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Great Bowling!!



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*** CROSS COUNTRY CANADIAN NEWS ***



Manitoba News Submitted by Dan Tereck

Tyler Groening – First Career 800 Series



Congratulations to **Tyler Groening** of Winnipeg, Manitoba who bowled his first-ever 800 Series.

His game scores of 258, 297, 246 gave him a series of 801.

Tyler is still in the youth program, and accomplished this feat in his Monday night youth league at Laverendrye Lanes on January 20, 2020.

Way to go Tyler. I'm sure this will not be your last honour score award!

Jersey Galapon – 111 Pins Over Average Game

Congratulations to **Jersey Galapon** from the Mabuhay Mixed Bowling League.

On November 30, 2019, his 3rd game of the session was a 241 – 111 pins over his average of 130!!!

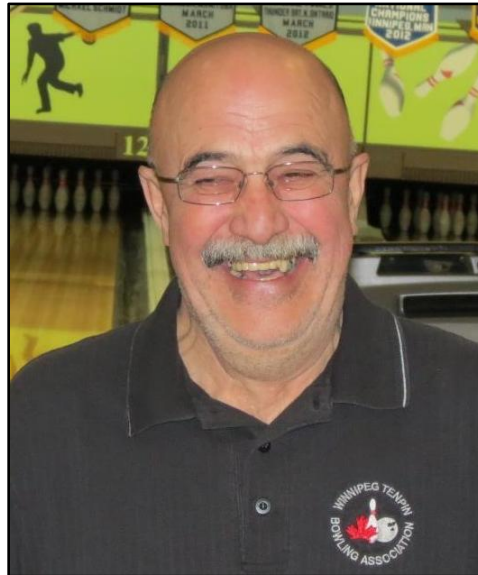
This entitles him to a watch award from CTF.

Way to go Jersey!





Ron Molinski – Well-Deserved Honour



On December 8th and 9th, the Winnipeg Tenpin Bowling Association ran their annual Recognition Tournament. Each year, this tournament is held in order to honour an outstanding individual in the local bowling community.

This year **Ron Molinski** is being recognized for his outstanding commitment to 10-pin bowling.

Besides being the Executive Director of the WTBA for the past 15 years, Ron has also served on the former Winnipeg Bowling Association; Manitoba Tenpin Federation; Canadian Tenpin Federation (Director and 2nd Vice President); and the Manitoba Bowling Association (Exec Director). In addition, he's been league secretary for the following leagues: Mixed 4's; Classic League; Keystone Men's; Cercle "O"; the 59ers along with a few others. In 2004 he was selected as the Provincial Volunteer of the Year by Sport Manitoba and was inducted into the Manitoba Tenpin Bowling Hall of Fame in 2010. He is also seen at almost every WTBA tournament entering scores, answering questions, and anything else he can assist with.

Thank you Ron!





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The Manitoba Open

The 39th edition of The Manitoba Open was held at Chateau Lanes on January 11th & 12th, 2020. Once again, there were representatives from Alberta, Saskatchewan, Ontario, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota, in addition to our locals of course. We love to see the top talent in the area compete for the title.

It's a tough grind, with the Saturday qualifying round consisting of 10 games. This year, the oil pattern was the Tower of Pisa, one of Kegel's creations. The cut to make it to Sunday's match play was +39.

The eventual champion was Michael Makela, from Thunder Bay, Ontario.

To see all of the stats and tons of photos, visit:

<http://chateaulanes.ca/manitobaOpen.html>

You can also view the televised stepladder finals. Here's the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YvOSPyRMutw>

Here are the top 5 finishers:



L-R (1st to 5th): Michael Makela, Wade Scott, Liam Naylor, Michael Schmidt, Thomas Wolf



Lorna Lisowski – New Career High Series



On Jan 15, 2020, **Lorna Lisowski** rolled a new career high series – 521. She was steady and consistent all evening, throwing games of 161, 188, and 172. Not too shabby for a 138 average! I think her average will be climbing steadily from here on in.

Interestingly enough, just a few weeks earlier, Lorna had rolled her highest career single game of 217. As I said, nothing but upwards potential for this lefty!

This all happened in the 59'ers League at Chateau Lanes.

Congratulations Lorna!

Gord Tereck – Perfect Game



Gord Tereck rolled his 6th career perfect on Tuesday, Jan 21, 2020.

