

## **Jason Jones in stars his first ABTA win at Bowlum Lanes**

### **ABTA Thanksgiving event at Cal Bowl this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday**

#### **Match Series (\$1,478) Ely Cruz**

#### **Match Game (\$3,350) 3 Winners: Steven Au, Mike Benavides, and Victor Fabian**

#### **3-6-9 is \$2,200 at Cal Bowl**

In our long awaited return to Bowlum Lanes, bowlers came out for a semi tough shot this week. We had 244 entries this week. Cut scores were a +44 for the men and +1 for the women. This week, our three Super Seniors added to the board were Leo Tartamella (+40), Pedro Benitez(+35) for the men and Bobbie McCollum(-11) for the women. That would give us 56 bowlers making it to the semi-finals this week.

For all qualifying squads our top qualifier for the men was James Samson with a +151, and for the women it was Leslie Gabriel with a +38. 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 \$1478. The top seed drew a 397 this week, and that score was bowled by one of the nice people and are weekly photographer Ely Cruz. He was sure happy and surprised when he heard his name announced for that score, bowling bad sometimes pays off for you. Next week at Cal Bowl, we will estimate the Match Series at \$1200 for the big Thanksgiving event. For the 3-6-9 qualifying this week, there were a lot that qualified for the roll off; the final person standing after all the rounds was Fred Go who would go for the \$2,100 pot. He missed on his second shot and received a \$50 consolation. We will add another \$100 at Cal Bowl for total of \$2200.

In the doubles this week, we had 195 groups get into the doubles, with 23 spots paid out. The top prize this week went to Robert Lim and Teddy Villaroman with a 1384 for \$180. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place, it was Dominador La Guardia and Victor Paolucci with a 1359 for \$160, they tied with Vuong Do and Victor Paolucci who had a 1369 and would get \$160. The low to cash was 1305; we paid out \$1950 in doubles.

In the semis this week we saw Jason Jones lead the field with a +111 to sit out and bowl for the title. Adrian Pelayo came in second at +105 and he would sit out the first round. It took a +42 for the men and a + 8 for the women.

This week, our top seed in semi-finals had the honor of drawing the match game worth \$3350 and he would draw a 155 this week. After a review of all the scores bowled, we had 3 bowlers that each bowled that score, they were; Steven Au, Victor Fabian, and Michael Benavides. They would each get \$1116 for that score. We will estimate the pot at \$3000 at Cal Bowl this week. This week we had five new bowlers join us, and no returning member.

Let's welcome these new bowlers to the club, Samantha James, Timothy Lambeth, Kim Luu, Michael Curl, and Victoria Toro. We're glad to see 1 of the new bowlers make the semi-finals in their first time bowling.

This would bring us to our Match Play finals now. In the first round, the seven losers were Kim Luu, Jason Buenviaje, David Quon, Eugene Haynes, Jamescart Alarcio, Leo "Horseman" Tartamella, and Mark Andrews. They would each receive checks of \$107.50 each. In the second round, the losers were Beth Borci, Sonia Coronado, Anthony Martinez, and Ken Morris and each would get checks of \$115. This would get us down to the final four bowlers. At this point, our horses would be paying anywhere from a low of \$45 (Gino Mansilungan) to a high of \$101 (Carlos Castillo) depending on who would win. In the third round we saw Gerald Sanchez (16<sup>th</sup> seed) bowling Carlos Castillo (11<sup>th</sup> seed). In this match, Carlos would get the better of Gerald with a 194 to 185 finish. In the other match we saw Gino Mansilungan (7<sup>th</sup> seed) bowling Adrian Pelayo (2<sup>nd</sup> seed). In this match, Adrian would get the better of Gino in this match with a 234 to 228 final score. Gino and Gerald finished in fourth and fifth places getting checks for \$125 each. Our semi-final match this week was on lanes three and four; we had our 2<sup>nd</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> seeds into the top 16 bowling each other. In our horses this week we would see Adrian paying \$67 and Carlos paying \$101 if they win their match. In this match, we would see both bowlers struggled big time, as the pair they were bowling on was very tough. It seemed neither bowler could find it during the match as they kept close for scratch score through the first 8 frames. Adrian would open in the last 2 frames to give an opening to Carlos as all he would need in the 10<sup>th</sup> frame was a double. Carlos would get the first strike in the 10<sup>th</sup> but leave the 6-10 on the second shot. The final score was 121/176 for Adrian to a 138/167 for Carlos. For those lucky "investors" that had Adrian as a horse, he paid \$67. Carlos finished in third place and received \$215.

The title game is set and was on lanes seven and eight this week. Jason being the top seed elected to start the match first. Jason would start with a double while Adrian open the first two frames giving Jason a 20 pin lead after the second frame. Jason would have only 1 open thru the first six frames while Adrian struggled to find the shot on this pair until the 6<sup>th</sup> frame. After 6 frames Jason was in the lead by 28 pins. Jason would not look back from that point as Adrian could not find the line to get strikes and he would finish with a 142/187 but Jason would finish with a 168/216 for his first ABTA win. This would be Jason's first win in the ABTA; he would take home \$1000 for first place and another \$425 in cash and carry giving him a total of \$1,425. Adrian would finish in second place for \$500.

Champion Jason Jones is from Covina and used a Vibe drilled by Mike Wahl. He is engaged to Megan Kavanaugh. He would like to thank all of the ABTA organizers for hosting the event every week and all the time and effort put in. A big SHOUT OUT to Faye and Rey for getting Meg and I involved. Thanks to Megan for her support and for putting up with his love of the game. Thank you, Virginia Norton at Westminster Lanes for the lessons that has been making him a better bowler, and to everyone at Kings and Queens for their tips during the league.

Adrian Pelayo (2<sup>nd</sup> Place) is from Long Beach and used a Storm. He is single and would like to say thank you to his parents, Alejandro and Evelyn, James and Caroline Borillo for their encouragements and cheers.

Carlos Castillo (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) is from Downey and used a 900 Global Link drilled by Ben Mach. He is married to Tracy and they have 2 children Karen and Steven plus their 3 family dogs. He would like to say thank you to his family for their support, Bob, and a special thank you to Ben Mach for drilling his equipment, and of course the ABTA staff.

The winner of our weekly ball sponsor drawing of a 900 Global Ball was Steve Brode and he won a Profit. 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 Dana LeCount, Thanksgiving entry was Tim Lambeth and Bryan Caandoy, 900 Global Missing Link was Walter White. Winning 2 nights in Las Vegas for our January 2011 event was John Feitz. You can view the rest of the results in the payoff sheet in this paper.

This Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Cal Bowl is our host for a 3 day Thanksgiving event. For squad times please see the ad in this paper or go online to [www.abta1.com](http://www.abta1.com). 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 Jason Jones enter the archives as our latest champion. Hope to see you at Cal Bowl! If you have a new address please make sure to let us know either at the tournament or via the contact form on our website. 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!