

# The 10th Anniversary MINI ELIMINATOR Today

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## Gales Wins Mini Eliminator

### Senior Player wins \$50,000 Title the hard way

Ronald Gales, Las Vegas made two clutch doubles in the championship game and a miracle spare in the 10th frame to win the 2003 10th Anniversary Mini Eliminator and its \$50,000 top prize. Gales' clean 215 was enough for the victory.

In the title game, it came down to the 10th frame with two great bowlers in contention for the win - Gales and top ranked amateur Tim Mack, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. Mack struck in frame 6-8, then left three solid ten pins in the ninth and tenth to post a 204, forcing Gales to mark in the tenth for the win. Gales stepped up on a double going for the victory, but left the very unusual 1-8 spare, a very difficult conversion amplified by the fact it was worth so much. "I just lost the ball off my hand," he said.

What happened next brought a huge roar from the large crowd pulling for Gales. He tossed the ball at the spare and thought he missed it, but the head pin, hit thin, went to the wall and it's neck clipped the back of the eight sending it falling forward. "I missed it by a mile," he said, "and on the spare, the ball didn't react, but it caught enough of it. When it went down, I knew the bowling gods were smiling on me," he said.

Mack had a good week, finishing second in two megabuck events for \$25,000 each. Tom Smallwood, Flushing, Missouri finished third for \$15,000 with a 181. Kevin Schwabe, West Allis, Wisconsin rolled a 173 for 4th and \$12,500, and 5th place went to Tom Krecskay, Winchester, Ohio for \$10,000.

The 10th Anniversary Mini Eliminator sponsored by Brunswick, drew 4011 entries and paid over a million dollars in cash and prizes. The next Mini Eliminator event will be the Super Bowl Mini Eliminator January 31- February 8, 2004 at the Gold Coast in Las Vegas.

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2003 10th Anniversary Mini Eliminator Champion  
Ronald Gales, Las Vegas, Nevada

1. Ronald Gales, Las Vegas, NV	215	\$50,000
2. Tim Mack, Stroudsburg, PA	204	\$25,000
3. Tom Smallwood, Flushing, MI	181	\$15,000
4. Kevin Schwabe, W. Allis, WI	173	\$12,500
5. Tom Krecskay, Winchester, OH	140	\$10,000

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## 10th Anniversary Mini Eliminator Recruiter Doubles

1. Kwoon Kim	734	
Tom Smallwood-Flushing, MI	<u>760</u>	\$5000
	1494	
2. Su Hong Wu-Hong Kong	747	
Bill Hoffman-Columbus, OH	<u>728</u>	\$2500
	1475	
3. Chad Murphy-Helotes, TX	721	
Tony Manna Jr-Omaha, NE	<u>721</u>	\$1750
	1442	
4. Chris Collins-Fayetteville, NC	726	
Paul Renteria-Henderson, NV	<u>710</u>	\$1250
	1436	
5. Jeff Austreng-Waterford, MI	698	
David Ewalt-Warren, MI	<u>731</u>	\$1000
	1429	
6. Jim Thomas-Johnson City, NY	665	
Tom Smallwood-Flushig, MI	<u>760</u>	\$900
	1425	
7. Kevin Smith-Cheektowaga, NY	693	
Dave Guindon-W. Seneca, NY	<u>718</u>	\$800
	1411	
8. Carl Kinyon-Lockport, NY	683	
Mike Faliero-W. Seneca, NY	<u>727</u>	\$700
	1410	
9. Robby Porter-Rancho Cordova, CA	756	
Nick Morgan-Sacramento, CA	<u>652</u>	\$600
	1408	
10. George Frilingos-Australia	688	
Jason Belmonte-Orange	<u>717</u>	\$500
	1405	

## 10th Anniversary Mini Eliminator \$10,000 Finalists Re-Entry Bonus

1. John Masiello - Kenmore, NY	759	\$3000
2. Mike Marks - Elmira, NY	732	\$1500
3. Tom Smallwod - Flushing, MI	728	\$1000
4. Mike Faliero - W. Seneca, NY	727	\$ 800
5. Pete Thomas - Oklahoma City, OK	722	\$ 750
6. Tom Smallwood - Flushing, MI	720	\$ 700
7. Joe Ciach - Ontario, Canada	716	\$ 650
8. David Ewald - Warren, MI	711	\$ 600
9. Mike Faliero, W. Seneca, NY	705	\$262.50
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The 10th Anniversary Sweepstakes Grand Prize Winners are: Bo Goergen, Sanford, MI and Jason Parris, Blackfoot, ID. Bo won a 2004 Toyota but opted for the \$10,000 cash. Jason won the Bayliner Boat seen above with Steve Sanders President Pinnacle Events and Bayliner Boats Marketing Manager Barbara Grobicki.



## 10th Anniversary Mini Eliminator Kegel Sweeper Sweepstakes Winners

**2004 Toyota Corolla or \$10,000** - Bo Goergen  
**Bayliner 175 pkg (Boat, motor & trailer)** - Jason Parris  
**Bradford 8 ft Brunswick Pool Table** - Dave Kirtley  
**Kegel's Million Team Entry (\$1000)** - Jeremy Sonnenfeld  
**ABS Tour Ultra Model Shoes** - Chun Bae, Roy Villafior, Ralf Sydow, Tom Smallwood  
**Turbo 2-N-1 Grips Denim Jackets** - Kenneth Lawson (2), Robert Rowe III, Ed Roberts, Jay Nephew, Rich Batista, Aris Anadilla, Jim Lasle, Steve Thorton, Jim Thomas  
**Brunswick Visa Balls** - Lance Edwards, Mike Bixler, Daniel Falconi, Mike Marks, Peter Knopp, Darren Nishioka, John Hilbert Jr., Steven Wong (2), Chris Hester, Gus Yanaras, Ken Muscato, Anders Ohman, Jesse Brown, Juan Salazar, Kenneth Garrison, Lawrence McClantoc, Tyson Branagan, Jeff Muzzarelli, Buzz Goodman  
**Three Night/Four Days Stay at Orleans** - Anthony Vigliotti, Bernard DuVisi  
**KR Strikeforce 4-ball Roller Bag** - Mike Dirmyer, Karl Simonis, Dustin Ragland, Brad Kiszewski, Robert Stevensson, Tim Hiller, Mark Estes, Jeff Butler, Christina Kinney, Cody Meiers

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