



June, 2016



### The Bonus of Connection!

**CONNOR LOWE**  
**ROCK 'N' BOWL FUNDRAISER**  
**FRIDAY JUNE 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**8 P.M. – 10 P.M.**  
**@ Leisure Lanes**  
**\$50 per lane**  
**100% proceeds to the**  
**Lowe Family**  
**Donations accepted**  
**Ask counter for more**  
**details!!!**  
**Having treatment @ sick kids**  
**hospital for Burkitt's Lymphoma**

With this month's issue of the CTF connection, Dan asked about what we could put into our Opening section. So as I am a new Editor, I thought I would try my hand at a story. Not that working for Canada's National Newspaper Chain (Postmedia) will have any influence (Sorry – had to get in a Plug). I am not a writer. I.T. is my thing... so here goes...

Connecting in today's world is easy. We have Facebook, which shamelessly tells everyone what everyone else is up to. There is Twitter, which when you can't follow your sports team on TV, someone is always tweeting



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the current play or score. Instagram, Snapchat, and more. Bowling uses primarily Facebook, and a multitude of websites, but when friends connect, FB is the choice, and amazing things can happen!

Today we are going to discuss the Canadian Tenpin Athletes forum in Facebook, and an incredible story.

On, or about May 31<sup>st</sup> of this year, a simple post on this page was a call for donations. Leisure Lanes, in Oshawa, was going to help a member of the bowling community battle the deadly “C”. A simple call for Ball Reps to donate anything that could be used in a raffle or Silent Auction on an evening of support for Connor Lowe. That was all it was... A simple message asking for donations. The Brace Family were going to run a Rock & Bowl on June 17th, and all lane fees were going to Connor.

What happened next was an amazing example of what the Canadian bowling community could do. In Calgary, **Bob Puttick** came up with a simple idea. He and his family were going to donate \$1.00 per pin for the highest game bowled at the event. As he described it, it was a small snowball he rolled down a hill. He had no clue how big it would become (Snowball Express Memories). They donated \$1. More Alberta friends donated 25 cents, 50 cents, etc. and the total started to rise.

This woke up Ontario. There was a donation for a quarter. Not only that, the challenge was on. Alberta was the first to \$5. Ontario got there quickly, so Alberta stepped up again, and we were at \$7. This had the community a-buzz. It is not that Alberta had to win, and with the population difference, we did not expect to win, but the only winner was **TEAM LOWE!!** When all was said and done, we the bowlers donated \$8,610 in pin pledges.

Now, with the challenge up, we needed to make sure that the maximum benefit was achieved. Congratulations to **Jakob Bowden** who did bowl a 300. But more importantly, for the 48-lane centre, which had 68 lanes booked, they raised \$16,000! Congratulations Leisure Lanes, and congratulations Canada... Bowlers will always be there for bowlers.

A complete breakdown of the fundraising results can be found by joining the Canadian Tenpin Athletes Forum on Facebook, or Team Lowe. Thank you Canada!

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Hamilton News  
Submitted by Jim Margueratt

## HAMILTON BOWLERS PERFECT 18 TIMES

The 2015-16 season saw another 18 perfect games added to Hamilton's total bringing it to 426. **Travis Cauley** fired three of them before the end of November including a pair in three days giving him a total of 17. After a record five last season, **Art Oliver Jr.** only had one raising his total to 22. Perfect twice was **Mike Zawhorodny**. Twelve men with one 300 were **Mike Scargall, Russ Selkirk, Michael Howard, Jay Jones, Steve Smith, Sam Gualtieri, Matt Lewis, Brian Defrancesco, Brody Ostrosser, Mark Ward, Chris King and Ron Elliott** who became our oldest 300 shooter at 77 years 11 months. Make that 19 perfect games, and 427 overall as **Steve Smith** rolled his second of the season as I was writing this article.

**One pin.** Coming one pin short of 300 with 299's were **Jeff Lofft, Brian Gibb, Brandon Crabb, Lionel Lewis Jr., Chris King, Travis Cauley** with a pair two months apart, and **Mike Merkir** who almost became our oldest 300 shooter as he had his 299 at 81 years 1 month.

**Two pins short** at 298 were **Shelby Bomberly, Jeff Easton, Bill Cardwell and Chris King**. Travis Cauley makes the news again with a pair of 297 games. The 296 game was turned in by **Joshua Colwell, Norm Walker and Brian Defrancesco**.

A first frame spare followed by 11 strikes for 290's was accomplished by **Del Belanger, Ron Colling, Lionel Lewis Jr., Billy Craig, Ron Smith, Richard Parker, Mick Anderer** and the only woman on this list, **Brianna Chrysler**.

**800 Series** was achieved by **Travis Cauley** 824 (258,299,267), **Chris King** 809 (268,243,298), **Michael Howard** 803 (258,245,300) and **Matthew Kennedy** 803 (267,289,247).

To recap, Travis Cauley was first with three 300's, two 299's, two 297's and an 800 for eight honour scores.

Congratulations to Travis Cauley for his bronze medal in the C.T.F. National Championships at Burlington Bowl. He averaged 227 with high games of 276 & 269. Art Oliver Jr. was 8<sup>th</sup>., Matt Lewis 22<sup>nd</sup>., Bill Hicks 30<sup>th</sup>., Lionel Lewis Jr. 45<sup>th</sup>., & C.T.F. Hall of Famer Al Tone 65<sup>th</sup>. The only 300 was rolled by gold medal winner Zachary Wilkins. Mykaela Mitchell won the women's gold.

### HAMILTON TENPIN TRIVIA:

- In 1960 **Don Watson** of Hamilton won \$700 for winning the first annual O'Connor Classic in Toronto with 1044 (226,225,190,190,213) to win by 19 pins. Also in Toronto, **Jack Currie** rolled a 695 triple in a 1935 tournament.
- In December 2006, **Kyle Marquette** left the 5-7-10 split twice in five frames.
- In 1983 a 296 game was rejected as the league sanctioned eight days later.
- How do you celebrate the birth of twin daughters? In 1981 **John Strowger** fired a 300 game, only number 10 in our history at the time.
- C.T.F. Hall of Famer **Al Tone** rolled four no-tap 300 games in a row in 1982.

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**Windsor-Essex Chatham-Kent Bowling Association**  
Submitted by Catherine Wilbur



We are sending out an invitation to all Ontario C.T.F. Adult members once again to come out and bowl in the **4th Annual CITY OF ROSES Bowling Tournament**. It will be a great way to get ready for the upcoming bowling season. This tournament is offering events for Teams, Doubles, and Singles with Men's, Women's and Mixed divisions. The tournament is scheduled to run August 13 thru August 14, 2016 with squads at 10am, 1pm and 4pm both days. Bowlers must be at least 19 years of age to participate. It is C.T.F. sanctioned. The tournament is 100% handicap. Revs Rose Bowl on 2482 Dougall Avenue, in Windsor Ontario, is the bowling centre hosting the event. Entries will close ½ hour before each squad. The entry fee is Teams - \$100, Doubles - \$50, and Singles - \$25. Can wait and pay when you check in. Tournament will be holding brackets, 50/50 draw, and ball raffle. You can mail, email, or fill in an on-line entry form from our Local Association web site. In the TEAM EVENT 4 bowlers bowl 4 games with handicap with the lowest team score to be eliminated. In the DOUBLES EVENT, you bowl 4 games eliminating the lowest combined score (scratch and handicap). In the SINGLES EVENT, you bowl 4 games eliminating the lowest scratch game and handicap. In Teams, Doubles, and Singles events, three games total with handicap determines the winners. You can reach the Tournament Directors using the following contact information:

