

## **Jimmy Wong wins Big ABTA Thanksgiving Event at Cal Bowl**

### **All Pots carry over**

**Match Game will be \$3,500 this week/ Match Series est \$1,250**

**3-6-9 is \$2,300 at Mission Hills Lanes**

Jimmy Wong, one of the nicest guys you will ever meet, won our Annual Thanksgiving Event at CAL Bowl topping a great turnout of 555 entrants finally downing upstart Sandy Rosenbloom in the title game to take home \$8075. The fun time 3 day 11 squad event which was the biggest Thanksgiving Event in our History. The shot was semi tough and fair every day, presented a challenge for some, but many found it to their liking. On Thursday night, after everyone ate their Thanksgiving dinners they came out for the first night of qualifying. The cut scores for the first night were +71 for the men and +74 for the women. On Friday night they came out again, of course some went shopping first in honor of Black Friday. The cut scores Friday were +57 for the men and +58 for the women. Saturday would see the big day, we had a late start to our first squad and due to the busy squads never caught up, but that did not stop the bowlers. Saturday saw cut scores of +65 for the men and +24 for the women. In our re-entry squad, the cut scores were +53 for the men and +25 for the women. We added 5 super seniors to the board and they were Bobbie McCollum, Susan Ebilane, Rico Cayton, Adam Drodz, and John Greico Sr. We took 115 bowlers to the semi-finals this week, and thanks for all who participated and we wish we could have taken everyone to the Semis.

For all qualifying squads our top qualifier for the men was William Garrett with a +162, and for the women it was Sonia Coronado with a +126. 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 \$906. The top seed drew a 647 this week, and after review, no one bowled that score, so it will carry over to next week at Mission Hills. We will estimate the pot to be \$1200. 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 Jason LaVoie to go for only \$400 of the \$2200; the reason being this was his only his fourth tournament of the calendar year and you need to have 5 in order to go for the full amount. He missed on his second shot and received a \$100 consolation. We will add another \$100 at Mission Hills Lanes for total of \$2300.

In the doubles this week, we had 243 groups get into the doubles, with 28 spots paid out. The top prize this week went to Gil Romero and Minh Dang with a 1435 for \$190. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place, it was Todd Edwards and Rodney Payne with a 1428 for \$170, they tied with Matthew Garcia and Michael Villarreal, they also had a 1428 and would get \$170. The low to cash was 1350; we paid out \$2430, and in doubles.

In the semis this week we saw Jimmy Wong lead the field with a +164 to sit out and bowl for the title. Jerilyn Morales came in second at +127 and she would sit out the first round. It took a +42 for the men and a +39 for the women. We did have a three way tie for the +42 and they would have to bowl 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> frame roll-off to determine which one would make it into match play. Joselito Ramos would advance out of that roll-off, with Leo Silva and Cezar Marcella finishing in 33<sup>rd</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup> place.

This week, our top seed in semi-finals had the honor of drawing the match game worth \$3230 and drew a 109 this week, and no had no bowlers that bowled that score. The pot will max out at \$3500 with a backup amount when we visit Mission Hills this week. This week we had five new bowlers join us, and no returning member.

This would bring us to our top 32 Match Play finals now. In the first round, the fifteen losers were Rogelio Esquivel, Edrich Miller, Carlos Castillo, Sonia Coronado, Minh Dang, David Dittlinger, Pablo Castro, Danny Guevarra, Jhun Tan, Ted Villaroman, George Covarrubias, John Gonzales, Josette Atangan, Joselito Ramos, and Sarah Magno. They would each receive checks of \$200 each. In the second round, the losers were Jerilyn Morales, Faye Josafat, Thomas Chavez, Salvatore Galluzzo, Miriam Galluzzo, Adam Ferry, Louis D. Evans, and Joshua Navarro. They would get checks of \$225 each. In the third round, the losers were Eldie Abutan, Eugene Haynes, Andrew Lung, Ed Abarca and each would get checks of \$250. This would get us to down to the final four bowlers.

