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On behalf of our entire team we want to wish our readers a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

We would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to our readers who have supported us over the year.

We look forward to serving you in the New Year!



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Manitoba News
Submitted by Dan Tereck

Manitoba Annual Awards Program



Sean Coutts

On Nov 1st, the Manitoba Tenpin Federation held their Annual Awards event. For the first time, it was held in the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame room, and turned out just great. A lot of athletes, coaches, and volunteers were recognized for their accomplishments during the 2014-15 season. Some of the highlights included:

Youth Female Bowler of the Year - **Brittney Rocan**
Youth Male Bowler of the Year - **Sean Coutts**
Adult Female Bowler of the Year - **Lynne Gauthier**
Adult Male Bowler of the Year - **Mike Schmidt**
Volunteer of the Year - **Elaine Yamron**
Coach of the Year - **Shauna Franchewski**
Induction into MB Tenpin Hall of Fame - **Cathy Burton**

Manitoba Open - Jan 9-10, 2016

Just a reminder that Manitoba's premiere scratch tenpin event, the Manitoba Open, will take place on Saturday, Jan 9th (qualifying), and Sunday, Jan 10th (finals). This is the 35th edition of this tournament, and attracts some of the top bowlers from across Canada and the United States. It is hosted by Chateau Lanes, who put a lot of effort into making this a top-notch tournament, including the raising of sponsorship monies to significantly enhance the prize fund. To find out all the details, go to their website:
<http://www.chateaulanes.ca/manitobaOpen.html>

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Hamilton News

Submitted by Jim Margueratt

Last season **Travis Cauley** had tied our all-time perfect games in a season with four until Art Oliver Jr. notched his fifth in the last week. This season Cauley is attempting to have the record to himself as he has three perfect games, a pair of 299's and a 297, along with an 824 triple to have a current 235 average before a "low" game last week which reminded me of my bowling. When Cauley fired his second 300, he also rolled a record 25 strikes in a row by finishing one game with four strikes, then the 12 in a row before the first nine in the next game for the 25. Oliver will not let the record go easily as he has already fired his 22nd. 300 .

Other 300 holders this season are **Mike Scargall**, **Ron Elliott**, **Jay Jones**, **Russ Selkirk**, **Michael Howard**, **Mike Zawhorodny** and **Steve Smith**. With 299's are **Mike Merkirk** and **Brian Gibb**. A 296 was dealt by **Joshua Colwell** and 290's by **Del Belanger**, **Ron Colling** and **Lionel Lewis Jr.** A pair of 800 triples by Cauley, 824 (258,299,267) and Howard 803 (258,245,300) are in the books.

When **Ron Elliott** fired his 300, he was 77 years 11 months old, and when **Merkirk** fired his 299, along with a 792 triple, he was 81 years 1 month old, the oldest honour score holders in Hamilton history. **Ed Margueratt**, who held the previous local record for oldest 300 shooter at age 71, and rolled the first nine for a 267 last season, started with the first seven then a solid eight pin, then struck out for a 279.

Kris Berry started with 10 in a row before a big split for a 285. Century award winners were **Bruce Todd** 278, **Bill Lucas** 277 and **Mike Bomben** 266. **Matt Lewis & Travis Cauley** tripped 289's, **Gord Howarth & Brian Ward** 277, **Enzo Iacozza** 276 and **Val Ciach-Link** a 697 triple. Hamilton Association President **Karen Nicol** started with eight strikes for a 267 game and a Century award. As usual no big scores for **Jim Margueratt** but he did spare the 3-7-10 and 3-6-7- 10 splits. Big scores are in the future as he is taking instruction from **Bill Rowe Jr.**

LATE NEWS: **Norm Walker**, 164 average, had a lucky strike in his eleventh frame but came up short on his next delivery for a 296 game. Missing the Century award by one pin was **Tyler Sherwood** at 263.

Hamiltonian **Christine Johnston**, 21, competing in the Orange & Black Collegiate Classic in Dayton Ohio topped 247 girls to be the first female Canadian collegiate bowler to win individual honours. Johnston rolled games of 211, 267, 209, 244 & 200 for 1,131, a 226 average. She fired a 300 in Hamilton three years ago and her father **Tom** has four 300's. They are only the second father-daughter duo in Hamilton with 300's with **Ed Maurer & Crystal Whitfield** the other.

HAMILTON TENPIN TRIVIA:

- Hamilton bowlers with 300's in Cincinnati at the Hoinke Classic are **Terry Wira Sr. & Earl Demmery**.
- **Bill Rowe Jr.** rolled a 300 game in a PBA tournament in Wyoming Michigan on March 16, 2005.
- On Dec. 15, 2008, **Lionel Lewis & son Matthew** both rolled 300's on the same day.
- On April 24, 1983, **John Greaves** fired a 299 in a morning league and another 299 in an afternoon tournament.
- **Amy Bouchard** has a pair of 300 games, the first after a 139 and the second after a 158.
- The Central Bowling Lanes were easy to find in 1934 as the "Bowling" sign was over 20 feet tall.



Ontario News

Windsor Essex Chatham-Kent Bowling Association Submitted by Cathy Wilbur

The local association would like to congratulate both **Marc Pouget** and **Richard Taylor** for their induction into the Windsor Essex Chatham-Kent Bowling Association Hall of Fame during our Annual Awards Banquet on Sunday November 8, 2015.



Marc Pouget, was inducted in the category Star of Yesteryear. Marc started bowling in a GM bowling league. He took up bowling after having excelled in other sports. He always had a great attitude and a great confidence about his ability to eventually succeed in the sport. He became part of a large group of GM workers who would travel to tournaments together. He started his bowling career with an average of 160.

As Marc continued to bowl in tournament and league play he kept getting better. His average reached a high of 227 in 1999. He has recorded five 800 series, eight sanctioned 300 games, made first All Star Team in 1999, and made the second All Star Team in 2000 and 2001. He made the local TV finals in the Bakers Doubles in 1994. Marc reached the TV Finals in the Molson Masters Senior Division in 2014 and 2015.

Marc won the Molson Master Senior Division in 2014.

Marc said being elected into the Hall of Fame came as a great surprise. He was truly humbled and honoured to be elected into the Hall with all the great bowlers in this area. It was something he thought he could only dream about. "I believe no one can achieve their goals in life or sports without the help of the people in their life whether it be family or friends," he maintains. "I was lucky to have **Moe Parent, Joe Beaulieu, Russ Dubs, Wayne Dubs, and Scotty Laughland** as friends and mentors." Marc thanked the many team members he bowled with over the years. Marc also indicated that without support from his family he would never have been able to chase his dream. He concluded by saying, "it is impossible to remember all the people I met over the years but each and every one of you made me a better bowler but more importantly a better person."