This was his 3rd game of the night, and what makes it more special is that in this league – Winnipeg Senior Men – we change lanes after each game. So, he accomplished this on a pair of lanes with no practice shots, and it was on lanes 14 and 15, which most right-handers think is one of the toughest pairs at Laverendrye Lanes.

Gord mentioned that this is his 3rd perfect game on this same pair of lanes. Go figger!

Well done, Gord !!

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

Submitted by Cathy Wilbur



Our association (W.E.C.K.B.A.) has been awarded the Youth Provincial Championship Tournament and the Adult Provincial Championship Tournaments for 2020. What an Honour! This is the first time that one association will host both in the same year. The Association is mainly involved with running the Adult Tournament. The Youth Tournament is directed by the Provincial Youth Committee members. Our responsibility will be to help with lane corrections and collecting score sheets submitted to Tournament centre to be recorded. We have an outstanding team who work very hard and very well together. Without a group of very dedicated board members, it would be very hard to host Provincial tournaments. Not only do you need an efficient Tournament Director in charge to direct traffic to keep tournament squads on time, you need additional people to do the following:

- Arrange for hotel rooms for bowlers.
- Arrange for quick organized bowler registration and a well-organized tournament office.
- Take care of scoring issues on the lanes.
- Have people available to make sure bowlers keep pace with other lanes so all squads remain on time.
- Keep track of problem lanes (breakdowns) with the centre and those scheduling lanes. If a lane keeps breaking down, then it is problematic for a future squad. It will not be used unless it is fixed for next squad.
- May need to allow for a vacant pair of lanes for a breakdown (May not always be possible).
- Interact closely with bowling centre staff because they augment your tournament team.
- Work with bowling centre to provide people with adequate sources of food and water while they are bowling; due to the fact that some bowlers from out-of-town bowl squads back to back before they head home (IE. coming from Ottawa or Kingston).
- Make sure pro-shop stays open for bowlers.
- Arrange for recommendations of places to eat near the bowling centre.
- Arrange for people to sell merchandise.
- Arrange for people to run jackpots (Adults only).
- Arrange for replacements so same individuals are not working every squad.
- Set up a feedback mechanism for bowlers.
- Talk after the squad and after the tournament about what worked and what was a problem and how it can best be rectified for the next squad or next tournament. Bowlers are very appreciative if you are able to rectify problems for future squads – it shows that you listen to them and they have valuable input into your tournament.
- Tournament director needs to delegate responsibilities with a team of people to get the job done. The Director cannot do everything alone!
- Tournament director must trust the people working so they all work together as a team. People should be able to perform multiple tasks so they can help each other out.
- Do not wait to resolve a problem – know who to talk to or if possible, try and resolve issue yourself.
- Treat bowlers like your own family – exactly how you would like to be treated even though they may be having a bad day.



Because the local association does what it does, tournaments are well organized and run very smoothly. We were asked to run and host the Canadian Mixed Championships in 2017 when we hosted the CTF Annual meeting that is usually run by CTF staff. It is very enjoyable hosting these events. The bowlers are great and like family to us. We try to make it fun for them. When they leave, they know that they have participated in a good tournament. Hopefully they will keep coming back.

Lambton County Tenpin Association

Submitted by Rod Honke



Nick Montague rolled 601 – 130 pins over average for three games in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League (BMNML) to register his first 600 triple. The once a week bowler has been participating in the BMNML for nine years.



Braeden Scott tossed 621 (177-223-221) in the Youth Junior Division at Marcin Bowl to record his career highest triple. His high single game is 244. Braeden started bowling at age 9 in the Marcin Bowl Youth Junior Bowlers Program and is entering his 7th year on the lanes. When Braeden first hit the lanes as a Bantam in the 2013-2014 season he ended the year with a 67 average. His 2018-2019 final average was 134. This year he is averaging 162 after 51 games.



Ben Lapointe fired 298 on lanes 7 & 8 in his third game in the RCAFA 403 Wing Mixed League at Hi-Way Bowl to post the high single of the week in LCTA bowling action this past week. His first 10 strikes were solid pocket hits. On his next delivery, he came high on the head pin tripping out the 4-pin for strike number eleven. On his last shot of the game, he left the 2-4 pins recording his 6th honour score (1-300, 2-299's and 3- 298's) in his young bowling career.