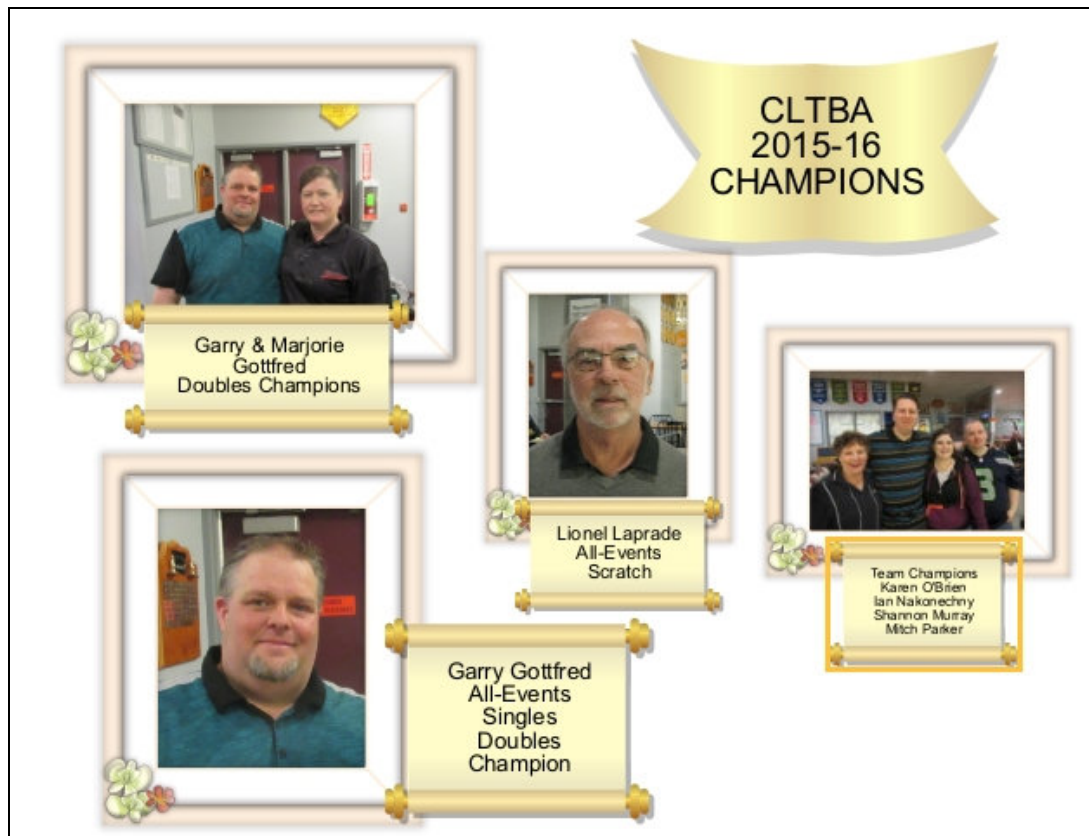
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## CLTBA News Garry Gottfred Captures Three 10-Pin Crowns



**Garry Gottfred** won three of the four bowling crowns this past weekend at Mario's in the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Association Championships. His nine game total of 2247 (1725+522 pins handicap), included three game series of 656 in singles, 573 in doubles and a 496 in team, but was 30 pins more than second place finisher **Shannon Murray**. Garry teamed up with his wife, **Marjorie** to win the doubles crown by another 30 pins. They shot a 1216 total plus their 312 pins handicap for a 1528 total to beat the second place team of **Shannon Murray** and **Mitch Parker**. Garry then turned it on in the singles event to earn his third crown with a 830 total (656+174 pins). He started with a 261 game, which was the high game of the tournament, then a 257 when the tank ran dry with only a 138 game but was enough. **Brian McLean** was second with a 756 (627+129). He also earned the Peter Fuchek Memorial trophy to go along with his All-Events title.

**Lionel Laprade** won the George Drabek Memorial trophy with his 2023 scratch total on sets of 681, 687 and 655.

Murray also won the Ladies All-Events title with her 2215 total (1486+729).

The team championship went to the team of **Murray, Ian Nakonechny, Mitch Parker** and **Karen O'Brien** with 2787 (2235+552) to better the team of **Garry Gottfred, Marjorie Gottfred, Kristy Johnson** and **Jim Merkley** by 40 pins.

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## Ontario News

### Provincial 10-Pin Champions



**Steve Martyn, Patricia Martyn, Dante Trinidad, and Chris Kari-Halwachs**

Mario's Bowl's bowlers have captured the 1<sup>st</sup> Bowl Canada Cup 10-Pin Northern Ontario Provincial Championships and their first personal Provincial title, Mario's Bowl #3 team of Steve Martyn -16, Patricia Martyn +98, and the highest of all 20 bowlers, Dante Trinidad -16 and Chris Kari-Halwachs +61, which was the second highest. They were the only team to bowl above their average.

The four will now bowl at the National Championship in Oshawa in July. Mario's had four teams in the Provincial Championships that were held in the Sault on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The host centre, Northcrest Lanes only fielded one team. All bowlers, as a team, bowled five games and the winners were declared by bowling, as a team, the most pins over their entering average. Mario's **Ian Nakonechny** had the highest pinfall of all the bowlers with a 1082.

The other bowlers representing Mario's were **Lyndzie Dawson-Guay, Bill Graham, Stephane Larocque, Susan Leblanc, Brian Leblanc, Shannon Murray, Ian Nakonechny, Al Nielsen, Mitch Parker, Chris Shperuk, James Shperuk and Mika Vanhapelto.**

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## Northern Ontario 10pinners Medal at National Championship



**Abbigail Gunsinger**, the Northern Ontario Junior Girls representative, and a bowler from Mario's Bowl, won two National medals at the 2016 Canadian Tenpin Federation's Canadian Youth Championships(CYC) that were held in St. Catharines over the weekend. The singles, doubles and team events are all match play of seven games. The All-events is the total of all 21 games rolled over three days. There are four divisions in the CYC. The bantams are 11 and under; the Juniors are 12 to 14, the Intermediate are 15 to 17 and the seniors are 18 to 21.

She hit the podium first with a Gold Medal win in Doubles. Her partner was **Aidan Bass** from Sault Ste Marie, the 2016 YBC National Junior boys Gold medalist. Gunsinger also won a bronze medal in the singles. Gunsinger was tied for the Gold medal after seven games of singles and in the one game rolloff, won the bronze. Her doubles partner Bass, also won the Gold medal in singles and his third Gold as the All-Events Champion.

**Tamara Craig** won a bronze in the senior girls 21 game total, All-Events. Last month she won the YBC senior girls singles' gold medal in Calgary.

Fellow teammates from Sault Ste Marie. **Steven Oliana** and **Ryleah Bell**, won silvers in the singles. Bell also won the bronze in the All-Events. Ema Bowen, the 2016 YBC Bantam silver medalist, won the bronze in All-Events.

Three of the eight bowlers have medalled at the CYCs in the past. Bass as a bantam in 2013 won a gold in singles and the all-events and a bronze on the boys team. Bell won 2 bronze medals also in 2013. Thunder Bay's **Aaron Craig** has the most experience at the CYC, medalling four times over the past eight years. In 2008 he earned two medals; 2012 three medals including the Gold on the boys team and one medal in 2014 and last year, but failed to make the medal stage this year along with **Braedyn Woolley** the bantam boy.



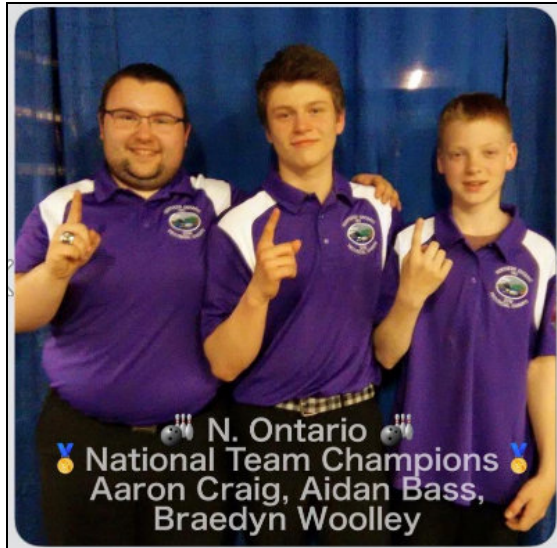


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## Gold for Thunder Bay and Northern Ontario



In singles competition at the YBC Nationals, Mario's Bowl youth **Tamara Craig**, won the **National Gold Medal** with an 11 win/3 loss record and averaging 186 in the senior girls division. She had the gold after rolling a 233 in game 13 but added the final win in game 14 when she ended it with five strikes. This was her second National singles medal. Tamara won the Bantam National Singles' Gold in 2009. Woolley came 4<sup>th</sup> in the bantam boys division and **Aaron Craig** came 4<sup>th</sup> averaging 198.

