

## SHEPHERD, CAREY ROLL TO HIGHLAND OPEN TITLES

### Boys Finale featuring Nat'l Champion teammates does not disappoint

Jordan Shepherd dominated the boys field during qualifying, rolling a 1,301 total to easily secure the top spot. During the advancers round, the Noblesville standout didn't let up, finishing the 8-game block with a 1,708 total, nearly 150 pins north of his nearest competitor. But, his road to his third title would face a severe test in the

title match, in the form of Carmel's powerhouse lefty, the Indiana High School Bowling state singles runner-up in 2016, Grant Oehler. The battle between USBC Youth Open National Team Champions teammates did not disappoint the live stream audience either. As both players started strong, it was Oehler who slipped first, missing a stone 7 in the sixth following a couple breaks. Shepherd then left what looked to be a crippling 4-9 in the 7th but an electrifying conversion allowed him to maintain a single digit lead. Not relenting, Oehler, responded with strikes in the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th to force Shepherd to double in the tenth. And, Shepherd, responded with convincing and emotional strikes to secure a heart-stopping 233-231 win.

Other finalists were Moorhead State's Tiler Leversque, Bolingbrook Illinois two-hand sensation Alex Acosta, Maywood, Illinois' Ameer Lawrence, and Chicago's Connell Kelleher. Shepherd collected \$375 in scholarships as well as his junior gold spot and the high qualifier entry into the next tour event.



**SHEPHERD**

Overall, the boys field of 40 averaged 166.5 while an average of 168.6 was good enough to qualify for the advancers round. To earn a spot in the championship round, the boys had to average 196.1 on the always challenging Melbourne pattern. The top U15 competitor was Highland's Nathan Ward who earned a \$50 scholarship.



**CAREY**

Hobart High's Maryssa Carey, fresh off of huge win on the Elite Youth Tour over a Junior Team USA member, carried that momentum and confidence into the title match against Aurora Illinois' Abby Ragsdale. In a see saw battle, Carey managed to pull away late and secured a 195-177 win, capturing her 5th NWIJTPA title.

Carey, who lead qualifying to earn the free entry into the next tour event, found herself on the outside looking in during the semi-final eliminator round before striking in four of her final five frames to edge out another Aurora native, Samantha Perez, for the final spot in the title match. Other finalists included Chesterton's Sarah Voiers, Elkhart's Brooklynn Schutz (who won last weekend at the WMJGT Kalamazoo stop), and Cicero, Indiana's Keagan Trexler, who continued her impressive showing since moving up to the U20 division.

Carey earned \$300 in scholarships while Schutz secured her spot into the 2017 Junior Gold Championships in Cleveland next July.

The top U15 girl was Marissa Metcalfe who edged a couple up and coming U12 standouts Kylee Trexler and Carly Zuklin for the \$50 scholarship. The field of 32 girls averaged 160.1, with a 164.3 required to advance to round 2, and a 184.4 required to earn a spot in the 6-player championship round.

*Special thanks to Mari Albanese and her staff at Plaza Lanes for their great support.*

The next event is right around the corner, October 2nd, at Casey's Lanes in Laporte, Indiana. Field size is limited so be sure to secure your spot before they are all taken.

# NWIJTPA HIGHLAND OPEN

## PROJECTED SCHOLARSHIP DISTRIBUTIONS (points)

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### BOYS - Plus 1 JG Spots - **JORDAN SHEPHERD**

1ST	70.0	SHEPHERD, JORDAN
2ND	40.0	OEHLER, GRANT
3RD	30.0	ACOSTA, ALEX
3RD	30.0	KELLEHER, CONNELL
5TH	20.0	LEVESQUE, TILER
5TH	20.0	LAWRENCE, AMEER
7TH	20.0	WINTERS, RYAN
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230.0

U15U - HQ	10.0	WARD, NATHAN
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FREE ENTRY		SHEPHERD, JORDAN
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### GIRLS - Plus (1) JG Spots - **BROOKLYNN SCHUTZ**

1ST	60.0	CAREY, MARYSSA
2ND	40.0	RAGSDALE, ABBY
3RD	25.0	PEREZ, SAMANTHA
3RD	25.0	SCHUTZ, BROOKLYNN
5TH	20.0	VOIERS, SARAH
5TH	20.0	TREXLER, KEAGAN
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190.0

U15U - HQ	10.0	METCALFE, MARISSA
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FREE ENTRY		CAREY, MARYSSA
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### AMOUNT TO TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS AND YEAR END POINTS RACE

83

SCHOLARSHIP to STANDARD ENTRY FEE RATIO  
TOTAL AWARDS to STANDARD ENTRY FEE RATIO

90.8%

97.0%

# NWIJTPA HIGHLAND OPEN - BOYS FINALS

Low Two scores eliminated Round 1 and Round 2.

All ties decided by 1-Ball rolloff. 2 practice balls prior to each match.

		ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3	
1	SHEPHERD, JORDAN		211	233	CHAMPION
2	ACOSTA, ALEX		201		T-3RD
3	LEVESQUE, TILER	208			T-5TH
4	LAWRENCE, AMEER	199			T-5TH
5	KELLEHER, CONNELL	234	184		T-3RD
6	OEHLER, GRANT	237	217	231	RUNNERUP

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1	CAREY, MARYSSA		180	195	CHAMPION
2	PEREZ, SAMANTHA		178		T-3RD
3	SCHUTZ, BROOKLYNN	163	163		T-3RD
4	TREXLER, KEAGAN	139			T-5TH
5	RAGSDALE, ABBY	178	211	177	RUNNERUP
6	VOIERS, SARAH	149			T-5TH

## NWIJTPA HIGHLAND OPEN - BOYS STANDINGS

	BOWLER	HOMETOWN	JG Division	Sum of GAME 1	Sum of GAME 2	Sum of GAME 3	Sum of GAME 4	Sum of GAME 5	Sum of GAME 6	Sum of Qualifying TOTAL	Sum of GAME 7	Sum of GAME 8	Sum of TOTAL PINS
1	SHEPHERD, JORDAN	NOBLESVILLE, IN	U20B	211	204	206	247	202	231	1,301	239	168	1,708
2	ACOSTA, ALEX	BOLINGBROOK, IL	(blank)	168	201	200	186	194	196	1,145	190	227	1,562
3	LEVESQUE, TILER	ACUSHNET, MA	(blank)	217	212	190	190	203	129	1,141	220	193	1,554
4	LAWRENCE, AMEER	MAYWOOD, IL	(blank)	270	172	206	177	146	178	1,149	201	191	1,541
5	KELLEHER, CONNELL	CHICAGO, IL	(blank)	231	204	214	187	171	138	1,145	168	212	1,525
6	OEHLER, GRANT	CARMEL, IN	U20B	173	161	181	158	188	201	1,062	247	213	1,522
7	WINTERS, RYAN	LIVONIA, MI	(blank)	173	142	175	216	192	204	1,102	249	156	1,507
8	HEATER, ZACHARY	GREENSBURG, PA	(blank)	164	151	166	222	180	179	1,062	235	202	1,499
9	MCCUNE, KEVIN	MUNSTER, IN	U20B	195	217	184	185	174	180	1,135	183	172	1,490
10	JORDAN, AUSTIN	KNOX, IN	(blank)	169	171	172	190	173	181	1,056	146	244	1,446
11	SEVERSON, JEFFREY	PORTAGE, IN	U20B	189	188	196	155	199	174	1,101	179	163	1,443
12	SCHULTZ, AUSTIN	PORTAGE, IN	(blank)	182	123	218	182	190	194	1,089	167	154	1,410
13	BAKER, COLTON	SOUTH BEND, IN	(blank)	161	184	150	166	189	202	1,052	189	134	1,375
14	MCDONALD, PATRICK	CROWN POINT, IN	(blank)	140	211	136	195	125	206	1,013	163	116	1,292
15	COOK, TYLER	HAMMOND, IN	(blank)	147	205	156	170	173	159	1,010			1,010
16	SISK, JAKOB	ROSSVILLE, IN	(blank)	156	168	133	188	189	173	1,007			1,007
17	ALBANESE, CHRISTOFER	GRIFFITH, IN	(blank)	181	139	155	183	167	175	1,000			1,000
18	SWINFORD, AIDEN	HEBRON, IN	(blank)	158	189	147	125	186	195	1,000			1,000
19	FREEBORN, MARTY	DYER, IN	U20B	139	158	175	207	158	153	990			990
20	SANDERS, CARRINGTON	HAMMOND, IN	(blank)	188	154	141	177	159	164	983			983
21	MATZKE, KOLE	LAPORTE, IN	(blank)	169	203	129	162	157	156	976			976
22	WARD, NATHAN (U15)	GRIFFITH, IN	U20B	151	165	165	159	153	155	948			948
23	VELESOVSKY, MICHAEL	THORNTON, IL	(blank)	199	161	162	144	135	144	945			945
24	MCGUCKIN, MATT	CROWN POINT, IN	U20B	188	152	170	149	145	127	931			931
25	CARTER, ZACHARY	PORTAGE, IN	U20B	134	140	155	163	159	169	920			920