Joshua Shura hurled 685 (256-269 – 108 pins over average – 202 pins over average for three games) in the Marcin Bowl Youth Junior Bowlers Program (MBYJBP) to register his personal highest scores. Joshua started bowling in the MBYJBP in the 2015-2016 season in the Preps Division ending the year with a 77 average. The following three years he increased his average to 110-139-158. This year he is averaging 169 after 51 games in the Junior Division.



Jordan Croskery fired 12 consecutive strikes in his second game on lanes 19 & 20 in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl. It was his career sanctioned 6th 300. Croskery finished the night with 774 (238-236). Jordan took part in the 2019 Team Canada Trials in Montreal where 90 bowlers from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec were trying to make the top 6 spots on the men's team. He finished in 8th position just missing the cut line by 58 pins while rolling 24 games over 4 days averaging 210. He has two sanctioned 800's to his credit.



Allen Reynolds was pretty excited last week at the end of the night in the 1046 Mixed League at Marcin Bowl. He had just finished rolling his career highest triple 552 (178-190- 63 pins over average - 184 – 171 pins over average for three games). He started the night with a 127 average and finished the night with a 132 average for 33 games. Last year in the league he finished the season with a 140 average.



Dave Little tossed 279 – 117 pins over average on lanes 3 & 4 in the RCAFA 403 Wing Mixed League at Hi-Way Bowl to register his highest personal game. The once a week bowler is averaging 160 after 51 games. His personal high triple is 642. Besides bowling, working as the Facilities Manager at the YMCA, baseball, darts and driving his “Harley” occupy his time.



Pierre Belliveau rolled the first eleven strikes in his 2nd game of the day in the Sunday Morning Men’s League (SMML) at Marcin Bowl. His last ball came up a shade high in the pocket leaving the unapologetic 4-pin which refused to fall. He has 1-300 to his credit and his high triple is 799. The lefty from London finished the day with a 664 triple.



The LCTA Youth Doubles Tournament was held on November 16 & 17 with 36 teams (an increase of 6 teams from last year) participating on the new lanes 25-36 which were installed in the summer time at Marcin Bowl. The winning team from Hi-Way Bowl consisted of **Elias Ko** and **Ben Lee**. They earned \$200.00 in scholarship money with their great bowling. Elias is a 2nd year bowler who entered the tournament with a 77 average and rolled 304 (107-131-66 – 73 pins over



average for three games). Ben, a 1st year bowler, entered with a 56 average and tossed 274 (92-89- 93 - 106 pins over average for three games). Their combined winning scores with handicap gave them a grand total of 1619 and first place.



Devon Crowe wheeled 672 (289 – 104 pins over average) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl to register his career highest scores. Devon topped his previous high scores of 266 and 606 which he posted in the Hi-Way Bowl Youth Phantom Senior Division.



Brad Davidson tossed 479 (183 – 85 pins over average – 185 pins over average for three games) in the Sarnia Aamjiwnaang Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to his record his personal highest scores. Davidson is a late starter in league bowling as he only had bowled a handful of times with friends in the past. Brad started the night with a 98 average and finished with a 111 average after 15 games.



Kevin Dunn tossed 269 – 108 pins over average in his first game of the night in the Thursday Night Mixed League at Marcin Bowl to take the honours for the week's high over average for a single game. Kevin started bowling 10 – pin at age 28 and has been enjoying the sport for 13 years. His personal sanctioned high scores are 710 and 298.

Congratulations goes to **Jacob Bestard** who had an outstanding series in the Youth Doubles Tournament at Marcin Bowl as he fired 700 (201-220-279 – 86 pins over average) to record his career first 700 series. His previous high triple was 674. He also tied his personal best single game with his 279. He is averaging 199 after 51 games this year in the Marcin Bowl Youth Junior Bowlers League.





Olivia Mundy rolled 555 (191-175-189 – 123 pins over average for three games) in the Phantom Youth Senior Division at Hi-Way Bowl to register her personal highest triple. Her personal best single game is 200. Olivia started bowling only 5 years ago at age 13 in the Airey Lanes Youth program at Courtright. When Airey Lanes closed two years ago, she joined the Hi-Way Phantom Youth League and has improved her average from under 100 to her current 148 after 51 games.



