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Weekly Highlights

Lapointe Senior notches another 800:

The pins took a pounding from Jim Lapointe this past Friday night as he added another 800 to his bowling resume. Lapointe hurled 812 (279 – 298 - came high leaving 6-10 pins - 235) in the Mulder Financial Fun League on lanes 19 & 20 at Marcin Bowl to record the high triple of the week in Lambton County Tenpin Association (LCTA) bowling action and also the first 800 in the LCTA this season. Lapointe had 30 strikes out of a possible 36 strikes in his accomplishment. It was his career 5^h 800 series as he previously rolled 804 (January 24, 1998), 835 (April 23, 2013), 845 (February 11, 2016) and 802 (February 27, 2023). It was also his 4th 700 plus triple this year in the LCTA. It was his 2nd time sparing in the league as last week he fired 761 (268-257-236). Lapointe now has a career 16 sanctioned Honour Scores: 800-5, 300-7 (5 at Marcin Bowl – 2 at H-Way Bowl), 299 -3 and 298-1.



Parkkila gets an early Christmas present:



Kole Parkkila rolled 720 (236-259 – 76 pins over average – 225 – 163 pins over average for three games) as a spare on lanes 13 & 14 in the Best Wiring Classic League (BWCL) at Marcin Bowl in LCTA bowling action this past week. It was his career first 700 triple and the 6th high triple of the week in the LCTA. He also established a new personal high single. His previous sanctioned high scores were 667 and 255. Parkkila spares in the BWCL and is now

averaging 191 for 21 games. Parkkila is also bowling full time in the Mulder Financial Fun League (MFFL). He is averaging 185 for 45 games in the MFFL. Kole started enjoying the great game of 10-pin bowling at age 5 in the Hi-Way Bowl Junior Bowlers League in the Bumpers Division. Kole is now 19 years old so he has been attacking bowling pins for 14 years even though a couple of those years were 5-pins at Marcin Bowl. Parkkila gives credit to his older brother Justin who got him and his twin brother Cameron back into 10-pin bowling and gave them great tips to improve their games. The Parkkila twins also improved their games over the years under the watchful eyes of coaches Mel and Shirley Matthews. This writer is sure Uncles Jim and Jason Lapointe and Cousin Ben Lapointe probably added some good tips also to make sure they had everything they needed to grow as 10-pin bowlers.

Allan fires career high scores:

Jack Allan has been one of the hottest bowlers in the Phantom Youth League (PYL) at Marcin Bowl the last couple weeks. This past week he fired 651 (234 – 91 pins over average – 257 – 114 pins



over average – 160 – 222 pins over average for three games) in the PYL on lanes 21 & 22 to establish career sanctioned personal high scores. His previous high scores were 617 and 254 which he posted three weeks ago. He was also the high over average for one game and three games this week in the LCTA. Jack also bowls in the Mulder Financial Fun League with team mates Zack Visser, William Laframboise and Joshua Shura. Allan is in his 5th year of bowling in the LCTA.

Jenken beats his previous high scores:



Dennis Jenken pitched 454 (189 – 72 pins over average - 126-139) on lanes 25 & 26 in the Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League (SPBCML) at Marcin Bowl to register his career sanctioned high scores. His previous high scores were 182 and 393. Jenkins is in his 3rd year in the SPBCML. His first year he averaged 98 for 39 games. Last year he averaged 107 for 72 games. This year he is averaging 119 for 45 games. Jenkins bowls on

the team “Bluewater Plumbing Co.” with Rob Vandermeer, Mark Brooker and Dave LeClair with Mike Shephard sparing.

Crowe bowls career high triple:

Devon Crowe bowled 687 (237 – 50 pins over average – 238 – 51 pins over average – 212) in the Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League (FTBMNML) on lanes 21 & 22 at Marcin Bowl in LCTA activity to establish a new personal high triple beating his previous 680 which he recorded last season. The twenty-two year old



right handed bowler has a career 289 high single. Crowe started knocking down the pins at age 5 in the Youth Phantom Bowling Program at Hi-Way Bowl. Crowe is averaging 191 for 39 games in the FTBMNML this year.

Hannah tops previous high single:



Logan Hannah wheeled 262 (111 pins over average) in his last game of the day in the Phantom Youth League on lanes 21 & 22 at Marcin Bowl to record his career sanctioned high single. His previous high single was 242 and his sanctioned high triple is 597. Logan started bowling at age 11 in the Hi-Way Bowl Youth Phantom Bowling Program and is in his eighth year on the lanes. He is averaging 151 after 14

weeks of bowling. Besides bowling, Hannah loves exercising his mind and eye-hand coordination by playing video games and solving the famous Rubik's cube.