Richard Taylor, was inducted into the Hall of Fame for Meritorious Service. Being inducted in this category shows a true passion and love for the game and the community. Richard joins those previously inducted for Meritorious Service from our association like

Late **Len MacLelland** who served many years as our association manager;
Jean Deslippe who served over 50 years (more than a career);
Bob Oliver who has run a youth program for decades;
Wayne Dubs – coach, life member and past president;
Mike Snow our area tournament director for all our youth tournaments;

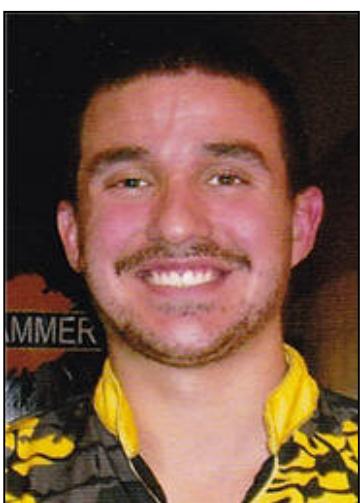
There are so many more within our local association board that have also dedicated many years to the game and to the community. It is fitting that they are represented. Richard has bowled 46 years. He has coached for 27 years, has been a youth program director for 15 years; spent 9 years as a tournament director, and 7 years as



secretary/treasurer for a bowling league. Richard has been a member of youth Committee for 15 years. He has been an active member of the local association board for 13 years and is also a life member.

Guy indicated "that he saw a man trying to do it all, program director, tournament, and secretary treasurer. He was a one man show! One day I stopped Richard and asked him who helps you, he said I am on my own, so silly me I asked him would you like some help, and I have been tournament director ever since." Richard ended up convincing Guy to join the board. Richard showed how rewarding it can be to help others and give back to the community. Guy indicated because of Richard he has memories that he will cherish and hold onto forever and that he cannot thank Richard enough for what he has taught him.

One of Richard's biggest accomplishments was in helping start the youth scholarship fund for young bowlers out of Super Bowl. After 9 full seasons, that fund has awarded over \$100,000 in scholarships. Richard said he does what he does because of his passion and love of bowling and in giving something back to the community. Richard indicated he does it for the kids and the sport of bowling – nothing is more rewarding.



Dylin Hunter, entered a YBT tournament in Guelph and ended up winning the tournament which gave him a free entry into the Youth Canadian Team Trials. The Canadian Team trials were held in Oshawa at Leisure Lanes from May 14 thru May 17. Dylin bowled the 3-day event on three different oil patterns: Sydney; Seoul; and London. While bowling in the event on these diverse oil patterns he achieved the following scores

Sydney (day 1)	150, 143, 166, 164, 200, 187 = 1010
Seoul (day 2)	214, 222, 180, 203, 256, 196 = 1271
London (day 3)	215, 184, 203, 256, 253, 206 = 1317
Final Round (day 4)	151, 198, 221, 189, 199, 191 = 1149

Dylin made the Youth Team so he will be traveling to Nebraska during the summer of 2016 to represent Canada. The local bowling association wishes him all the best in this upcoming event.

Jack Erb Memorial Ontario Seniors Tournament

Submitted by Charlotte Konkle

On October 24 & 25, 2015, the Jack Erb Memorial Ontario Seniors Tournament was held at Burlington Bowl - we had a record number of entrants of 251 which hasn't happened since before 2004 - we must be doing something right !

The 1st place winners will have the opportunity to represent Ontario at the USBC Senior Championships to be held Aug. 9 - 11, 2016 in Las Vegas, NV. They are:

Women's Super Senior
Women's Div. A
Women's Div. B

Jackie McLelland, Lambton County
Barbara Horncastle, London & District
Sue Footitt, South Central

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Women's Div. C
Women's Div. D
Women's Div. E
Open Super Senior
Open Div. A
Open Div. B
Open Div. C
Open Div. D
Open Div. E

Deborah Temple, London & District
Shelly Heydon, WECKBA
Elaine Lowther, WECKBA
John Grecco, Greater Toronto
Harley Smith, Niagara
Zyg Mazgaj, Lambton County
Stan Draus, London & District
Stephen Carbery, Greater Toronto
Troy Demers, Niagara

Troy Demers of Niagara also placed 1st in the Scratch Series.

The OTBA Seniors Committee - **Charlotte Konkle, Karen Nicol, Jamie Morand, Wayne Dubs, Anne-Marie Cole** and **Randy Heydon** - want to thank **Codi McMaster, Shelly Heydon, Sue Footitt** and the Hamilton & District TBA and **Filippo Corradi** and the staff at Burlington Bowl for all of their help over the weekend.

And most of all - congratulations to all the winners and thank-you to all of the bowlers for their continued support of this fun tournament.

The 2016 tournament will be held on Oct. 22 & 23 - somewhere in Ontario ! See you there !

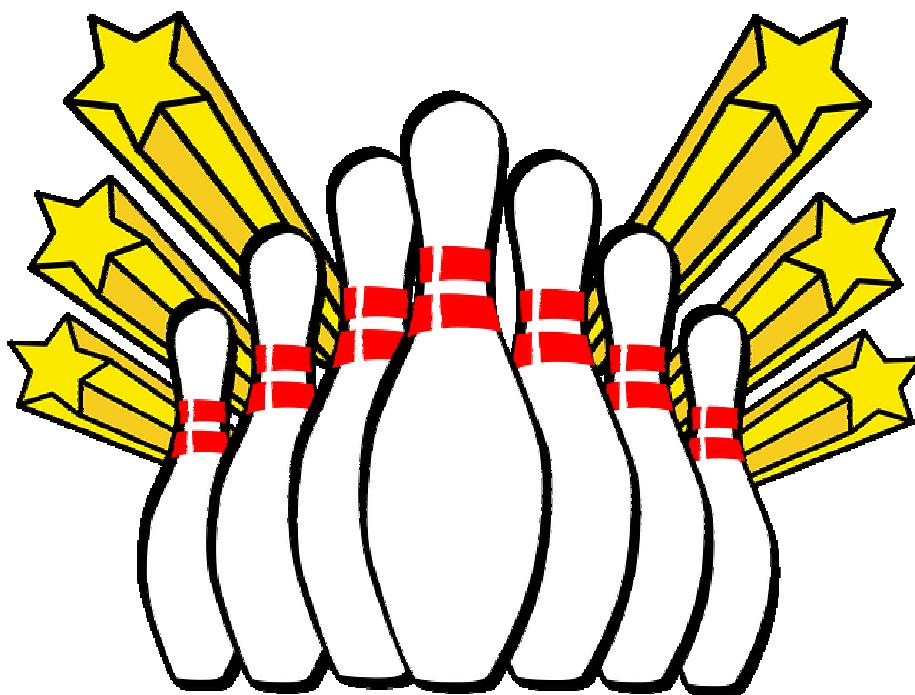


Calgary News
Submitted by Dave Kist

FTA (Foothills Tenpin Association) - Calgary

WHAT A SUCCESS..... NEW RECORD # OF ENTRIES.....

