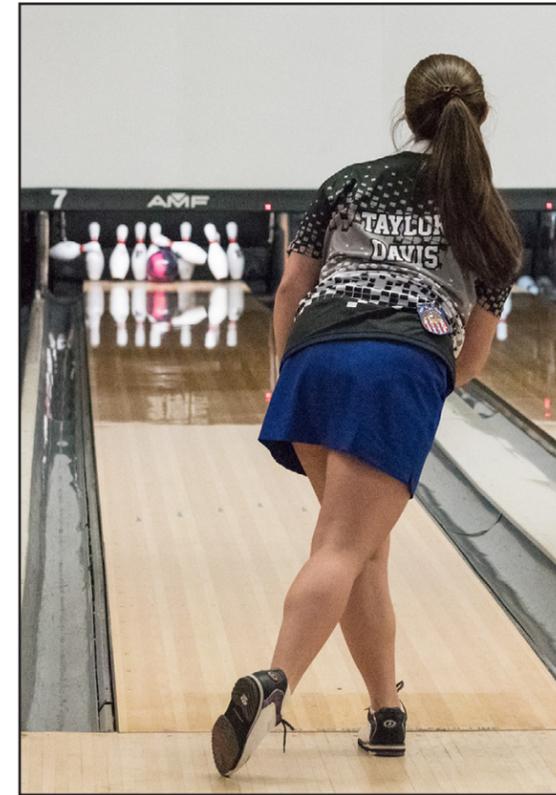


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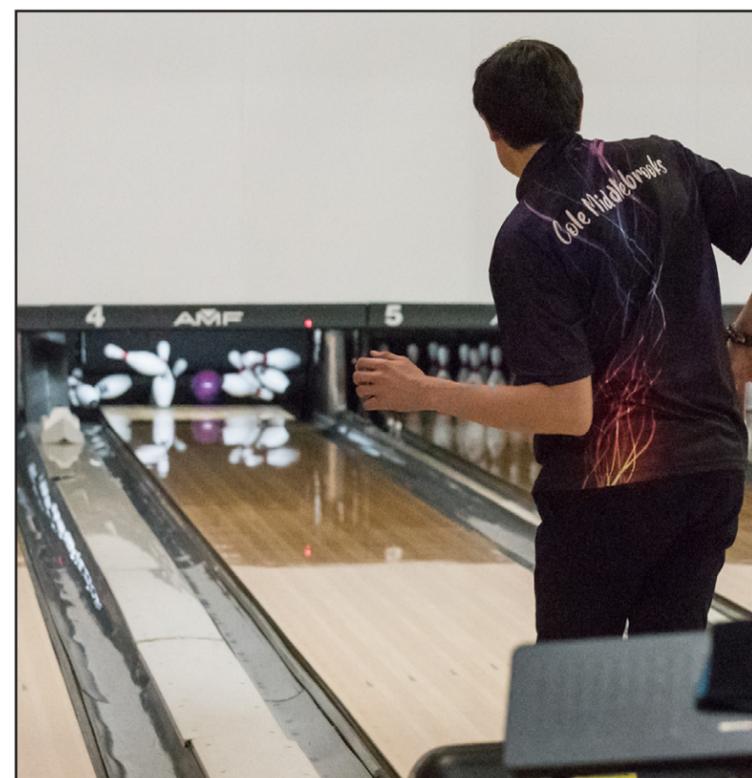
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In the "Under 180" average division semi-final, Raymond Lewis leaves the 4-7 during his 248-212 loss to Taylor Davis.



Davis continued striking in the title match against top seed Carter Surrey (left). In fact, she rolled 11 of 12 strikes in her 276-247 victory.



Two frames after leaving a solid 7-pin (above) in the “180 & Above” average division semifinal match against Andru Blaney, Cole Middlebrooks’ delivery (upper right) enters the 1-2 pocket a pinch high, and the result is an 8-pin—yet another single pin he clearly does not wish to see.





Meanwhile, Andru Blaney made all of the pins dance enough times to emerge with a 230-223 victory over Middlebrooks, earning the right to meet top seed A J Hickok for the "180 & Above" title.



Trailing by only nine pins and on a double heading into the ninth frame, Blaney had a chance to put some pressure on Hickok. However, disaster in the form of a “Big 4” split all but ended Blaney’s hopes for a “T of C” victory in his home center.



On a four-bagger entering the final frame, Hickok finishes strong, scoring 29 in the tenth to post a 243-175 win over Blaney.



After his first strike in the tenth frame, Hickok lets loose and exults in his victory.



Blaney, a 2022 Invitational champion and Ted Gruszkowski Jr. Youth Star honoree, acted commendably in defeat, applauding each delivery of Hickok's strong finish and then walking over to congratulate the winner.



The finalists gather after the competition. From left, Andru Blaney, Cole Middlebrooks, A J Hickok, Taylor Davis, Raymond Lewis, and Carter Surrey.

The Victors



A J Hickok • Taylor Davis