Averaging over 224 for seven games, Aaron Craig helped his Northern Ontario teammates win the **GOLD MEDAL** in the combo team event at the 2016 Youth Bowling Canada (YBC) Nationals in Calgary this past weekend.

This is Craig's, the senior bowler, first YBC gold medal along with the first for Mario's Youth program teammate **Braedyn Woolley**, the bantam, and Aidan Bass from the Sault as the junior. It is also the first team gold medal for Northern Ontario.

Woolley averaged 169 and Bass 186 for the teams' effort. Woolley's high game was a 231, his personal best and Bass' was a 215. Craig started the event off with a 279 followed by a 266. The team earned 27 of a possible 35 points with their 4064 pinfall.

The Northern Ontario girls' team of Tamara Craig (Mario's) and **Ema Bowen** and **Chasty King** (Northercrest Lanes) tied for 4th.

Aaron and cousin, Tamara Craig, representing the senior division bowlers, 15 to 21 year olds and Braedyn Woolley represent the Bantam Boys, under 12. The bowlers bowled 14 games of singles competition and 7 games of combo team competition over the three days.



Northern Ontario took two other medals. Aidan Bass won the Junior Boys Gold by winning 12.5 games of the 14 and averaging 205. Ema Bowen won the silver averaging 143 for the bantam girls. Both bowlers are from Sault Ste Marie.

Eight bowlers from Thunder Bay have won a YBC Singles Gold Medal since the first one by John Burla Jr in 1981 as a Junior age bowler. Two years later in 1983, Shane Zellweger won his Gold, also as a junior followed the next year in 1984 by Bill Graham as a bantam. The girls finally hit the podium in 1993 by Di Nakonechny as a junior, then it would be eight more years before they struck again by the seniors. Melissa Wilcox in 2001, and Petra Paalanen in 2002. Four years later, Daniel George won his first Gold. First as a Junior in 2013 then as a senior in 2015.

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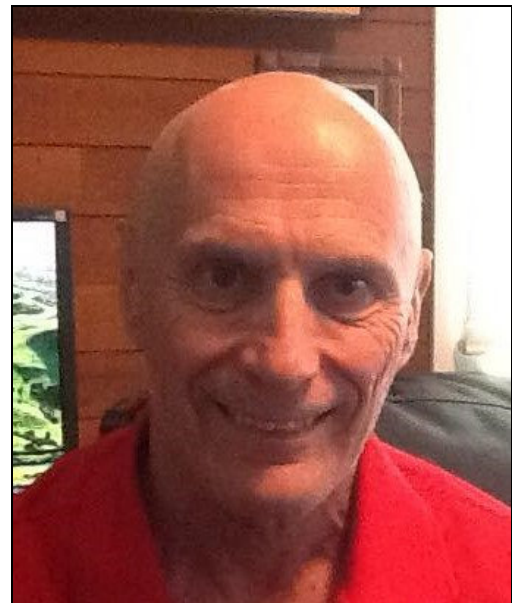
### Calgary News Submitted by Dave Kist

Proof positive, the bowling community is really a family. I am so proud and honoured to be part of the 10 pin bowling family. Here is a few examples of why:

Connor Lowe, a 14 year old young man in Eastern Canada, was recently diagnosed with Burkitt lymphoma, a form of cancer and is now in the hospital undergoing treatment. A fundraiser to help offset some of the medical costs facing the Lowe family was planned and the word was spread over Facebook. By the end of the fundraiser, 21 Albertans & their families, many who had never met or heard of Connor before, stepped up to the podium and donated money to the cause. In total \$2,010 was raised and donated to help towards the \$17,035 that was raised. Giving it their all, including their hair, are the twins:



Jack Brace, Ontario



Bob Puttick, Alberta



The Calgary Team Canada Foundation, which you heard & read about in the last article, continues make progress towards turning their dream into a reality. Nearly \$4,000 has been raised so far for their goal of helping to minimize the out of pocket expenses for Calgarians that will wear the Maple Leaf in international competition. Their goal is to ensure that any future Calgarian earning a spot to represent our great country will not have to worry about making ends meet in order to compete. A lofty goal, but a very noble and worthwhile one.

And of course, where would we be if it wasn't for the help and support of sponsors and volunteers. Too many to list, but three of the family who give so much of their time, energy and of their wallet:



**Russ Dunn**, Chicken on the Way



**Justin Dufault**, Choice Memorial Inc.



**Curtis Kruschel**, Alberta 6 creator

So, why do I feel honoured? In times of need, the family pulls together. We lean on each other, provide support, open doors, cheer for and occasionally some good natured heckling. We help each other in times of need, celebrate the milestones and plan for the future. We call bowling centres our home, we know the staff and consider them family. We remember the past and honour the traditions. We do this not for the recognition, but for the love. The love of the sport and of our family from coast to coast and yes, even in Edmonton (there's that good natured heckling). Thank you to bowlers everywhere, for allowing me to be part of the family.

Perfect Games Galore. It's been an amazing spring full of perfect games, what a way to bring an end to the bowling season. Congratulations to:

**Bob Puttick** with 3 perfect games at Let's Bowl on April 25, May 02 and June 20

**Dave Kist** with 3 perfect games at Let's Bowl on May 02 and two of them on May 30 (a 4 game total of 1,156)

**Scott Stirling** with 3 perfect games at Century Bowl – rolled on May 25 and two on June 01 (a 4 game total of 1,101)

**Fergus Chan** with 2 perfect games at Century Bowl on June 01 and June 22

**Jessica McKenzie** with 1 perfect game at Let's bowl on June 20





Club Perfect,

Taken the night Jessica McKenzie rolled her first on June 20. A pretty intimidating group, with 7 perfect games between them in a span of just under 2 months.

(left to right – Dave Kist, Jessica McKenzie & Bob Puttick)

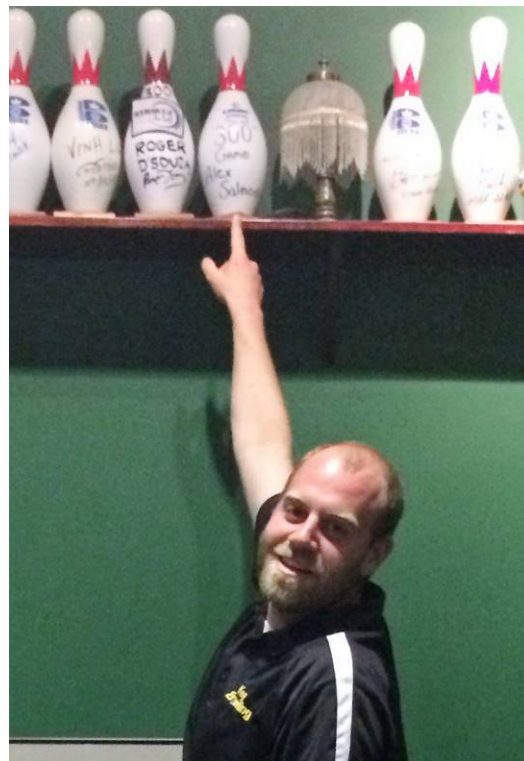


NOTE: Confession time – yes all of the games at Century & Let's are all **no tap**. Yes, I tried to make the font smaller, but this is as small as I could get it.

