

Lagrange, Lambert break records on way to gold medal at Canadian National Championships



Caroline Lagrange (pictured left), Notre-Dame de Pins, Quebec, and **George Lambert IV** (right), Hamilton, Ontario, broke several records on the way to earning the gold medals at the 2009 Canadian National Championships.

125 men and 52 women from across Canada competed at the championships to select the 2010 Team Canada. The championships was held at Prime Time and Burlington Bowl in Burlington, Ont., May 15-18, 2009.

Lagrange, who was in second place after day three of the competition, bowled 2763 for twelve games to break the record of 2696 for day four set by JoAnn Sanesac at the 2007 championship. She also broke the day three record with 1792. Her 36-game total of 7911 surpassed the old record of 7673 established by Julie Johnson-Loyer in 2007.

Lambert IV who led the men's division since day one of the tournament, bowled 2831 for twelve games on day four of the championship. The previous record for day four was 2769 bowled by Mark Buffa in 2007.

Lambert's 36 game total of 8215 passed the record by 317 pins. Buffa bowled 7898 in 2007. Lambert bowled 1803 for eight games on day three which broke the 1732 record bowled by Jean Sebastien Lessard at the 2007 Montreal championships.

Lambert IV and Lagrange both had a 300 game. Lambert IV bowled his on day one and Lagrange on day three of the championships. Those were two of four 300s bowled in the four day competition. Robin Orlikowski, a Canadian citizen living in Grand Rapids, Michigan, bowled a 300 on day two. Tim Dunn bowled his on day three.

Jason Kovack, Windsor, Ont., and **Jennifer Park**, Nanaimo, British Columbia, earned the silver medals. **Jean Sebastien Lessard**, Quebec City, QC, and **Felicia Wong**, Calgary, Alberta, earned the bronze medals.

Completing the men's team is: **Mark Buffa**, Montreal, QC, **Bill Rowe**, Hamilton, Ont., and **Guillaume Nadeau**, Quebec City, QC.

Lynne Gauthier, Winnipeg, Manitoba, **Robin Orlikowski**, Grand Rapids, Mich., **Isabelle Rioux**, Trios Rivers, QC, complete the women's team.

All but Nadeau are present or former Team Canada members.

A selection committee selected an additional two men and two women for the 2010 team. The selections came from the 18 men and 12 women who competed on the final day of competition. They are **Art Oliver Jr**, **Michael Schmidt**, **Kerrie Ryan-Ciach** and **Alyssa Cicconi**.