## NITRO/R

## WALTER RAY WILLIAMS, JR. AND THE NITRO/R CAPTURE SHOWBOAT VICTORY

Reigning PBA "Player of the Year," Walter Ray Williams, Jr. won his 14th PBA title at the 35th Annual \$200,000 Showboat Invitational. Fifth seeded Williams from Stockton, CA, was using the EBONITE NITRO/R and powered past four opponents. He won 215 to 213 over leading qualifier Pete Weber and collected the \$37,000 first-place check. Williams qualified 5th, and in the opening match, defeated George Branham 247 to 220. Williams then went on to defeat Dennis Jacques 268 to 244. In the semi-final game, Williams defeated Parker Bohn III 213 to 194 to set up the championship match with Pete Weber.

Walter Ray averaged 228 for 56 games of qualifying and match play, and went 13 and 11 in match play using the EBONITE NITRO/R. Fellow Staff Member, Mike Miller from Albuquerque, NM, qualified 25th; but due to an injury to Rick Steelsmith, Mike replaced Steelsmith after 8 games of match play. Miller began Friday morning match play 550 pins out of fifth place. On Friday night by the time the 16 games of match play ended, Miller had a chance to make the top five but lost to Walter Ray in the position-round game 268 to 244. Miller finished 7th and missed the T.V. finals by only 17 pins. Miller won 12 and lost 4 games in match play, and he used the EBONITE TURBO X to accomplish his amazing match play run. Other Ebonite Staff finishes were Kelly Coffman 14th, Dave Wodka 30th, Mike Edwards 40th, and Mike Shady 49th.

Once again . . . the **EBONITE NITRO/R** won a pro tour event . . . the first win for 1994! Watch for the upcoming introduction of the new **EBONITE NITRO/R<sup>2</sup>**. . . the newest in Ebonite's high performance line of quality bowling balls!