The Canadian Mixed Championships held in Calgary, AB and hosted by the FTA were spectacular !



We would like to thank the CTF tournament committee for selecting Calgary to host the 2015 CMCs and allowing us to demonstrate what our association can do. There are so many people that helped to ensure the tournament was a success, we cannot possibly list them all, but we do need to highlight a few.....

The folks behind the tables, who helped make the shifts run so smooth: **Curtis & Kelly Kruschel, Les Yuen, Deb Chan, Michel Habrun, Norton Fast and Shauna Kirouac.** The Civic Mixed and Men's Petroleum leagues, who cancelled their league night, allowing us to use the lanes for the tournament. All the staff of Century Bowl and especially **Bart Rodgers** for everything you did to make sure every bowler was able to compete at their best.

The tournament was such a smashing success, we need to recognize and thank – you, the bowlers – for supporting us as strongly as you did and continue to do. We had 551 entries, but would not have gotten there without **Norton Fast** (entry #550) and **Wade Cliffgard** (entry #551). After an exhausting last day of bowling, the last shift was about to start and we had 549 entries, These two stepped up and re-entered the last shift, with a little encouragement, to put us over the 550 mark – thank you gentlemen.

All of the results are posted at <http://gotenpinbowling.ca/EN/cmc-results/> but here are the high-lights:

- Team Champions, from Calgary are **Kristina Lozic, Matt Salmons, TJ Howard and Shawn Meyers** who topped the runners up **Lynn Dorey, Norton Fast, Rick Reeves and Santos Cuadra** by a mere 19 pins



- Mixed Doubles Champs were **Jeremy Weber** and **Whitney Joehnck** of Calgary who bested **Justin Dufault** and **Kristina Lozic** by a narrow 16 pin margin
- Open Doubles winners from Vancouver Island **Michele** and **Lorrie Murphy** won the champions title by 32 pins over **Lloyd Macdonald** and **JJ Gristey**
- Singles Champs are, from Brandon, **Trevor Peters** (Men) and a two-time champ **Lorrie Murphy** (Women)
- All Events (first entry in each of the team, doubles and singles events) were **Nate Macintosh**, Calgary for the men and **Kristina Lozic** for the women
- There were a total of 551 bowlers that entered the tournament and comprised of 42 teams, 51 mixed doubles, 60 open doubles, 115 men's singles and 46 women's singles. This is a new CMC tournament RECORD level of participation.
- \$12,846.00 was paid back out to the bowlers – another CMC record

Special thanks to **Jenn Beaupre** for allowing us to use her very moving rendition of our National Anthem. Please check out her web page and pass along your comments to her directly. <http://www.jennbeaupre.com/>

Some CMC Photo's and Memories.....



Throwing out the first ball of the 2015 CMC Tournament, left to right are:

Jack Guay - Hall of Fame

Bob Puttick – Hall of Fame

Matt Salmons – last bowler to bowl a perfect game/800 series at Century Bowl

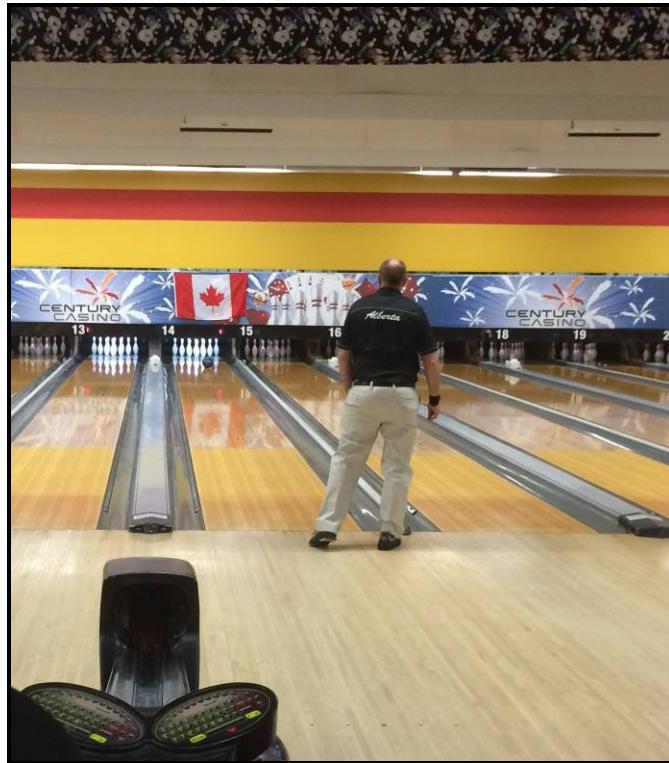
Brian Von Richter – CTF President

Todd Thull – General Manager Century Bowl and Century Casino

Elizabeth Wong – Team Canada member

Lauraine Fast – Team Canada member

Curtis Kruschel – Represented Canada at 2015 Tournament of the Americas



The last ball of the 4 day tournament – Norton Fast



Santos Cuadra (left) receives his 11 in a row award from CTF President, **Brian Von Richter**



Miranda Lacroix presented with her FTA Most Improved Bowler award (+21 pins) by **Brian Von Richter**, CTF President



Skip Lytle (left) receives another 800 award from CTF President, Brian Von Richter



Roger D'Souza receiving the FTA's most improved bowler award (+36 pins) from CTF President, Brian Von Richter



Nate Macintosh looks fairly happy, despite that split he's about to try and spare. Nate went on to become the Men's All Events Champion

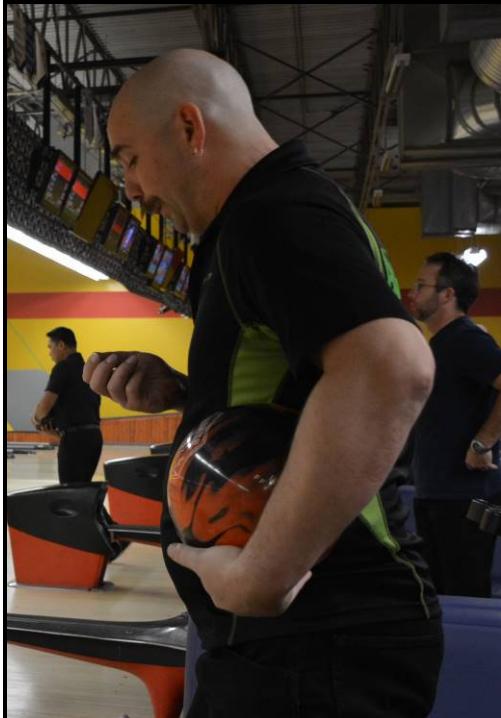


Mavis da Silva letting us know she's ready to roll



Dave Kist showing great form on way to 4'th place All Events finish

Michele Habrun's unlucky result – Yes that is the 5, 7, 10 split.



J Gristey, showing what focus is all about, or is that a little prayer to the bowling gods?



