Man bowls a 300

Rich Bachman, at the age of 52, did something he thought he would never do again. Bachman bowled a 300 game last Wednesday at the Colby Bowl and Fun Center.

What makes this 300 game extra special is that he received a heart transplant at the Mayo Clinic only two years ago. Bachman said after you experience something like that, you wonder if you will be able to do the things you used to.

While he said he had bowled a 300 game before, Bachman said, this time was a big deal. He said he didn't think he would ever be able to bowl like that after his heart transplant.

Before the surgery, Bachman said, he carried a 210 average as a league bowler. He said he aspired just to get back to his previous average. He returned to the game in the fall and had a 190 average at the end of his first season.

Bachman said he was averaging 160 at the start of this season.

Bachman's perfect score came in the second game of the summer fun league, which is a "no-tap" format. In a no-tap format, he explained, knocking down nine pins counts as a strike, but all of Bachman's strikes knocked down all 10 pins. He said he wasn't thinking about scoring a 300.

"I just kept throwing," Bachman said.

Unfortunately, said Charles Schwanke, co-owner of Colby Bowl and Fun Center, the United States Bowling Congress will not sanction the game because it was in a no-tap league, but Bachman knows what it was and how it feels to come back after a yearlong ordeal.

Bachman said he has worked for Walmart for the last 18 years and is back to full time now. Both he and his wife Ronda bowl in leagues at Colby Bowl. Schwanke, for one, is happy to see Bachman bowling again.

"Its thrilling to see someone come back from something like that.'

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Rich Bachman bowled a 300 game at a league event on Wednesday at the Colby Bowl and Fun Center two years after getting a heart transplant.

Speedway driver wins two main events

By Eric Gaede

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Thomas County Speedway Jeff Tubbs was the only driver

who won both of his features, taking first in both Bomber main events at the Thomas County Speedway races at the fairgrounds on Sunday.

After two consecutive race days were called for rain, Thomas County Speedway finally was able to get the features ran from the May 23rd races and the regular nights racing as well. Will Brack started off the night with a win in the make-up feature from the May 23rd races that were postponed. John Fose held off Brack for a few laps, but he was eventually passed by Brack and had to settle for second.

second feature race, Tim Leiker and Marty Clark were battling for second the majority of the race, but a mistake by Adam

Coen came up through the field and Dolan placed third. Michael and grabbed fourth with Matt Schamberger overcame a trip Morris coming in fifth. Twenty Modifieds were on hand.

Jason Rogers was able to ond main. Boon finished second stave off a couple of good runs by Dustin Daniels to get the win in the makeup main event with BJ Wagoner finishing third. The top five. There were ten Hobby roles were reversed in the second main with Daniels getting the win and Rogers just behind him in second. Ryan Wark managed a close third even after starting the main a quarter of a lap down after having problems right before the start of the race. Perry Misner had trouble in the first main, but he had a good run and finished fourth in the second Matt Brack finished third in the event and Wheat Lippelmann Guyer finishing in the top five. first feature of the night. In the rounded out the top five in the second main. Nine cars started

the main event. got the best of the field with eryone has a safe harvest and see Morris on the last lap moved Richard Boon and Dalton Dolan you at the races!

Morris from first to third and on his bumper for the checkhanded the win to Leiker. Brady ered flag. Boon took second into the back stretch wall in the first main to take first in the secagain and Latka snagged third in the second main. Dolan and Jason McIntyre rounded out the Stocks on-hand.

Tubbs is making racing look easy in the Econo class, winning every race so far this year. Joe Austin was giving Tubbs a good fight but he came up just short in both mains. Jason Gray came in third in the first main and Adrienne West took fifth. In the second main, West finished third with Dylan Hageman and Bryan Nine Econos were in the main.

The next races will be at 7 p.m. on July 11th at the Thomas In the first main Josh Latka County Fairgrounds. Hope ev-

Tennis match sets new record

more, they played – longer than anyone ever had before. And still there was no winner.

John Isner of Tampa, Fla., and Nicolas Mahut of France were tied at 59-59 in the fifth set at Wimbledon after exactly 10 hours of action when play was suspended because of darkness Wednesday night. It is by far the longest match in terms of games or time in the century-plus history of tennis.

"Nothing like this will ever happen again. Ever," Isner said.

The first-round match already had been suspended because of fading light Tuesday night after the fourth set.

The 23rd-seeded Isner and the 148th-ranked Mahut, who needed to qualify to get into the tournament, shared a court for 7 hours, 6 minutes in Wednesday's fifth set alone, enough to break the fullmatch record of 6:33, set at the won.

