

Waite Park bowler rolls 879, then 899

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First, there was Eric George's 879 series, rolled Feb. 1 at Great River Bowl in Sartell, Minn.

Ten days later, George outdid himself.

George, of the St. Cloud suburb of Waite Park, returned to Great River Bowl on Monday and rolled an 899 series – a 299 followed by consecutive perfect 300s - for the second-highest series total in state history.

Ten bowlers have rolled 900 series, according to the United States Bowling Congress Web site. One Minnesotan did so: **Darin Pomije** of New Prague, on Dec. 9, 2004.

George, bowling in the Fred Mathiasen Classic 5-man scratch league, left a 7-pin on his 12th shot of his first game Monday, then followed with his fourth and fifth 300 games of the week.

George finished the week with three 800 series and the top two series in local association history. His 879 was the fourth-highest series in state history.