ZABELLE CLAIMS N.W.S.T. TITLE IN ASTORIA FOR CAREER WIN # 3

The weekend of October 19-20 was packed with competition as the Northwest Senior Tour traveled to the Northern Oregon coast for the most historic stop on the schedule. Astoria's Lower Columbia Bowl hosted the N.W.S.T. for the nineteenth consecutive year, starting with a full house of 12 teams for Saturday's 650 Swiss Trio, followed by a 54-person field for Sunday's featured singles event.

In Saturday's team competition, Washington's Tom Anderson put on a spectacular display of bowling. The Bonney Lake left-hander fired back-to-back 300 games in rounds four and five to lead his "Where's Ozzie" teammates of Ronnie Noel and Danny Combs, Sr. to the team title. Anderson posted a string of 39 strikes en route to a sixgame series of 1605 and a sizzling 267 per game average. Combs added an impressive 1418 total for a 236 per game pace.

O.B.A. stalwart Mike Harmony carried his "Go Dux" squad of Trent Zabelle and Mike Nogle to a second-place finish. The Salem right-hander averaged 238 on total pins of 1432. The all-senior crew of Bob Korth, Rick Hattenhauer, and Steve Michaliszyn claimed third place, all firing 1300+ series, led by Michaliszyn's 1380 total.

Kathy Tribbey fired the fourth-highest total of the day to help team members Gary Ledford and Brian Schmitt to a fourth-place check. The Cornelius right-hander totaled 1392 for a per game average of 232. Though his team finished out of the money, hometown right-hander Jason Elliott rounded out the top five in scoring with a 1387 total- good for a 231 per game pace.

Sunday's regular tour event saw Clackamas right-hander Steve Kiss post a perfect 300 game in round one on the way to capturing the third-round lead with a 753 series. Oregon's Trent Zabelle and Steve Menning were tied for second place with three-game totals of 736.

Beaverton rookie Ron Martinson fired round three's high game of 269 to secure fourthplace with a 729 total. Seaside's Larry Grenon led all super senior-plus bowlers with a 705 series. He was joined in a tie for fifth by Oregon City right-hander Mike Polinsky.

Trent Zabelle took over the fourth-round lead, totaling 999 for a per game average of 249. Ron Martinson moved up to second place by once again posting the high game of the round. His 268 left the right-hander 2 pins behind the leader with a 997 total.

Steve Menning improved to third place with a 239 average on total pins of 959. Steve Kiss struggled through a 199 game to fall to fourth with a 952 total. Vancouver's Steve Michaliszyn broke through the Oregon dominance atop the leader board to claim fifth place with a 934 total and a 233 per game average. N.W.S.T. titleholders Tim Myers and Hugh Miller established the early cut line with twelfth-place totals of +103.

The top of the standings remained unchanged at the end of game five. Trent Zabelle extended his lead to 23 pins over Ron Martinson, tossing a 248 for a 1247 total. Martinson's 1224 total and 244 per game average placed him comfortably ahead of Steve Menning's third-place total of 1172.

Tom Anderson entered the top five for the first time, using a 242 game to climb into fourth place with 1169 in total pins. Steve Kiss fell one spot to fifth with a 1166 total. Another Washington left-hander, Hugh Miller, posted a score of 268 to jump to sixth place with an 1161 total.

Highlighting round five were the performances of two N.W.S.T. record holders. Albany's Walt Lundgren, the leader in career titles, rolled the second 300 game of the day to rocket into eleventh place with an 1120 total. Washington right-hander Jerry Ledbetter, owner of the highest 6-game qualifying total in tour history, posted a score of 246 to set the twelfth-place cut line at 1118 in total pins, good for a 223 per game average.

Entering the decisive final round, 22 bowlers were within striking distance of making match play, with even more having the chance to collect a check for finishing in the top eighteen. When the final frame of qualifying was in the books, Trent Zabelle held on to the top spot for the third consecutive round, earning the number one seed to the finals with a 1472 total and a 245 per game average. Ron Martinson remained in second place, finishing 26 pins behind the leader with a 241 per game average.

Hugh Miller, a three-time champion of this event, closed strongly with a 258 to capture the third seed with a 1419 total. Steve Michaliszyn's round-to-round consistency earned the Washington right-hander a fourth-place finish with 1399 in total pins. Rookie Steve Menning rounded out the top-five qualifiers with a 1397 total for a per game average of 232.

