

## **Minnedosa Youth Shine at Youth Bowling Canada Nationals in Edmonton**

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The sound of pins falling may have quieted in Edmonton, but back home in Minnedosa, well-deserved applause still echoes for four remarkable young bowlers who represented the Valley with pride at the 2025 Youth Bowling Canada (YBC) Nationals.

Fresh off the national stage, Owen Robinson, Kadence Madden, Tyler Dyck, and Daniel Dalgarno each showcased talent, resilience, and the kind of irrepressible spirit that puts Minnedosa on the map. Competing against the best youth bowlers in Canada, these athletes didn't just show up—they showed heart, sportsmanship, and fierce determination.

### **Strong Showings & National Spirit**

In the Senior Girls division, Kadence delivered an impressive top game of 297, averaging 231 over the tournament. She placed 5th overall, narrowly missing the podium, and earning praise from teammates and organizers for her consistency and leadership.

The Junior Boys Team of Tyler and Daniel bowled with precision and chemistry through tough matchups, securing a 4th place finish nationally. Tyler notched a tournament-best score of 280, averaging 218, while Daniel—cheered on by his teammates—rolled his first-ever perfect 300 game, finishing with a 195 average.

Owen Robinson earned a Silver medal in the Bantam Boys Singles, clinching it with a clutch 214 in a tiebreaker match. His steady performance included a 188.9 average, 14 games over 175, and a tournament-high 254, earning admiration from coaches across the country for his poise under pressure.

What makes this group special isn't just how they played—but how they grew.

"Travelling to a new place with 48 lanes and the best bowlers from across the country was challenging and exciting," said Daniel. "The energy in the building was hard to explain. Small town bowlers can participate and excel at the national level. Bowling in Edmonton has motivated me to try again and help others get there too."

"What stood out most was meeting new people and learning from them," added Tyler. "But the most special moment was when my teammate Daniel rolled his first 300. It was an amazing experience—just being around that level of talent pushed us all to bowl better."

Owen reflected simply but sincerely: "I had a lot of fun. Some of those boys were so good, and the competition was intense."

Kadence added, "Meeting kids from all over the country who love this sport as much as we do made it even more special."

### **Community Support That Matters**

Perhaps the proudest voices come from Alan and Debbie, the humble champions behind the scenes at Minnedosa Bowl.

“It’s not just about winning,” said Debbie. “It’s about watching them grow into confident young adults through sport.”

“We’ve always believed that bowling is a great equalizer—anyone can try and belong,” added Alan.

The Minnedosa community rallied behind its athletes with fundraising breakfasts, encouraging messages, and heartfelt cheers. With more than 20 provincial and national banners already lining the walls of Minnedosa Bowl, these latest accomplishments only add to a growing legacy.

### **Looking Ahead**

As the YBC season comes to a close, Debbie and Alan Tarn’s Minnedosa Bowl continues to buzz with energy, laughter, and hometown pride. With six lanes and a welcoming atmosphere, the alley also features Gutter’s Licensed Coffee Shop, serving up delicious pizza, burgers, and wings.

New youth league sessions begin this September, and with role models like Owen, Kadence, Tyler, and Daniel, the next generation of champions may already be warming up on lane four.