A couple late season award presentations



11 in a row for **TJ Howard** (left) and **Glenn Kalyniuk** (right)



**Alex Salmons** back in Calgary for a weekend, visits his 300 pin at Let's Bowl



#### Association News:

Recently, the FTA association held their Annual General Meeting with board elections for the 2016/2017 season. Re-elected for another term were:

Association Manager, Lynn Dorey  
Sergeant at Arms, Kelly Kruschel

Vice President, Brett Jenkins  
President, Dave Kist

ATPA will hold their Annual General Meeting in Calgary, late in August. Stay tuned for exact date to be published.

CTF's Annual Meeting will be November 19 in Calgary during the Canadian Mixed Championships

On that note, remember the last CMC's? 551 bowlers from across the country took to the lanes to pit their skills against all challengers. This year, the FTA is honoured and proud to host the event for back to back years and will be working with Let's Bowl to showcase the 2017 CMC's. We anticipate over 600 bowlers this year and encourage you to get your entries in early and avoid the disappointment of sold out shifts. The coveted Thursday night shift, with open ceremonies kicks off the tournament Nov 17 at 6:30 pm, followed by a Friday 6:30 pm shift and 4 shifts each on Saturday & Sunday. This year the Coast Plaza Hotel and Conference Centre will be the tournament's preferred supplier of accommodations and home to CTF's Annual Meeting.

The Alberta and area Tournament schedule is still being gathered and edited so dates/venues are subject to change, but so far the ones to ensure you mark on your calendars are:

July 9-10	Little's BOLF Tourney, Great Falls, MT
July 23-24	Alley Kat Bolf Tournament, Choteau, MT
Jul 23-31	Tournament of Americas – Fort Lauderdale, FLA Alberta Team Canada Reps – Lauraine Fast, Liz Wong, Curtis Kruschel
Aug 21-28	PABCON Seniors, Santo Domingo Alberta Team Canada Reps – Lauraine Fast, Bob Puttick
Sept 24-25	Alberta 6 – Calgary Championships – 24'th @ Let's Bowl, 25'th @ Century Bowl Finals Qualifier – Alberta 6 Points Event
Oct 1-2	Willey Memorial Open – Great Falls, MT
Oct 15-16	Ronan Ladies Scratch
Oct 17	Thanksgiving Day – CANADA
Oct 22	Alberta 6 – Century, Calgary Finals Qualifier – Alberta 6 Points Event
Nov 5-6	Dick Wolff Memorial – Calgary, AB – Let's Bowl
Nov 12-13	Classic 50's Ladies Scratch – Great Falls, MT
Nov 18-20	Canadian Mixed Championships – Let's Bowl, Calgary
Nov 26	Alberta 6 – Gateway Rec Centre, Edmonton Finals Qualifier – Alberta 6 Points Event
Nov 27	Annual Grey Cup Tournament – Gateway Rec Centre, Edmonton
Dec 17	Alberta 6 – Let's Bowl, Calgary Finals Qualifier – Alberta 6 Points Event
Jan 7-8	Annual 40/90 – Littles Lanes, Great Falls, MT (Min 40 yrs for Sing/90 yrs combined for Dubs)
Jan 7-8	Manitoba Open, Winnipeg, MB
Jan 14	Alberta 6 – Century, Calgary





	Finals Qualifier – Alberta 6 Points Event
Jan 28/29	FTA Annual Mixed All Events
Feb 4	Alberta 6 – Gateway Rec Centre, Edmonton
	Finals Qualifier – Alberta 6 Points Event
Feb 5	Annual Super Bowl Tournament – Gateway Rec Centre, Edmonton
Feb 11	Valentines Day Scotch Doubles @ Let's Bowl
Feb 12	YBC Zones
Feb 18-19	2nd Annual Alberta Ladies Scratch
Feb 20	Family Day, AB, SK, MB
Mar 4	Filipino Survivor Tournament
Mar 5	YBC Provincial – Let's Bowl, Calgary
Mar 11	Alberta 6 – Let's Bowl, Calgary
	Finals Qualifier – Alberta 6 Points Event
Mar 13-16	Golden Ladies Classic, Las Vegas, (50+ Event)
March 12	Bowl Alberta Provincial Doubles - Gateway
March 18-19	Ringin Ten Pin, Butte, MT
Mar 25-26	Edmonton Open
Apr 8	Alberta 6 – Swiss Trios – Lets Bowl
Apr 14	Get A Life – Let's Bowl, Friday 4x4 members only
Apr 14-15	Western Cup – Let's Bowl
May 6-7	Alberta 6 – Leigh Patterson Memorial
May 15	World Cup Provincial Qualifier – Century Bowl
May 18-22	Canadian Team Trial, Montral, QC
June 10	Alberta 6 Finals

AND, it's time to kick back, grab the boots, cowboy/girl hat and get ready.....It's almost Stampede.....Yes the annual Calgary Stampede brings millions of people together to celebrate, dance and of course EAT!!!!!! Bring it on – YAHOO !!



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## In Memorium:

### Leslie George BULL

#### Obituary



BULL, Leslie George  
June 12, 1935 – Hudson Bay,  
Saskatchewan  
May 17, 2016 – Calgary, Alberta  
Leslie "Les" Bull beloved husband of  
Patricia Bull of Calgary, passed away  
on May 17, 2016 at the age of 80

years. Les worked with The Red Deer Advocate, Telus, The Calgary Albertan and Alberta Government Telephones as a typesetter and printer. He loved golf and was an avid bowler, but his greatest enjoyment came from being a wonderful father and caring and devoted husband. Les found great joy feeding the chickadees at Carburn Park. Les is survived by his wife, Patricia; sons Don (Lyn), Gary and Alan (Wendy); grandson, Michael Bull; sister, Bonnie Kuzma of Prince Albert; pets, Parker, Stoli and Maria. A Celebration of Life will be held at McINNIS & HOLLOWAY (Park Memorial, 5008 Elbow Drive S.W. Calgary, AB) on Sunday, May 29, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. Condolences may be forwarded through [www.mcinnisandholloway.com](http://www.mcinnisandholloway.com). Thank you to Rockyview General Hospital and the amazing cardiac care at Foothills hospital. A very special thank you to Cindy Gerrard for her endless support, love and assistance. In lieu of flowers, donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated. In living memory of Les Bull, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park.

#### Guest Book

*"Pat, we are so sorry to hear  
the sad news. Our thoughts  
go..."*

*- Lorraine and Frank Siss...*

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#### The Bowlers' Perspective...

**Les Bull** – On May 17<sup>th</sup> 2016, the bowling world lost a great man. Les passed away due to heart disease at the age of 80. He will be remembered by many as having a terrific sense of humour, sometimes offending people, but he didn't care especially if it was something hilarious. I had the pleasure of knowing him and his wife Pat for over 35 years, travelling with them to Havre, Montana on bus trips to go bowling. We had more fun on those bus trips than the actual bowling I think. We bowled for years in the Amateur Bowling Tournaments as well and Les won several times, beating me out in the finals one time. We had so many laughs that we didn't care who won. My friend Cindy and I bowled with Les for 2 years in a fun Wednesday night league. Cindy had never bowled in Alberta and wanted to join a league for fun. The first year together, we swept everything and again, had more laughs than not. Cindy didn't know what a "turkey" meant, so Les said "you know, it's the bird" and flipped the middle finger to demonstrate. From then on, the entire leagues would "flip the bird" whenever anyone got a turkey. That will remain with all of us forever I believe. Les was a big man with a big heart. He cared about you, your family, friends, and everyone. When he passed, Pat asked me if I would donate his bowling shoes to someone as they had never been worn and she didn't want to toss them. I replied "I would Pat, but I don't know anyone who wears a size 14"!! Rest in peace my friend until we meet again.

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## In Memorium:

### SHERRY HOBSON



Sherry Lynn Hobson: September 24, 1956 - May 2, 2016. It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Sherry Hobson, of Winnipeg, at the age of 59. Sherry is survived by her mother Lois Taylor, her brother Kent Lacroix and family, the Taylor family, stepdaughter Brittany Crawford, the Borle family, and her much loved K.C. Puppy.