Oregon's Steve Kiss dropped one spot to sixth but still led all super seniors in the field with a 1392 total. Olympia's Dewayne Webb climbed three spots to grab the seventh seed, firing a final game of 256 for a 1386 total. Oregon's Mike Polinsky made the biggest move of the final round, matching Webb's 256 game to jump from fourteenth to eighth place with a 1367 total. Beaverton's Tom Burke trailed in ninth place with a 227 average on total pins of 1365.

Tom Anderson struggled through a 190 game, causing him to drop from fourth place to tenth with a 1359 total. Central Point's Bob Korth held onto eleventh place, his 1337 total and 222 per game average leading all super senior-plus bowlers in the field. Albany southpaw John Meiris improved four places with a final game of 226 to capture the twelfth and final berth to match play. His 1329 total giving him a 221 per game average.

The remaining cashers were evenly split among Oregon and Washington right-handers. Portland's Jon Tang finished in thirteenth place with a 1323 total, followed by Puyallup super senior Jerry Ledbetter at 1322 and Portland's Jim Winklepleck at 1321.

Longview's Kurt Bogner settled in sixteenth place with 1320 in total pins. Oregon's Walt Lundgren and Washington's Mike Karch followed at 1304 and 1301, respectfully. Portland's Johnny More claimed the final super senior check with a 216 average on total pins of 1297. Hillsboro's Lori Eskew edged out Kathy Tribbey by 2 pins for the sole women's payout, posting a 1292 total for a 215 per game average.

Trent Zabelle extended his lead to 52 pins after the first round of match play. The N.W.S.T. all-star posted a five-bagger in frames 3-7, then closed with a four-bagger to collect a 258-227 victory over Oregon's John Meiris. Ron Martinson remained in second, using a pair of four-baggers to defeat Bob Korth, 232-201. Mercer Island's Hugh Miller held onto third place, edging fellow southpaw Tom Anderson, 212-194.

Oregon right-handers moved into the top five with their game one victories. Steve Kiss climbed from sixth place to fourth with a 226-191 victory over Dewayne Webb. Mike Polinsky used an opening six-bagger to register a 224-213 win over Steve Menning, jumping from eighth to fifth in the standings. In the other first-round contest, Steve Michaliszyn slipped by Tom Burke, 182-179.

Game two unfolded with Trent Zabelle and Ron Martinson locked in a back-and-forth match. Zabelle's clutch strike on his first ball in the tenth sealed the 201-191 victory, moving him into a 93 pin lead over the second-place Martinson.

Steve Kiss continued his steady climb up the leader board as a solid 7-pin in the tenth stopped Hugh Miller's chance at victory. Kiss, a former Senior Masters champion, moved into third place with the 216-211 win. Miller dropped to fifth with the loss.

Dewayne Webb fired the round's high game, stringing eight strikes in frames 4-11 to overwhelm Steve Menning, 266-181. The victory propelled Webb from eighth place to fourth. Meanwhile, both Mike Polinsky and Steve Michaliszyn struggled to find the pocket in their low-scoring contest. Michaliszyn eventually prevailed, 181-159, hanging on to his sixth-place position.

Tom Anderson and Tom Burke rebounded from their opening-round losses. A pair of three-baggers in frames 3-5 and 7-9 allowed Anderson to defeat John Meiris, 237-203. Burke held off a late challenge by Bob Korth to notch a 222-211 victory.

Round three saw Ron Martinson dramatically reverse his fortunes at the expense of leader Trent Zabelle. With Zabelle on the verge of building an insurmountable lead, Martinson struck on 10 of 12 shots, closing out the game with a seven-bagger for a lopsided 269-189 victory. As a result, the Beaverton bowler moved to the top of the leader board by an 18 pin margin over Zabelle.

Steve Kiss solidified his third-place position with a 223-193 win over Dewayne Webb. The loss dropped the Washington right-hander to sixth. In a match between N.W.S.T. titleholders, Steve Michaliszyn used a seven-bagger in frames 2-8 to outdistance Hugh Miller, 259-203. Michaliszyn improved to fourth place with the victory. Miller stayed in fifth place despite the loss.