Ingles posts new high single:



Zachary Ingles bowled 229 (85 pins over average) on lanes 21 & 22 in his second game of the day in the Phantom Youth League (PYL) at Marcin Bowl to beat his previous 225 high single. His career sanctioned high triple is 595. Zachary started bowling at age five in 2013 in the Hi-Way Bowl Phantom Youth Bowling Program in the Bumpers Division. He is in his 10th year of bowling averaging 144 after 14

weeks on the lanes.



Watson is 100 pins over average:



Bryce Watson fired 290 in his second game of the night to take the honours this week in the LCTA as the third high over average for a single game. He was 105 pins over average for his game bowling as a spare in the Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League (FTBMNML) on lanes 21 & 22 at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with a 680 triple. He is now averaging 190 for 27 games in the FTBMNML. Watson’s career sanctioned high scores are 698 and 300(2). He is the

only person to bowl a 300 in the LCTA this season.

Apter ties personal high single:



Makayla Apter rolled 267 (93 pins over average) in her third game of the night to tie her career personal high single game. She was partaking in the fun in the Mulder Financial Fun League (MFFL) at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with a 613 triple. Makayla started bowling at age 8 in the Marcin Bowl Youth Bowling Program and participated in the program until age

13. Eleven years later Makayla is back on the lanes in the MFFL and looks forward each week meeting her fellow bowlers. She is averaging 177 for 45 games in the league.

Gauthier is a solid second:

Brandon Gauthier hurled 764 (246-258-260) in the Mulder Financial Fun League (MFFL) on lanes 29 & 30 at Marcin Bowl to post the second high triple of the week in the LCTA. It was Gauthier’s



6th 700 in the LCTA this year. It was his 3rd time sparing in the MFFL and he is now averaging 227 for 9 games.

Salmons hangs on to third spot:



Alex Salmons tossed 737 (224-266 – 54 pins over average - 247) in the Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League on lanes 23 & 24 at Marcin Bowl to record the third high triple of the week in LCTA bowling competition. It was his 3rd 700 in the LCTA this season as he previously posted 727 (227-276-224) and 766 (244-257-265). He is averaging 216 for 27 games in the league bowling on the “Bowling Stones” team with Dave Slater, Matt Salmons and Jeremy

Landon. Salmon’s career sanctioned high scores are 771 and 300.

Lapointe rolls triplicate:



Ben Lapointe added another achievement to his resume as he rolled a 228 triplicate as he spare in the Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League on lanes 27 & 28 at Marcin Bowl finishing the night with a 684 triple. Triplicates tend to be a rarity in any 10-pin Bowling Association. They happen once every two to three years or perhaps longer. Last season the LCTA had three: Cheryl Barczewski tossed 300 (100-100-100) - Mel Kongus 549 (183-

183-183) and John Armstrong 741 (247-247-247). Lapointe also fired 734 (266-242-226) in the Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League (FTBMNML) on lanes 25 & 26 at Marcin Bowl to take fourth spot in the LCTA



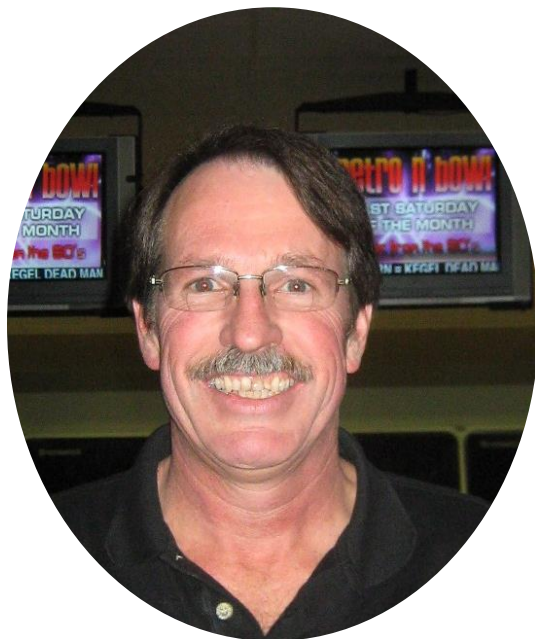
high triple department this week. It was his career 92nd 700 in the LCTA and his 11th this season. Lapointe is averaging 214 for 39 games in the BTBMNML this year.