Sherry is predeceased by her father Guy Lacroix. Sherry was born in Portage la Prairie, and moved to Winnipeg with her Mom and brother at the age of 12. She first attended school in Portage la Prairie, and graduated from Kildonan East Secondary School in Winnipeg, in 1974. After graduation, she became a supervisor for the Winnipeg Police Services Communications Centre and retired after 31 years. She made many lifelong friends while employed with Police Services. Sherry then went on to work as Manager of Chateau Lanes.

She was an avid and competitive tenpin bowler, who represented Canada at the International level and was named Canadian Senior Bowler of the Year. She was also a past Board Member of the Canadian Tenpin Federation.

At the time of her passing, she had been employed at Impact Security. She was a very warm, compassionate and caring lady who made friends easily. Sherry was a very special person who will be missed by all whose lives she touched. Sherry loved the game of golf, and a Celebration of Life service will be held at Pine Ridge Golf Course on Saturday, May 28, 2016 at 1:00pm. Cremation has taken place. Private family interment will follow. Sherry had a deep love for animals. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Manitoba Underdogs Rescue, 56 Arden Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2M 2K2. Please visit [www.manitobaunderdogs.org/donate](http://www.manitobaunderdogs.org/donate)

For anyone who may want to see a video of Sherry's Celebration of Life, you can go to:  
<https://www.facebook.com/lynne.gauthier.39/videos/10153662581800866/>

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## In Memorium

**Gordon Baxter Reid** August 8, 1944 passed away March 5, 2016

Survived by wife Miriam, son Ryan, daughter Erin and grandson Kaden, sisters Beverley, Sharon, Norma and brother Brian, numerous nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Gordon was the eldest of 5 children born to Mary and Harold Reid in Hanna, Alberta who soon after Gordon's birth, moved to Winnipeg.

He participated almost his whole life in a variety of sports including baseball, basketball, football, track and field and bowling (both 5 and 10 pin). As he matured, he began coaching his younger brother, Brian in both baseball and hockey. He led his baseball team, the Mallards, to a Canadian Championship in 1967. He was also a certified baseball umpire and although not on the field, umpired every game he watched on TV.

Gordon's passion became 10 pin bowling in the late 60's and he bowled several times a week in leagues in Winnipeg. After relocating to Calgary, he continued his passion, bowling twice a week and establishing the Alberta Bowlers' Tour.

Gordon took pride in his own bowling accomplishments and transferred his knowledge to his wife Miriam and children Ryan and Erin: their achievements were his also.

In his later years, unable to bowl, he switched his competitive spirit to the game of cribbage and started clubs in the Lower Mainland of BC and traveled to tournaments in the US whenever he could.

Outspoken on many topics, you never had to guess what Gordon was really thinking.

He died peacefully in Vancouver General Hospital of heart failure with his family at his side.

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## Not Your Average Jane Submitted by Curtis Kruschel

### Average Jane?

The CTF connection is about bowling in Canada, and our bowlers competing around the world. We all know about the Canadians representing our Country. Next Month, is the Lee Evans Tournament of the Americas, and in August, the PABCON Seniors in Santo Domingo.

T of A Representatives can be found here ([TofA Participants](#)).

In August, your Team Canada PABCON Senior team!

Senior Standings - Men - Senior

Pos.	Name	Games	Scratch
1.	Jack Guay +	24	5168
2.	Joe Ciach +	24	5089
3.	John Chapman +	24	5059
4.	Ray Vervynck +	18	3668

Senior Standings - Women - Senior

Pos.	Name	Games	Scratch
1.	France Joubert +	18	3307
2.	Jill Friis +	18	3295
3.	Lauraine Fast +	18	3207
4.	Susan Grande +	18	3179



Now, team Canada aside, this month we are going to the Centre of the Universe... No not Toronto, but as I was told once, the Centre of Canada... Winnipeg. I would like to introduce you to **Jocelyn Yao**



The easiest place to start is about bowling, so in 10 words or less, why do you bowl?  
Interested in the sport because of my dad.

How/Why did you start bowling?

I grew up watching Paeng Nepomuceno/Bong Coon on TV back in the Philippines. Dad who liked to watch basketball with the rest of the family of 8 started watching bowling with me when I got interested in it. Although he never took any of us with him, he told me he used to bowl when he was in his 20s. It was only when I moved to Winnipeg in 2006, that a co-worker from the Winnipeg Free press asked me to join the league that I was in before the 2nd one that I am in now.

How many years?

I have been bowling for 9 years

Do you bowl in a league? Sanctioned? Do you know what Sanctioning gets the Average bowler?

Yes, I bowl in a league, sanctioned. - It means I can join a league, play in tournaments.

What is your favorite part of bowling?

Favorite part of bowling has always been meeting other bowlers, getting tips and learning from them, playing in tournaments and knowing I can do it.

Do you have kids? Do they bowl in the Junior program?

No

What is your highest game? Series?

Highest game: 220 Series: 516



How many bowling balls do you own?  
Own 3 ordered a 4<sup>th</sup>

Is there something about the game that bothers you?

The game itself doesn't bother me at all. It's when I start bowling better and improving my games. I would change comments. It shouldn't be that way. I almost quit after my dad passed away in 2011 and a personal event happened, and hearing "she is bad luck". But I decided to try it again by joining another league. I have a brother who told me he also used to play and did quit after he upgraded to a heavier ball and started getting aches and pains. When I went to California 2 months ago, I was brought to 5 different alleys and my favorite is Jewel City in Glendale. Bowling is just a game for me, competing without being so competitive.

If you could change one thing about the game as a whole, what would it be?

I will miss playing the nationals since it has been scrapped and changed to Bowl Canada. I had qualified to try out for the nationals, 4-5 times but didn't make it during the final day which was ok but knowing I got that far was good to know. I was told that the reason they changed it was because not enough people are playing. The tournaments I have joined really were great experiences that would stay with me forever.

Do you use Social Media (Twitter, FaceBook, Instagram, YouTube)?

I use Twitter, Facebook and you Tube for bowling

Do you use it for bowling?

Watching bowling videos all the time besides reading. If I could do it, bowling would be my life.

Now about you, when you're not bowling what do you do?

Hobbies are reading, bowling, scrabble and chess, listening to music, walking, etc

Career?

Terry Fox Run

Now the fun part... 20 Questions – One word answers:

Favorite Spectator Sport: [Bowling](#)

Favorite Movie: [James Bond](#)

Favorite Vacation Destination: [California](#)

Favorite Food: [Authentic Chinese](#)

Favorite Restaurant: [Kumkoon Garden](#)

Dog or Cat: [Dogs](#)

Chess or Checkers: [Chess](#)

Computer or Pen: [Computer](#)





Text or Call: [Call](#)

Hold Em or Dealers Choice: [Dealer's Choice](#)

Summer Sport : [Slo Pitch](#)

Favorite Sports Team: [Blue Jays](#)

Going to Winnipeg – Drive or Fly? [Fly](#)

Radio – Talk or Music? [Music](#)

Sports or News / Country or Top 40 [Sports](#)

Favorite TV Show: [Bones](#)

Best Friend: [Dad](#)

Finally, if you could make a statement to all Canadian bowlers about our sport, recreational and competitive, what would you say?

[Bowling just like any sports is discipline and focus. If you fall dust yourself up, and keep going. I always say a prayer to the one up there, and knowing my dad is iP there watching, I always say wish me luck. Don't give up.](#)

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## CTF Canadian Youth Championships



The CYCs were held from June 9-12 in St. Catharines, Ontario. All of the medal winners are shown here, but if you want the complete results, including all of the detailed scoring and statistics, visit the CTF website and view or download the official results booklet at:

<http://gotenpinbowling.ca/EN/canadian-youth-championships-results/>

You can view many professional pictures taken at the CYCs by Muir Image Photography by going to this link:

<https://muirimagephotography.sproutstudio.com/gallery/cyc-bowling-2016>

and entering the word "bowling" (without the quotes) in the guest access code box. Enjoy!

