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**STERNER CAPTURES 2003 TEEN MASTERS CROWN
Georgia Teen Earns \$10,000 College Scholarship**

Jason Sterner is the 2003 Teen Masters champion. The nineteen-year-old, right-hander from Jonesboro, GA defeated a field of North America's top teenage bowlers to lay claim to a bounty of awards. As champion, Jason earned a \$10,000 college scholarship, the prestigious Alford Cup, a Foundation Games Gold Medal and an invitation to compete in next season's Team USA National Championships.

Sterner excelled in the new format that mixed the excitement of Killer 'B' Promotions' popular pro event, the Battle At Little Creek, with the challenge of tough Sport Bowling lane conditions and the test of versatility provided by the multiple oil patterns of the Foundation Games.

The competition began at the Kegel Training Center in Sebring, FL with all 32 athletes rolling six games of Ranking Competition to determine what their seed would be in the match play portion of the tournament. Three games were bowled on a 32' Sport pattern, followed by three games on a 42' Sport pattern. Though he got off to a slow start, Jason raced to the head of the pack and the coveted position as the #1 seed. His initial game was a 171, but he recovered quickly with a 269 game, followed by a 188 for a series of 628. His strong performance continued after the lanes were stripped and re-oiled with the Long pattern, recording games of 210, 227 and 185 for a 622 series and 6-game total of 1250.

Joining Jason in the plus column during the Ranking Competition were 16-year-old Danny Neill of Allen, TX with 1233, 17-year-old Brett Erickson of Oklahoma City, OK with 1222, and 18-year-old Amanda Burgoyne of Newport, MN with 1216. Amanda also earned an invitation to the Team USA National Championships as the highest-finishing female in the Teen Masters competition.

Following the six games of Ranking Competition, the format shifted to head-to-head match play, with each match conducted on two pairs of lanes. The left pair was oiled with the Long 42-foot Sport pattern – the right pair with the Short 32-foot Sport pattern. Game One of each match was contested on the Long pattern, then moved to the Short pattern for Game Two. In Game Three the pattern was selected by the higher seed. If

there was a Game Four, the lower seed had choice. And in Game Five, the advantage belonged to the higher seed again.

In the first three rounds of match play, Sterner literally blew past his opponents, winning 3 – 0, 3 – 1 and 3 – 0, averaging an impressive 220 while his opponents collectively averaged 187. In fact, Sterner wasn't tested until he met 16-year-old Matt O'Grady from South Amboy, NJ, the #13 seed in their Semi-Final match.

Bowling on Lanes 1 & 2 (the Long pattern), O'Grady and Sterner finished the first game deadlocked, 259 to 259, with Sterner taking the tiebreaker 60 – 50 with four strikes. O'Grady evened the match 1 – 1 on the Short pattern on Lanes 3 & 4, taking the game 193 to 175. In Game Three, Sterner moved the match back to Lanes 1 & 2, and edged out a determined O'Grady 225 to 223. It was all tied up 2 – 2 after O'Grady moved the match back to the Short pattern and won 168 to 164. Game Five was Sterner's choice, and he ended the match with a solid 236 to 195 victory.

In the Championship match, Sterner faced 17-year-old Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, NY in what became a series of one-sided victories based on lane selection. Game One, Long pattern – Sterner won 242 to 153. Game Two, Short pattern – Ciminelli won 230 to 168. Game Three, Long pattern – Sterner won 257 to 155. Game Four, Short pattern – Ciminelli won 236 to 166. Game Five, Long pattern – Sterner won 176 to 148.

Looking back, finding 17-year-old Ryan Ciminelli and 19-year-old Jason Sterner in the championship match of the 2003 Teen Masters should not have surprised anyone. In earning their way to the Championship Finals, Ryan and Jason had dominated their respective regional qualifiers like no one else, setting new Teen Masters scoring records in turn. In the very first qualifier, Ryan set a Teen Masters record for 9 games of 2007 at Seminole Lanes near Tampa, FL. Three months later, Jason set a new record when he rolled a 9-game total of 2071 at Brunswick Gwinnett Lanes in Atlanta. Both scores were rolled against Sport Bowling lane conditions provided by the American Bowling Congress.