Kole Parkkila tossed 646 (206-238-76 pins over average – 202 – 151 pins over average for three games) in the Phantom Youth Intermediate Division at Hi-Way Bowl to record his personal highest triple. Kole started bowling 10-pin at age 5 and has been on the lanes for 11 years even though a couple of those years were 5-pin at Marcin Bowl. His highest single game is 255 which he posted at last year's Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association Youth Provincial Championship Tournament at Classic Bowl in Mississauga.



Brandon Gauthier hurled a perfect game in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League to register his career 6th perfect game. Brandon started bowling at age 8 coming up through the Marcin Bowl Youth Bowling Program under the watchful eyes of Gil and Carol Jean. The right handed bowler also has one non sanctioned 300, 1-299 and 1-800 (803) to his credit.



Noah Best tossed 754 (289 – 96 pins over average – 247 – 175 pins over average for three games) in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League (BMNML) on lanes 19 & 20 at Marcin Bowl to roll his personal highest scores. He had previously tossed 701 this season in the BMNML for his first 700 series. Noah is averaging 198 for 36 games in the league.



Tony Pereira rolled 534 (242 – 101 pins over average) on lanes 25 & 26 in his second game of the night in the Thursday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl to record his personal highest scores. Tony is a new first time league bowler this year as he did not come up through any youth bowling program. He is bowling for a team which consists of workers from a local company "Lamsar". During the summer months he enjoys playing Beach Volleyball. He is currently averaging 144 after 42 games.



Jim Creasor added two more HONOUR scores to his amazing bowling accomplishments. He fired 807 and 300 in the Bluewater Monday Night Men's League at Marcin Bowl. He had 28 out of a possible 36 strikes. His two HONOUR scores give him a total of 50 HONOUR scores (24-300's and 26-800's – that this writer is aware of - in Canadian/ American league and tournament action. Sixteen of his 800's have been recorded in the Canadian Tenpin Federation (CTF) and the other 10 in American Bowling Associations. Three of his most memorable 800's are the 2008 Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association Provincial Tournament in St. Catharines where he fired back to back 300's and 269 to end up with a super 869 triple. The CTF record is held by Bill Kirton (889). He also tied the Port Huron Tenpin Bowling Association triple record (868) in 2017 and established a new LCTA triple record (876) in 2015.



Kris Mandeville tossed 654 (237 – 86 pins over average – 233 – 82 pins over average – 201 pins over average for three games) on lanes 25 & 26 in the Thursday Night Men's League (TNML) at Marcin Bowl. Mandeville says his most memorable moments in bowling so far are: bowling his highest triple last night (a culmination of several months of practice) and joining the TNML in September because that is the day of the week that he really looks forward to most. He is a once a week bowler. His highest single game is 258 and he is currently averaging 155 after 51 games.



Connor Smith fired 590 (170-213-207 – 161 pins over average) in the Thursday Night Men's League (TNML) at Marcin Bowl to record his personal highest triple. Smith did not come through a youth bowling program and started league bowling this year with his close friends who were looking into a winter sport. He is a once a week bowler presently averaging 146 after 57 games with a personal high single game of 268. His summer activities include lacrosse (playing and coaching), two pitch softball and following that little white ball on the golf course

Other Men 725+ Triple:

Mike Shephard 783, Johnny Wilkinson 781, Jim Creasor 778, Jim Creasor 774, Scott Salmons 773, Kyle Adamson 772, Jim Creasor 756, Corey Willemsen 750, Ben Lapointe 749, Pierre Belliveau 744, Bill Cole 743, Roy Mezzatesta 743, Bill Bennett 737, Stephane Sirois 736, Ralph MacDuff 736, Glenn Crowe 736, Brandon Gauthier 736, Billy Best 735, Dan Cook 729, Larry Plumb 726, Rob Vandermeer 726 and Tony Olsen 725.

Other Men 3 Game Triple 140+ Pins Over Average:

Vince Pullman 515 (+186), Shawn Park 660 (+162), Connor Smith 590 (+161), Caleb Kewayosh 600 (+156), Jim Hipple 577 (+151) and Jordan Colhuan 566 (+143).



Other Men Single Game 85+ Pins Over Average:

John Armstrong 289 (+95), **Shawn Park** 258 (+92), **Kris Knowles** 252 (+92), **Kyle Skinner** 268 (+90), **Dan Beauvais** 279 (+89), **Stephane Sirois** 289 (+88) and **Pete Dufault** 277 (+85).