Tom Burke chalked up his second consecutive win to move into seventh place. The Sunset Lanes proprietor used a closing six-bagger to dispatch Tom Anderson, 235-166. Steve Menning put his name in the win column for the first time, taking advantage of back-to-back splits by Mike Polinsky to notch a 215-180 victory. In the final match of the round, lefty John Meiris punched out in the tenth to overtake Bob Korth, 213-211.

Having set themselves apart from the rest of the finalists, Ron Martinson and Trent Zabelle squared off in their round-four rubber match with the tournament title on the line. The Oregon right-handers remained tied early in their match, each staying clean but unable to catch a double through the first four frames.

Zabelle took the first lead of the contest, posting a three-bagger in frames 5-7. Martinson responded with strikes of his own in frames 6-7, but left the 3-6-10 on his next shot. With both bowlers converting their eighth-frame spares, Trent Zabelle carried a 12 pin lead into the decisive final frames.

Seemingly unaffected by the pressure, Zabelle shut the door on Ron Martinson's title hopes with a game-ending four-bagger. With his 239-216 victory, Trent Zabelle captured the Budweiser Classic championship by 35 pins over the second-place Martinson. For Zabelle, it was his third career title and first singles crown since his 2007 Tour Championship win.

Steve Kiss was the only bowler to go undefeated in match play, surviving a split-plagued match to outlast Steve Michaliszyn, 171-164, and collect third place in the process. Hugh Miller pieced together a four-bagger in frames 2-5 and a three-bagger in frames 7-9 to overpower Dewayne Webb, 236-164, climbing to fourth place in the standings. With their losses, Michaliszyn fell to a sixth-place finish while Webb plummeted to ninth.

Steve Menning completed his late charge up the leader board, posting a 221-195 win over Tom Burke to secure a top-five finish. Burke held onto seventh place despite the loss. Tom Anderson defeated John Meiris, 227-205, to improve to eighth place. Meiris fell back to tenth with the loss. In the tournament's remaining match, Bob Korth downed Mike Polinsky, 211-182. As a result, Korth and Polinsky held onto their eleventh and twelfth-place positions

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Our next event on the Northwest Senior Tour schedule is the Hammer Open Doubles Championship, set for Sunday, November 24, at AMF 20th Century Lanes in Portland, Oregon. Each team must have at least one N.W.S.T. member or a bowler that meets N.W.S.T. criteria. The other teammate can be any other adult U.S.B.C. member.