### Medal Winners - - - Team Event

Girls		Boys
<b><u>Southern Ontario</u></b>	<b>GOLD</b>	<b><u>Quebec</u></b>
<b>Sierra Baltzer</b>		<b>Alexandre Gareau</b>
<b>Meagan Muir</b>		<b>Reese John</b>
<b>Mykaela Mitchell</b>		<b>Alex Cote</b>
<b>Catlin Tam</b>		<b>Samuel Siconnelly</b>
<b><u>Alberta</u></b>	<b>SILVER</b>	<b><u>New Brunswick</u></b>
<b>Lillian Colborne</b>		<b>Maxime Landry</b>
<b>Molly Nimchuk</b>		<b>Jason Rousselle</b>
<b>Kaytlynn Insko</b>		<b>Maxime Mallais</b>
<b>Gemma Oxley</b>		<b>Nathan Ruest-Lajoie</b>



<u>Quebec</u>	<b>BRONZE</b>	<u>Manitoba</u>
Jade Côte		Dean Garing
Elodie Annett		Vincent Jobin
Genevieve Croteau		Austyn Ducharme
Andréanne Blouin		Sean Coutts

### Medal Winners - - - Doubles Event

	<u><b>Bantam Division</b></u>		
<b>GOLD</b>	Quebec	Jade Côte	Alexandre Gareau
<b>SILVER</b>	Alberta	Lillian Colborne	Lance Cayco
<b>BRONZE</b>	British Columbia	Destiny Petrovich	Mark Rouhana
	<u><b>Junior Division</b></u>		
<b>GOLD</b>	Northern Ontario	Abigail Gunsinger	Aidan Bass
<b>SILVER</b>	Quebec	Elodie Annett	Reese John
<b>BRONZE</b>	Southern Ontario	Meagan Muir	Brayden Vaughan
	<u><b>Intermediate Division</b></u>		
<b>GOLD</b>	Manitoba	Brittney Rocan	Austyn Ducharme
<b>SILVER</b>	Southern Ontario	Mykaela Mitchell	Joshua Bautista
<b>BRONZE</b>	Quebec	Genevieve Croteau	Alex Cote
	<u><b>Senior Division</b></u>		
<b>GOLD</b>	Quebec	Andréanne Blouin	Samuel Siconnelly
<b>SILVER</b>	New Brunswick	Stephanie Vienneau	Nathan Ruest-Lajoie
<b>BRONZE</b>	Manitoba	Ashlie Ducharme	Sean Coutts

### Medal Winners - - - Singles Event

		<u><b>Bantam Division</b></u>		
		<b>Girls</b>		<b>Boys</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	Quebec	Jade Côte	Quebec	Alexandre Gareau
<b>SILVER</b>	Southern Ontario	Sierra Baltzer	British Columbia	Mark Rouhana
<b>BRONZE</b>	Saskatchewan	Emily Skilton	Alberta	Lance Cayco
		<u><b>Junior Division</b></u>		
		<b>Girls</b>		<b>Boys</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	Southern Ontario	Meagan Muir	Northern Ontario	Aidan Bass
<b>SILVER</b>	Quebec	Elodie Annett	Southern Ontario	Brayden Vaughan
<b>BRONZE</b>	Northern Ontario	Abigail Gunsinger	British Columbia	Kyle Palacios





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		<b><u>Intermediate Division</u></b>		
		<b>Girls</b>		<b>Boys</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	Saskatchewan	Kelsi Beauchamp	Manitoba	Austyn Ducharme
<b>SILVER</b>	Northern Ontario	Ryleah Bell	Northern Ontario	Steven Ollana
<b>BRONZE</b>	British Columbia	Amanda Tang	New Brunswick	Maxime Mallais
		<b><u>Senior Division</u></b>		
		<b>Girls</b>		<b>Boys</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	Quebec	Andréanne Blouin	Manitoba	Sean Coutts
<b>SILVER</b>	Manitoba	Ashlie Ducharme	New Brunswick	Nathan Ruest-Lajois
<b>BRONZE</b>	Southern Ontario	Caitlin Tam	Southern Ontario	Shane Courtney

**Medal Winners - - - Team All Events**

<b>GOLD</b>	Quebec	Jade Côte	Alexandre Gareau
		Elodie Annett	Reese John
		Genevieve Croteau	Alex Côte
		Andréanne Blouin	Samuel Siconnelly
<b>SILVER</b>	Southern Ontario	Sierra Baltzer	Dustin Borho
		Meagan Muir	Brayden Vaughan
		Mykaela Mitchell	Joshua Bautista
		Caitlin Tam	Shane Courtney
<b>BRONZE</b>	Manitoba	Nikaya Bautista	Dean Garing
		Madison Tokar	Vincent Jobin
		Brittney Rocan	Austyn Ducharme
		Ashlie Ducharme	Sean Coutts

**Medal Winners - - - Individual All Events**

		<b><u>Bantam Division</u></b>		
		<b>Girls</b>		<b>Boys</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	Southern Ontario	Sierra Baltzer	Quebec	Alexandre Gareau
<b>SILVER</b>	Quebec	Jade Côte	British Columbia	Mark Rouhana
<b>BRONZE</b>	Northern Ontario	Ema Bowen	Alberta	Lance Cayco
		<b><u>Junior Division</u></b>		
		<b>Girls</b>		<b>Boys</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	Quebec	Elodie Annett	Northern Ontario	Aidan Bass
<b>SILVER</b>	Southern Ontario	Meagan Muir	Southern Ontario	Brayden Vaughan
<b>BRONZE</b>	Alberta	Molly Nimchuk	Quebec	Reese John



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		<b><u>Intermediate Division</u></b>		
		<b>Girls</b>		<b>Boys</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>Southern Ontario</b>	<b>Mykaela Mitchell</b>	<b>Quebec</b>	<b>Alex Côte</b>
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>Saskatchewan</b>	<b>Kelsi Beauchamp</b>	<b>Manitoba</b>	<b>Austyn Ducharme</b>
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Northern Ontario</b>	<b>Ryleah Bell</b>	<b>Southern Ontario</b>	<b>Joshua Bautista</b>
		<b><u>Senior Division</u></b>		
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<b>SILVER</b>	<b>Southern Ontario</b>	<b>Caitlin Tam</b>	<b>New Brunswick</b>	<b>Nathan Ruest-Lajois</b>
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Northern Ontario</b>	<b>Tamara Craig</b>	<b>British Columbia</b>	<b>Simon Dyck</b>

**Ivan Nelson Memorial Sportsmanship Award - Boys**

**Sean Coutts**  
**Manitoba - Senior Boy**

**Chris Tucker Memorial Sportsmanship Award - Girls**

**Marika Robert**  
**New Brunswick - Intermediate Girl**

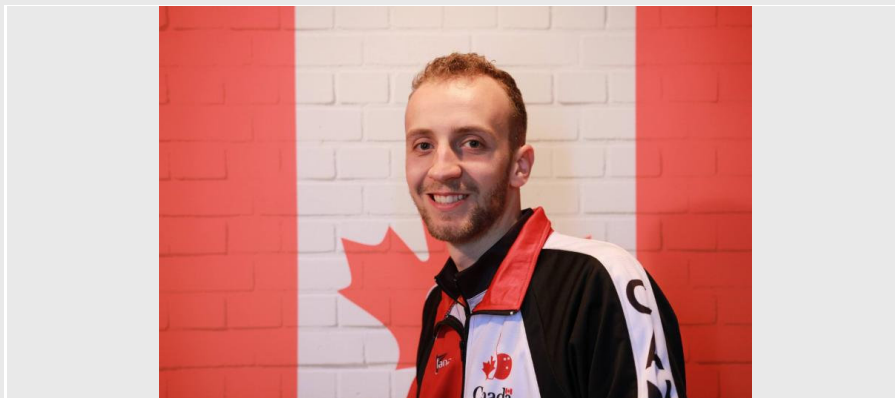
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## CTF Honorary Achievement Award



**Graham Fach** from Guelph Ontario was awarded an honorary achievement award at the Canadian Team Trials Awards Banquet. In February 2016 Graham became the first Canadian to win a Professional Bowlers Association title when he came out on top in the Barbasol Players Championships, which is one of the PBA Major Events.