Other Women 625 + Triple:

Melissa Legault 691, **Melissa Legault** 680, **Karyne Legault** 677, **Pam Marciniszyn** 664, **Dara Sinclair** 630 and **Janice McMillan** 625.

Other Women Single Game 70+ Pins Over Average:

Kate Phillips 200 (+78), **Siobhan McAnulty** 223 (+75), **Sara Ingles** 234 (+72) and **Barb Montgomery** 222 (+70).

11 in a Row:

Pierre Belliveau 299, **Ben Lapointe** 298, **Stephane Sirois** 290 and **Corey Willemsen** 290.

Other Youth 600+ Triple:

Jacob Bestard 695, **Jacob Bestard** 672 and **Terrell Walker Gray** 604.

Other Youth 3 Game Triple 100+ Pins Over Average:

Jacob Bestard 695 (+115).

Other Youth Single Game 50+ Pins Over Average:

Levi Dufault 167 (+94), **William Laframboise** 211 (+80), **Cam Parkkila** 251 (+73), **Joe Windover** 215 (+72), **Cam Parkkila** 234 (+69), **Joshua Shura** 230 (+63), **Zack Roehler** 220 (+63), **McKenna Scott** 207 (+61), **Jaxen Skinner** 155 (+61), **William Laframboise** 191 (+59), **Braeden Scott** 215 (+56), **Braeden Scott** 214 (+55), **Tyleigh Winger** 191 (+54), **Prestyn Murphy** 160 (+53), **Gabrielle Rottman** 117 (+53), **Jacob Bestard** 245 (+52), **Ryan Pinel** 242 (+52), **Dion Maness** 179 (+52), **Abbey Strangway** 177 (+52), **Cornell Nugent** 74 (+52) **Dion Maness** 179 (+51) and **Noah Wyville** 125 (+50).

***Editor's Note:** Rod produces a fabulous weekly report for the association highlighting everything bowling-related that takes place in their area during the season You can check it out here:*

<https://www.lambtoncountytentpinassociation.com/weekly-results>



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Saskatchewan News

Submitted by Monique Ley

First of all, we would like to congratulate **Blaine Boyle** in his new position with CTF. Unfortunately, he has stepped down as our President in Saskatchewan. We will continue to work hard and support bowling in Saskatchewan.

Congratulations to:



Monique Ley (pictured at left) for her 3rd Sanctioned 300 game and shooting a 735 series.

Levi Rosebaum on his 770 series high game 279

James Alarie on his 100 pins over average all his hard work is for sure paying off

Danyck Belanger for shooting his first 600 series in the youth league.

Upcoming events:

Feb 16	Estevan Bowl-Spiel
March 1 st	YBC Provincials Saskatoon
March 14-15	CTF Youth Provincials Saskatoon
April 5 th	YBC Youth Doubles Saskatoon
April 19 th	World Cup Provincials Estevan
April 26 th	Bowl Canada Cup Provincials Saskatoon



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FTA (Foothills Tenpin Association) - Calgary News Submitted by Dave Kist

Is there something in the water? A flurry of perfect games have been rolled this season



Danny Hawkins, Friday 4x4 @ Let's Bowl



Santos Cuadra, Friday 4x4 @ Let's Bowl



Ray Mah, Chinese @ Let's Bowl



Ruben Garcia, Tuesday Scratch @ Let's Bowl



TJ Calera, Tuesday Scratch @ Let's Bowl



Jessica Mackenzie, Rainbow Riders @ Let's Bowl
FIRST PERFECT GAME



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Cory Williams, Calgary Scratch @ Let's Bowl



Dave Williams, Friday 4x4 @ Let's Bowl



**Natalie Dumais, Rainbow Riders @ Let's Bowl
FIRST PERFECT GAME**



**Kyle Hubert, Petro Mixed @ Century Sports
FIRST PERFECT GAME**

Upcoming events in and around Calgary

- Feb 08 ATPA Scratch @ Let's Bowl
- Feb 15, 16 & 17 Canada Cup House Round @ Let's Bowl
- Feb 22 Scotch Doubles @ Let's Bowl
- Feb 20, 22 & 23 Canada Cup House Round @ Mountain View Bowl
- Feb 29 Ladies Handicap @ Let's Bowl
- Mar 14 CYC Provincial @ Century
- Mar 21 No Tap @ Let's
- Apr 04 Bowl Alberta Provincial Doubles @ Let's Bowl