At this point, our horses would be paying anywhere from a low of \$127 (Michael Villarreal) to a high of \$296 (Sandy Rosenblum) depending on who would win. In the fourth round we saw Chris Romero (14<sup>th</sup> seed) bowling Sandy Rosenblum (32<sup>nd</sup> seed). In this match, Sandy would get the better of Chris with a 223 to 209 finish. In the other match we saw Michael Villarreal (24<sup>th</sup> seed) bowling Bart Sanchez (17<sup>th</sup> seed). In this match, Bart would get the better of Michael in this match with a 234 to 231 final score. Chris and Michael finished in fourth and fifth places getting checks for \$465 each. Our semi-final match this week was on lanes thirty-one and thirty-three; we had our 32<sup>nd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> seeds into the top 32 bowling each other. In our horses this week we would see Bart paying \$197 and Sandy paying \$296 if they win their match. The match was close as both bowlers would be getting their marks. Sandy was nervous through out the match, but she calmed them down in the 7<sup>th</sup> frame by getting the first double of the match to put her in front but only by a slim margin. Bart would match her strike in the 7<sup>th</sup> frame but would leave the 1-3-9 in the 8<sup>th</sup> and only pick up two of the pins, giving him 144 through the 8<sup>th</sup>. Sandy would not look back, as she would finish with a 201/243 to Bart's 178/210. For those lucky "investors" that had Sandy as a horse, she paid \$296. Bart finished in third place and received \$925. Nice going Bart!!

The title game is set and was on lanes 7-8 and. Jimmy being the top seed elected to have Sandy start the match and spared in the first frame. Jimmy also spared in the first frame and got a seven count on his next ball but picked it up. Sandy would come up in the second and leave the 7-9 split picking up only the 1 of them. In the third frame she would leave the 4-10 split missing both this time, she had 35 after 3 frames. Jimmy came up in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> frames getting strikes both times, so he had a 37 with 2 strikes. Sandy would get a spare in the 4<sup>th</sup> but leave the 10 pin in the 5<sup>th</sup> and missed it, giving her a 63 after 5 frames. Jimmy came up in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> getting 2 more strikes. This would prove to be big enough lead for Jimmy as Sandy could not recover from her open frames. Jimmy finished with a 233/261 to Sandy's 139/181. This would be Jimmy's first win in the ABTA; he would take home \$3700 for first place and another \$3850 in cash and carry, \$350 for bowling more than 29 squads in the calendar year, \$175 for pre-pay, giving him a total of \$8075. Sandy would finish in second place for \$1850. These bowlers really did well and due to the large turnout and late start they performed so well We are proud of Jimmy winning second title and of Sandy who won 5 straight matches which is so hard to eo.

Champion Jimmy Wong is from San Gabriel and used a Lane 1 H2O drilled by himself. He is married to Ada and they have 3 boys Alex, Anson, and Alden. He would like to thank his wife, the Lungs, all the Mao-Liu group, ABTA and Staff.

Sandy Rosenblum (2<sup>nd</sup> Place) is from Irvine and used a Wild Thing drilled by Jeff Carr. She is single and would like to say thank you to Jeff Carr for the fine drilling and lessons, Cruz Baez, and all her Lake Forest Lanes friends.

Bart Sanchez (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) is from Cerritos and used a 900 Global Bank drilled by Mike Wahl. He is married to Grace and they have one son Gerald who is also an ABTA bowler, he finished in 76<sup>th</sup> place this weekend. He would like to thank his whole family, "Barkada". He would also like to thank his brother Resty, Minh, Ted, Julian, Teddy and Ronnie.

Chris Romero (4<sup>th</sup> Place) is from Carson and used a Storm Energy drilled by Tony Figuera. He is married to Delia and they have 5 children. He would like to thank God for all his blessings, his wife for her support and his kids for not pursuing bowling so he can enjoy his time bowling. A special thank you to his brothers and family.

Michael Villarreal (5<sup>th</sup> Place) is from Long Beach and he is single. He used a Storm Furious drilled by himself. He would like to thank Emerson Wafer for all his time and energy to help him improve his game. A special thank you to his number 1 fans, Matt and Bobbie.

This week, the weekly ball sponsor winner of a 900 Global Ball was Angela Lung and she won a Shredder. 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 regular entry was Andy Yu and David Emrich, winning a Las Vegas January entry was Andrew Toro. Winning a 900 Global Missing Link was William Garrett. Winning 2 nights in Las Vegas for our January 2011 event was Willie Ocampo, and winning 1 Night was Richard Lim. Winning a Global 900 Break Out was Jimmy Wong, and winning a Global 900 three Ball bag was Steve Brode. You can view the rest of the results in the payoff sheet in this paper.

This Saturday, Mission Hills Lanes is our host, with squad times of 12 pm, 1 pm, 2:30 pm, 4 pm, and final squad at 6 pm. Remember to check in early. For directions and 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 Jimmy Wong enter the archives as our latest champion. Hope to see you at Mission Hills Lanes! 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! Dec 11 Bowling Square, then Dec 18 is the Big Xmas Event at West Covina Lanes. Get the VEGAS ROMMS IN SOONNNNN See Ya