andrei Itasco (ID:13 - 10 pin POA) 125 125 168 159 Sam Tan (ID:14 - 10 pin POA) 167 160 228 183	677	268	144.25	211.25
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,345	396	168.13	217.63
P 6	Glencairn1	Nazome Gravel (ID:17 - 10 pin POA) 114 099 095 083 Charlie Ward (ID:18 - 10 pin POA) 083 075 079 071	391	476	97.75	216.75
	Bonus					0
	Team total		669	1,064	63.63	216.63
P 7	Fairhaven3	Shaun Grosz (ID:11 - 10 pin POA) 142 174 166 156 Brooklyn Grosz (ID:12 - 10 pin POA) 219 183 156 162	638	196	159.50	208.50
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,372	340	171.50	214.00
P 8	Fairhaven2	Alla Rusnak (ID:9 - 10 pin POA) 048 056 056 064 Jovan Tan (ID:10 - 10 pin POA) 190 235 213 170	232	524	58.00	189.00
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,040	616	130.00	207.00
P 9	Fairhaven5	Hanna Campbell (ID:15 - 10 pin POA) 132 144 145 099 Logan Grosz (ID:16 - 10 pin POA) 207 183 140 208	520	236	130.00	189.00
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,256	388	157.25	205.75
P 10	Eastview2	AJ Leganchuk (ID:3 - 10 pin POA) 143 101 103 102 Emma Zeller (ID:4 - 10 pin POA) 155 148 144 178	449	372	112.25	205.25
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,074	552	134.25	203.25
P 11	Eastview1	Emma Zeller (ID:1 - 10 pin POA) 155 148 144 178 Riley Bergerman (ID:2 - 10 pin POA) 089 111 096 077	625	180	156.25	201.25
	Bonus					0
	Team total		998	620	124.75	202.25
P 12	Eastview3	David Berg (ID:5 - 10 pin POA) 152 163 169 136 Mickenna Duke-Kacuba (ID:6 - 10 pin POA) 133 136 122 110	620	232	155.00	213.00
	Bonus					0
	Team total		1,121	484	140.13	200.63



Calgary News

Dave Kist, who was the President of the Canadian Tenpin Federation for a number of years recently (and a Director before that), is in the news. He was the owner of a number of Calgary bowling centres until recently when he sold his businesses to a U.K.-based company. Dave has many friends in the tenpin bowling community across the country, and we thought this bit of news was appropriate. Below, I've included a number of excerpts from a newspaper article that was written about this.

The title of the story was:

Going Hollywood: Calgary's 10-pin bowling centres purchased by U.K.-based company with lofty visions.



Lynn and Dave Kist

Ontario-based Splitsville Entertainment and its parent company, Hollywood Bowl Group (HBG) out of the U.K., have purchased all three 10-pin bowling facilities in the city and are promising modernizations at each of the alleys.

The multi-million dollar deal completed in February makes Let's Bowl, YYC Bowling & Entertainment, and Mountain View Bowl an important foothold in the West for the expanding company. The three centres are Calgary's only full-sized 10-pin bowling alleys.

Dave has spent his life bowling and the couple purchased YYC Bowling on Feb. 10, 2022, originally thinking they had another 10 years in the game. But that has all changed now.

"My thinking is real simple: There could be another COVID, right? We just don't know anymore," said Dave, 60, who has been working at bowling alleys since he was 12 years old, growing up in Ontario. "It's like



anything else in life — the future is never guaranteed and you make your best decisions or best guesses based on the information at hand.”

The centres purchased by Splitsville have been cornerstones in the 10-pin bowling community for decades.

Let’s Bowl has been around for 30 years in its current location and is home to several national team members. It has hosted a number of premier events over the years and offers 30 lanes of 10-pin bowling.

Mountain View Bowl has been at its current location for about 65 years and carries a ’50s vintage theme, with 10 lanes of 10-pin bowling and another 10 lanes of five-pin bowling.

YYC Bowling is the largest venue of the three, with 40,000 square feet of space for 30 lanes of bowling, an arcade, minigolf, pool tables and other amenities.

The new owners said they will invest in the centres to ensure they meet company standards. Improvements will be made to create a more comfortable environment to encourage customers to stay longer.

Kist will spend the next three months helping with the transition, and then he plans to travel with Lynn and work on his golf game.

And as for bowling? While it will be strange, he will be on the other side of the counter as a paying customer and working to improve his 190 average. “I’ve got a little bit of work. I need to get my average back up to 210. That’s where I used to be,” he said. “But you know, long hours and long days make it hard to work on your game. So I’m looking forward to doing that.”

Best wishes Dave and Lynn!



Team Canada Masters Success!



This may be a little late, but when it comes to recognition, better late than never! Back in September, 2022, our Team Canada Masters teams competed in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic in the Pan American Masters Championships. And they did absolutely fantastic!