- On and on and on, and on some ace count looks like for both of us.

Well, here they are: Isner hit 98 aces, Mahut 95 - both eclipsing the previous high in a match at any tournament, 78. All the numbers were truly astounding: They played 881 points (Mahut took 452, Isner 429), 612 in the fifth set (315 for Mahut, 297 for Isner).

Isner compiled 218 winners, Mahut 217. Isner made only 44 unforced errors, Mahut 37.

There were zero service breaks in the fifth set, which is why the end never arrived Wednesday.

Even a courtside electronic scoreboard couldn't keep up, getting stuck at 47-47 when the score really had risen to 48-48, then eventually going dark entirely. Yet the pair played on.

And this cannot be emphasized enough: They are not finished. After 118 games, no one had

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) to see the stats and see what the after 9 p.m., Mahut and Isner approached the net to discuss with a Grand Slam supervisor, Soeren Friemel, whether to keep going. "I want to play," Mahut said,

"but I can't see."

Fans began chanting, "We want more! We want more!" Then they screamed in unison, "Centre Court! Centre Court!" - the only stadium at the All England Club equipped with artificial lights, and therefore the only place play could continue at that hour. When Friemel decided they would stop at that moment and resume Thursday, spectators saluted Isner and Mahut with a standing ovation.

"I have almost no words anymore watching this," 16-time Grand Slam champion Roger Federer said. "It's beyond anything I've ever seen and could imagine. I don't know how their bodies must feel the next day, the next week, the next month. This is incredible tennis."

Top golfers fail to win tournament

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) - Even with 21 majors, they still had everything to gain by winning the U.S. Open.

For Tiger Woods, a chance to end six months of of pars in the first hour. bad publicity with a 15th major. For Phil Mickelson,

As for Mickelson?

He started with a birdie and never made another one the rest of the day. What hurt him were a series

The winner was Graeme McDowell, who made

silver in the U.S. Open. For Ernie Els, a much-needed reminder that his best golf in the majors is not behind him.

Forgetting about Sunday at Pebble will not be easy.

Woods didn't know this when he started the final round with a three-putt bogey, but he had to shoot only par-71 to join Jack Nicklaus, Ben Hogan and Bobby Jones as four-time U.S. Open champions.

He shot 75 and remains tied with Hale Irwin.

Els was tied for the lead in the final round, for about only 15 minutes, but he had not been in that position at a major in six years. Worse than his bogey-double bogey-bogey stretch along the coast was missing three putts inside 8 feet in a four-hole stretch most. late in the round.

a golden opportunity to win something other than only one birdie in his round of 74 to win a U.S. Open where the stars didn't shine.

> It wasn't the first time this has happened in a major.

> Seven years ago in the British Open, three of the top 10 players in the world challenged for the claret jug on the back nine of Royal St. George's - Woods, Davis Love III and Vijay Singh – only to finish in the top five behind surprise winner Ben Curtis.

> For all the majors that Woods, Mickelson and Els have won, they know something about losing. All of them have had close calls at least a half-dozen times in majors, when the championship turns on a putt or a bounce.

In this case, it's a question of whom it hurts the

2004 French Open.

Never before in the history of Wimbledon, which first was contested in 1877, had any match singles or doubles, men or women - lasted more than 112 games, a mark set in 1969. Isner and Mahut played more games than that in just the fifth set, and still did not determine a victor, although the American came close: He had four match points – four chances to end things by winning the next point but Mahut saved each one.

"He's serving fantastic. I'm serving fantastic. That's really all

The match will continue, stretching into a third day. At least were glued to locker-room televi-Wimbledon gave them a bit of a sions, while some players headed break, saying the match would not pick up again before 3:30 p.m. Thursday.

"He's just a champ. We're just fighting like we never did before," Mahut said. "Someone has to win, so we'll come back tomorrow and see who is going to win the match."

At 58-all, more than 61/2 hours into Wednesday's action, both players took a bathroom break - and, frankly, who could blame there is to it," Isner said. "I'd like them? Not much later, shortly

Other Wimbledon competitors out to the court to see if they could catch a glimpse in person. That was easier said than done, because the stands at the relatively tiny Court 18 - its official capacity is 782 – were full, and people packed in three-or-more deep along a railing.

"I don't think I'd move," Venus Williams said. "I think if you moved, you lose your seat.

"It's a marathon. It's longer than a marathon."



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