QUALIFYING





Lower Columbia Bowl Astoria, OR October 20, 2013

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	TOTAL	+/-	NAME	LANE	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	1472		Zabelle, Trent	03E	214	276	246	263	248	225	
2			Martinson, Ron	01E	235	225	269	268	227	222	
3	1419		Miller, Hugh	O3A	215	248	203	237	258	258	
4	1399		Michaliszyn, Steve	03B	226	243	234	231	226	239	
5	1397		Menning, Steve	041	258	241	237	223	213	225	
6	1392		Kiss, Steve. SS	09C	300	219	234	199	214	226	
7	1386		Webb, Dwayne	12F	242	245	212	226	205	256	
8	1367	167	Polinsky, Mike	07E	213	279	213	213	193	256	
9	1365	165	Burke, Tom	05B	217	218	237	237	222	234	
10	1359	159	Anderson, Tom	07A	226	207	258	236	242	190	
11	1337	137	Korth, Bob. SS+	02H	236	236	204	233	233	195	
12	1329	129	Meiris, John	121	180	225	224	248	226	226	MATCH
	1323		Tang, Jon	05E	214	217	268	189	208	227	•
	1322		Ledbetter, Jerry SS	06G	237	224	211	200	246	204	
15	1321	121	Winklepleck, Jim	10F	202	205	267	202	218	227	
	1320	120	•	01C	238	248	211	202	203	218	
17	1304	104	· ·	05C	188	223	214	195	300	184	
	1301	101	9	06H	211	247	162	244	246	191	CASH
	1297	97	More, Johnny SS	08F	223	218	224	193	212	227	SS
_	1294	94	Porter, Bob	02F	204	223	223	224	216	204	. 33
	1292	92	Eskew, Lori	081	160	221	225	226	257	203	WOMAN
	1290	90		11A	201	195	219	258	203	214	VVOIVIAIN
	1289	89	Tribbey, Kathy	11E	184	256	196	267	203 168	214	
			Myers, Tim								
	1286	86	DeRemer, Frank	09D	163	226	233	258	237	169	
	1259	59	Noel, Ronnie	09E	219	226	194	226	226	168	
	1250	50	Johnson, Terry	O1A	227	201	202	238	210	172	
	1235	35	Dietz, Frank SS	09B	255	226	126	192	201	235	
28	1224	24	Bjorke, Bob. SS	04G	220	215	202	177	201	209	
29	1223	23	Makay, John	02G	145	215	209	196	248	210	
30	1219	19	Gustafson, Jon SS	05A	200	223	233	198	203	162	
31	1216	16	Pierce, Tim	030	171	213	184	267	195	186	
32	1215	15	Combs, Danny	061	221	236	180	189	207	182	
33	1212	12	Lorimor, Stan	11D	180	221	237	149	211	214	
34	1209	9	Grenon, Larry SS+	O3D	229	238	238	173	181	150	
35	1195	5	Anderson, AL SS	12G	201	203	180	212	214	185	
36	1193	7	Mruk, Jim	05D	198	213	222	168	200	192	
37	1188	12	Sanders, Bill	10G	206	211	237	191	207	136	
	1184	16	Barber, Mike	01B	180	197	192	157	226	232	
	1175	25	Kelly, Mike	021	170	218	188	203	205	191	
	1171	29	Lindberg, Larry SS	07D	150	184	193	235	213	196	
	1169	31	Schlegel, Ernie SS+	09A	213	210	214	203	156	173	
	1167	33	Soto, Steve	07C	240	206	147	179	191	204	
	1166	34	Ballou, Dale SS	04H	226	141	197	210	234	158	
	1165	35	Gravo, Jerry	11C	198	148	247	149	243	180	
	1160	40	Schimming, Scott	101	223	196	180	185	208	168	
	1149		_	01D	193	218	175	155	222	186	
		51	Nogle, Mike								
	1149	51	Ford, Steve SS	08G	189	234	191	188	164	183	
	1123	77	Hebner, Dean	10H	157	190	196	198	156	226	
	1120	80	Gahan, Larry	12H	157	241	148	223	161	190	
	1112	88	Kessler, Samantha	O4F	151	180	149	214	236	182	
	1112	88	Nowlin, Doug SS	06F	185	181	184	188	195	179	
	1112	88	Muzzy, Jeff	H80	184	163	209	145	179	232	
	1078	122		11B	202	224	212	168	150	122	
54	829	371	Campbell, Dennis	07B	147	139	125	136	132	150	





October 20, 2013 FINAL RESULTS

	Bowler		QUALIFYING	FINALS	BONUS	TOTAL	PRIZE
1	Trent Zabelle	Portland, OR	1472	887	90	2449	\$650
2	Ron Martinson	Beaverton, OR	1446	908	60	2414	\$500
3	Steve Kiss SS	Clackamas, OR	1392	836	120	2348	\$425
4	Hugh Miller	Mercer Island, WA	1419	862	60	2341	\$390
5	Steve Menning	Portland, OR	1397	830	60	2287	\$365
6	Steve Michaliszyn	Vancouver, WA	1399	786	90	2275	\$340
7	Tom Burke	Beaverton, OR	1365	831	60	2256	\$315
8	Tom Anderson	Bonney Lake, WA	1359	824	60	2243	\$300
9	Dwayne Webb	Olympia, WA	1386	814	30	2230	\$285
10	John Meiris	Albany, OR	1329	848	30	2207	\$270
11	Bob Korth SS+	Central Point, OR	1337	834	30	2201	\$255
12	Mike Polinsky	Oregon City, OR	1367	745	30	2142	\$245
13	Jon Tang	Portland, OR	1323				\$225
14	Jerry Ledbetter SS	Puyallup, WA	1322				\$215
15	Jim Winklepleck	Portland, OR	1321				\$205
16	Kurt Bogner	Longview, WA	1320				\$195
17	Walt Lundgren SS+	Albany, OR	1304				\$185
18	Mike Karch	Edgewood, WA	1301				\$175
	Super Senior	[SS: 60-67 SS+: 68+]					
	Johnny More SS	Portland, OR	1297				\$100
	Women						
	Lori Eskew	Hillsboro, OR	1292				\$100