It's like a family portrait, 3 generations of presidents. Left **Dave Kist**, current FTA president, **Tristan Howard**, Past FTA president watches on to make sure all is in order and **Brian Von Richter**, CTF President

In conjunction with the CTF AGM on Saturday Nov 14, **Bob Puttick** was inducted into the CTF Hall of Fame and joined **Jack Guay** as the only two Calgary bowlers who have been so honoured. In a moving ceremony, speeches from Dave Kist (FTA President) opened the ceremony, followed by **Angela Bockman** (one of Bob's children), CTF President Brian Von Richter and then Bob himself took the podium. A standing ovation concluded the ceremony and Bob officially became the 18th athlete to be inducted into the CTF Hall of Fame.

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Karen & Bob Puttick

Always the ambassador of bowling and following the ceremony, Bob dropped in to encourage the bowlers of the CMC's 3rd shift of the day and 5th of the tournament.



Martin Chan with Bob Puttick



Bob Puttick pictured with FTA Director, Michel Habrun



Tournament Roundup

Xmas No Tap Doubles held at Let's Bowl on Dec 12



Left to right are runners up **Nathalie Dumais/Alain Labrecque**, **Curtis Kruschel** (tournament manager) and Champions **Llew Blenmann/Shelly Chan**

Other teams cashing in were **Stephen Wong/TJ Howard** in 3rd, **Chad Hauser/Skip Lytle** in 4th and **Curtis Kruschel/Dave Kist** wrapping up the top 5

And PROUDLY demonstrating their “perfect” No Tap game” rings are:



Shawn Meyers



Skip Lytle



Now here's a picture you likely won't see again, **Chad Hauser** wearing a Columbia shirt. Yes that's right, Mr. Storm himself, was convinced by his partner (Skip) to convert and bowl as Team Columbia for one day.



Alberta 6 held at Ed's Rec Room on Nov 28





Left to right are **TJ Calara** - scratch champion; **Summar Farhat** - runner up; **Curtis Kruschel** - tournament manager; **Matt Dammann** – handicap champion; and **Michel Habrun** – runner up

The 7th annual **Dave Williams Sr.** memorial tournament had 46 bowlers participating, with a handicap division added to this normally scratch tournament. Congratulations to:

Scratch	Handicap
\$500 – Skip Lyttle	\$500 – Michel Habrun
\$375 – Chad Hauser	\$375 – Rob Salmons
\$300 – Colin Shott	\$300 – Noel Cabrera
\$225 – Rich Huzina	\$225 – Rodel Valerio
\$200 - TJ Calara	\$200 – Al Sanchez
\$150 – Alex Salmons	\$150 – Cheryl Mantik



Left to right are

Cory Williams, Dave Williams, 2015 Scratch Champion – Skip Lyttle and Melody Williams

Left to right are

Cory Williams, Dave Williams, 2015 Handicap Champion – Michel Habrun and Melody Williams





The World Cup Provincial Qualifiers out of this tournament and headed to Edmonton in May are **Skip Lytle, Chad Hauser, Ruban Garcia, Dan Hawkins, Alex Salmons, Rodel Valerio, Roger D'Souza, Rick Reeves, Curtis Kruschel and Jack Guay**.

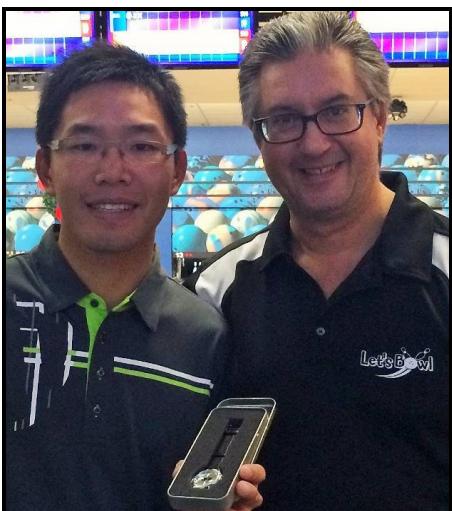
Other tournament winners:

Classic 50's Ladies Scratch - Miranda Fisher - 9th

Dick Wolff Memorial:

Calgary bowlers shone brightly taking 12 of the 32 spots above the cut line and going into match play. When all was said and done, the final results had FTA members **Skip Lytle 7th, Dave Williams 9th, Chad Hauser 11th, TJ Howard 12th, TJ Calara 17th, Jack Guay 20th, Felicia Wong 21st, Cory Williams 25th, Ruben Garcia 26th, Travis Sorenson 28th Andy Kwok 30th and Alex Salmons 31st**

Awards Time.....100 pins over average watches



Jacky Lau (left)



Jim Grant (right)



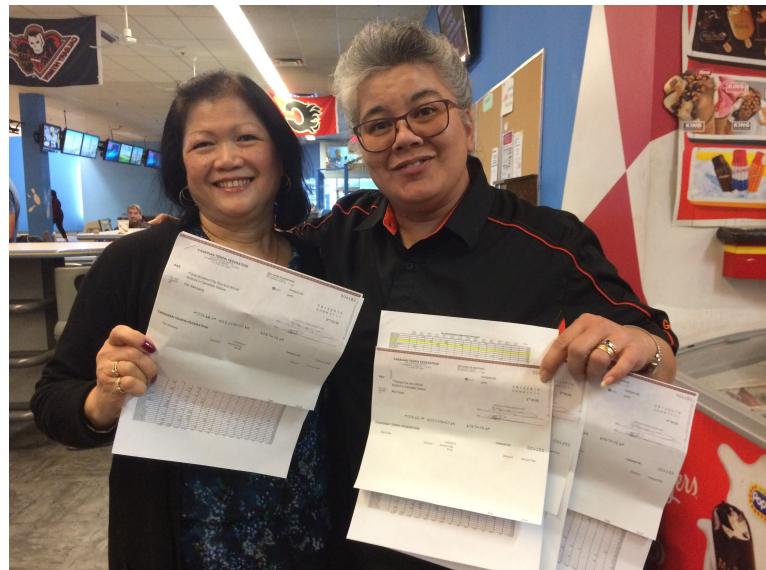
FTA's Most improved youth bowler awards presented by **Dave Kist**, FTA President (far left) and **Santos Cuadra**, Let's Bowl Youth Program Co-ordinator (far right) with winners:

Joenica Garcia +23 pins

Diego Mendez +42 pins



CMC Cheque Winners, too many to name, but great photos of the many happy bowlers receiving their cheques just before Christmas:





Hopefully this will not be the last time this photo gets taken. **Dave Kist** (centre) pictured with brothers **Alex Salmons** (left) and **Matt Salmons** (right). Matt relocated to Ontario just days after receiving his cheque. Good luck and take care Matt. You are going to be missed by many of the FTA.