Coach Richard Shockley, Vice President of Coaching at the Kegel Training Center, presented Foundation Games medals to four teens. Gold went to champion Jason Sterner, Silver to Ryan Ciminelli, and Bronze medals went to the two bowlers who lost in the Semi-Finals matches, Matt O'Grady and 18-year-old Steven Black of Phoenix, AZ.

The 2003 Teen Masters was made possible by the generous support of Storm Bowling Products, the Kegel Training Center, NXT Bowling and the American Bowling Congress. Killer 'B' Promotions extends its heartfelt thanks to those at Kegel who played a role in making the Championship Finals a fair and exciting competition.

Preparations are underway for next season's Teen Masters, with regional competition slated to begin with the first of 16 qualifying events to be held October 18, 2003. For more information on the 2004 Teen Masters, visit www.killerbpromotions.com.

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2003 CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

Ranking Competition

			Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6	Total
1	Jason Sterner	Jonesboro, Georgia	171	269	188	210	227	185	1250
2	Danny Neill	Allen, Texas	184	203	211	199	221	215	1233
3	Brett Erickson	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	185	192	171	201	223	250	1222
4	Amanda Burgoyne	Newport, Minnesota	170	193	196	210	234	213	1216
5	Cameron Foster	Taylorville, Utah	178	215	179	163	201	254	1190
6	Steve Novak	Oceanside, New York	233	134	170	256	212	183	1188
7	Corey Husted	Clackamas, Oregon	202	209	184	218	190	181	1184
8	Chris Bolosan	Newport News, Virginia	191	186	199	194	219	176	1165
9	Vito Genova	Franklin Square, New York	193	136	235	208	201	159	1132
10	Ryan Ciminelli	Cheektowaga, New York	173	160	200	191	203	178	1105
11	Amy Corbin	Cincinnati, Ohio	192	170	152	190	195	203	1102
12	Nathan Panaligan	Las Vegas, Nevada	160	162	197	200	186	193	1098
13	Matthew O'Grady	South Amboy, New Jersey	182	196	153	192	183	191	1097
14	Kevin Valmonte	La Verne, California	150	164	192	212	158	201	1077
15	Trevor Piepergerdes	St. Joseph, Missouri	142	200	151	186	204	187	1070
16	Jack Perry	Woodstock, Ontario	179	147	187	224	156	176	1069
17	Patrick Eighmy	Erie, Pennsylvania	183	182	168	217	163	156	1069
18	Brandon Harris	Akron, Ohio	166	165	183	226	136	175	1051
19	B.J. Bivens	East Ridge, Tennessee	162	169	168	170	177	201	1047
20	Tony Bordes	Eden Prairie, Minnesota	175	145	248	161	139	178	1046
21	Jason Wunderlich	Homestead, Pennsylvania	142	160	155	202	190	181	1030
22	Steven Black	Phoenix, Arizona	134	167	175	157	166	225	1024
23	Nikki Lewandowski	Buffalo, New York	172	145	167	181	197	162	1024
24	Craig Stanley Jr.	Plano, Texas	182	146	194	170	156	161	1009
25	Sarah Weller	Libertyville, Illinois	151	179	180	182	138	177	1007
26	Kenny Waltman	Aberdeen, Washington	172	146	156	202	161	165	1002
27	Robert Scales Jr.	San Antonio, Texas	197	169	155	162	163	144	990
28	Henry Pryor II	Miamisburgh, Ohio	165	127	199	164	175	137	967
29	Jeffrey Mersch	Tampa, Florida	146	165	143	190	146	171	961
30	Kevin McDonald	Satellite Beach, Florida	151	155	147	161	127	174	915
31	Michael Beddard Jr.	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	161	119	163	155	137	159	894
32	Chris Kerr	Lakewood, Colorado	116	169	192	157	145	102	881

Ties were broken by "high last game."