Graham started 5-pin bowling at 2 years old and switched over to 10-pin just two years after that. He never looked back.

He was always awestruck by the PBA tour and spent countless hours watching recorded PBA shows on VHS tapes. Joining the PBA has been Graham's dream since he was 2. There are few people who fulfill lifelong dreams.

For this young man to win so soon after being on tour and being the first Canadian to do so is truly incredible. He showed physical, tactical and mental skills beyond his years on the show and I'm sure we will see much more of him.

Graham is currently a Team Canada Member on the 2016 team and just earned his spot on the 2017 Team.

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## Canadian bowler rolls 300 game at 2016 USBC Open Championships

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**RENO, Nev. -** As a competitor and as a coach, **Matt Dammann** of Spruce Grove, Alberta, Canada, believes the ninth and 11th strikes in a perfect game are the most challenging.

The 28-year-old right-hander delivered both with precision Saturday at the National Bowling Stadium and added one more to polish off the second 300 of the 2016 United States Bowling Congress Open Championships.

"The ninth strike is important because it sets up the 10th frame, and if you can get the 11th one, you're able to relax and free roll a little because having the front 11 anywhere is pretty awesome," said Dammann, who made his fourth USBC Open Championships appearance. "Really, if you get to that point, you obviously have a good look, so it's all about repetition and relying on your training. There's definitely nerves, especially here, but the mindset is the same."

Dammann's perfect performance came after games of 246 and 195, and his 741 singles series is just outside the top 10 in Regular Singles this year at the NBS. Robert J. Bures of Painesville, Ohio, leads with 815, while Tim Janz of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, used the year's only other 300 to break into the top five with a 770 series on April 15.

Saturday's string of strikes wasn't Dammann's first run at perfection on the championship lanes, however.

In 2014, he started his final game of singles with 10 consecutive strikes, before a 10 pin ended his run. He finished with a then-best 698 singles series and career-high 2,064 all-events total.



Because travel from western Canada is a little more challenging, the Open Championships is the only major USBC event Dammann has been able to compete in, and three of his four appearances have come at the National Bowling Stadium, where he has gotten more and more comfortable.

He also made the trip to Reno to compete in the 2015 GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling VII presented by Silver Legacy.

"I love bowling in the Stadium and have since my first time here," Dammann said. "I feel like I have a really good look here, so I'm able to throw it with a little more confidence. Doing this here, at this tournament and with so many great people around me was really special. Last time I had the front 10 here, I ripped a 10 pin, so at least it was a good shot. This time, I just wanted to make another good pitch and let the pins fall. Luckily, this was my day."

Dammann added a 612 series in team and 556 in doubles for a 1,909 all-events total, and his name will be added to the short list of Canadian bowlers who have rolled perfect games at the Open Championships. The list includes - Rick Rhyno (1990), Ralph DiDomenico (1997), Stephen Gilliam (2000), Joe Ciach (2009), Mark Buffa (2013) and Graham Fach (2014).

During a two-year stint bowling collegiately for Vincennes, Dammann had the opportunity to meet Professional Bowlers Association Tour champion Jeff Carter of Springfield, Illinois, the captain of the six-team group Dammann now bowls with at the Open Championships.

Being a part of such a supportive group definitely helped make the moment Saturday even more special.

"The guys I bowl with are really nice and supportive, and I appreciate how they've accepted me into their group," Dammann said. "Having them behind me, along with family and a friend from home I didn't even know was going to be here, makes it an even bigger deal. I'm also excited to have award rings from two different countries."

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## Coaches Plan Publication

There is a free publication available from the Coaching Association of Canada that is called "Coaches Plan". It is a quarterly e-publication that can be a valuable resource for coaches, of all sports. Included below is the Editor's Introduction to the latest publication. To see the entire publication, go to:

[http://www.coachesplan-digital.com/coachesplan/spring\\_2016?pg=3#pg3](http://www.coachesplan-digital.com/coachesplan/spring_2016?pg=3#pg3)

You can sign up to receive this publication at [www.coach.ca](http://www.coach.ca)

## The Many Hats of a Coach

More than ever, life as a coach has so much more to do with simply "coaching" athletes to be their best in their sport of choice. With today's abundance of available information, and easy access to it, the roles of the coach are diverse in that they wear many hats in performing their coaching duties. While these roles may differ considering the developmental stage of the athletes they are coaching, or the organization for which they work or volunteer, a coach today is often called upon to play the roles of psychologist, administrator, and even nutritionist.

In this issue of *Coaches plan*, we offer practical advice on several areas that often fall under a coach's responsibility. In our psychology feature, we explore why coaches need to take time for reflection. Some coaches may be good at critiquing their athletes, but what about themselves? Dr. Shaunna Taylor provides six ways coaches can enhance their reflective process.

In recent years, research has begun to examine how nutrition can aid in concussion recovery. Wearing your nutritionist "hat," we encourage you to take a closer look at the types of foods and dietary supplements that may be beneficial in treating a brain injury with our nutrition column, Feed your head.

Must you be a lawyer to be a coach? Understanding the legalities around the administration of your club or sport organization may be another "hat" that you also wear as a coach.

Coaches sometimes serve as members of boards of directors of the sport organizations where they coach. In Should you be both coach and director?, Hilary Findlay and Rachel Corbett of Sport Law & Strategy Group explain what you need to know before accepting a position on the board of your sport organization.

Lastly, we examine the issue of abuse in sport with Preventing abuse in sport: Sheldon Kennedy speaks out. In this feature, Mr. Kennedy points to the red flags coaches and parents should be aware of and offers tools for coaches to create a healthy atmosphere for kids. We also asked Dr. Jennifer Fraser, author of *Teaching Bullies: Zero Tolerance on the Court or in the Classroom*, to provide advice to coaches on how to deal with abuse in sport.

Hats off to you, Coach! I hope you enjoy this issue of *Coaches plan*.

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## 15 Things to Remember When You're Watching your Child Play a Sport



If you've been to many youth sporting events, you've likely encountered that parent who goes a little overboard on the sideline. Maybe it's a dad who yells at the ref. Perhaps someone's mom just yells at everyone. To help you avoid being that parent, [Taking You Beyond The Game](#) (by Prospect Communications) has compiled 15 things to keep in mind when you're watching from the sidelines.

1. **Let the coaches coach.** Telling your child to do something different from what her coach is saying can be distracting and confusing.
2. **Let the kids play.** A yelling parent can cause kids to lose focus on the field. Trust that the coaches have instructed your child well; if your child makes a mistake, don't worry, he or she will likely learn from it.
3. **Don't discuss the play of specific young players in front of other parents.** When parents act like their child is the star, or make negative comments about other children, it can be hurtful and kill parent harmony, which is often a key to the overall success of a youth sport.
4. **Address issues in a positive way.** If you hear parents making negative comments, listen patiently and then speak to the positive qualities of the player, coach or family.
5. **Don't complain about coaches to other parents.** Once the behind-the-back criticism begins, it might never end. If you have a genuine issue with your child's coach, plan a private meeting in which you can air your concerns.
6. **Be encouraging.** The coaches are there to guide young athletes through their mistakes, not the parents. Positive comments from the sidelines are more likely to boost children on the field.
7. **Avoid making negative comments about players on the other team.** Always remember that these are kids, not paid professionals. Negative comments can be hurtful to the young player as well as her family.
8. **Be courteous.** Keep interaction with parents on the other team as healthy and positive as possible.