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26	HUGHES, TIMOTHY	MERRILLVILLE, IN	U20B	117	135	184	195	125	154	910			910
27	BLACKBURN, ZYAVONTA	CARMEL, IN	U20B	149	160	123	179	148	149	908			908
28	THURSTON, AVERY	HUNTINGTON, IN	U20B	155	156	137	141	166	151	906			906
29	COBBAN, BRETT	ST JOHN, IN	(blank)	168	188	121	166	129	133	905			905
30	SMITH, JACOB	WABASH, IN	(blank)	125	145	160	172	124	166	892			892
31	NEWMAN, ZACHARY	WABASH, IN	(blank)	166	157	129	147	153	126	878			878
32	CAREY, CAYLEB (U15)	HOBART, IN	(blank)	143	172	134	132	133	158	872			872
33	RODRIGUEZ, TOMMY	WHITING, IN	U20B	134	150	166	165	147	107	869			869
34	SWANSON, GAVIN	ROCHESTER, IN	(blank)	126	150	133	134	154	165	862			862
35	GRACIA, MITCHELL (U15)	OAK FOREST, IL	(blank)	106	134	149	162	144	147	842			842
36	KAYLOR, BRANDON	CROWN POINT, IN	(blank)	136	133	126	168	140	137	840			840
37	SHEPARD, CORGAN	KOKOMO, IN	(blank)	124	140	175	125	121	127	812			812
38	OLSZEWSKI, EDDIE (U15)	GRIFFITH, IN	(blank)	113	145	141	124	152	135	810			810
39	COFFMAN, AYDAN (U12)	ELWOOD, IN	(blank)	105	119	119	170	145	151	809			809
40	BLISS, RYAN	PORTAGE, IN	(blank)	138	126	129	150	130	122	795			795

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1	CAREY, MARYSSA	HOBART, IN	(blank)	179	210	183	204	222	188	1,186	204	148	1,538
2	PEREZ, SAMANTHA	AURORA, IL	(blank)	147	187	181	167	244	198	1,124	203	200	1,527
3	SCHUTZ, BROOKLYNN	ELKHART, IN	U20G	171	191	213	229	181	157	1,142	199	168	1,509
4	TREXLER, KEAGAN	CICERO, IN	(blank)	197	153	142	222	227	133	1,074	210	174	1,458
5	RAGSDALE, ABBY	AURORA, IL	(blank)	173	160	196	194	181	184	1,088	181	182	1,451
6	VOIERS, SARAH	CHESTERTON, IN	(blank)	152	188	195	215	187	180	1,117	169	146	1,432
7	MOTEL, LIANA	DYER, IN	U20G	136	186	136	234	148	185	1,025	180	179	1,384
8	JASKIE, JAIMEE	BLUFFTON, IN	(blank)	166	190	179	160	158	156	1,009	178	181	1,368
9	LOHSE, BECKY	CHESTERTON, IN	U20G	148	182	132	188	150	189	989	188	167	1,344
10	DOUGLAS, HALEY	MONTGOMERY, IL	(blank)	209	148	166	172	156	153	1,004	121	190	1,315
11	SCHEUERMAN, CRISTINA	ZEELAND, MI	(blank)	203	139	164	176	148	156	986	126	171	1,283
12	TUCKER, HEIDI	CHESTERTON, IN	U20G	158	210	142	150	151	175	986	179	116	1,281
13	CAMP, CRISTINA	ST JOHN, IN	(blank)	180	172	175	159	146	153	985			985
14	ALBANESE, ALECIA	GRIFFITH, IN	U20G	167	168	147	149	156	171	958			958
15	HEFLIN, MEGAN	DYER, IN	U20G	142	148	172	147	170	169	948			948
16	LONDON, ELISE	HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL	(blank)	161	118	172	182	143	169	945			945
17	CHAPMAN, PAIGE	PORTAGE, IN	(blank)	148	140	167	200	144	142	941			941
18	METCALFE, MARISSA (U15)	ST JOHN, IN	(blank)	157	172	134	147	175	155	940			940
19	SISK, ANNALEE	ROSSVILLE, IN	(blank)	157	168	169	179	107	146	926			926
20	FINKE, SARA	HIGHLAND, IN	(blank)	138	179	162	163	143	139	924			924
21	BUGNO, SAMANTHA	HIGHLAND, IN	(blank)	126	154	143	188	158	135	904			904
22	SHEPARD, ASHLEY	PLYMOUTH, IN	(blank)	155	184	145	146	159	111	900			900
23	BLYTHE, MADDIE	ST JOHN, IN	U20G	168	143	164	146	141	134	896			896
24	WARD, ERICA	GRIFFITH, IN	U20G	143	168	139	150	114	182	896			896
25	HIMDEN, MAKAYLA	PORTAGE, IN	U20G	129	172	162	93	158	166	880			880
26	HATIGAN, SAMI	VALPARAISO, IN	(blank)	170	137	123	144	165	129	868			868
27	TREXLER, KYLEE (U12)	ARCADIA, IN	(blank)	160	121	116	153	163	141	854			854
28	ZUKLIN, CARLY (U12)	HIGHLAND, IN	(blank)	131	184	126	131	119	135	826			826
29	CREASY, JULIE	PORTAGE, IN	(blank)	102	148	114	174	145	131	814			814

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30	REYES, LEXIE	HIGHLAND, IN	(blank)	160	140	111	89	125	169	794			794
31	YEARSICH, KAITLYN	DYER, IN	(blank)	122	101	179	132	135	122	791			791
32	SCHEUERMAN, TAYLOR	ZEELAND, MI	U20G	102	130	150	144	131	114	771			771