Smith grabs fifth position:



Connor Smith hurled 722 (233-257-232) in the Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men's League (FTBMNML) on lanes 25 & 26 at Marcin Bowl to post the fifth high triple of the week in LCTA bowling action. It was his 4th 700 of the season in the LCTA. It was also his second 700 in a row as last week he tossed 714 (254-213-247) in the RCAFA 403 Wing Mixed League. Smith is averaging a 200 for 42 games in the FTBMNML this year.

Vandermeer holds down last spot:



Rob Vandermeer tossed 701 (266 – 69 pins over average – 191 – 244) on lanes 25 & 26 in the Sarnia Produce Border City Men's League (SPBCML) at Marcin Bowl to register his first 700 of the season and the low 700 of the week in LCTA this past week. Vandermeer is another bowler who did not come through any organized youth bowling program but picked up the game on his own and tips from fellow bowlers. Vandermeer is a right handed bowler with an unusual delivery as he sets his bowling ball down

about three feet before the foul line. Rob has sanctioned high scores of 300



(3-bowled in the SPBCML), 299-1 and 793. Last year he finished with a 214 average for 84 games in the SPBCML. This year he is averaging 200 for 48 games. Vandermeer is an auto mechanic working at Griffin Autotek. During the summer months he keeps himself busy working on the “honey do list”, golfing and drag racing. He races in Grand Bend, St. Thomas and has done some racing in the USA.

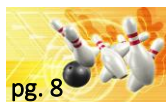
Thompson is tops for the ladies:



Annette Thompson wheeled 574 (169 – 231 – 63 pins over average – 174) in the string pinned Target Trios League at Hi-Way Bowl on lanes 7 & 8 to record the ladies top scores in the LCTA this past week. Thompson bowls on the team “One Pin Away” with Samantha Tagliabracchi and Helen Mackie. Annette is averaging 169 after 16 weeks of bowling in the league. Her career sanctioned high scores are 767 and 299.

Honourable Mention:

- The team of Connor Smith, Jim Lapointe, Jordan Croskery and Ben Lapointe rolled 2758 scratch for an average of 689 per bowler. In their 1st game they had 942 scratch for an average of 235 per bowler and in their 2nd game they had 979 scratch for an average of 244 per bowler – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.



- The team of Jay Smith, Brad Best, Dan Beauvais and Kevin Lyon fired 969 scratch in their first game of the night for an average of 242 per bowler – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Jim Lapointe – 699 (268-243) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- TJ Kinny – 699 (247) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Dan Cook – 697 (256) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Shane Chipman – 695 (247-245) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Alex Salmons – 694 (276) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Jeff Gark – 691 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Mike Shephard – 689 (262) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Kevin Lyon – 685 (257) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Tony Olsen – 685 (254) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Pat Legault – 681 (251) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Neil Sinclair – 679 (246) – Mulder Financial Fun League
- Brad Best – 676 (270) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Jordan Croskery – 675 (268) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Jay Smith – 674 (286) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Jay Smith – 674 – Best Wiring Classic League.
- David Paquette – 673 (268) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Doug Black – 670 (258) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Roy Mezzatesta – 667 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Ben Lapointe – 663 (245) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Chris Murphy – 661 (242) – Mulder Financial Fun League.



- Dan Chopp – 659 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Shane Chipman -657 – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Larry Plumb – 656 (279) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Dennis Ramsay – 656 – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Paul Mezzatesta – 655 (253) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Kyle Adamson – 653 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Chris Murphy – 646 – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Dave Slater – 644 – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Ben Lapointe – 642 – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Jeff Raymond – 640 (248) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Cole Sitzes – 622 (220-201-201) – Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Joe Windover – 616 (226-209) – Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Joshua Shura – 615 (220-205) – Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Jim Lapointe – 279 – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Doug Brooks – 256 – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- TJ Kinny – 255 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Neil Sinclair – 255 – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Jason Armitage – 246 – Best Wiring Classic League.
- John Armstrong – 244 – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Bill Cole – 244 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Dave Bruder – 244 – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Cori Slater – 232 – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Dan McMann – 224 – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Braeden Scott – 223 – Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Blake Ingles – 216 – Marcin Phantom Youth League.