9. **The “other” team isn’t the enemy.** Just as you’re out to watch your child play soccer, so too are the opposing team’s parents out to watch their kids. The only difference between sides here is the colour of the jerseys.
10. **Don’t criticize the referees.** Refs are going to miss calls – it’s part of the game – but they’re trying to be fair and objective.
11. **Don’t blame others.** Whether it’s towards the ref or anyone else, when a parent directs outbursts at someone for something that’s happened, it signals to the children that they can blame others when things go wrong.
12. **Don’t offer superficial support.** Thanking an official for a call that went “your” team’s way can be annoying and alienating. The ref wouldn’t have made the call if she didn’t think it was correct.
13. **Avoid walking up and down the sidelines.** Following play yelling instruction can be unnerving for the players and embarrassing to the children involved. If parents want to coach, they should pursue their coaching certification and then apply for openings.
14. **Be conscientious.** Parents should take a moment to think about their words or actions before they act in the heat of the moment. Just as players are punished for inappropriate behaviour, parents can be as well.
15. **Let it go.** If something happens on the field, the time to address it is not immediately after the game. Parents shouldn’t harass officials, coaches, other parents or players, and should speak positively with their child afterward. Sometimes the lessons learned on the drive home are as important as those learned on the field.

Michael and Mary-Louise Langlois are the Founders of Prospect Communications Inc. Prospect works in an advisory capacity with many sports organizations, coaches and athletes and has developed a number of articles and eBooks for Clubs, parents and coaches. More information is available at <http://prospectcommunications.com>

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## New Rules For Specially-Drilled Bowling Balls

The following is the new rule that USBC has put in their Equipment Specifications section to account for bowling balls drilled with the "Triangle", "Wi-Fit" or "Duo" grip orientation. The rule is mostly applicable for tournaments where the maximum number of bowling balls per participant is restricted.

*A "Wi-Fit" or "Duo" grip bowling ball with finger grips cannot be used in USBC competition because the hole not used would be deemed as a weight hole, and according to USBC specifications no interchangeable device may be used in a weight hole.*

*Bowling balls drilled to allow the bowler to grip the ball in different orientations will count as a ball for each gripping orientation used to deliver the ball in that competition, with the exception of:*

*1. A bowling ball with a "Triangle" grip will count as six balls.*

*2. The "Wi-Fit" or "Duo" grip, will count as two balls.*

*Individuals who violate this rule are subject to disqualification from the tournament.*

Here are some pictures which might help you understand these gripping/drilling techniques and these restrictions a bit more. If you want to learn more about the background to this rule change, you can use this link: <http://www.bowl.com/equipandspecs/>

Also, here are a few illustrations to help clarify things...

**Wi Grip (legal)**

The middle two fingers move between all three holes



**Wi Grip (illegal)**

This is illegal for two reasons: balance hole cannot have inserts and it has two balance holes



**Triangle grip**

For no-thumb bowlers (legal)



**Triangle grip**

This is illegal because balance hole cannot have inserts



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## **Alberta String-Pin Bowling Centres in Pilot Program**

*"Ladies and Gentlemen, today you have made history".*

These were the words spoken by the Canadian Tenpin Federation ("CTF") President, Brian McMaster, shortly after the CTF Board of Directors voted on June 5, 2016 to approve a pilot project for the sanctioning of string pin bowling centres in Alberta only, for sanctioned play during the 2016-2017 bowling season.

CTF will provide full services for such bowling centres, sanctioned leagues, sanctioned tournaments and registered participants who wish to join CTF. Registered participant fees will not exceed \$30 CDN (\$20 for national fees/up to \$7 for local fees/ and up to \$3 for provincial fees). Our honour score and special achievement awards will be available to all such registered participants. Averages for registered participants from tenpin string pin and/or 5-10 convertible centres will be recognized for CTF sanctioned events in Canada; however, at this time, will not be available for use in the United States in accordance with the Reciprocal Average Agreement in place between CTF and the United States Bowling Congress.

CTF will run the pilot project in Alberta only for the 2016-2017 season to determine if any changes to centre certification specifications and/or playing rules are required. Upon completion of the 2016-2017 season and reviewing the pilot project, CTF will accept sanction applications from all tenpin string pin and/or 5-10 convertible centres across Canada.

We are compiling a contact list of all bowling centres in Canada that use the tenpin string machines and/or the 5-10 convertible machines. If you are a proprietor or know of a centre that may be interested in joining CTF for the 2017-2018 bowling season, please contact us at [stringpin@gotenpinbowling.ca](mailto:stringpin@gotenpinbowling.ca).

For more information, please contact Stan May, Executive Director, at [stanmay@gotenpinbowling.ca](mailto:stanmay@gotenpinbowling.ca).

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## **CTF Director Nominations Wanted!**

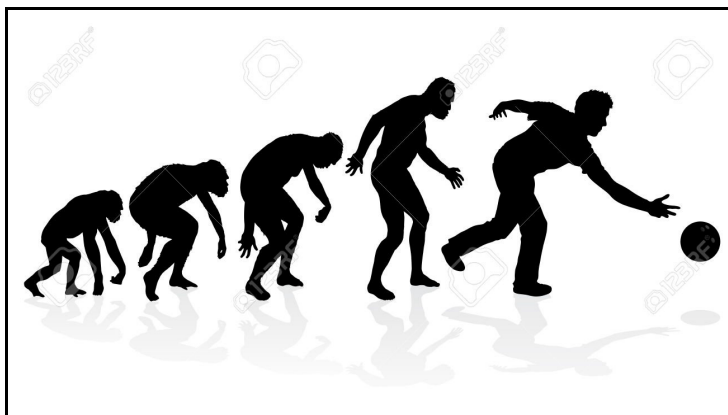
CTF will be having its Annual Meeting on November 19th. At this meeting, there are elections to fill a minimum of three Director positions that will be open.

Therefore, if you, or someone you know, is interested in making a difference, and becoming a Director, please fill out a Director nomination form. All Provincial and Local Bowling Associations have already been sent a reminder letter about this, and we of course want all of our CTF Registered Participants to be aware of this opportunity as well.

The application form is available for viewing and download on the CTF website. The form (in English and French) is in the "Miscellaneous" section, and is called "CTF Director Application". Here's the link to the correct page: <http://gotenpinbowling.ca/EN/forms-2/>

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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\*\****

<b>British Columbia Tenpin Federation</b> <i>Note: *recently relaunched and renamed*</i>	<a href="http://www.bctenpin.ca/">http://www.bctenpin.ca/</a>
<b>Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan</b>	<a href="http://www.saskbowl.com/">http://www.saskbowl.com/</a>
<b>Canadian Lakehead BA</b>	<a href="http://www.tenpin.org/cltba.html">http://www.tenpin.org/cltba.html</a>
<b>Capital District BA</b>	<a href="http://www.cdtba.com/">http://www.cdtba.com/</a>
<b>Greater Montreal Tenpin BA (under construction)</b>	<a href="http://www.quillesmontreal.ca/">http://www.quillesmontreal.ca/</a>
<b>Greater Toronto BA</b>	<a href="http://www.gttba.ca/">http://www.gttba.ca/</a>
<b>Hamilton District Tenpin BA</b>	<a href="http://www.hamiltonbowling.org/">http://www.hamiltonbowling.org/</a>
<b>Kelowna Tenpin BA</b>	<a href="http://www.ktbatenpin.ca/">http://www.ktbatenpin.ca/</a>
<b>Kingston Tenpin BA</b>	<a href="http://www.kingstontenpin.ca/">http://www.kingstontenpin.ca/</a>
<b>Lambton County Tenpin Association</b>	<a href="http://www.lambtoncountyttenpinassociation.com/">http://www.lambtoncountyttenpinassociation.com/</a>
<b>London &amp; District BA</b>	<a href="http://www.ladtpba.ca/">http://www.ladtpba.ca/</a>
<b>Manitoba Bowling Association</b>	<a href="http://www.bowlingmanitoba.ca/">http://www.bowlingmanitoba.ca/</a>
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