

## **Aaron Hodges stars in his first ABTA Win at Upland Bowl**

### **Carry-Over of all Pots**

**Match Series estimate of \$1550 next week**

**Match Game estimate of \$3500**

**ABTA Returns to Bowlium Lanes this Weekend**

**Saturday is special Frozen Handicap Event**

**3-6-9 is \$2,100 at Bowlium Lanes**

In our long awaited return to Upland Bowl, bowlers came out for a semi tough shot this week. We had a total of 131 entries this week. Cut scores were a +70 for the men and +38 for the women. This week, our three Super Seniors added to the board were William Parks (+51) and Walter White (+49) for the men and Joyce Charles (+25) for the women. That would give us a total of 48 bowlers making it to the semi-finals this week for what would also be the finals as it was a Beat the board semi-finals.

For all qualifying squads our top qualifier for the Men was Rodney Payne with a +203, and for the women it was Deborah Sanders with a +100. Each will get paid entries into a future regular ABTA event. Each week our top seed overall draws the Match Series, and this week it was worth \$1050. The top seed drew a 511 but we had no one that bowled that score. Next week at Bowlium Lanes we will estimate the Match Series at \$1550. For the 3-6-9 qualifying this week, there were not a lot that qualified for the roll-off, but those that did saw Ryan Nam to be the last person standing to go for the \$2000 pot. He missed on his first shot and received a \$50 consolation. We will add another \$100 at Bowlium Lanes for total of \$2100.

In the doubles this week, we had 96 groups get into the doubles, with 17 spots being paid out. The top prize this week went to LeStar Walker and Rodney Payne with a 1527 for \$120. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place it was Rodney Payne and Stan Por with a 1518 for \$100. The low to cash was 1421 and we paid out \$960 in doubles.

This week we had a different format, as we would not have match play finals due to Upland Bowls very popular Cosmic Bowling that started at 9 pm. The final standings were determined after the three games at semis. After the first game, the leader was George Covarrubias (last weeks winner) with a +72 and close behind him was Bohner San Pedro with a +67. The fifth place score after game 1 was a +54, so it was real close after the first game. During the 2<sup>nd</sup> game we would see changes in the top and it get closer still. There was a mere 9 pins separation between our top 6 bowlers, with 7<sup>th</sup> place only 13 pins behind our leader. The 2<sup>nd</sup> game leader was Aaron Hodges with a tie for 2<sup>nd</sup> between Chris Moore and JJ Soon at +85. At +83 were Stan Por, Bonher San Pedro and David Jones. We would see the 3<sup>rd</sup> game come down to the end to decide who would be this weeks champion. Aaron finished first and set the stage for a close finish by Chris Moore. Chris would need to punch out in the 10<sup>th</sup> frame to over take Aaron but was not able to accomplish that and secured Aaron Hodges first place finish with a 761 score getting \$1000 for first plus \$1700 in cash and carry, Chris Moore in 2<sup>nd</sup> with a 742 for \$500 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher was Stan Por with a 730 getting \$200. In 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> place with a 718 were Andrew Toro and Jemerald (JJ) Soon getting \$110. As a reminder we do guarantee 3 women in the top 16, so 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> saw Kerry Lucka and Franki Matush. It was close battle in the final game to see who would win this week.

Our top seed in semi-finals had the honor of drawing the match game worth \$1900 and drew a 256. After a review of all the scores bowled, we had no one that shot that score, so it will carry-over to next week and we will estimate the pot at \$3500 at Bowlium Lanes. This week we had 6 new bowlers join us, and no returning member. Let's welcome these new bowlers to the club, Jayakomar Jayarajan, Mike Scimone, Marcus Battiest, Kelley Bendt, Joseph Kaiser and Angela Smith, and we would see 2 of the new bowlers make the semi-finals in their first time bowling.

Champion Aaron Hodges is from Glendale and used a Track 607ASE drilled by Nick Tchir. He is single and would like to thank his family and friends for all their support.

Chris Moore (2<sup>nd</sup> Place) is from Upland and used a Kong drilled by David Brown. He would like to thank his mom and dad, Gary and Rita, his girlfriend Crystal and her family for their support. A special thank you to his sponsor, Jeff Taino.

Stan Por (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) is from Long Beach and used a Brunswick ball drilled by Ben Mach. He is single and would like to thank Jack Trongale, Tim Tran, Tina, Ben Mach, Vuong Do, Julie Nguyen and the ABTA and Upland Bowl.

This week, the weekly ball sponsor winner of a 900 Global Ball was Roberta Nakunz and she won a Missing Link. Each time you bowl you get a free ticket for this prize given away by our Sponsor, 900 Global. This week we were again selling the raffle tickets for a chance at a raffle prizes. Winning a Regular Entry was Joyce Charles and Dino Cantoria. Winner of 2 nights in Las Vegas at our January event was Henry Hoang, winner of a Thanksgiving Entry was Karen Wade. The rest of the results can be seen in the payoff sheet in this paper.

This Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, Bowlium Lanes is our host for a 1 day “Frozen Handicap” event. Saturday squads are 12 pm, 1 pm, 2:30 pm, 4:00 pm, 6 pm is the final squad. Please plan on showing up early for squad times. The semi-finals will start at approximately 8 pm. The frozen handicap means you can’t earn or lose pins this week, and that is to support the following week where we have our Annual Thanksgiving event at Cal Bowl. Remember to check in early as it will be busy. And remember if you bring in a new member you get a \$15 credit on your entry and bowl for regular entry. See our ad for address and directions, or check our website ([www.abta1.com](http://www.abta1.com)) to link to address for directions.

Its history folks as Aaron Hodges enter the archives as our latest champion. Hope to see you at Bowlium Lanes! If you have any comments or suggestions, use the contact page on our Website to send comments to us. Thank you for being an ABTA member until then!