- Terrell Walker-Gray – 215 – Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Jeremy Landon – 588 (+126 for 3 games) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Michael Schuyler – 225 (+87) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Dan Williams – 235 (+77) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Rob Bonhomme – 233 (+69) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Marty Davidson – 203 (+65) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- William Laframboise – 223 (+64) – Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Ken Nimmo – 220 (+63) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men's League.
- Dion Maness – 211 (+62) – Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Dylon McKinnon – 217 (+60) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men's League.
- Mel Matthews – 228 (+60) – Best Wiring Classic League.
- Ellias Ko – 161 (+60) - Marcin Phantom Youth League.
- Aiden Osborn – 231 (+59) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Fabio Caporale – 235 (+58) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Patrick Mumby – 233 (+58) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men's League.
- Joe Simmons – 223 (+58) – Sarnia Produce Border City Men's League.
- Tyler Hoadley – 220 (+58) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Brad Huggett – 199 (+58) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men's League.
- Jen Parizeau – 182 (+57) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Mark Robinson – 222 (+56) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men's League.
- Jeremy London – 208 (+54) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Jacky Cunningham – 165 (+53) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Mark Robinson – 218 (+52) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men's League.



- Jamie Culley – 238 (+50) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Kole Parkkila – 235 (+50) – Mulder Financial Fun League.
- Dave Slater – 219 (+50) – Fabbri Tile Bluewater Monday Night Men’s League.
- Aiden Coleman – spared 3-9-10 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Kevin Lyon – spared 2-4-8-10 – Sarnia Produce Border City Men’s League.
- Dan Beauvais – spared 6-8-10 – Sarnia Produce Borer City Men’s League.

Other Men’s Notable Scores:

Ben Lapointe 642, Jason Lapointe 638, Jamie Ridealgh 635, Kyle Adamson 635, John Armstrong 634, Dave Bruder 632, Bryce Watson 629, Brian Potvin 629, Jim Lapointe 627, Brian Leneve 625, Kevin Herron 622, Shane Chipman 238, Jason Lapointe 237, Brandon Gauthier 237, Jay Smith 236, Chris Murphy 235-235-230, Ralph MacDuff 234, Kyle Adamson 234-231, Roy Mezzatesta 233, Jeff Gark 233-231, Tony Olsen 232, Mike Shephard 232, Louie Willemsen 23 1 and Dennis Ramsay 230.

Other Ladies Notable Scores:

Sarah Ingles 555 (180-189-186), Anna Androski 192, Carrie Thompson 188 and Patty Wyville 185.

Other Youth Notable Scores:

William Laframboise 578 (201) and Tanner Gray 194-191.



LCTA Featured Bowler of the Week:



The LCTA featured bowler of the week is Michelle Fraser. Michelle started bowling at age 7 coming up through the SOMOCO (Sombra- Mooretown – Courtright) Junior Bowlers Organization at the now closed Airey Lanes in Courtright. She got interested in bowling because she said “it was the favourite sport in my whole family” and she has been enjoying the fun on the lanes for 31 years now. Michelle has bowled in several leagues over the

years: SOCOMO Junior Bowlers, Sunday Morning Ladies at Marcin Bowl, Sunday Night Mixed at Airey Lanes and presently in the Bar10 Thursday Night Mixed League (B10TNML). She has participated in local tournaments, Junior Provincial Tournaments, Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association Tournaments and the Women’s United States Bowling Championship in Reno, Nevada in 2018. She is a right handed bowler with a career sanctioned high single of 244. She wasn’t sure of her highest triple so this writer checked his Bowler Profile Information file and found 616 beside her name. This writer also checked the LCTA average year books for the last 13 years and found her highest year average was 170 in the B10TNML last year. This year she is averaging 179 after 16 weeks in the B10TNML. Fraser’s other sporting interests are baseball, volleyball and beach volleyball while her hobbies include baking and reading. Michelle works at Trillium Villa Nursing Home in the laundry facilities.



Memory Lane:



BOWLING TOURNAMENT

LAKE HURON LANES is currently hosting the Coca-Cola Classic ten-pin bowling tournament playdowns, with the finals being Nov. 30 and Dec. 1. Coke is sponsor-

ing the tournament, and these bowlers took time out to accept the cheque for the successful annual event. From left, bowler Brent Charron, owner Pat Brown, Erie-

Huron Beverages representative Rick Girard, tournament director Bob Wiles, and bowler Roy Mezzatosta.

Observer Photo



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Happy New Year!