2003 CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS Match Play Results

Round of 32

- #1 Jason Sterner defeated #32 Chris Kerr 3 – 0 (195-188, 223-183, 235-199)
- #31 Michael Beddard Jr. defeated #2 Danny Neill 3 - 1 (222 - 180, 199 - 163, 187 - 204, 193 - 177)
- #3 Brett Erickson defeated #30 Kevin McDonald 3 – 0 (193-176, 161-148, 233-173)
- #29 Jeffrey Mersch defeated #4 Amanda Burgoyne 3 – 2 (203-182, 176-177, 183-223, 195-164, 197-173)
- #5 Cameron Foster defeated #28 Henry Pryor II 3 – 2 (152-191, 165 - 158, 192 - 208, 182 - 141, 180 - 177)
- #6 Steve Novak defeated #27 Robert Scales Jr. 3 – 0 (201-176, 219-204, 233-135)
- #26 Kenny Waltman defeated #7 Corey Husted 3 - 0 (174 - 164, 178 - 162, 190 - 173)
- #8 Chris Bolosan defeated #25 Sarah Weller 3 – 2 (199-190, 186-189, 190-163, 158-192, 169-159)
- #9 Vito Genova defeated #24 Craig Stanley Jr. 3 – 0 (268-202, 195-173, 195-179)
- #10 Ryan Ciminelli defeated #23 Nikki Lewandowski 3 – 1 (162-209, 196-154, 183-177, 184-175)
- #22 Steven Black defeated #11 Amy Corbin 3 – 1 (235-160, 178-190, 212-191, 247-203)
- #21 Jason Wunderlich defeated #12 Nathan Panaligan 3 – 2 (184-182, 204-162, 162-223, 180-189, 184-169)
- #13 Matt O'Grady defeated #20 Tony Bordes 3 – 0 (252-114, 179-177, 200-141)
- #14 Kevin Valmonte defeated #19 B.J. Bivens 3 – 0 (243-135, 221-138, 199-192)
- #18 Brandon Harris defeated #15 Trevor Piepergerdes 3 – 2 (193-193, 27/31, 159-164, 172-172, 56/40, 233-173, 172-166)
- #17 Patrick Eighmy defeated #16 Jack Perry 3 – 0 (238-225, 176-146, 233-177)

Round of 16

- #1 Jason Sterner defeated #17 Patrick Eighmy 3 – 1 (202-195, 190-199, 245-212, 225-170)
- #3 Brett Erickson defeated #14 Kevin Valmonte 3 – 0 (212-164, 176-171, 211-176)
- #21 Jason Wunderlich defeated #5 Cameron Foster 3 – 1 (261-232, 189-171, 175-201, 222-158)
- #22 Steven Black defeated #6 Steve Novak 3 – 2 (183-190, 179-188, 207-172, 225-181, 203-192)
- #8 Chris Bolosan defeated #9 Vito Genova 3 – 1 (186-129, 183-205, 187-167, 215-150)
- #10 Ryan Ciminelli defeated #26 Kenny Waltman 3 – 2 (174-152, 170-195, 176-174, 238-198, 195-166)
- #13 Matt O'Grady defeated #29 Jeffrey Mersch 3 – 2 (183-206, 180-195, 185-181, 214-188, 215-190)
- #18 Brandon Harris defeated #31 Michael Beddard Jr. 3 – 2 (159-177, 154-179, 174-153, 179-153, 181-172)

Round of 8

- #1 Jason Sterner defeated #8 Chris Bolosan 3 – 0 (272-182, 199-174, 214-172)
- #22 Steven Black defeated #3 Brett Erickson 3 – 2 (204-175, 142-174, 248-207, 203-219, 188-175)
- #10 Ryan Ciminelli defeated #18 Brandon Harris 3 – 1 (199-220, 210-180, 138-134, 162-148)
- #13 Matt O'Grady defeated #21 Jason Wunderlich 3 – 0 (200-178, 182-145, 217-160)

Semi-Finals

- #1 Jason Sterner defeated #13 Matt O'Grady 3 - 2 (259-259, 60/50, 175-193, 225-223, 164-168, 236-195)
- #10 Ryan Ciminelli defeated #22 Steven Black 3 - 0 (199-174, 244-162, 212-179)

Championship Match

- #1 Jason Sterner defeated #10 Ryan Ciminelli 3 - 2 (242-153, 168-230, 257-155, 166-236, 276-148)