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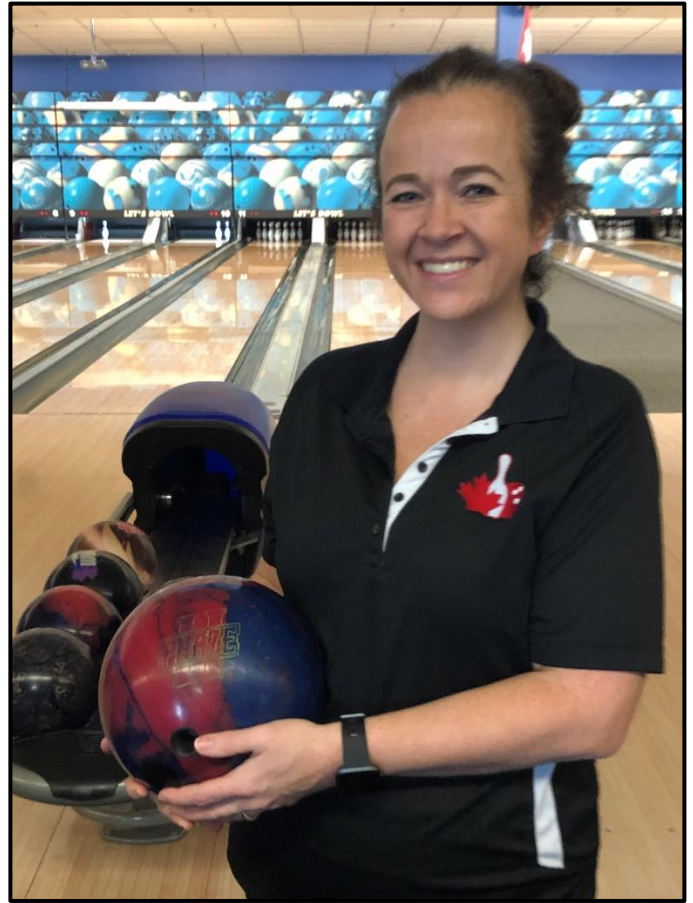


- Apr 4 Edmonton Open @ Gateway Entertainment Centre
- Apr 18/19 ATPA All Events & USBC Sr's @ Gateway Entertainment Centre
- Apr 25 Canada Cup Provincials @ Let's Bowl
- May 2-6 YBC National's @ Let's Bowl
- May 9 No Tap @ Let's
- May 14-18 CTF Team Trials in Mississauga, Ontario
- Nov 20-22 CTF Annual Meeting & CMC's in Regina

Congratulations to two ladies on their great bowling.



Natasha Freisen, during the 14th annual FTA tournament Jan 25 & 26 @ Let's Bowl shot her first ever 500 Series. Natasha Bowls in the Nuts & Bolts league at Mountain View Bowl



Jennifer McKinnon, during the 14th annual FTA tournament Jan 25 & 26 @ Let's Bowl shot her first ever 600 Series. Jenn bowls in the Friday 4x4 league at Let's Bowl

And continuing with the ladies.....



ALBERTA 6 PRESENTS
LADIES HANDICAP TOURNAMENT
Let's Bowl
SATURDAY Feb 29, 2020

Rules:

1. This tournament has 2 events – Singles and Doubles
2. There are two squads – you can bowl 2 singles or 2 doubles
3. All events is a 6 game total - \$10 – Optional
4. **Entry Fee - \$30 per bowler per event (\$18 Lineage - \$12 Prize)**
5. Squad times are 1:00 and 3:30 – Lanes will not be dressed between squads
6. Entering Average as of December 31, 2019
7. Handicap is 100% of 220 no Negative
8. Sport / Challenge average re-rate is +12 / +7 – House Average no Conversion
9. Use the Highest average with conversion if you have house and C/S Average
10. Limited to 12 Lanes – 48 bowlers per squad
11. Walk In entries accepted, but Early Entry GREATLY Appreciated
12. Tournament Manager – Curtis Kruschel / curtis.kruschel@shaw.ca
13. Payout 1 in 4 Entries (Doubles and Singles)
14. CTF Sanction Applied for

ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____ Average (Dec 31) _____

NAME: _____ Average (Dec 31) _____

Please select (Circle Event and Squad)

Singles Doubles Squad: 1:00 3:00

The first ever Ladies Handicap Tournament is being hosted by Alberta 6 on Feb 29

It is never too early to get your entry in.