The Women's team consisted of (L-R above) **Lynne Gauthier, Lisa Morabito, Jill Friis, and Cindy Dawson.**
The Men's team was (L-R above) **Don Hogue, Michael Snow, Mario Robitaille, and Martin Belanger**

Exactly how well did they do, you ask? Let me answer...

Singles:

Lynne Gauthier - Gold
Lisa Morabito - Bronze
Don Hogue - Silver

Doubles:

Lynne Gauthier and Lisa Morabito – Gold
Jill Friis and Cindy Dawson – Silver
Don Hogue and Michael Snow - Gold



Trios:

Jill Friis, Lisa Morabito, Lynne Gauthier - Gold
Donald Hogue, Martin Belanger, Michael Snow - Gold

Team (Baker format):

Women – Silver
Men - Silver

All Events:

Lynne Gauthier - Gold
Jill Friis - Silver
Lisa Morabito – Bronze
Don Hogue - Gold

What a performance! You make Canada proud!

CTF 2022 Bowlers of the Year

Senior (formerly Adult) Division



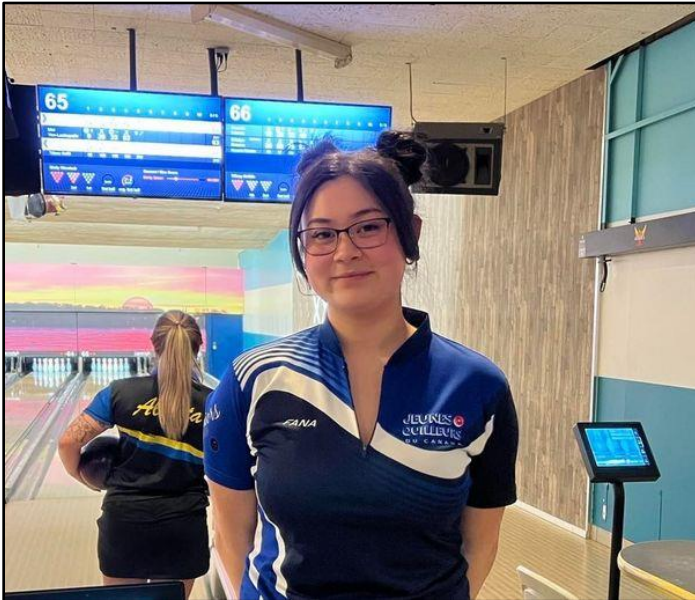
Graham Fach of Guelph Ontario, lives in Urbana OH



Sarah Klassen, St. Catharines, Ontario



Junior (formerly Youth) Division



Mei Yen-Lachapelle of Montreal, QC



Adam Jodoin of Surrey, BC

Masters (formerly Senior) Division



Lynne Gauthier of East St Paul, MB



Don Hogue of Montreal, QC, living in Akron, OH



Panam Bowling Men’s Championships

The Canadian Tenpin Federation is happy to introduce the Mens team heading to Santo Domingo for the 2023 Panam Bowling Mens Championships, May 21 - 28, 2023. The Championships will be held at the Sebelen Bowling Center in Santo Domingo, DR. Competition begins May 23, 2023.

(L-R in pics below) -**Jean Francois-Brassard, Austyn Ducharme, Jordan Jung, Donald Hogue, Graham Fach and Nathan Ruest-Lajoie** will be the team representing Canada.

Travelling with the team, Coach **Frank Buffa** and Team Manager **Jane Vetero**

Men from each country in the Pan American Zone will be competing for the title of Panam Bowling Champion. Additionally 7 teams will qualify their country to IBF World Championships, which will be held in Kuwait in October 2023





From the Desk of the Executive Director
Submitted by Cathy Innes

Just some reminders regarding our National tournaments...

Our **Canadian Youth Championships** are taking place in Sault Ste Marie, ON from May 18th to 21st. Good luck to all of our Youth bowlers who are representing their provinces at the tournament. To see all the details, you can go to our website page. Here's the link: <https://tenpincanada.com/home/cdn-youth/>

And our 2024 **Team Trials** Tournament will be taking place in Burlington, ON from Jan 8-12, 2024. You can find all the details on our website page. Here's the link: <https://tenpincanada.com/home/cdn-team-trials/>

As many of you are aware, the resurrection of our **Canadian Mixed Championships** took place last month, April 21st-23rd at Calgary's YYC Bowling and Entertainment Centre. Thank-you to the Alberta Tenpin Association for hosting this event. It was an absolute success 27 Team entries, 68 Doubles entries, 104 Singles entries, and 68 All-Events entries. Thankyou to all of the bowlers who supported this event! To see all the results, go to our website page, and scroll to the bottom of the page. Here's the link: <https://tenpincanada.com/home/cdn-mixed/>

And if you haven't yet heard, the 2024 CMC has already been scheduled. It will be hosted by AMF Frederick Lanes in Kitchener, Ontario and South Central Tenpin Bowling Association on May 10-12, 2024, <https://www.amf.com/location/amf-frederick>

PLEASE NOTE: This tournament will once again be the qualifier for the Masters Team Canada as it was in the past. Rules, Schedules, and Hotel information will be coming soon. Keep your eye on the CTF website.