Danielle Verbeek bowled her first tournament and receives her first payout cheque from **Dave Kist**

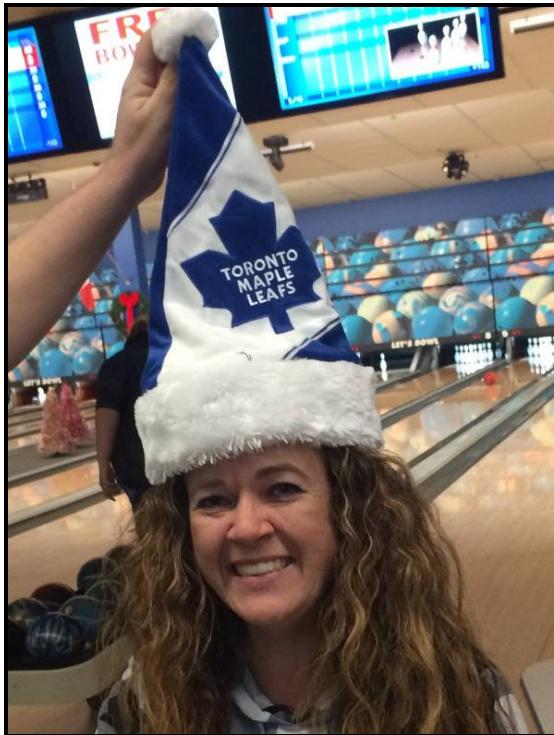
And some wrap up items:



Cad Hauser (left) receives his 800 award



Elaine, on behalf of Let's Bowl Special Olympics receives \$1,000 donation from **Dave Lewis**



Normally we would shy away from non-bowling sports items, especially anything involving the Maple Leafs - but being we are in a very festive mood from the holidays, here is **Jenn McKinnon** "proudly"???? wearing her Leaf's Santa hat. Yes, all Leaf fans are asking Santa for the same thing – a Stanley Cup, but not so sure Santa is going to deliver it this year.

There have been some GREAT scores in Alberta and FTA bowlers are keeping pace. How about this dream 4-game total by **Skip Lytle** during Friday 4x4 league play at Let's Bowl?



The Bowling Tournament Schedule – subject to change, please check with the host bowling centre or tournament manager for revisions or additional details. Be informed – Join the ALBERTA TOURNAMENT BOWLERS Facebook page and stay up to date on local area tournaments (336 members and growing)

JANUARY 2016

Littles 40/90 Scratch Classic	Little Lanes	Great Falls MT	Jan 9-10
Manitoba Open Search Manitoba Open on Facebook	Chateau Lanes	Winnipeg	Jan 9-10
Miller Masters	Sleeping Giant	Helena, MT	TBA
CTF Youth Zone qualifier for CYC's	Let's Bowl (Calgary Zone)	Calgary	Jan 17
AlbertaSix	Century	Calgary	Jan 23
ETBA Mixed All Events Closed Handicap 4 player team, doubles, singles, AE – Edmonton Bowlers ONLY	TBA	Edmonton	Jan 23-24
Bowl Alberta Doubles - House Round	Let's Bowl	Calgary	Jan 24
FTA Mixed All Events Handicap 4 player team, doubles, singles, AE - \$30 per event, Optional Scratch Events Email kist.dave@shaw.ca for info – Listed on Alberta Tournament Bowlers Facebook Page	Let's Bowl	Calgary	Jan 30-31

FEBRUARY 2016

World Cup Provincial Qualifier	Let's Bowl	Calgary	Feb 6
Super Bowl Tournament Handicap & Scratch	Gateway	Edmonton	Feb 7
YBC Zones Youth Tournament – Step 2 of 4 Steps to Stardom.	TBA	Calgary /Edmonton	Feb 7
Bowl Alberta Doubles - House Round	Let's Bowl	Calgary	Feb 7
AlbertaSix 189 and Under Scratch 4 Game Scratch Qualifier – 6 Game Match Play Sunday	TBA	TBA	Feb 13-14
Valentine's Day Scotch Doubles	Let's Bowl	Calgary	Feb 13
Youth All Event Scholarship Open Your All Event Tournament – Teams, Doubles, Singles	Gateway Recreation Centre	Edmonton	Feb 2015
YBC 4 Steps Provincial (ALTA) Youth Tournament – Qualifying for 4 Steps Nationals May.	Ed's Rec Room	Edmonton	Feb 28, 2016



MARCH 2016

ATPA's CDN Team Trials Qualifier	Let's Bowl	Calgary	March 5
Survivor Tournament	Let's Bowl	Calgary	March 6
Open Entry – Singles – Handicap with optional scratch sweeper. - \$80 (\$30 Scratch) – entry on Alberta Tournament Bowlers Facebook Page, or email Butch – bparales@shaw.ca – 11:00 AM			
Bowl Alberta Doubles - Provincial	Let's Bowl	Calgary	March 13
CTF Youth Provincials	Century	Calgary	March 19-20
CTF Youth Qualifiers for National Tournament in May – Qualify through Alberta Zone Rounds			
Get-A-Life	Let's Bowl	Calgary	March 25
Closed tournament – Friday 4 X 4 League bowlers only			
Western Cup	Let's Bowl	Calgary	March 25-26
Ringin' Ten Pin	Star Lanes	Butte, MT	March
APRIL 2016			
Edmonton Open	Gateway	Edmonton	April 2-3
ATPA All Events	Gateway	Edmonton	April 9-10
AlbertaSix	Gateway	Edmonton	April
MAY 2016			
YBC Nationals Canadian Youth Nationals (YBC)		TBA	May, 2016
ATPA Seniors (50+) qualifier Qualifier for USBC Sr's (50+) Aug 9-11 in Vegas	Let's Bowl	Calgary	May 2016
Leah Patterson Memorial	Let's Bowl	Calgary	May 7
World Cup Provincial Round	Ed's Rec Room	Edmonton	May 15
Canadian Team Trials	www.gotenpinbowling.ca	Toronto	May 21-23, 2016
Canadian Youth Championships	www.gotenpinbowling.ca	St. Catharines, ON	Jun 9-12/2016
All 4 Fun – Fun 4 All Open Baker Trio No-Tap Tournament	Century Bowl	Calgary	TBA



CTF Youth: Alive, Well and Growing? Submitted by Jim Lester, CTF National Youth Director

Let's start this off with one of Edmonton's best Youth Bowlers, **Garrett Wong**. If we could gain more bowlers like Garrett with his infectious addiction to our sport, we would be gaining new bowlers by the thousands. Garrett was recently named Global TV's MVP of the week. The entire interview can be viewed at www.globalnews.ca/video/2336288/global-edmonton-mvp-garrett-wong.

Also out of Ed's Rec Room in Edmonton, their youth bowler numbers are up. How do you do it? One last note and I hope he is a Senior youth bowler - **Michael Dau** has already attained a 213 average. Keep up the good work Michael, and everyone in Alberta.