News Item from Social Media



Congratulations to **Tyler Brace** of Toronto Ontario, for rolling his first sanctioned 300 at Classic Bowl



Nathan Ruest-Lajoie Wins Prestigious Title in Finland



Nathan Ruest-Lajoie is a champion in Finland!

Nathan, from Témiscouata-sur-le-Lac, QC got hold of the most important title of his young career, Sunday. The 23-year-old athlete won the grand honors of the Brunswick Ballmaster Open 2020, an important and prestigious competition presented in Finland, which took place at Tali Bowl in Helsinki, Finland, from Jan 3-12, 2020.

After a preliminary round during which he had to "fight", in his own words, Ruest-Lajoie was enormously successful during the final stages. He notably defeated the American Marshall Kent, recipient of several medals in world championships, in order to reach the final. In the final game, he won his match with an impressive score of 267 against a 256 game thrown by veteran Matthew McNiel, another 34-year-old American.

"It feels really good to be the winner here. I'm glad I could keep my focus. I trusted myself and I knew I could win. The final match was really close. When I had a two pin lead, I felt good." he shared on the competition website. "I really had fun, the people are nice and friendly, and this tournament is just great."

Full story (en français): <https://www.infodimanche.com/actualites/sports/380379/nathan-ruest-lajoie-est-champion-en-finlande>



Sue Leslie Memorial

Submitted by Stan May

Sue will be remembered for her passion and dedication to all aspects of the sport of tenpin bowling not just as a bowler, but as a coach and an administrator. Her contribution to our sport will be sadly missed.

Originating in Regina Saskatchewan where she was an avid league bowler and youth coach. Her league play awarded her numerous league awards from the Canadian Tenpin Federation (CTF) and Women's International Bowling Congress (WIBC). She was passionate to give back to our sport, becoming a Certified Coach through the Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) in July 2001 actively coaching youth bowlers and participated in Adult/Youth leagues in both Regina & Lethbridge. Sue continued her coach training in Lethbridge to become a Special Olympics Competition Coach in November 2006 coaching at all levels from local leagues to national tournaments.

Sue's dedication went beyond the bowling centre and league play, volunteering on both the local and provincial association boards. Serving in numerous capacities as 2nd Vice President of the Saskatchewan Provincial Association from 1992 to 1994, then as President from 1994 to 1999. During this time she was the Membership Development Provincial Team Leader from 1994 to 1996. Was selected as the Delegate to attend a number of WIBC Congress meeting in the United States. In 1999 became President of the Regina Tenpin Association Pilot Group for CTF to pilot the governance, administration and awards program that was instrumental in the creation of the foundation that became the single membership program for the Canadian Tenpin Federation in 2004.

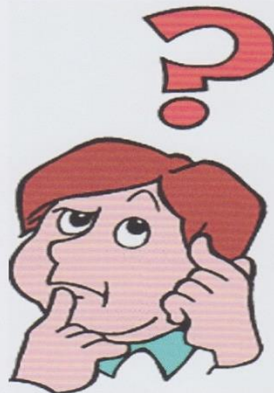
Wanting to fulfill her objectives developed with the Regina Pilot Project, Sue made the decision to move to Lethbridge and accept the position of Administrative Assistant with the newly formed Canadian Tenpin Federation Inc. in November 2004. She served diligently in this position providing all aspects of Membership Services to all local and provincial associations across Canada until October 2018.

Sue continued her volunteer work with the Lethbridge Tenpin Association serving as Association Manager from 2005 to 2018 and President in 2018 & 2019. She coordinated and administered the Lethbridge Special Olympics Program supporting athletes in all aspects of local, provincial, national and international competition. Participated in league play, league administration and coaching in the youth program.

Sue quietly passed away after a brave battle with cancer and all its subsequent complications. She always kept a positive outlook, never giving up the fight. To honor her memory the Lethbridge Tenpin Association has renamed their annual tournament to the LTPA Sue Leslie Memorial Tournament.



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Where's my card?

