

Peters and Hamilton Capture 2006 Teen Masters National Titles

Seventeen-year-old Jake Peters, Decatur, Illinois and 16-year-old Brittni Hamilton, Webster, New York are the 2006 Teen Masters National Champions, each winning the title at Universal Studios Orlando in the Sound Stage 33 Arena August 6. The show was taped for airing on ESPN2 October 16. The qualifying portion of the event was held at Boardwalk Entertainment Center in Orlando earlier in the week.

Peters, a senior at Hillside Bethel Christian School, defeated Jon Brady, Clearwater, Florida 218-143 to win the \$7500 scholarship award for the boy's championship. Peters started the match with three strikes and never looked back, as Brady struggled to find a line which never appeared. When Peters added a double in the 7th, it was over.

"It's been amazing," said Peters. "I won't really feel it until I look back, but this week has been the greatest experience of my life."

Hamilton defeated Ashley Galante, Palm Harbor, Florida 227-174 to win the girls title. In that match, she rolled a clean game, and a four-bagger in frames 7 through 10 sealed the victory. "The key shot was the strike in the seventh," she said. "I was struggling on the right lane, and I finally found it."

Galante opened the first frame and trailed the entire match. She doubled in the seventh, but it couldn't match her opponents four-bagger. "I guess second isn't too terrible in a big event like this," she added. "I had fun and I'll be back next time."

After the girls and boys champions were decided, they squared off against each other in a third game for an additional \$2500 in scholarship money. In that game, Peters prevailed 223-179 on the wings of a five-bagger in frames four through eight.

The runners-up, Jon Brady and Ashley Galante, each won a \$3,750 scholarship for their outstanding performance.

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