Saskatchewan is also increasing their youth numbers especially in Estevan. A youth bowler, **Jeremy Godfrey**, has adopted the two-handed delivery and has delivered a consistent 190 average along with a 247 game and a 673 series.

From Eastview Bowl in Saskatoon, a bantam bowler, **Dylan Mowbray** rolled a 211 game. Keep up the good work, Dylan!

Staying in Saskatoon but at Fairhaven Bowl, **Kelsi Beauchamp** is bowling at a 196 average which happens to be the highest youth average in the program. Adding to her resume this season, she has a high game of 258 and series 662. Some honourable mentions from the same program: **Justin Beauchamp** 236, **Aaron Doherty** 275, **Chris Espanol** 244, **Clint Espanol** 258, **John Espanol** 245, **Jayden Wear** 234 and **Ace Vandenheuval** 222.

Saskatchewan's World Cup Provincials will be held January 31, 2016 at Fairhaven Bowl. Youth bowlers that will be participating are **Jeremy Godfrey** from Estevan, **Kelsi Beauchamp** and **Aaron Doherty** from Fairhaven Bowl and Ryan Burwell from Eastview. Saskatchewan this year will be awarding scholarship dollars to the deserving senior youths who advance to the Canadian Youth Championship tournament from the Provincial round.

Moving across the country to Quebec, a list of tournaments for the youth:

- January 23 in Trois Rivieres – 4 Mousquetaires, 4 players, 650 maximum average entry
- YBC Provincials February 27 in Granby
- March 26 & 27 Rogers Cup in Barrie, Ontario
- March 26 FQCQ scratch and handicap tournament in Montreal, Quebec
- In April (to be determined) a Doubles fundraiser for the YBC team in Laval, Quebec
- The Youth Championship, June 9 – 12 in St. Catherine's, Ontario.
- July 27 – 31 in Montreal, Quebec – the Regional Provincials.

In Southern Ontario, from the Niagara area, it's reported that membership is up 50% in the Youth Blue Star Match Play league. This league offers a sanctioned Sport Shot condition with approval from CTF. The 5 different patterns run for 5 weeks at Jeff's Bowl O Rama in Welland, Ontario. According to **Steve Cadrin**, the program's Youth Leader, the group has already attained in excess of \$1000. of scholarship monies from various Youth tournaments. The tournaments would include the local Singles and Doubles tournament, the Niagara area Jack Erb tournament and various winners from their YBT (Youth Bowling Tour) tournaments.



Some names to look for coming out of the Niagara area are **Yannick Morrison, Brianna Villeneuve, Dylan Busby Carver, Maddie Calvert, Jarrett Delgaty, Matthew Leppert** and **Codi McMaster**. All these fine youth bowlers are being aided by one of Niagara's top male bowlers, **Brian Staneff**.

For our last item, you need to travel a bit further south in Southern Ontario, to a 3-house Local, Lambton County, also known as Sarnia, Ontario. With a huge commitment to the Youth bowlers in the area, the program directors have increased the membership numbers on a small scale. This local association recently held their annual Doubles tournament with first spot scholarship monies going to **Jacob Bestard** and **Jarrod Pelkie**. The Youth Coordinators in the area, with their youth bowlers are "gearing up" for the tournament season in Southern Ontario.

From a contributor's view, I was asked for a submission to this edition of "The Connection". There has been submissions before from myself but I would like to do more with your help. If you have any accomplishments, awards, scores, upcoming events or any youth bowling information, please send it to me. I can be easily reached at jimlester@gotenpinbowling.ca.

Just a view for our sport, - and I have been at this for a long time - our sport is like a pyramid. The youth are our base. Without a base, the pyramid will collapse. Don't let the pyramid collapse.



It is with great pleasure to announce that YBOWL Canada and Georgian College will introduce the first Canadian Intercollegiate Bowling Team in Canada. This has been a long project and now the opportunity has been granted. Georgian College will have the opportunity to participate in the intercollegiate loop in the United States as a CANADIAN team. YBOWL is currently working with USBC and Georgian College to prepare for an exciting and historical 2016-2017 season. Material will be available in the New Year. If you require additional information or would like to know more about how to register, contact YBOWL Canada.





Some facts about Georgian College

Georgian College has seven campuses

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- They have on campus residence and a variety of off campus housing options
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We ran across the following letter in support of the quest to have Georgian College agree to start a collegiate sport program for bowling. We thought it was too good not to share with our readers.

Georgian College Could Make History in Collegiate Athletics

Submitted by Karen Wilson, Founder & Coordinator, Quebec Youth Bowling Tour

To start, let's agree that Georgian College embraces the concept that physical education is a direct complement to academic education. This is evident from the 10 Varsity Athletic programs already offered to its students, such as Soccer, Golf, Basketball, and Volleyball.

Next, let's agree that Bowling is one of the most widely accessible sports in the world. The world governing body for bowling, World Bowling, counts 134 international member federations in its roster, including a staggering 200 million participants!

Finally, let's agree that Bowling is not offered as a collegiate sport anywhere in Canada.

Georgian College could offer it, though. Georgian College could make history and be the first institution to offer it in all of Canada. Do you know what happens when you're the first person to do something? Your name gets mentioned *everywhere*, *forever*, because eventually this Thing You Did becomes really big and important, and everyone is talking about it, and there's media coverage, and when people ask where it all started, there can only be one answer: Georgian College.

It's not a secret we like to share, but enrolment in Canadian Bowling has been declining steadily for the past decade. Not enough money in the economy combined with too many cyber distractions is taking its toll in our numbers. And yet, Canada remains a powerhouse contender at every international competition it attends!

The opportunity to pioneer a collegiate Bowling program cannot be underestimated. Bowling is very much a community sport, played en masse by friends and family, but perfected by smaller groups of individuals who share a deeper passion for the game. Bowlers are a dedicated and loyal bunch, but they are starved for opportunity within the sport.

Many of our own Team Canada powerhouse athletes were recruited by American colleges for Bowling -- with scholarships! Zero is the number of equivalent programs offered in Canada. Zero. That means that only the



most talented prospects can pursue (American) collegiate Bowling, and all of the Almost-Good-Enough's get to stay home and try to catch up by their own devices.

There's a cheesy movie quote that is truly relevant to this situation: Build it, and they will come. Imagine if Georgian College were the ONLY institution in Canada to offer collegiate Bowling. With a lower cost of education compared to America, and a lower dollar compared to America, but with all the benefits of a development program and American competition, you could hit the jackpot in applications to the program. We will have to fight to keep the Americans and Europeans out of your program. Ultimately, let's keep our Canadian student athletes at home!

As a sport, one of our biggest challenges is to educate the public about the finer points of Bowling, like our scoring method and the way we use oil on the lanes. Everyone loves watching Bowling blooper clips on You Tube, but where is our flagship program that gets real publicity and attracts/educates new fans? Bowling doesn't carry the same pizzazz as some other sports. Not every student athlete will be the next Wayne Gretzky or Tiger Woods... but maybe they could be the next Jason Belmonte!