Also, for those who may be interested in hosting the CMC for 2025 and 2026, bids are welcome. You can find the bid information on the CMC web page. <https://tenpincanada.com/home/cdn-mixed/>

CTF Equipment Specifications Committee
Submitted by Dan Tereck

String Pins: As we have reported before, CTF, as well as the International Bowling Federation (IBF), and several other countries have sanctioned string pinsetters. Until a few weeks ago, the United States Bowling Congress had not. That has changed. The USBC has just announced that they will be certifying Stringpin bowling centres for the 2023-24 season. However, they are certifying them as a separate "category" from freefall centres. Bowlers with averages in stringpin centres will not be able to use those averages for entry into tournaments that are using freefall equipment. At least not yet. As we had reported previously, the USBC has been conducting research and testing of stringpins and have now come up with more definite specifications for those centres/machines which, according to their tests, comes much closer to making the stringpin and freefall pinfall (strike percentage, etc.) much more comparable to each other. USBC's latest report is available on their website - <https://bowl.com/equipment-specifications/string-pinsetter-research> - and includes a short video as well which explains their latest results and recommended specifications.



Lane Certification Report Submitted by Ron Jones

CTF has now decided to begin Lane Certification Inspections again, after suspending this for several years due to Covid. Starting this summer, Local Associations are being directed to schedule and perform lane inspections this summer for certification for the 2023-24 season. Something new is that the certification will be in effect for 2 years (instead of the former one year). It is being suggested that the Associations attempt to inspect and certify at least half of the centres in their area this year, so that they can then stagger their workload (half of their centres every second year). But it is up to them on how they want to schedule the inspections – for example, smaller areas with only a few number of centres might decide to inspect all of their centres this year, and then repeat the inspections in two years.

The committee will be following USBC's research and recommendations for stringpin machines closely to determine if there are any specifications we may want to adopt in Canada.

The Lane Certification committee currently consists of myself, Anne-Marie Cole, Dan Tereck and Don Bilyea, all of which have provided valued support on any decisions we have made.

We will be ready and willing to provide Lane Certification Clinics upon request. The costs will be determined by covering the costs of the individual to put on the clinic, which will include travel, lodging and meals.

Thanks to CTF's Board and our Executive Director for their continued support.

CTF Welcomes New Head Coach

The Canadian Tenpin Federation would like to welcome **Frank Buffa** to our National Coaching Program.

Frank Buffa of Montreal Quebec has accepted the Head Coach position. Frank is a coach who practices what he preaches. He is a leader in the certification movement in the sport for both coaches and pro shops and he shows his support for those programs by ensuring that all of his staff are qualified in both areas of the sport.

You can enjoy the full story in Bowling this Month:
<https://www.bowlingthismonth.com/.../coaching-spotlight.../>



He is joined by:
Brent Pinnell & John Pearson - Masters & Youth Teams
Earl Sobotkiewicz & Sean Foster - Adult Teams
Rob Johnson - Tactical & Administration



Coach Development

From the Desk of Frank Buffa:

I would like to thank everyone who messaged me for my new role with CTF. The response was simply amazing from all over the world, and much appreciated!

It was during the trials this year at Laurentian lanes that I was approached by Cathy and Jane with the possibility and availability of me helping them out with the coaching program. We did discuss many things and finally came to an agreement where I would be in charge of evaluating all the present coaches and also with the development and certification of new competent coaches across Canada which is sorely needed.

In order to do this and have a successful program I need lots of help. So I ask all former national team members, both men and women, all bowlers who have bowled team trials and all those that are coaching right now and have the passion and want to coach at the next level, to apply for the courses that I will be offering across Canada in the near future.

It's the best way to give our sport that much needed esteem and seriousness that is sorely missed right now. You can be sure that I will be giving my 100% to make this program successful. It's not easy being a coach, especially a good one! But if I can have 10% of participants become successful coaches then I would be very happy with the program. Stay tuned!

Do you Love the Game? Become a Certified Coach!! Remember the youth we inspire today will keep our Legacy alive tomorrow!!



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I use the App regularly, so if you have questions about “The Hows” etc, by all means, send me an email, and I will help with your questions. In the meantime, based on your location in Canada, please stay safe, and enjoy your gradual openings as they are occurring in your Province!! Hopefully, we will be bowling soon.

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Below is a list of local and provincial websites we have on file. Feel free to check out any of the sites from around the country. Many of the sites post results for all of their local events and tournaments.

If your association has a website and it's not listed, please send it to us and we'll add it to the list

British Columbia Tenpin Federation	http://www.bctenpin.ca/
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Windsor Essex BA	http://www.weckba.com/
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