Make sure you include a valid email address when completing the Registered Participant Application. You must have a valid email address that isn't shared with anyone else.

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Or, go to <https://membership.tenpincanada.com/ctf/home/login.do> and enter your valid email address and click "forgot password".

Your private portal gives you access to your profile, average verification, awards, some tournament registration, etc.

If you need help, email mycard@tenpincanada.com.



Presidential Ponderings Submitted by Dave Kist – CTF President



As I begin my first term as CTF president, I thought I would share some thoughts with our membership. My commitment to you all is to do my very best to continue the excellent work that has been road mapped by those who have held this position in the past.

My plan is to share what is on my mind... Thoughts, ramblings and ponderings, some of which may be worthy of board action and others perhaps just ideas – some good, some bad. The intention is to start some dialogue, see who is listening and ask for feedback. What does our membership think? What would you like to see and have the board focus on to make CTF even stronger? In time, I hope this is where we head,

so let's start with a topic near and dear to us all...

CTF membership – the top reason for not joining CTF that I hear are I/we don't see value in it. I continue to be amazed by this. What value does a person expect for their annual membership, which ranges from \$23 to \$30 across the country? My question to those people is: "What do you expect to receive for your \$27 (average)?"

- Expedia Cruise Ship Centers Fleetwood – very competitive pricing and top-notch service provides an on-board ship credit of \$25 US (that's about \$33 Cdn). Book with Expedia and you get more than your membership – is that not value? You are making money
- Petro Canada automatic \$.03 off per litre works out to about 900 litres of gas or 76 litres a month – a little more than of a tank of gas per month and you get your money back

And that is just two of the benefits. We all take for granted the work that CTF does and what we provide to leagues – structure to play fairly on an even keel with others. Here's a true story that happened mid-January.

- A league that had sanctioned for over 40 years one day decided not to sanction their nearly 140 league members. The Executive had been having difficulty with the then local Association Manager and as bowlers got older, money got tighter. The executive decided that it was in their best interest to save each bowler the \$25 annual fee being charged and sever relations with CTF. This happened about 7 years ago.
- Flash forward to now, one of the Executive from 7 years ago still bowled in that league and approached the Local Association to ask for help and shared:
 - The current Executive would not run open elections - anyone who put their name forward was told they had missed the cut-off, or the elections were already held, or that the nomination was not completed in accordance to instructions and was invalidated
 - There were no league rules so people were doing what they thought was fun not what was right
 - People didn't change subs names, so John would bowl under Joe's name because that was the name in the computer – Average integrity????
 - Money was spent however the Executive wanted - no budget or financial report was ever prepared or shared with the league membership
 - Awards would be made up and changed at the discretion of the Executive
 - A team has 17 bowlers on it – Yes 17 !



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Now this long-time bowler, former League Executive, and one of the people who led the call for non-sanctioning was asking for CTF help to correct the issues within the league.

This case might be extreme, but it is not unusual in some of the things that can happen and often does. CTF has value and a lot of it. The real question is: What value does a person expect today? And once we know that, we can build an action plan to create that value and eliminate the obstacle.



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Bulk orders are available (e.g. proshops, team uniforms, and groups). Bulk orders are invoiced as a shop owner to receive the savings of bulk pricing.

Do you have a special event coming up? Look no further, "Posters" are also available!





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*** UPCOMING EVENTS ***



This new section is for all Association Managers and Tournament Managers. This section will highlight Sanctioned Major Events and Association "All-Event" tournaments. All Events tournaments have different names in every province. Sometimes called; Provincials, Cities, Annual, etc. They are usually comprised of a Team, Doubles, and Singles Event with optional All Events. To have your event advertised, please email CTFConnection@tenpincanada.com

Tournament	Host	Dates	Contact
YBC Provincials	Saskatoon, SK	Mar 1,2020	
CTF Youth Prov's	Saskatoon, SK	Mar 14-15,2020	
CTF Youth Prov's	Calgary, AB	Mar 14,2020	Foothills Tenpin Association
Edmonton Open	Edmonton, AB	Apr 4,2020	Gateway Entertainment Centre



1987 World Championships – Helsinki, Finland

Can you name any of these athletes?



[Editor's Note: This picture is from a collection that came from the late Jim Margueratt, who was a long-time contributor to the CTF Connection]



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	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/
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