I add my name and my voice to the chorus of supporters who have worked so hard to open the doors for this incredible opportunity. It would be an honour to have Georgian College inaugurate the first collegiate Bowling program in Canada. Go Grizzlies Go!



The YBOWL CUP is filling up fast! And Quebec is talking about bringing additional teams. We continue to grow with new sponsors and partnerships. The big event takes place Easter weekend, starting Good Friday with a FUN kick-off tournament for coaches, parents, adults and youth bowlers. This year we have added a banquet Friday night. Saturday is the big day, where it's all about the YBOWL CUP. Sunday wraps up the National weekend with the Grand Prix hosted by the Quebec Youth Bowling Tour. We have extended the deadline to January 15th. Registration forms are available on our website at www.ybowl.com



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THE EVENTS

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THE PARTNERS

YBOWL builds and maintains strong relations with their partners.



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Back Row: Coach David Poupart, Josh Brant-Parkin, Sean Coutts, Cederick Ruest, Mitch Hupe, Coach Michael Boroskae

Front Row: Mykaela Michel, Shaune Pine, Stephanie Adams, Leigha Carnevale.



Youth Team



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**Coach David Poupart, Edith Lee,
Lauraine Fast, Elizabeth Wong,
Deb Uter**

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**Michael Snow, Richard Lefleur,
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Coach David Poupart.**



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**Jack Brace, Vernie Hilton, Joanne
Walker-Keefe, Bob Puttick**



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MEN'S PABCON

**Graham Fach, Brock Finch, Christopher Fernandez,
Travis Cauley, Joe Ciach, David Simard.
Coached by Tyrel Rose**



LADIES WORLDS

**Miranda Panas, Valerie Calberry, Robin Orlikowski
Lynne Gauthier, Isabelle Rioux, Felicia Wong
Coached by Tyrel Rose**



**PAN AM
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Francois Lavoie, Isabelle Rioux, Coach
Tyrel Rose, Robin Orlikowski,
Dan MacLelland



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Patrick Girard of Quebec, is among the Elite at the WSOB.

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« J'ai toujours su que je n'étais pas loin. Maintenant, je sais que je suis de la trempe de ces gars-là et que je mérite ma place avec eux », estime Patrick Girard qui a connu une semaine fructueuse la semaine dernière lors des Séries mondiales de quilles, à Reno, au Nevada. - PHOTO LE QUOTIDIEN, PH. R. PICHET

QUILLES

Patrick Girard est parmi l'élite

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Une victoire à Reno au Nevada la semaine dernière, a permis au Saguenéen Patrick Girard de confirmer qu'il appartient à l'élite mondiale des quilles.

« J'ai toujours su que je n'étais pas loin. Maintenant, je sais que je suis de la trempe de ces gars-là et que je mérite ma place avec eux », lance-t-il avec enthousiasme, convenant que l'opération

avait également été intéressante d'un point de vue financier.

Patrick Girard participait aux séries mondiales, qui regroupaient quatre tournois en plus du Championnat mondial. Les quatre tournois servaient de qualifications pour le Championnat mondial et dans trois des quatre, le représentant du Salon de quilles Jonquier a été qualifié dans le top 16. Son parcours au Championnat mondial a pris fin au terme des trois premières

rondes de « match play » où il a tout de même trouvé une place dans le top 24. « Je suis satisfait, c'est sûr, même si on voudrait toujours plus », commente Patrick Girard, ajoutant qu'un seul des 246 quilleurs présents, Stu Williams, a réussi à se qualifier dans les quatre tournois. Son parcours au tournoi Chameleon a d'ailleurs pris fin dans la ronde des 16 contre l'Anglais au terme d'un trois de cinq excessivement relevé. Le Saguenéen a dû

savourer vaincu même s'il a réussi un pointage de 255 lors de l'ultime partie. « Ça passe très proche. Malheureusement, le gars que j'affrontais était aussi sur la coche que moi », se philosophie Patrick Girard, qui représente les couleurs du fabricant Motiv.

Le seul point qui dérange un peu Patrick Girard est sa performance lors des duels « match play ». Il estime toutefois avoir fait un gros pas en ce sens vers une participation aux finales télévisées, réservées

aux quatre ou cinq survivants des marathons. Il a travaillé beaucoup sur l'aspect mental et croit être près d'une solution.

« Je pense que c'est ce qui me bloquait d'être capable d'y arriver. Je pense beaucoup trop à ça et je deviens impatient. J'ai déjà participé à des finales télévisées il y a une dizaine d'années. Je sais que je suis capable de le faire, mais on dirait que je manque de patience et je veux trop tout de suite au lieu de laisser ça arriver. C'est comme l'amour. Quand on cherche trop, ça n'arrive pas. Quand on regarde pas c'est là que ça arrive. C'est même chose pour moi », illustre Patrick Girard, très satisfait de sa forme physique alors qu'il a tenu le coup sans problème le d'une longue semaine avec des journées très chargées. « En quinzième parlant, c'est ma meilleure semaine depuis au moins 5-6 ans. J'ai joué pas loin de 10 parties avec les entraînements fait remarquer Patrick Girard.

De rares événements majeurs

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S'il le pouvait, Patrick Girard passerait beaucoup de temps au sud de la frontière. Les événements majeurs sont toutefois rares sur le circuit professionnel de la PBA.

« J'irais plus souvent s'il y avait plus de tournois. Quand j'y vais, c'est parce qu'il y a des tournois. Il n'y a pas vraiment autre chose à jouer sauf de petits événements. Ça n'aurait pas de sens de payer 1200\$-1300\$ de frais de déplacement pour la possibilité de mettre la main sur 5000\$. si je gagne »,

rapelle le Saguenéen qui participera en février au USBC Masters à Indianapolis et la semaine suivante au Championnat des joueurs à Columbus. Il a également d'autres tournois à son horaire lors de la prochaine période estivale.

« Si jamais, dans les prochaines années, ça continue de débloquer

comme présentement, je vais peut-être décider de faire plus. Si les bourses peuvent couvrir des pertes à quelque part, ce serait moins pire. Présentement, j'aimerais mieux parier sur une bonne vague de bourses que de tout dépenser plus tard dans la saison », explique Patrick Girard.

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IT'S THE RULE !

- 1.** There are unwritten rules in bowling that we in leagues should all know - they are called "Bowling Etiquette".

Here are some of the basics:

- be respectful of others and the game being played - this is the true meaning of bowling etiquette
- first one on the approach goes first and , when in doubt, the person on the right goes first
- be ready when it's your turn to bowl
- if the bowler doesn't throw a strike on the first ball, they should step off the approach to allow other players to bowl

You can find more suggestions on bowl.com (USBC website) under "Bowling Etiquette"

- 2.** Once a player records scores, whether pre-bowled, post bowled or at the regularly scheduled time, the player's eligibility for that series has been exhausted - Rule 107a NOTE - page 23. This means that a player's scores can only be used for that particular time - not anymore than once.....
- 3.** If you have any questions regarding rules, please contact National Office at ctf@gotenpinbowling.ca.

Charlotte Konkle
Regulatory Chair



Team Canada Sweeps Master's Titles
at the 1993 American Zone Championships

AH, CANADA

**Lowe, Rennox lead our
northerly neighbors in their
finest international hour**

By Bill Vint

THOSE BRIGHT LIGHTS YOU SEE IN the evening sky to the north this summer aren't Northern Lights. They're reflections from the dazzling array of medals Team

Canada members are proudly showing off to all their friends.

Never before in Federation Internationale des Quilleurs competition had Canada led the field in medals. Never had Canada swept an FIQ tournament's most prestigious individual championships.



Sandy Lowe and Warren Rennox gave Canada its first-ever gold medal sweep in the Masters finals of the FIQ American Zone Championships in Guadalajara, Mexico, capping an unprecedented four-gold, 11-medal tournament for their country.

Never before had Canada topped the United States in total medals won.

If TEAM USA players contained their emotional joy over their successes, their fellow American Bowling Congress/Women's International Bowling Congress members and neighborly competitors from the north more than made up the difference in the FIQ American Zone Championships in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Led by 37-year-old pro shop owner Sandy Lowe of Oshawa, Ont. and flamboyant 22-year-old Warren Rennox of Ajax, Ont., Team Canada arrived as an international bowling power in Guadalajara.

Lowe, after setting an FIQ American Zone record with a 704 series during the five-woman event — the first 700 ever by a woman in American Zone history — won the Women's Masters title in a nerve-wracking 173-170 decision over Costa Rica's Marie Ramirez after putting the title on the line in a 204-181 loss to the three-time Central American Games singles champion (in the gold medal match, Ramirez as the challenger had to defeat Lowe, the top qualifier, twice to take the title).

The comeback match against Ramirez might have been Lowe's most impressive performance. After leading the Masters field by 173 pins to win the top qualifying position, she was lost in the first game against Ramirez.

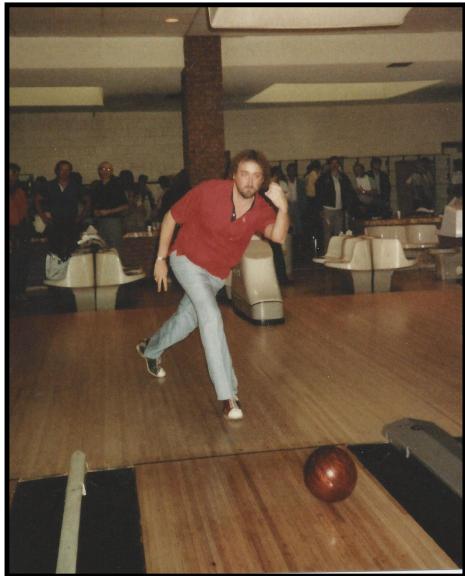
"The big lead I had didn't make any difference at that point," she said. "It was tough, very tough to carry on that pair. Every 8 pin, every 9 pin became a very big pin...and that Marie just wouldn't quit!"

Rennox, on the other hand, took the easy way out, dispatching challenger Alfonso Rodriguez of Mexico 200-184 to clinch the Men's Masters gold medal in one game.

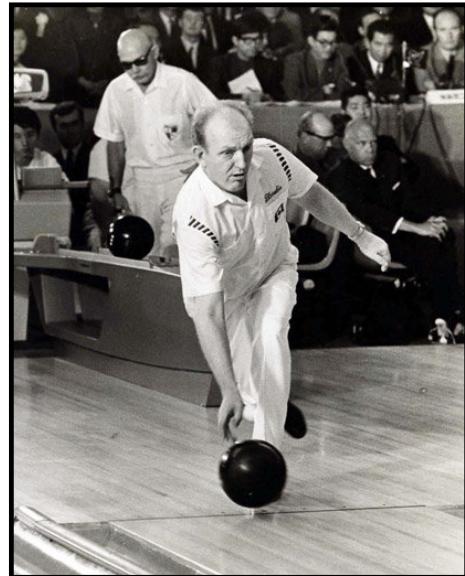
In Guadalajara, Canada made 11 trips to the medal stand, one more than TEAM USA. Lowe led the team with three gold medals and one silver. In addition to the Masters, she won women's all events by 113 pins over TEAM USA's Tammy Turner and joined teammates Connie Ward and Carol Mielczarek in winning women's trios. Lowe and Co. also took the five-woman silver medal.



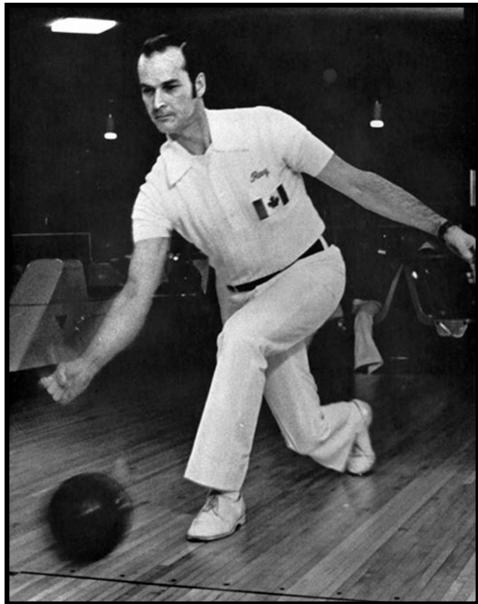
Photos by Jim Margueratt



1986 Earl Demmery



1970 Blondie Robinson



1972 Ray Mitchell



1986 Irene Joyal & Sid Allen

Jim has provided us with many of the photos for the Throwback Section that we have been using. We appreciate it and hope that you do as well.

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LOCAL/PROVINCIAL WEBSITES

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 <i>Note: *recently relaunched and renamed*</i>	http://www.bctenpin.ca/
Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan	http://www.saskbowl.com/
Canadian Lakehead BA	http://www.tenpin.org/cltba.html
Capital District BA	http://www.cdtba.com/
Greater Montreal Tenpin BA (under construction)	http://www.quillesmontreal.ca/
Greater Toronto BA	http://www.gttba.ca/
Hamilton District Tenpin BA	http://www.hamiltonbowling.org/
Kelowna Tenpin BA	http://www.ktbatenpin.ca/
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Lambton County Tenpin Association	http://www.lambtoncountytenpinassociation.com/
London & District BA	http://www.ladtpba.ca/
Manitoba Bowling Association	http://www.bowlingmanitoba.ca/
Manitoba Tenpin Federation	http://www.mbtetenpinfed.com/
Mid-Vancouver Island Tenpin BA	http://www.mvitabowling.ca/
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YBOWL - Youth Bowling	http://www.ybowl.com/



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